

The HBC Weekly Forecast
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Do you ever struggle with how to live out your faith in an increasingly hostile culture? So did Daniel. He was exiled to the most wicked city of his day, where temptation and intimidation ran deep.

How did he stand strong in a culture of compromise?
We explore the answers with a logical mind and the Spirit's revelation!
And we must never mistake a Godly meekness for a human weakness.

Bring a friend and come find out in our new series, Tough As Nails!

This exciting new five week series will explore topics such as:

What's in a Name?
Whom will I Worship?
Confrontation Done Right
The Writing's on the Wall
Truth and Grace

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

The Hilton Baptist Church Record

Lynwood Wells, Pastor

April 20, 2021

Budget \$1785.00
PBA Offering \$10.00
Cash in Cash out- COP Rent \$800.00
Food Closet \$200.00
Total Deposit \$2795.00



Total Amount Collected for Annie Armstrong to date- \$2695.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday April 21st The Newport News Swat team will be using HBC for training purposes. There will be many people cars and SWAT vehicles at the church during this time. Please do not be alarmed. (12:00pm- 8:00pm)

Saturday, April 24th- Memorial Service for Jamie Bays at 11am here at HBC.

Sunday, April 25th- PBA Vision Night 6:30pm

This will be Live stream ONLY and will be on the PBA Website (www.peninsulabaptist.org) you will click on the "Vision Night" box.

There will be a brief time of musical worship followed by a message from Chuck Harrison.

Wednesday, May 5th- Drive up Food Drive. Just bring your food pantry donations and drive up to the back door of the church and we will take them out of your car for you.

Sunday, May 9th- Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 11th- Vision Team Meeting 6:30pm

Sunday, May 23rd- We will be honoring Pastor Lynwood in the morning worship service for 20 years of service at HBC.



What's In A Name?

Names have always fascinated me, maybe because my first name, “Lynwood” is a little unusual. It was given to me by my dad whose best friend was Lynwood Dawson.

Names have meaning. Parents often choose a name for their children based on what they mean. Many years ago in Allentown, PA, that's what my friend Sue and her husband did. They waited over three weeks to name their oldest son because they wanted his name to fit his personality. Sue & Pat chose Isaac, which means “laughter” and it fit baby Isaac perfectly.

When we think of the story of Daniel and his friends' captivity in Babylon – the fiery furnace or the lion's den tend to be what we think of. But in reading the first chapter of Daniel, something interesting about the power of a name emerges.

“The king ordered Ashpenaz, the chief of his court officials, to bring some of the Israelites from the royal family and from the nobility - young men without any physical defect, good-looking, suitable for instruction in all wisdom... Among them, from the descendants of Judah, were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. The chief official gave them other names: he gave the name Belteshazzar to Daniel, Shadrach to Hananiah, Meshach to Mishael, and Abednego to Azariah.” (Daniel 1:3-7)

Why the name changes? What made the Hebrew names unacceptable to the Babylonians? The meaning of their Hebrew names centered on the one true God: Daniel – God is my judge; Hananiah – Yah has been gracious; Mishael – who is what God is; Azariah – Yah has helped. Contrast that to their “new” names whose meanings centered on false Babylonian gods: Belshazzar – Bel will protect; Shadrach – inspired of Aku; Meshach – belonging to Aku; Abednego – servant of Nego.

Assigning new names was a common court practice in the ancient world. Its blatant intention was to change the entire identity of the bearer until the life matched the title. Actually, God is the one who originated the concept of a name change back in Genesis. God changed Abram's name to Abraham, meaning Father of many. Jesus followed in His Dad's footsteps and gave the apostle Simon the name Peter which means Rock.

When we became believers – we either were given the name or took on the name “Christian” – one who follows Jesus Christ. The intent of the name changes for the Hebrew captives was to change their identity until their life matched their name. It begs the question then: How intent are we as Christians to change our identities until our life matches the meaning of our name Christ follower? So . . . What's in a name???

On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood

Calendar

Tuesday, April 20th

1:00pm—2:00pm
Food Distribution

Wednesday, April 21st

7:00pm Facebook Bible Study

Thursday, April 22nd

1:00pm—2:00pm
Food Distribution

NN SWAT Team using the church

Saturday, April 24th

11am Jamie Bays Funeral

Sunday, April 25th

10am Live Worship at HBC

Virtual Worship Online

Sonshine Kids

Food Collection Sunday!

Tuesday, April 27th

1:00pm—2:00pm Food Distribution

Wednesday, April 28th

7:00pm Facebook Bible Study

Thursday, April 29th

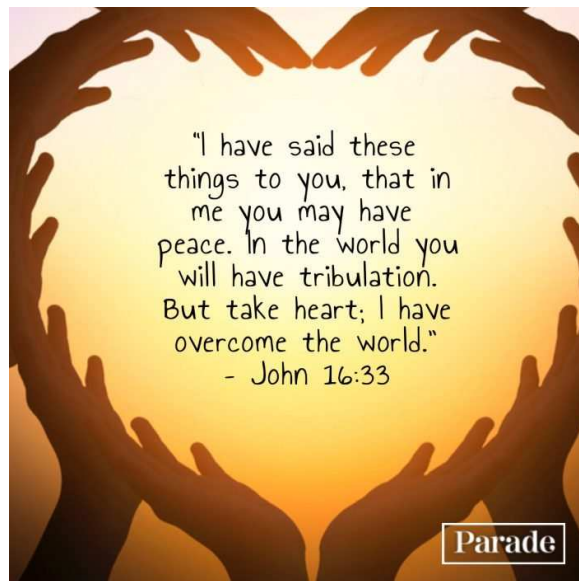
1:00pm—2:00pm Food Distribution

Sunday, May 2nd

10am Live Worship at HBC

Virtual Worship Online

Sonshine Kids



Happy Birthday for the next two weeks

4/20 Reagan Fries

4/20 Nicholas Gibson

4/22 Dorothy Cook

4/25 Betty Kramer

4/26 Lillian Clopton

4/29 Wayne Tawney

4/29 Randall Stevens



Don't forget Pastor Lynwood's "Morning Devotions from Millpoint" at 9am daily and Wednesday Night Bible Study at 7pm. All on Facebook Live on Hilton Baptist Church Page and also on Pastor Lynwood's personal page.

You can also go to the church website, choose the Social Media tab and view them there. Hope you will be able to join us.

Missions Outreach

Serve The City

Visit [STC peninsula.com](http://STC.peninsula.com) to sign up for opportunities to serve.

WMU Focus

WMU Missions Focus for April—Money for Peninsula Rescue Mission

You can also donate the following items: Bath and Kitchen cleaner (soaps, rags, paper towels), Laundry detergent, hygiene items or toiletries.

Food Pantry at HBC

HBC gives food away on Tuesdays and Thursday. See Sue Monfalcone to volunteer and for more information on how you can help.

This Sunday is our Food Drive Sunday, bring your non-perishable items and place them in the basket in the sanctuary. You can also bring them by the church on Wednesday, May 5th between 4pm-6pm and drive around to the back of the church and Pam will unload the donations for you. No need to get out of your car!

Pray for Our Missionaries

Beth Burkhalter, Johnny Maust (American People) Jamie Cho, ML, JY (East Asian People) CD, Rachel Lovell, HM (European People) RH, JL (Northern African and Middle Eastern People) April Langley (South Asian People) RM, SS (Southeast Asian People) JH (Sub-Saharan African People) Louis DiBona (AZ)
Sanghee Ahn, Thien Doan, Mitchell Perez (CA) Gerson Morey (FL) Rechab Gray (IA)
Brian Timney (SC)

A Note from Sedgfield Elementary

Hilton_Baptist Church,

Thank you for the treats for the staff! Your timing was perfect, right before spring break! The handwritten notes were beyond thoughtful and so personalized!! There's nothing like a hand written note!!

We appreciate you! Jacky Barber

Serving our Community with the Love of Jesus!



Fooled By Illusions

Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely. 1 Corinthians 13:12

In 1846, when he was 52 years old, Stephen Kearny was given command of the U.S. Army of the West. His assignment: To explore and secure control of the Western U.S. This frequently arduous assignment brought his army through many dangers. They encountered deserts, rivers, and seemingly endless prairies.

Critical to their success was seeing clearly, knowing what was ahead, being prepared, and making the best decisions about the path to take.

In his book about the American West, Hampton Sides describes how Kearny's army faced particular challenges in mountain regions. "Climbing imperceptibly into a thinner, drier atmosphere, the men found it harder to judge distances." They found themselves "tricked by optical illusions" and mirages.

One soldier provided this description: "Nothing appears as it is. About a mile distant from us appeared a crystal lake, studded with numerous islands, so perfectly defined that no one could imagine it to be anything else than a real lake. Though prepared for the illusion, many of the men believed it real."

Many people go through life fooled by illusions, even depending on the way things just appear.

The Bible encourages us to realize that there are many ways we can be deceived by illusions. That things can appear different than they really are. Jesus warned how easy it can be to make distorted evaluations of others. He warned us why we need to ask God for discernment, about others, about ourselves, about the circumstances we face, and about the world.

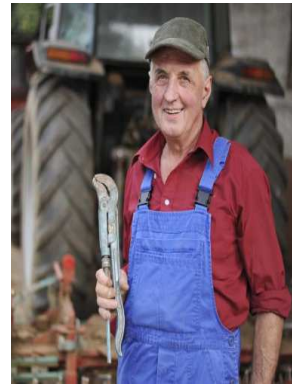
In your life, ask God for clarity and wisdom. Ask that you might not be fooled by illusions and the way things appear but might see the world through His eyes.

Consider the following prayer...

"Father, I seek Your wisdom and discernment. Help me to see things in the world the way You see them. In Jesus' name. Amen. Pray for discernment for Pastor Lynwood and entire HBC Vision Team as they lead us to the next level of where God would have us be!"

An Old Farmer's Advice

- Your fences need to be horse-high, pig-tight and bull-strong.
- Life is simpler when you plow around the stump.
- Words that soak into your ears are whispered... not yelled.
- Meanness don't jes' happen overnight.
- Forgive your enemies. It messes up their heads.
- Do not corner something that you know is meaner than you.
- It don't take a very big person to carry a grudge.
- You cannot unsay a cruel word. Every path has a few puddles.
- When you wallow with pigs, expect to get dirty.
- The best sermons are lived, not preached.
- Most of the stuff people worry about ain't never gonna happen anyway.
- Don't judge folks by their relatives.
- Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
- Live a good, honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time.
- Don't interfere with somethin' that ain't botherin' you none.
- If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop diggin'.
- Sometimes you get, and sometimes you get got.
- The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with watches you from the mirror every mornin'.
- Always drink upstream from the herd.
- Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment.
- Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in.
- If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog around.



Psalm 23 For The Workplace

The Lord is my real boss, and I shall not want.

He gives me peace, when chaos is all around me.

He reminds me to pray before I speak and to do all things without murmuring and complaining.

He reminds me that He is my Source and not my job. He restores my sanity every day and guides my decisions that I might honor Him in all I do.

Even though I face absurd amounts of e-mail, system crashes, unrealistic deadlines, budget cutbacks, gossiping co-workers, discriminating supervisors, and an aging body that doesn't cooperate every morning, I will not stop, for He is with me!

His presence, His peace and His power will see me through. He raises me up, even when they fail to promote me. He claims me as His own, even when the company threatens to let me go. His faithfulness and love are better than a bonus check.

His retirement plan beats every 401K there is! When it's all said and done, I'll be working for Him a whole lot longer; And for that... I will bless His Holy name!



The Last Impression

There were two men shipwrecked on this island. The minute they got on to the island one of them started screaming and yelling, "We're going to die! We're going to die! There's no food! No water! We're going to die!"

The second man was propped up against a palm tree and acting so calmly it drove the first man crazy. "Don't you understand?!? We're going to die!!!"

The second man replied, "You don't understand, I make \$100,000 a week."

The first man looked at him quite dumbfounded and asked, "What difference does that make?!? We're on an island with no food and no water! We're going to DIE!!!"

The second man answered, "You just don't get it. I make \$100,000 a week and I tithe ten percent on that \$100,000 a week. My pastor will find me!"



“It Is Well With My Soul!”

After the great Chicago fire of 1871, Horatio Spafford (1828-1888), a Chicago lawyer, arranged an ocean voyage to Europe for this family, where he would join them later. The ship on which the happy family sailed, the *Ville du Havre*, never got farther than halfway across the Atlantic.

In the dead of the night, it was rammed by a sailing vessel and cut in two. In the confusion and disaster that followed, Mrs. Spafford saw her four daughters swept away to their deaths. A falling mast knocked her unconscious, and a wave freakishly deposited her body on a piece of wreckage where, later, she regained consciousness. When she and a few other survivors reached Wales, she cabled two words to her husband: “Saved Alone.”

Taking the earliest next ship, he hastened to be at his wife’s side, all the ache of his heart going out to her and to his Father God. When his boat reached the approximate spot where the *Ville du Havre* had met with disaster, God gave him the inspiration and courage to write:

*When peace like a river attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll,
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say:
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

*Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed his own blood for my soul.*

*My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought,
My sin, not in part, but the whole.
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, oh my Soul!*

*And Lord haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.*

When the storms of life would overwhelm us, if we look to him, God has a song in the night for each of us; a song of strength, of peace, of hope. Let us listen and catch the strains that come from the Composer of songs for the night season of our soul.

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What Are You Afraid of?

Typically, when people are afraid of something, it breeds inactivity. Not certain what to do, they end up doing nothing at all. The Bible speaks quite a bit about fear – more than 700 times to be exact. 2 Timothy 1:7 says, *“For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.”*



If God has not given us a spirit of fear, then why are so many people who follow him are gripped by fear? I believe fear is one of his enemy's primary tools used against believers to create doubt and faithlessness. Even Jesus said in Matthew 10:28, *“And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.”*

Fear can cause us to miss out on being a part of God's great plans. We see this best in the story of Gideon. Gideon was afraid from the first moment God called him to save the people of Israel by defeating the Midianites. Gideon continually tested God, and in turn, God continually confronted Gideon's fear by showing His power.

In Judges 7, as Gideon is preparing to battle the Midianites, God makes it clear He wants the Israelites to credit Him for the victory. So, God decides to wean Gideon's army. The first cut? Any man who is afraid (Judges 7:3). With that, 22,000 men packed their bags and went home out of fear.

Leaving Gideon 10,000 soldiers, God says it must be smaller. God gave Gideon another criterion that left him with only 300 men. Sometimes God asks you to do things that are not practical or pragmatic.

In Gideon's case, 300 men faithfully followed God's instructions, which included no weapons but rather going into battle with only a trumpet and pitchers. Because of their faithfulness to do as God said, they won and defeated the Midianites. On the other hand, 22,000 men went home and later discovered they missed out on one of the greatest miraculous military battles in history. All because they ran from destiny and ran toward fear.

We all have fear. The enemy wants to paralyze us with it, but God wants us to walk by faith and instill courage in us to follow Him. The Bible says in Hebrews 11:6, *“But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.”*

Today, God calls you to walk by faith, not by fear. Of course, you will face seasons of fear, but in those times you must pray for God to give you the courage to stand strong and stand in what He has told you. Never doubt in the light what God has told you in the dark. The battle is not yours anyway; Always, remember... The battle belongs to the Lord!

What Is Pleasing To Him



I find it interesting that quite often, people attempt to enhance their relationship with God by trying not to do things they believe "break God's rules" for how to live. They see God as a tyrant, pointing His finger at them, and commanding in a deep, stern voice, "Thou Shalt Not!!" They spend their life trying to avoid lightning bolts of judgment from above!

The reality is, that kind of living is completely the opposite of how we should act, and how God desires us to live our lives. Rather than attempting to avoid doing things that displease God, we need to discipline ourselves to instead seek to find the best ways to please God! And, the more we succeed in doing what pleases Him, the less inclined we will be to do what displeases Him.

What a wonderful prayer we find in Hebrews 13:20-21, asking God to "*equip you with everything good for doing his will,*" and to "*work in us what is pleasing to Him!*" I am so glad that the Lord does give us everything we "*need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.*" (Philippians 4:19) With that in mind, it only makes sense that we discover and put into practice the very things that please God!

Tests are Temporary by Max Lucado

All tests are temporary, limited in duration. 1 Peter 1:6 says, "*In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have to suffer grief in all kinds of trials.*" Some tests end on earth, but all tests will end in heaven, right?

In the meantime, let God train you. He watches the way you handle the little jobs. Jesus promised in Matthew 25:21, "*If you are faithful over a few matters, I will set you over many.*"

Do you aspire to great things? Excel in the small things. Don't complain. Let others grumble. Not you. When you're given a task, take it. When you see a hurt, address it. Compassion matters to God.

This is the time for service, not self-centeredness. Cancel the pity party.

Love the people God brings to you. He will work in you what is pleasing to Himself.

And you will get through this testing time!





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Thanks to Peter Clark

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