

# The Hilton Baptist Church Record

Lynwood Wells, Pastor  
May 5, 2020

4/30/2020 Deposit  
Budget \$3508.00  
Associational Missions \$10.00  
Food Closet \$100.00  
Amount of Deposit \$3618.00

April Recap  
Budget Deposits \$23,942.43  
Budget Expenses \$23,646.94  
Designated Deposits \$4196.00  
Designated Expenses \$ 2504.96

Money Market \$91,454.59  
Savings \$80,787.20  
Outreach \$10,667.39

R & R Account \$17,987.02  
PDF \$ 5188.09  
R & R \$12,422.52  
Deacons \$376.41

Designated Account \$56,257.31

We would like to thank you to everyone for their continued giving during this time of Home Shelter. May God bless you so much for your obedience to the Lord.



Thank you to Jeanne and Denise who have made masks for the Healthcare professionals in the Hampton Roads area.

You guys rock!



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:

PR (East Asian People) Hilary Mackey, David McClure (European People) KR, JT (South Asian People) Litza Craig, RJ (Southeast Asian People) Alicia Scofield (MT) Luis Cruz (Ontario) John Ames (RI)



### Tuesday, May 5th

1:00- 3:00pm Food Distribution

### Wednesday, May 6th

7:00pm Facebook Bible Study

### Thursday, May 7th

1:00-3-00pm Food Distribution

### Sunday, May 10th

10:00 Worship Live on Facebook  
Happy Mother's Day!

### Happy Birthday

5/6 Kizzy Moriah



### 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 660-4226 and she will give you all the details.

Thanks again for being the hands and feet of Jesus!

**Stay Home...  
Keep 6' distance ...  
Call and check on a  
friend...**

**Wash your hands ...  
Pray!**

### 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"



## ***You Are His Masterpiece!***

***For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.”  
Ephesians 2:10***

Throughout the world, millions of dollars are spent on priceless works of art. I'm always amazed at how much people will pay for one painting -- some are considered virtually priceless.

But what makes a masterpiece?

It's not a what -- it's a "who" -- **a “Master” makes a masterpiece!**

We are living in these challenging days of a Covid 19 pandemic. It seems like every part of our lives have been turned upside down. Sometimes in all the stress and uncertainty, it would be easy to forget one important truth. There's a Master at work on you. Your life is a priceless work of art in the Lord's hand.

God's masterful artistry, His perfect "touch", is painting, sculpting your life day by day to create the masterpiece He envisions you to be. Every stroke of the brush, every strike of the chisel, places color, renders shape to your individual identity in Him.

Even in the most difficult days we have face as a nation and possibly as a world, there is still one thing you can count on as certain. You can trust in God's craftsmanship, rely on His artistry, because not only is He the consummate Master Artist, but He loves His works.

*"We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works"....*

So it seems the Master Artist has created you to be an artist too; to walk in good works which reflect His work in you. You are a beautiful masterpiece in the making, designed to portray a beautiful Master in all you do.

Does this mean that creating such art will be an easy undertaking? That there will not be long periods during which the paint must dry, the wood must cure and the clay must harden? Certainly not! In fact, you can count on it! Nevertheless, that which is being produced by the Master is always worth the wait.

The Lord's work is beautiful, it's the best, highest quality available, three dimensional, living and breathing...and it's truly "priceless." But wait until you see just how He values you and your good works where it really counts -- in the world yet to come. Realize that you are a work of God -- created for good works to be valued, highly valued, both now and in eternity!

*On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood*



## ***It Takes Just One***

In 1520, one person stepped off a Spanish ship in Mexico and caused the deaths of thousands of people. The man was a soldier under the leadership of Pánfilo de Narváez, and he had smallpox. The soldier didn't know it, but wherever he went he exposed the citizens to a new disease.

As a result of the ensuing smallpox epidemic, many thousands of Mexican citizens died.

One man. That's all it took. His contact with the unsuspecting Mexican people led to a horrible, painful scourge. The devastating effects of that disease traveled from one person to another, infecting a large segment of the population.

The spread of any deadly disease is similar to the spread of a spiritual sickness that sometimes strikes churches—the disease of gossip and unedifying words (Ephesians 4:29, 30, 31, 32).

It's not unusual for a happy and well-adjusted congregation of people to be infected after just one person introduces gossip. Soon dissension is running rampant among people who had been eagerly working together, and the church finds itself spending more time on damage control than on ministry.

Each of us should be careful not to spread the sickness of gossip. Instead, let's use our words to strengthen and encourage one another.

“A careless word may kindle strife,  
A cruel word may wreck a life;  
A timely word may lessen stress,  
A loving word may heal and bless.”—Anonymous

## ***Adam's Suit***

A little boy opened the big and old family Bible with fascination, and looked at the old pages as he turned them. Suddenly, something fell out of the Bible, and he picked it up and looked at it closely. It was an old leaf from a tree that had been pressed between the pages.

'Momma, look what I found,' the boy called out.

'What have you got there, dear?' his mother asked.

With astonishment in the young boy's voice, he answered: 'I think it's Adam's suit!'



## Dealing With Anxiety

*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philip-  
pians 4:6-7*



Whether we are lifelong Christians, or new Christians who have just come to know the love of God, especially during these difficult days, we can all struggle with the same thing: dealing with anxiety and trusting God.

Even beyond the accentuated concerns of the Covid19 virus, we have all had situations in our lives when we have struggled to put our trust in God. Whether it's a situation at work, a prayer that God hasn't seemed to answer, or a big decision we have to make, we have all found ourselves searching for the right answer on our own instead of trusting that God has a plan.

I didn't have the privilege of growing up in what I would consider a Christ-centered home. My dad was a good and honorable man, but he was very quiet about his beliefs and was never a church goer as such. My mother was of a quieter temperament herself by nature, however she did see the need and blessing of church attendance. So, I was enrolled in the nursery and grew up in the church with various role models there to guide me in the development of my faith.

So, I am especially grateful for the local church where I grew up because it was there where I found godly examples of how to put my trust in God and how to put my faith in him. But, like most people, even with that good spiritual foundation, I have found myself in seasons of spiritual dryness and lacking trust in God with situations in my life.

Trusting God's plan often doesn't happen automatically. It's a choice and a commitment I have to make daily to focus on God in my situations and to thank him for what he has done and what he will do.

Proverbs 46 tells us to *“trust in the Lord with all our heart and lean not on our own understanding.”* No matter our circumstances, our gaze should remain the same: focused on the power of the Christ and wanting his will to be done in our lives.

As for the freedom from anxiety and the peace we are seeking, it will never be found in terms of our intellectual pursuits alone. The peace Christ offers is that which “surpasses understanding” according to Philippians 4:7. It by passes our minds and goes deep into our spirits where the core of our emotions may be found. It is here that our bondage to fear and anxiety are broken and we are set free by the power of Christ!



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