

# 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."*

November 19, 2017

Colossians 1:28

## Church Wide

**Special Meeting of the Membership** ~ Our elders have called for a brief, special meeting of the Heritage Baptist membership immediately following the worship service **today, Sunday, November 19th**.

**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. 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. Sign-up deadline is today Sunday, November 19th.**

**GriefShare, Nov 29, Dec 6 and Dec 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. 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 Christmas Brunch, December 17, 9:00 a.m. in the Education Building** ~ What a great time we have when we can gather a family in the Body of Christ to celebrate the arrival of our great Hope and Redemption! Enjoy gathering to literally "break bread" together with delicious Christmas goodies and the smiles of those who prepare it! Following this at 10:30 a.m., led by our orchestra and choir, we will sing out to the Lord in songs and hymns and together gather around the Word. (Note: Childcare is provided during the worship service only for birth through 4-years.) We come together to celebrate His birth, His death, His burial and His resurrection, and declare anew our remembrance of Him until He comes again! What a great day! What a great Savior!

**HBC Notes for the Holidays** ~ On **Wednesday, November 22nd** the church office will close at noon and all Wednesday activities are cancelled. Since **Christmas Eve** falls on Sunday, Adult Bible Fellowship, Youth and Children's Sunday School classes will not meet as usual at 9:00 a.m. On **New Year's Eve Sunday**, Children's and Youth Sunday School classes will not meet. Adult Bible Fellowship will be meeting; however, childcare will not be provided—check with your ABF teacher for the impact on your class. On both holidays, for the worship service at 10:30 a.m., childcare will be provided for birth through 4 years.

## Ministry Opportunities

**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.

**Stamp Out Starvation Meal Packaging Event!** Plan on being in the **HBC gym on December 2 at 9:00 a.m.** (bring your ball cap) for Stamp Out Starvation's food packaging event. Stamp Out Starvation is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide nutritious meals to people all around the world, and even right here in Oklahoma. If you have questions, please contact Dennis McGee at [dennislmcgee@yahoo.com](mailto:dennislmcgee@yahoo.com).

**CareShare & Shelter** ~ **CareShare gifts** for Will Rogers' families are **due today, November 19th**. Please place them in the West Education building near the NW doors. If you have questions or problems regarding those you've "adopted," contact Joy Fischer at 405.822.4401 or [JoyFischer@me.com](mailto:JoyFischer@me.com).

We are collecting new gift items for women and children at the **shelter for battered women**. You may pick up a list of suggested items at the Welcome Center; **unwrapped gifts will be collected in the Commons and may be brought any time before Sunday, December 10th**.

## 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—Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**Young Adults College/Career (Pierson Whittington & Jeremy Wright) Café** ~ This group of young adults living real life together seeks to study the Bible for the purpose of knowing more of who Jesus is and searching for the biblical response to everyday life. We meet with the Student Ministry on Sunday mornings at 9:15 in the Chapel to worship in song and then break off to dig into God's Word.

**Senior Adult Class (Don Duncan) Room 106** ~ Our class is currently studying the Book of I John. We thank God for walking with us through this life and remember God's faithfulness to us in the past. The joy He brings us today by studying the truth of His Word along with His ever-abiding presence truly gives us hope for the days ahead. Join us for in-depth Bible study, application and fellowship.

**Salt and Light (Dennis McGee & Chip McWilliams) Room 416** ~ We are in a 13-week overview of the Bible using Dave Dawson's material. The review will help us see the common threads throughout Scripture revealing one overarching story: After man rebelled against God, God continues to demonstrate His love toward man by setting a redemptive plan in motion that unfolds throughout history. God desires to fellowship with man, and we explore the many ways He reveals Himself to us through promises, judges, prophets, and ultimately through His Son.

## Home Groups

Jesus' mission is to make disciples; His method of making disciples was spending time with a few to build a lasting relationship with them. They came to know Him as their Lord and learned to follow Him in every area of their lives. The early church patterned themselves after Jesus' method and met in their homes for the very same reason. At Heritage, this is our aim at what a Home Group is to become—to implement Jesus' method of building relationships so others can come to know Jesus as their Lord, and then grow together in following Him in His mission to make disciples of all nations. **Contact Pastor Jim Jackson with questions or for more information about beginning a home group or being part of one, [jim@delightinGod.org](mailto:jim@delightinGod.org).**

## Recommended Resources

- **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 sayings. 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.
- **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.
- **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.
- **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.
- **The New Evidence That Demands a Verdict** Vol. 1 & 2 By Josh McDowell ~ In the first edition of Evidence That Demands a Verdict, Josh McDowell armed thoughtful Christians with historical documentation and modern scholarship, bearing witness to the truth of the Bible. Evidence quickly became a resource for millions of believers in defense of Christianity against the harshest of critics. Josh is joined by his son, Sean McDowell, in this new edition with more historical insights to encourage those familiar with Evidence, as well as a new generation of believers, to embrace the truth of Christ in a skeptical culture. The author invites readers to bring their doubts without avoiding the tough questions.

## Calendar Highlights

### Sunday, 11/19

8:30 a.m. Prayer in Marty's office  
9:00 a.m. Bible Study for All Ages  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/The Lord's Supper  
HBC Special Member Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Servant Leadership Training (11-12 grd)

### Tuesday, 11/21

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

### Wednesday, 11/22

**Church Office Closed at Noon**  
**Activities Cancelled**

### Thursday, 11/23

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

### Coming Up!

12/2 Stamp Out Starvation  
12/3 Senior Adult Christmas Luncheon  
Elder Meeting

12/17 HBC Christmas Brunch

No ABF, Youth or Children's Classes  
12/24 No ABF, Youth or Children's Classes  
12/25-26 Church Office Closed  
12/31 No Youth or Children's Classes  
1/1/18 Church Office Closed  
1/3/18 AWANA resumes  
2/16-17 Deep Impact (Students)