

**The HBC Weekly Forecast**  
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*“What we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will give us later.” —Romans 8:18*

As believers, we live in two worlds. There is the world of physical substance. But there is a deeper world of the spirit from which the essence of our lives come. Our entire lives are spent between the two.

And while we can often see the physical results of our talents, our labors, our skills, and quite candidly those events we call good luck, the blessings of living a life according to the spirit are far less easily discerned and determined. Yet make no mistake about it, they are real!

The bible teaches that the Christian in the physical world can face tribulation, crisis, calamity, and personal suffering with a supernatural power that is not available to the person outside Christ. The early Christians were able to experience joy in their hearts in the midst of trials, troubles, and depression. They counted suffering for Christ not as a burden or misfortune, but as a great honor, even to martyrdom.

Christians can rejoice in tribulation because they have eternity's values in view. When the pressures are on, they look beyond their present predicaments to the glories of heaven. The promises of our future far outweigh any present problems we are called to face! This will be our focus of our message this Sunday at HBC –  
You don't want to miss it!

***Join us live at HBC 10:00 am this Sunday for a sanitized and safe worship experience – Or tune into Facebook Live and join in with our virtual worship experience – Invite a friend!***

# The Hilton Baptist Church Record

## Lynwood Wells, Pastor

February 16, 2021

Budget Offering \$2338.00

Budget Designated– Initial Offering \$5.00

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering \$1.00

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering \$50.00 in memory of Kathy Moore

Cash in Cash out \$800.00 COP Rent

Cash in Cash out \$75.00 Youth Challenge

Cash in Cash out– Sonshine Kids \$30.00 In honor of Betty Powell's Birthday

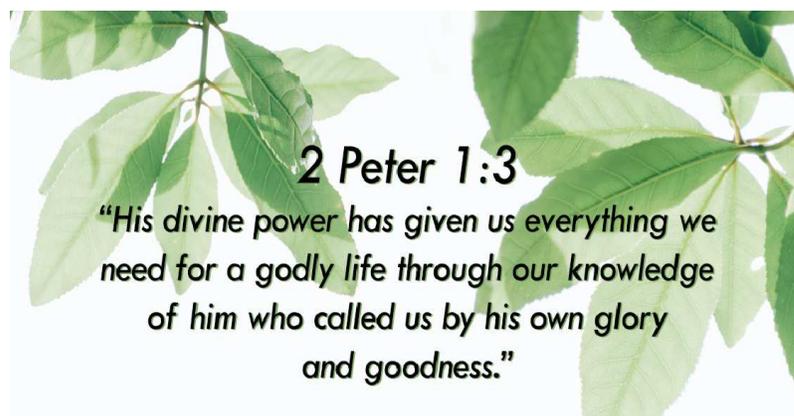
Food Pantry- \$30.00 in Honor of Carolyn Schaubach's Birthday

Pure Water/Pure Love \$50.00 In Memory of Carl Parker

Total Deposit \$3379.00

VERY IMPORTANT- Next Wednesday, February 24th, we are scheduled to change the internet provider at the church. This will affect the phones and internet. Please call Dreama on her cellphone if you are unable to reach the church that day.

757-532-1896. This interruption should only be for the morning. We should be back on line in the afternoon.



*With deepest  
Sympathy*

*We would like to express our Deepest Sympathy to  
Stanley Zelinsky in the passing of his sister  
Please remember this family in your prayers*

## **Missions Outreach**

Serve the City is offering opportunities for those on the Peninsula to serve (Focus is Newport News and Hampton) Visit [STC peninsula. Com](http://STCpeninsula.com) to signup

Food Pantry Collection- Sunday, February 28th(at church) and Wednesday, March 3rd (Drive in by gym door and we will do the rest) Please bring your non-perishable items. To help restock our pantry.

WMU Missions Focus for February- Money for Youth Challenge

If you have any additional questions, contact Pam Cooke 757-660-4226

***Serving our Community with the Love of Jesus!***

**Happy Birthday for the next two weeks**

2/26 Betty Young



### **Easter Egg Hunt/Party**

**Saturday. March 27th**

12:00—2:00pm (Notice time change)



With COVID, only a certain number of kids can come at a time. We will be having the function at the Church. This is open to church kids and the grandkids of our church family. Call now to register.



Lots of fun, crafts, prizes , food, egg hunt and the Easter Bunny.

Please let Dreama know if you can help!

## Calendar

### Tuesday, February 16th

1:00pm—2:00pm Food Distribution

6:00pm Vision Team Meeting

### Wednesday, February 17th

7:00pm Facebook Bible Study

### Thursday, February 18th

1:00pm—2:00pm Food Distribution

### Sunday, February 21st

10am Live Worship at HBC

Virtual Worship Online

Sonshine Kids

### Tuesday, February 23rd

1:00pm– 2:00pm Food Distribution

### Wednesday– February 24th

7:00pm Facebook Live Bible Study

### Thursday, February 25th

1:00pm-2:00pm Food Distribution

### Sunday, February 28th

10am Live Worship at HBC

Virtual Worship Online



### Pray for our Missionaries

Joni McCann (American People)  
ZD, JN (Central Asian People)  
Sherry Wright (East Asian People)  
FC, NS (European People)

HG, ET (Northern African and  
Middle Eastern People) SK, MM  
(South Asian People) AG (Sub-  
Saharan African People)

Phillip Brown, Samuel Guevara  
Ezequiel Hernandez (CA) David  
Colon (Puerto Rico)

Michael Cooper (UT)

And now these three remain:  
faith, hope and love.  
But the greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13:13





## ***10 Things Christ Promises to Reward!***

Our lives are filled with many choices of how to spend our time, energy, and resources. [Some love for money](#) and possessions, amassing as much as they can, while some invest their time in education or entertainment, hoping to find long-lasting value and enjoyment.

How do we make the best use of the choices we have in life? Truth is, if you are a Christian, God has already given you the incredible opportunity of knowing the future so that you may be able to invest your life wisely in the light of it. The Scriptures tell us specifically about the things that Christ will reward.

Imagine that you are a stock trader at your office, researching the best stocks to invest. You feel a nudge on your shoulder and look up to see Jesus Christ himself standing beside your desk! He smiles, reaches into his pocket and gives you a sheet with the 10 best companies to invest your money in for the next 50 years. You can't believe what just happened! God has given you the winners you were trying to predict. You are astonished at the grace of God and are excited to go "all in" with your money into those companies. Anything less than going "all in" would be the waste of a lifetime.

A parallel experience is available to every believer on the spiritual basis of investing in the Kingdom of God. As you read the following, make it your prayer and ambition to go "all in" for these investment opportunities. Here are 10 things Christ promises to reward:

1. Prayer and Fasting - Matthew 6:6, 17-18
2. Compassion for the vulnerable –Matthew 25:37-40
3. Bearing insults and being excluded for the name of Christ - Lk 6:22-23
4. Love for your enemies - Luke 6:35
5. Generous giving - Luke 6:38
6. Hospitality that cannot be repaid - Luke 14:12-14
7. Endurance through pressures in ministry - 2 Corinthians 4:17-18
8. Quality work for your employer - Colossians 3:23-24
9. Faithfulness through trials - 1 Peter 1:6-7
10. Faithfulness to the truth - 2 John 1:7-8

These 10 actions are all great investment opportunities. God tells you what will be rewarded, so go "all out" in living your life! The greatest loss that any person could experience would be to stand in the presence of God without Jesus Christ and his righteousness, and therefore be unable to participate in the resurrection to everlasting life.

Knowing Jesus Christ as your Savior and serving him as your Lord is worth investment at any cost, because nothing is of greater value!

*On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood*

## ***You Can Be Sure That God Will Reward You for Your Faith!***

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The phrase "recompense of reward" is from the Greek compound word "*misthapodoia*," the first part of this word- "mistha" which is the word for money, a person's salary, or a payment due. However, when it becomes the word "*misthodosia*," it doesn't just refer to a payment, but to a recompense, reimbursement, settlement, or reparation".

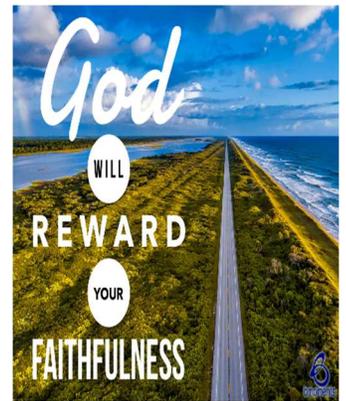
At this point, I have found that most Christians say something like, "I don't serve God for what I can get from Him", well yes, of course, our motive is not to get something from God, but we need to realize that God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. (Heb.11:6) What this means is that God is a rewarder, you can't serve Him and not be blessed by Him, so you need to be aware that He will reward you, not because you manipulated Him to do so, but because He is a rewarder.

God will always make a settlement with you for your past expenses (your investment for Him no matter what it was) be assured that you will rejoice at His reward to you, just when you need it!

God's reward for your doing His will may come in different forms that you may not expect but they will come!! Consider- *Heb.6:10 "For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints."*

Please realize that God has no shortage of riches in Heaven or on earth, and those riches are purposed to reward you, to recompense you, there is no need to be beggarly, please do not think and say,

"Oh, I don't need any reward from God". To think that way is to deny God's method and plan for you, He knows what reward He wants to supply to you, to deny His reward or refute it is to deny Him personally, not a good idea! Hello?



## *A Sympathetic Jewel*

A young couple was visiting a jewelry store. They browsed through cases of magnificent diamonds with their gleaming yellow light along with many other splendid precious stones.

Among those beautiful stones, one in particular caught his wife's eye. It was completely lusterless and didn't seem to be in the right place. "That is one terrible looking stone, do you see that?" she said. The curious husband asked a clerk if they could see the stone.



The clerk opened the case, took out the stone and held it in his hand for a few minutes. When he opened it, there was a perfectly flawless stone. There was not a place on it that didn't gleam with the splendor of the rainbow. "How did you do that?" they asked in surprise.

"This is an opal", he replied. "It is what we call the sympathetic jewel. It only needs contact with the human hand to bring out its wonderful beauty." Merely a touch brings out this stone's beauty.

We live in a world where beauty is hidden under sorrow, sin and suffering. How many lives only need the warm touch of human sympathy, love and compassion to make them gleam with a radiant splendor?

Reach out and touch someone this week for His glory! Share with them the love of God. Not only will they receive a glimmer of joy, but you will gleam with His radiance too!

In Isaiah 6:8, the Lord asks, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Isaiah replies, "Here am I; send me." Be a sympathetic jewel in someone's life today!



### *Jesus...*

He had no servants, yet they called Him Master.  
He had no degree, yet they called Him Teacher.  
He had no medicines,  
yet they called Him Healer.  
He had no army,  
yet kings feared Him.  
He won no military battles,  
yet He conquered the world.  
He committed no crime, yet they crucified Him.  
He was buried in a tomb, yet He lives today.

## *Our Longing To Be Loved*

Let's face the fact. Everyone longs to be loved.

Most people will do anything to find love. And as we study the Scripture, we recognize that God goes to great extremes to demonstrate His love for us. He longs to love us, even at our worst. He offers His forgiveness to all, even the most unlovable people.



This gets to the heart of the questions that haunts our hearts and minds. We can accept that God loves us because that is His nature. But we want to ask on a deeper lever. Can God forgive me? That's a good question.

You see, we all suffer from human brokenness and imperfection. Maybe our sin is not doing drugs, illicit sex, smoking, or alcoholism. Maybe our sin is a temper we can't seem to control; or a fear that overwhelms us; or an inability to trust. Maybe our sin is our inability to control our tongue, gossiping and telling lies about others, slicing people up with our words. Maybe it is our impure thoughts.

Regardless, if our sins are big or if they are small, the bottom line is that we are all in need of forgiveness. Forgiveness of sins is nothing less than the embrace of a loving God around sinful man. How do we experience that embrace? Found in the words, ". . . *just as in Christ God forgave you*" (Ephesians 4:32 NIV), is the secret to understanding how we can experience the forgiveness of sin and how we can experience the embrace of our Heavenly Father.

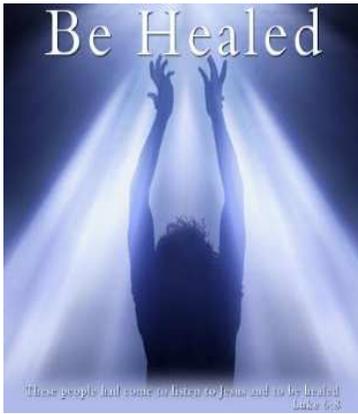
According to Ephesians 5:2 Christ "loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God". Christ died for us. Jesus paid the highest price possible—His sacrifice on the cross, to give us the greatest gift possible—the forgiveness of sin.

When we are confronted by the cross, we recognize that our forgiveness did not come cheap. Jesus deserved commendation and compassion, but he got a cross. The cross is the heart of Christianity because of man's sin.

Jesus' death saves us from sin, death, and hell. The cross shows us how difficult and painful it was for God to forgive our sins, how far Jesus was willing to go to forgive our sins, and how costly it is to forgive our sins.

The cross is the heart of Christianity. It reveals the heart of Jesus. It shows the price that Jesus was willing to pay for the forgiveness of our sins so that we could feel the loving embrace of our Heavenly Father – and you can feel His loving embrace today.

Simply reach out today and receive it in faith!



## ***A Pattern for Healing***

I believe that God heals today. We know He has miraculously built into the human body a natural process in which it heals over time. But I believe God can quicken the healing process. I also believe that He can do a miracle when we have been told there is no hope. I have seen so many of these miracles myself. God promises His healing touch and tells us that by His stripes we are healed. So we should ask God to heal us when we are facing sickness.

In James 5, we are given the scriptural pattern for healing: *“Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.”*

The early church didn't follow signs and wonders; signs and wonders followed them. This is an important distinction. We can go to God and ask Him to heal. I thank God that healing is available to us today. But we make a mistake when we focus on phenomena. Instead, we should focus on the proclamation of God's Word and leave the miracles, healings, and the rest up to God to do as He sovereignly chooses.

## ***A Faith Self-Exam***

*“Dear woman,’ Jesus said to her, ‘your faith is great. Your request is granted.’ And her daughter was instantly healed.”- Matt 15:28*

Great faith. Instant healing. A Gentile woman humbly and persistently pleading with Jesus to heal her child.

Do I have such faith? Am I willing to fall to my knees, putting all thoughts of myself and what people think of me aside, begging God to hear my prayers? I think the bigger question is, “Do I really believe that God will answer my prayers?”



Perhaps you are going through a time where you can't even see two steps in front of you--you can't even begin to see the future God has in store for you.

Will you start putting faith in yourself and start working harder, or will you run to God, fall into his arms, rest in his presence, and allow him to guide your life? Will you be as shamelessly persistent as that woman on the dusty road? Have faith--God has a purpose for your life.

He will answer your prayers!



### ***Faithful In Giving.***

Miss Oseola McCarty was born March 7, 1908, and she died September 26, 1999. (91 years old)

Miss McCarty dropped out of school at 12 to take care of her sick aunt. She never went back to school but began a lifelong career of washing and ironing clothes — preferring a washboard to modern washing machines.

She retired at age 86. Through all her adult life she worked, paid her bills, made monthly payments on her insurance and burial plot and she faithfully tithed to her church in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Everything left over went into the bank.

"The Lord portioned out the good things in life to me just fine," she said. "Who needs any more?"

Miss McCarty proved Soren Kierkegaard correct: "It is more blessed to give than to receive, but then it is also more blessed to be able to do without than to have to have."

About five years before her death, Oseola McCarty became a national celebrity by giving \$150,000 — sixth-tenths of her life savings — to found a scholarship for poor children wanting to attend the University of Southern Mississippi.

### ***Right & Wrong Ways To Give***

There's a story told about a couple of guys who were discussing their approaches to giving.

One man said, "Here's how I decide how much to give. I cash my paycheck in small bills, then I go home and draw a circle on the floor. I throw the money into the air and whatever falls into the circle is God's."



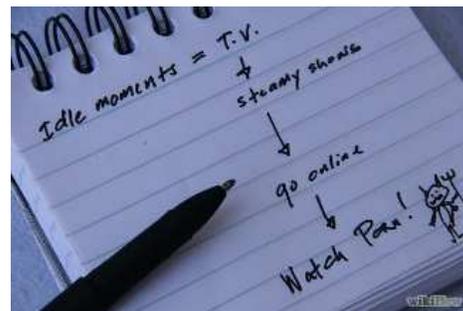
The other guy said, "I think my way is even better. On payday, I cash my check in small bills. When I get home, I toss the money in the air, and whatever God catches he can keep."

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*Stewardship is not leaving a tip on Gods tablecloth; it is the confession of an unpayable debt at Gods Calvary.*

## Examine Your Habits

God said, "...they continue practicing the former [habits]; they do not fear the Lord, nor do they follow... the law... which the Lord...commanded..." 2 Kings 17:34



Understand this – any habit you feed will strengthen its grip on your life. Ask anyone recovering from addiction; we only become willing to change when we hit the bottom. Prodigals don't come home until they've lost everything! But that doesn't have to be your story. Your heavenly Father is waiting to welcome you back. You are a child of the Most High; captivity is unnatural for you. You'll never be free until you despise your chains. Whether you're bound by a substance, a relationship or a life that's out of order, your circumstances won't change until your mind is released from the grip of old thought patterns and renewed by God's Word (Rom. 12:2).

So, start putting in place new habits, for what you do consistently, you become permanently. Begin the Bible-reading habit. Put it first on your "to do" list or you won't do it faithfully. *Proverbs 4:22* says, "...for [these words] bring life and radiant health to anyone who discovers their meaning..."

Set a specific time for prayer, otherwise everything else will crowd it out. In prayer God will tell you how He feels about things. Can you afford to live without His input?

Attend church regularly, support it with your finances, exercise your spiritual gifts and begin to invest time and energy into relationships that sharpen and strengthen you spiritually. God will say things to you in His house that He won't say anywhere else.

Your daily habits are carving out an irreversible future. If you want to know where you're headed – examine them!



### ***The Last Impression***

The phone rang. It was a salesman from a mortgage refinance company. He asked, "Do you have a second mortgage on your home?" "No," she replied.

Continuing his pitch, he asked, "Would you like to consolidate all your debts?" "I really don't have any," she said. Undaunted, he asked once more, "How about freeing up cash for home improvements?"

She quickly said, "I don't need any. I just recently had some done and paid cash."

There was a brief silence, and then he asked, "Are you looking for a husband?"



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