



# The Good Word

*"Exalting the Savior, Equipping the Saints,  
Evangelizing the Sinner"*

March, April & May 2020

## ONE THING

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:14

He who would build up a strong, symmetrical character, he who would be a well-balanced Christian, must give all and do all for Christ; for the Redeemer will not accept divided service. Daily he must learn the meaning of self-surrender. He must study the word of God, learning its meaning and obeying its precepts. Thus he may reach the standard of Christian excellence. Day by day God works with him, perfecting the character that is to stand in the time of final test. And day by day the believer is working out before men and angels a sublime experiment, showing what the gospel can do for fallen human beings.

"I count not myself to have apprehended," Paul wrote; "but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Paul did many things. From the time that he gave his allegiance to Christ, his life was filled with untiring service. From city to city, from country to country, he journeyed, telling the story of the cross, winning converts to the gospel, and establishing churches. For these churches he had a constant care, and he wrote many letters of instruction to them. At times he worked at his trade to earn his daily bread. But in all the busy activities of his life, Paul never lost sight of one great purpose--to press toward the prize of his calling. One aim he kept steadfastly before him--to be faithful to the One who at the gate of Damascus had revealed Himself to him. From this aim nothing had power to turn him aside. To exalt the cross of Calvary--this was the all-absorbing motive that inspired his words and acts.

The great purpose that constrained Paul to press forward in the face of hardship and difficulty should lead every Christian worker to consecrate himself wholly to God's service. Worldly attractions will be presented to draw his attentions from the Savior, but he is to press on toward the goal, showing to the world, to angels, and to men that the hope of seeing the face of God is worth all the effort and sacrifice that the attainment of this hope demands.

In His Grace, Pastor Jeremy

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**Records**

	Dec	Jan	Feb
Sunday School Average Per Wk	235	162	148*
AM Worship Average Per Wk	316	211	194*
PM Worship Average Per Wk	156	105	99*
Total Income Average Per Wk	\$4,787	\$5,542	\$5,349*

N/A: Not Available

\* : Incomplete In-formation

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**Children's Choir  
Wednesday, March 4,  
6:30 p.m. @ HFBC**



*Rescued children sharing their message of Hope and Faith, using their incredible, amazing talents!*

**Free admission • Invite someone!**



**LARRY DELAWDER  
MINISTRIES  
Wednesday, April 1,  
6:30 p.m. at HFBC**

**Free admission - Invite someone!**



**Easter  
EVENTS**

**GOOD FRIDAY,  
APRIL 10**

Community Luncheon  
Noon-1 p.m.

**RESURRECTION SUNDAY,  
APRIL 12**

Son-rise Service  
7:00 a.m.

Breakfast  
8:00 a.m.

Children's Activity  
9:00 a.m.

GROWth Sunday School  
9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship  
with Choir Cantata  
10:45 a.m.

Lord's Supper  
6:00 p.m.

Vision 2020 Information:  
Seed Goal (\$2,020): MET!!  
Faith Goal (\$20,202): MET!!  
Action Goal (\$202,020): \$104,768.26

# Women's Ministry

*He makes all things*

# NEW

*Revelations 21:5*

## Anticipation of something New

Remember not the former things,  
Nor consider the things of old.  
Behold, I am doing a new thing;  
Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
And rivers in the desert.  
Isaiah 43:18-19

Spring is almost here! Any day now the grass will be turning green, a sign that our cows will soon have a fresh meal and won't be eating on last year's bounty any more. My bulbs even have green shoots coming up supplied by the nourishment of last years provision. Soon there will bright yellow daffodils, fragrant hyacinths, and colorful tulips. I know it will happen, spring will come! And I can't wait.

Are you just as eagerly anticipating the new things God is doing in your life? Are you as confident in the work that he is going to do, as you are in the flowers blooming. Do you perceive Him working? He has offered you nourishment in his Word, in order that you may grow some beautiful fruit. Out from what appears dead, new things come. We should expect it by now. He is faithful, and he wants to do something new in you! We invite you to join us at our spring event. We will encourage you and other women into new beginnings. We will work to serve a new local ministry and enjoy fellowship together.

Blessings to you,

*Katie*

### Ladies Lunch Outing

May 5th

Leaving Church at 10:15 am  
More Information to come

### Do you enjoy visiting?

March 17th 9 am

We will meet at church and go out in small groups to visit some of our ladies that are not able to get out often.  
Be blessed by fellowshiping with others.

## New Beginnings Ladies Lunch

April 25th Noon-2:30 pm

Enjoy a garden inspired lunch, rock painting & make hygiene kits for ladies escaping from domestic violence.

Please sign-up on the bulletin board in early April.

Plan to bring a travel or full size deodorant to put in hygiene kits.

If you would like to assist at this event in décor or food please tell Danielle or Katie.



*A Study of 1 & 2 Kings*  
**TRUSTWORTHY**  
LYSA TERKEURST

*Joy Seekers Spring  
Bible Study*

Starting March 24th-April 28th

**Tuesday Mornings**

**8:30 am-10:00 am**

*Breakfast, Study & childcare*  
Sign-up on the main board for  
childcare & book

# WARRIORS FOR CHRIST

**“Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong”**

**1 Corinthians 16:13**

*“Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house;  
your children will be like olive shoots around your table.  
Yes this will be the blessing for the man who fears the Lord.”  
Psalms 128:3-4*

In ancient Israel, vines and olive trees were of great importance. The vine was important for producing wine, while the olive trees produced fruit and oil. For both the vine and tree to produce to their full potential required a large investment of time and energy. Each year hours were spent to prepare the ground, remove the weeds, support the branches, and provide ample water and nutrients. If the initial efforts and sacrifices were made, the plants would be productive for years to come. Amazingly, an olive tree can remain productive for more than 1,000 years!

It is no surprise that the psalmist uses these agricultural images to represent our wives and children. While we all desire this promise to be fulfilled in our wife and children, men we must focus on the second verse. The writer says “this will be the blessing for the **MAN WHO FEARS THE LORD**”. The promise is not guaranteed without the role of the husband and father. Statistics within our churches further support the importance of the husband and father. Statistics from Promise Keepers are startling. If the child is the first Christian in the household there is only a 3.5% probability that anyone else in the household will follow. The probability increases to 17% if the mother is the first Christian. If the husband/father is the first Christian there is a 93% probability that everyone else in the house will follow!! Read that again! If the husband/father leads and follows Christ over 90% of his family will follow in a relationship with Christ! We see similar impacts with church attendance. The same surveys indicate that if the father does not attend church, even if his wife does, less than 1 in 50 children will become regular worshippers as adults. However, if the father regularly attends church, approximately 3/4 of his children will become regular worshippers!

We all desire for the promises of our wives to be fruitful and to leave a lasting legacy to our children. However, we as husbands and fathers cannot over look what is required of us. Men, we must be the spiritual leader of our families and make bringing our wives and children into the House of the Lord a weekly priority!



## Warriors for Christ Men's Bible Study

### Strong and Courageous

1st & 3rd Thursday of each month

6:00-6:45 am

Fellowship Hall

Breakfast and coffee provided

Blessings — John

## Focus on the Target

*All men and boys*

Join us for a wild game feast, shooting gallery, and some friendly competition.

**Saturday, May 2 ~ 6:00 pm - 9 pm**

Sign up to bring Wild Game dishes on the bulletin board  
or to participate in the Dessert Competition

