

# 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

October 22, 2017

## Church Wide

**HBC Retreat Weekend** ~ Many of our HBC folks are at the beautiful New Life Ranch in Concord, Oklahoma, October 20-22. This opportunity is provided annually for HBC to enjoy a beautiful setting with great opportunities for recreation and spending quality time with your family and church family.

## Fall Festival Wednesday, October 25 6:30-8:00 p.m.

While providing a fun and safe environment for children and their families to enjoy free food, games and inflatables, this is an opportunity for HBC to invite neighbors and friends, connect with them on a relational level, and engage them with the good news of Jesus Christ. As the Fall Festival approaches:

- ⇒ **Pray** for a family you will invite and for open hearts and intentional, spiritual seeds to be planted.
- ⇒ **Serve** in one of many capacities such as volunteering at a booth, serving food, cleaning facilities, and greeting guests with a smile and a conversation. **Sign up in ABF or at the Kiosk in the Commons.**
- ⇒ **Community** ~ Help us get the word out and invite the community to the Fall Festival. **Information cards are available at the kiosk in the Commons.**
- ⇒ **Supplies for Fall Festival** ~ **Trinket toys are needed** (drop off at the Children's Desk in the Commons).

## GriefShare ~ Wednesdays November 15, November 29, December 6 and December 13, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**Room 416** ~ This group will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences—the death of a loved one. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. GriefShare is led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. GriefShare sessions have three elements—video seminar, discussion, and workbook personal study. Please know we hurt for you and want to offer you comfort and support. Family and friends are welcome to join you. Please RSVP and to get more information, contact Pastor Jimmy Jackson at 720-1449 or jim@delightinGod.org.

## HBC Holy Land Discovery Tour ~ March 5-14, 2018, Led by Pastor Marty Brown and Bobby Peck

Experience Israel. See your Bible come alive as you walk the well-worn paths where the prophets, Jesus and His first disciples walked. Come join Pastor Marty Brown and Bobby Peck on the trip of a lifetime! Brochures are available at the Welcome Center. Please feel free to contact Marty at the Church 405.720.1449 or Bobby at 405.205.1112.

## Groups@HBC Highlight

**Adult Bible Fellowship classes at 9:00 a.m.** meet every Sunday! **Wednesday Groups at 6:30 p.m.** and other **Small Groups** for men and women meet at various times. 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." For all group descriptions look for a **Groups Brochure** at the Welcome Center or on our [website](#).



### ABF Women—Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**H.I.S. Women (Kim Rothaus) Room 103** ~ So much of our confusion and pain results because we don't truly know God—who He really is and how He works in our lives. But we can know God more fully and gain power to stand strong! We invite you to join us as we gain knowledge of the Lord by studying His names—Creator, Healer, Protector, Provider, and many others—to find strength for times of trial, comfort for pain, and provision for our soul's deepest needs. Our walk with God will be transformed!

### Women of The Word (Rike Carleton, Carol Cutler, Judy Johnson & Peggy Wynn) Room 107

We are women of all ages and from all walks of life, who are wanting to mentor or be mentored as we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Our class is studying "Standing Firm in the Faith." Please join us for biblical instruction, teaching and counsel from God's Word and personal testimonies from our ladies!

**Senior Adult & Next Steps Luncheon! Sunday, November 5** ~ This is an exciting opportunity facilitated through our Next Steps ABF class (40-somethings with pre-teen children) to get to know people outside of their class and age group. The hope is to develop friendships with meaning rather than a smile and a nod on Sunday morning. **This luncheon hosted by the Next Steps class will be after the worship service in the Chapel/Café November 5.**

## Ministry Opportunities

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!

**Kingdom Kids Christmas Backpack Outreach** ~ Each year Harvest Evangelistic Association (HEA) located in Chiapas, Mexico (HEA is a mission organization Heritage supports), reaches out to over 420 remote mountain villages with the Kingdom Kids Christmas parties. Last year they prepared 20,000 backpacks to give away for the purpose of sharing the gospel in these difficult, hard to get to places; 11,271 children, moms, dads and village folks gave their lives to Jesus, and 17 new missions were planted, two in severely persecuted communities. To help with this ministry, pick up an envelope at the Welcome Center; \$10 purchases a backpack. Please make checks out to Harvest Evangelistic Association.

**Heritage Adoption Assistance Ministry** ~ This ministry provides financial grants to Heritage members whom God has led to adopt and to encourage and inform the Body of Christ of the benefits of adoption. Please pick up an information sheet at the Welcome Center. You can participate by making a contribution to HBC and noting that it is for the Adoption Ministry Fund, one of the five designated funds at Heritage.

**Novo** is a Latin word meaning “make new.” Novo Bible Clubs are a great opportunity to invest in boys and girls from the inner-city. This program is a time for building relationships with the children, mentoring them, having fun, and sharing the life-changing message of Jesus Christ with kids who may have never heard it. You can volunteer each week in a variety of different ways--help with snacks, teach a small group, develop relationships with parents, serve on the prayer team, or play games with the children. Our club meets Thursday evenings at Forest Creek Apartments with a commitment of approximately one to four hours per week, depending on the role you fill. Contact Shawn at shawn@heritagefamily.org or 720-1449. Visit the Novo website novoministries.org.

**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.

**Prison Ministry** ~ Are you looking for a place to serve? You can share your faith with inmates and their family members every Tuesday morning from 10:00-11:30—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 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays.** We keep track of the basic information on those taking the Bible studies. Please contact Bobbie at 728-1139.

## Recommended Resources

- **The Valley of Vision: A Collection of Puritan Prayers & Devotions** ~ First published in 1975, this selection of prayers and meditations draws upon the inspiration of such Puritans as John Bunyan, Isaac Watts, David Brainerd, Augustus Toplady, and Charles Spurgeon. You'll relish these writings as they transport you to the heavenly throne of grace. This is a favorite devotional because it “communicates well the frailty of man and the blessed hope of our Savior.”
- **The Satisfied Heart: 31 Days of Experiencing God’s Love** by Ruth Meyers ~ Deep within, many of us sense a longing for fulfillment—a hunger that cries out to be satisfied. Wonderfully, God in His infinite love can satisfy this passionately felt need. Better still, He will—as we let Him. For when we seek to pursue Him first of all, writes author Ruth Myers, our satisfaction with life, ourselves, and our Creator truly is guaranteed.
- **New Morning Mercies: A Daily Gospel Devotional** by Paul David Tripp ~ Paul David Tripp wants to energize readers with the most potent encouragement imaginable: the gospel. Forget "behavior modification" or feel-good aphorisms. The author knows that what we really need is an encounter with the living God. Then, we'll be prepared to trust in God's goodness, rely on his grace, and live for his glory each and every day.
- **Future Grace: The Purifying Power of the Promises of God** by John Piper ~ Piper shows that a true life for the follower of Jesus really is a moment-by-moment trust that God is dependable and fulfills his promises. This is living by faith in future grace, which provides God's mercy, provision, and wisdom—everything we need—to accomplish His good plans for us. In Future Grace, chapter by chapter—one for each day of the month—Piper reveals how cherishing the promises of God helps break the power of persistent sin issues like anxiety, despondency, greed, lust, bitterness, impatience, pride, misplaced shame, and more.
- **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, 10/22

#### Heritage Retreat

8:30 a.m. Prayer in Marty’s office  
9:00 a.m. Bible Study for All Ages  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

### Tuesday, 10/24

9:00 a.m. BSF Meets at Heritage  
10:00 a.m. Prison Ministry  
11:30 a.m. Quilting Ministry

### Wednesday, 10/25

5:00 p.m. Special Choir Practice  
6:30-8:00 p.m. FALL FESTIVAL!  
All Other Wednesday Activities Cancelled

### Thursday, 10/26

9:30 a.m. *Jonah* Women’s Bible Study  
3:00 p.m. Whiz Kids  
6:30 p.m. *Steadfast Love* Women’s Bible Study

### Coming Up!

11/5 Daylight savings ends  
Senior Adult / Next Steps Luncheon

11/15 GriefShare Begins  
11/22 Church Office Closed at Noon  
11/23 Thanksgiving  
12/3 Senior Adult Christmas Luncheon  
12/17 HBC Christmas Branch  
No ABF, Youth or Children’s Classes  
12/24 No ABF, Youth or Children’s Classes  
12/26 Church Office Closed  
12/31 No Youth or Children’s Classes  
1/1/18 Church Office Closed  
1/3/18 AWANA resumes