



Heritage Weekly

“We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ.”

Colossians 1:28

July 23, 2017

Church Wide

HBC Game Night Sunday, July 23, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Children’s Building ~ Tonight!

This is a great opportunity to just get together to laugh and enjoy time together connecting hearts as the Body of Christ! Whether you're a big fan of board games, cards, volleyball, or Ping-Pong, or not, just getting together with friends and family for a low-key evening sounds like something worth putting on the calendar. The gym will be set up for volleyball, and we'll have several rooms open to play games and just hang out together. **Pizza is provided at no cost; families please bring your favorite homemade ice cream to share!**

Sharpening Your Ax, a Workshop for Biblical Teachers Wednesdays, August 2, 9, 16 & 23 at

6:30 p.m., Room 401 ~ Our most effective biblical teachers have taught us that we need to constantly be honing our skills—seeking excellence. **Whether you are an “old-timer” or a “rookie” or a “hope-to-be-one-day,”** take time to “sharpen the ax” at this **Wednesday evening workshop. The prerequisite is to read the book, *Saving Eutychus—copies are available at the Welcome Center for \$7.*** You may sign up at the Welcome Center or contact Pastor Rocky Hails or Mary (rockin@delightinGod.org or mary@delightinGod.org). This class is led by Pastors Jimmy Jackson and Rocky Hails.

Cooperation, Consequences and Keeping Your Sanity, Saturday, August 26 (9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)

Heritage will be hosting a parenting conference with Dr. Jim Dempsey from the National Center for Biblical Parenting. He will present this interactive seminar that can radically change the atmosphere of your home and give you hope. The cost is \$20/adult, \$30/couple; includes lunch and materials. There is more info on our website/children’s ministry tab and there are flyers at the Children’s Desk. To register visit biblicalparenting.org/register or stop by the Children’s Desk.

Serving in our Neighborhood, August 6, 6:30-8 p.m. ~ Mark your calendar for the **Back-to-School Bash for Will Rogers Elementary.** The children of Will Rogers will be invited to a back-to-school party hosted by Heritage on the school’s west playground Sunday evening August 6 from 6:30-8 p.m. Hot dogs, chips, snow cones, inflatables, games, etc. will be provided, and backpacks with school supplies will be given to the students. Join us as we love, serve, get to know, and minister to the people living in our community. Please take advantage of this unique opportunity to get out of the pew and into our neighborhood. We will need help with food prep, monitoring inflatables and games, set-up and clean-up. To donate school supplies, stop by the table in the Commons for more information or email Lauren Naylor, lnaylor10@gmail.com.

Barnabas Mission Trip Report ~ Barnabas is a Christian camp in Purdy, Missouri, for kids and teens, ages 7 to 17, with life-threatening illnesses and disabilities. Last week, we took a group of 36 students and leaders to serve and love on families and children with special needs. Through the heat, challenges, and stretching week we were all blessed beyond measure—the Lord was faithful and showed Himself to be strong in the midst of our weakness. Thankful for the lessons learned and the chance to engage with those that are different than us, but yet uniquely created by our God for a purpose. Our 14 and 15 year olds worked hard in the kitchen and helped clean the cabins, bathrooms and other areas of the camp while the 16 year olds and up were paired one-on-one with a camper all week to care for their needs, build friendships and engage in gospel oriented conversations. The ministry of Camp Barnabas reaches far and wide and we are thankful for the opportunity to partner with them. The theme verse for the week was Colossians 3:17 “Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.”

Opportunities for Ministry

Believing that the Lord’s commission in Acts 1:8 continues through his witnesses today, Heritage Baptist Church is engaged in ministries as close as the room next to you, all the way to continents and people groups spread around the globe. The following represents some of those ministries. There is indeed a place of service and prayer for us all!

H.O.W.D.Y. Ministry ~ The first person anyone coming to visit Heritage encounters will probably be someone from this group. Heritage’s **Opportunity to Welcome and Direct You** is a vital ministry of folks who love to greet with a smile and help get you wherever you want to go at Heritage! Join our ranks—we need you! Each person is on duty once or perhaps twice a month; you will be reminded by email. Contact Harold Stansberry at 354-7695 or stnsbry@cox.net with questions or to sign up.

Come & Pray Sunday Mornings ~ An opportunity open to the entire congregation is to gather together at the front of the auditorium every Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. to pray for our church body, our leadership in ABF, youth and children’s ministries and worship service.

Prison Ministry Need ~ Are you looking for a place to serve? You can share your faith with inmates and their family members every Tuesday morning from 9:00 to 11:00—a group of volunteers meet at Heritage in Room 409 to grade inmates’ Bible lessons. We share God’s Word with them as we teach, correct and encourage with our comments on their papers. You will be BLESSED by their appreciation, their growing faith and the fellowship with this group of God’s servants. At this time we are in need of someone to help with data entry beginning about 8:00 a.m. on Tuesdays. We keep track of the basic infor-

mation on those taking the Bible studies. Please contact Bobbie at 728-1139.

Prayer Room ~ “Satan dreads nothing but prayer. His one concern is to keep the saints from praying. He fears nothing from prayerless studies, prayerless work, prayerless religion. He laughs at our toil, he mocks our wisdom, but he trembles when we pray.” ~Samuel Chadwick. Hebrews 4:16 says, “Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” Our church’s Prayer Room Ministry gives us a special opportunity to draw near to the throne of grace with requests for others. Would you like to commit to coming to our Prayer Room in the House one hour per week to intercede? Contact George Gilbert at 607-0808 with questions.

Groups@HBC Highlight

Adult Bible Fellowship classes at 9:00 a.m. meet every Sunday! Consider today joining your brothers and sisters in Christ connecting with those who are “well-pleased to impart to you not only the Gospel of God, but their very lives also.”

Wednesday Groups and other **Small Groups** for men and women will be starting up again soon at various times. For all group descriptions look for a **Groups Brochure** at the Welcome Center or on our [website](#).

Small Groups

Thursday Men’s Prayer Group in Yukon (Jim Jackson) ~ Every Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. men gather for lunch, fellowship and encouragement at the Interurban in Yukon (11316 W. Reno Avenue). Contact Pastor Jim: jim@delightinGod.org.

The Way of the Master (Jeremy Howell) Heritage House, 6:30 p.m. two Fridays per month ~ This new group is to inspire and equip Christians—to teach them how to share the gospel simply, effectively and biblically—the way Jesus did. This group began Friday, July 14 and will meet every other Friday in the Heritage house at 6:30 p.m. for four months. For more information contact Jeremy Howell at communicateone@icloud.com.

Recommended Resources

The following books are highly recommended by Pastor Jim Jackson who personally refers to them often:

When I Don’t Desire God—How to Fight for Joy by John Piper ~ “God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in Him.” Many people find this truth both liberating and devastating. It’s liberating because it endorses our inborn desire for joy, and it’s devastating because it reveals that we don’t desire God the way we should. What do you do when you discover the good news that God wants you to be content in Him, but then find that you aren’t? Piper argues that joy is so much more than icing on the cake of Christian commitment. Our being satisfied in God is necessary to show God’s worthiness and to sustain sacrifices of love. Jesus endured the cross for the joy that was set before Him. He tasted it. It sustained Him through the deepest suffering. His Father was glorified. His people were saved. That is what joy in God does.

Spiritual Depression by D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones ~ “Christian people,” writes Lloyd-Jones, “too often seem to be perpetually in the doldrums and too often give this appearance of unhappiness and of lack of freedom and absence of joy. There is no question at all but that this is the main reason why large numbers of people have ceased to be interested in Christianity.” Believing that Christian joy was one of the most potent factors in the spread of Christianity in the early centuries, Lloyd-Jones not only lays bare the causes that have robbed many Christians of spiritual vitality but also points the way to the cure that is found through the mind and spirit of Christ.

Lost in the Middle—MidLife and the Grace of God by Paul David Tripp ~ You will face things in midlife that beat at the borders of your faith, but you do not have to be lost in the middle of your story. You do not have to be paralyzed by regret, defeated by aging, and discouraged by the passing of your dreams. This time of life, which can seem like the end of many things, can actually welcome you to a brand new way of living. As is so often the case in your walk with the Lord, this moment of pain is also a moment of grace. Because of this, we all need to occasionally step back, slow down, and consider where we are going.

Trusting God: Even When Life Hurts by Jerry Bridges ~ In an effort to strengthen his own trust in God during a time of adversity, Navigator author Jerry Bridges began a lengthy Bible study on God’s sovereignty. The revelations changed his life. He shares the scope of God’s power to help you come to know Him better, have a relationship with Him, and trust Him more—even when unjust things happen. Tragedy, grief, loss, and death are part of life. Discover how trusting God can reveal biblical truths about God.

Calendar Highlights

Sunday, 7/23

8:30 a.m. Prayer in Auditorium
9:00 a.m. Bible Study for All Ages
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
5:30 p.m. HBC Game Night

Tuesday, 7/25

9:00 a.m. Prison Ministry
11:30 a.m. Quilting Ministry

Wednesday, 7/26

6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. Students Potluck & Talent Show
No other HBC activities

Saturday, 7/29

8:00 p.m. Deacons’ Meeting

Coming Soon!

8/2 Workshop for Biblical Teachers Begins
8/6 Will Rogers Back to School Bash
Journey Class Luncheon

8/13 Children’s Promotion Sunday

8/20 Elders’ Meeting

8/26 Parenting Seminar @ HBC

8/30 AWANA Begins

AWANA Parent Meeting

9/4 Labor Day

9/17 Parenting Class for Baby Dedication

9/24 Baby Dedication

10/20-22 HBC Retreat

10/25 Fall Festival