

The Hilton Baptist Church Record

Lynwood Wells, Pastor
April 21, 2020

4/16/2020	4/20/2020
Budget \$1175.00	Budget \$2500.00
Annie Armstrong \$100.00	Cashin Cash out \$100.00
Food Pantry \$20.00	Total Deposit \$2600.00
In honor of Pat Painters Birthday	
Total Deposit 1295.00	

Helping the Homeless

We at Hilton Baptist Church have the opportunity to help the homeless. Can you imagine having a “Stay at Home” order in place and you do not have a home to stay in. The homeless of our community are in that situation right now. Different churches on the Peninsula are helping by donating bag lunches and the Four Oaks Center comes by and delivers them to three locations in the city where the homeless people can come and get them.

HBC has taken a couple of dates to be able to help. We need people to help make sandwiches on May 9th. If you would like to be a part, contact Pam Cooke and she will give you all the details.

Thanks again for being the hands and feet of Jesus!



Please join Pastor Lynwood Monday through Friday at 9am for a morning devotion on Facebook Live. If you are not his friend, just send him a friend request him and he will accept. These devotions have been a blessing to so many.

During this crisis, if you need anything, please contact the church office 595-3300 and we will be able to help you. The church phone will be answered 24 hours a day.

Pray for our Missionaries:

James Wells (American People) LG, LV (Central Asian People) Wendy Hoshizaki (East Asian People) Emily Buttes, Hannah Conner (European People) SH (Northern African and Middle Eastern People) KT (Southeast Asian People) SS (Sub-Saharan African People) Evan Warzybok (CA) Pam Whitehead (GA) Kenneth Maddoz (KS) Charlie Dunn (MA) Timothy Kirkpatrick, Donald McDonald (NC), Luis Rodreiguez (RI) Patrick McCosh, Jess Rainer (TN)

Happy Birthday

4/20 Reagan Fries
4/20 Nicholas Gibson
4/22 Dot Cook
4/26 Lillian Clopton
4/29 Wayne Tawney



Just a reminder:

There will be no WMU meeting or Happy Heart meeting in May.

All Activities at HBC have been suspended until further notice. If you need anything during this time, please feel free to contact the church office and we will be happy to help you in any way that we can.

**Two are better than one,
Because they have a good reward for their labor**

Ecclesiastes 4:9



Tuesday, April 21st

1:00– 3:00pm Food Distribution

Thursday, April 22nd

1:00-3-00pm Food Distribution

Sunday, April 26th

10:00 Worship Live on Facebook

Tuesday, April 28th

1:00– 3:00pm Food Distribution

Thursday, April 30th

1:00-3-00pm Food Distribution

Sunday, May 3rd

10:00 Worship Live on Facebook



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Our church goal \$4500.00
Collected to date \$2938.00

Baby bottles

With all the changes in our services at church, some people may have baby bottles that they would like to return. If you do, call the church office and we will arrange to pick it up sometime in the near future. Thank you for your giving.



“Serving our community with the love of Jesus”



Suffering That Strengthens Faith!

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. James 1:2-3

So what happens to your faith when you get slammed from the sideline by unforeseen circumstances? What is the response when you cry out to God, “Why me? Why Now?”

How does your faith respond to trials that seem to hit you or loved ones out of nowhere? What about the suffering you are feeling right now? What possible good purpose could it serve?

Strange as it may seem, one of the primary purposes of being shaken by suffering is to make our faith more unshakable.

Faith is like muscle tissue: if you stress it to the limit, it gets stronger, not weaker. That’s what James means here. When your faith is threatened and tested and stretched to the breaking point, the result is greater capacity to endure. He calls it steadfastness.

The revelation of truth is this: God loves faith so much that he will test it to the breaking point so as to keep it pure and strong. For example, he did this to Paul according to 2 Corinthians 1:8-9,

“We do not want you to be unaware, brothers, of the affliction we experienced in Asia. For we were so utterly burdened beyond our strength that we despaired of life itself. Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death. But that was to make us rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead.”

The words “*but that was to*” show that there was a purpose in this extreme suffering: it was in order that — for the purpose that — Paul would not rely on himself and his resources, but on God — specifically the promised grace of God in raising the dead.

God so values our wholehearted faith that he will, graciously, if necessary, take away everything else in the world that we might be tempted to rely on — even life itself. His aim is that we grow deeper and stronger in our confidence that he himself will be all we need.

He wants us to be able to say with the psalmist...

“Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever” (Psalm 73:25-26).

Oftentimes it is through the lense of pain that we see God most clearly!

On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood

How to Trust God Through the Storm



You lose your job. You’re failing a class. You find yourself without friends. You’re stripped of someone you love. In stormy seasons like these, it can be hard to maintain hope.

We see this in the bible when Jesus and His disciples sail across the Sea of Galilee in Mark 4:35-41. Jesus was resting on the stern of the boat when a sudden storm erupted, pounding the boat with waves and nearly flooding everything inside. Terrified, the disciples ran to Jesus and hastily asked why He wasn’t doing anything to help; He responded by simply getting up, rebuking the winds, and demanding that the waves come to a stop. With the storm at a standstill, He then turned back to His disciples and asked the following:

Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?

Like the disciples, we often become so blinded by the storms in our lives that we forget the power and the love of the God we serve. Our present circumstances take our attention away from His eternal promises – His promises to provide for us, to strengthen us, to sustain us until the end. We wind up running to him in a panic, begging for Him to do something, when in fact He’s been faithfully by our side all along.

So how can we better trust God through the storm? Turn to scripture for His promises. When life seems to be spiraling out of control, let God’s Word be the thing that anchors you in place. Search and discover the bible for His promises to you and let these words become your foundation.

Remember that:

He is in control and is stronger than your problems

“In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” (John 16:33)

He loves you and has plans to prosper you

“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” (Jeremiah 29:11)

He works all things together for good in your life, including what you’re going through now

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.” (Rom 8:28)

He will give you the strength you need to get through the storm

“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.” (Isaiah 41:10)

Bummer Lambs

Of all the lessons I have learned about sheep, most profound is the most painful. Every now and then, a ewe will give birth to a lamb and immediately reject it. Sometimes the lamb is rejected because they are one of twins and the mother doesn't have enough milk or she is old and frankly quite tired of the whole business. They call those lambs, "bummer lambs."



Unless the shepherd intervenes, that lamb will die. So the shepherd will take that little lost one into his home and hand feed it from a bottle and keep it warm by the fire. He will wrap it up warm and hold it close enough to hear a heartbeat. When the lamb is strong the shepherd will place it back in the field with the rest of the flock.

The most beautiful sight to see is when the shepherd approaches his flock in the morning and calls them out, "Sheep, sheep, sheep!" The first to run to him are the bummer lambs because they know his voice. It's not that they are more loved — it's just that they believe it!

I am so grateful that Christ calls himself the Good Shepherd.

"He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and they follow him because they know his voice." (John 10:3-4 NLT)



Church Gossip

Irene, the church gossip, and self appointed monitor of the church's morals, kept sticking her nose into other people's business. Several members did not approve of her extra curricular activities, but feared her enough to maintain their silence.

She made a mistake, however, when she accused George, a new member, of being an alcoholic after she saw his old blue pickup parked in front of the town's only bar one afternoon. She emphatically told George, and several others, that everyone seeing it there would know exactly what he was doing.

George, a man of few words, stared at her for a few moments and just turned and walked away. He didn't explain, defend or deny! He said nothing!

Later that evening, George quietly parked his blue pickup in front of Irene's house walked home and left it there....all night!

You've gotta love George!



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