

Exalting the Savior • Equipping the Saints • Evangelizing the Sinner

MARCH • APRIL • MAY 2024

Welcome Home!

That phrase just has a warm ring to it. For most of you, Hermitage First Baptist Church has always been your home. For others, HFBC has been your home for quite some time. For some of us, well, we are new to the HFBC family. I would like to express my gratitude to all of the members of the HFBC family who have made my family and I feel right at home. You have helped to make our transition into the family smooth and seamless. Thank you to those who have prayed, packed, unpacked, fed, and cared for us through the process. Minette and I appreciate all of you. You have refreshed our hearts (Philemon 7).

My prayer is that we will partner together for the sake of the gospel. We all have a special place in the family. Each of us has a gift to offer and a responsibility to one another as we strive to Exalt the Savior, Equip the Saints, and Evangelize the Sinner. There are ample opportunities for all of us to engage in ministry as we serve side by side for the glory of God!

In Christ, Pastor Michael



Pastor Michael and wife Minette come to us from Maben, Mississippi, and began their ministry here at Hermitage First Baptist in January, 2024. They and their youngest daughter, Raley, moved here in late December, and their older daughters plan to join them here this summer.

Their family includes son, River and wife, and four daughters, Kirstie, Faith, Macy and Raley.



"A leader is one who knows the way,"
goes the way and shows the way."

~ John C. Maxwell



PreK-5th gr. || Wednesday nights

HFBC Kids R.O.C.K—<u>Rejoicing Over <u>C</u>hrist's</u> Kingdom. 1st-5th grade students attending Kids R.O.C.K. study through whole group lessons, memory verses set to song, and small group discussions.

Preschool and kindergarten students study the big picture of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation.

Kids R.O.C.K. meals continue to be provided by volunteers Wednesday nights, served at 6:30 followed by lessons at 6:50.

The kids spring activity will be a Ninja Party April 27 from 1-3 at Tumbles Gymnastics in Bolivar. Parents will need to sign a Tumbles waiver sheet for each of their kids attending.

Waiver sheets and church sign-up form will be posted on the Main Bulletin Board. Kids leaders will take a church van if needed.

Teachers Potluck Sunday, April 28, Noon



FOR SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS TEACHERS. **HELPERS & FAMILIES**

Bring your favorite dish to share



Thank You to Melissa Breshears for taking our photos to update the church online directory. She did a fantastic job (with Kaleb's help setting up). We appreciate you stepping up to do this!

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After 55 (AAA55)



Anyone 55 or over is invited to join the HFBC senior adults the 2nd Thursday of the month. On March 14, the group will meet at HFBC fellowship hall for a pizza party at 11:30. (Watch for sign-up on the church's Main Bulletin Board.) April plans are underway for a tour of the Capital in Jeff City, meet the Governor and afterwards, possibly visit Central Dairy for ice cream. The May event is a picnic at Bennett Spring. Details for each of these activities will be announced when available.



March 2





May 9

A BIG Thank You ... to the trustees and all who helped get the waterlines moved out of the attic then make ít look pretty. It was a major undertaking, and they did a great and timely job of getting it done. And to all the ladies who assisted with a meet and greet potluck dinner for Pastor Michael & his family, to those who provided soup and sandwiches to the Bahams and the movers after a treacherous drive from Mississippi and to the ladies who provided meals for the Pastor and family while settling in.





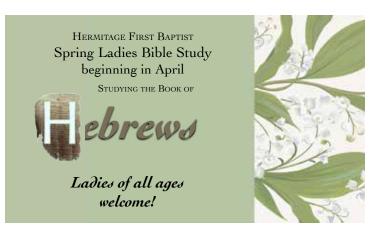
Joy Seekers Ladies Bible Study groups (Monday evenings at 6:30 and Tuesday morning at 8:30) will continue to meet and finish the study of I, II, and III John through March. There will be no meetings the week of the youth conference, March 4 and March 5. Beginning in April, the ladies will be studying the book of Hebrews. Ladies of all ages are welcome to join at anytime.

They are excited to welcome Minette and Raley Baham to the women's ministry.

the first Saturday morning each month beginning March 2. Time and location to be announced.



Starting March 2, the women will have an intentional time of prayer, meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the church's choir room. Focus for March will be praying for families and marriages. They will also be taking time to pray for each other's needs. All women are invited to join them as they seek the Lord and His will for HFBC. On April 6, at 8:30 a.m. focus will be for Hermitage First Baptist Church ministries and on May 4, 8:30 a.m., prayer focus will be for graduates. Each meeting will be held in the church's choir room.





As always, save the first full week of June for HFBC's annual Volunteer Builders mission trip. This year's dates are June 2—7. The plan right now is to go to Bethany, Missouri (north of KC).

HFBC will once again be partnering with Elm Springs Baptist Church. Some visited the job site Feb. 9, to better determine what exactly the work will be. So be looking for an after church informational meeting the latter part of March when more details will be available.

This is always an exciting time of building God's kingdom as well as friendships among volunteers and those working along side them. This mission group is not necessarily only for experienced carpenters—there is always work for any skill level or age. Any volunteers are welcome to join the group. Some families take a week of their vacation time for this worthy cause, and many bring their campers to spend several days or the full week. Housing and campsites are available and details will be posted on sign-up sheets on the church's Main Bulletin Board closer to the event date.

~ Jim Bennett



Men's Bible Study is held every Thursday at 7 a.m. in the church's fellowship hall with light breakfast and coffee provided. The group study lasts about an hour. Currently they have 8-10 men participating, taking turns leading the study and providing breakfasts.

Featured studies are specifically geared to areas or issues challenging to men. Their current study book is "Promises from God for Every Man."

Several of these men formed a group to assist church members with handyman type jobs members are unable to do themselves or even unable to pay for themselves. Those who can, pay for their own supplies, and can possibly donate to the fund that assists those who can't afford to pay. Any monetary donations would be appreciated. Anyone needing assistance should first contact the church office, and they will inform the workers.

IMPACT YOUTH

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.~ I Timothy 4:12

The Youth hosted a lock-in on New Year's Eve with Pastor Baham and his family staying to give the midnight devotion. In February, they enjoyed ice skating at Old Kinderhook near Camdenton.

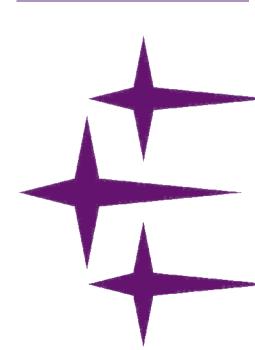
The Youth Conference, March 8-10, will be their big event.

IMPACT Youth want to thank the church for their continued support of them and their ministry at HFBC.









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BIBLE CLASSES **IPPING**

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Study to show thyself approved unto God.

II Timothy 2:15a



Welcome!

Here at First Baptist, we believe Bible Class is an important part of our ministry and a vital aspect of the spiritual growth of our church. We invite and encourage you and your family to attend and participate in "Cross Centered" Bible Classes for all ages.

Preschool Bible Class

Room 200C—Preschool I (0-2 yrs.)
Nancy Brown, Jana Tipton

Room 200B—Preschool II (3-4 yrs.)
Misty Shaddox, Pam Jenkins

Children's Bible Class

Room 104—Children I (K-2nd Grades)
Jeanne Lindsey, Lori Breshears

Room 102—Children II (3rd-5th Grades) Artie Pearson, Lindsay Pearson

Youth Bible Class

Room 100—Youth 6th - 12th Grades Robert & Vanessa Sawyer

Sunday Bible Classes—9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship—10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship—6:00 p.m.

Adult Bible Classes

The Basic Spiritual Disciplines of the Christian Faith

Mixed Class - Room 207 Michael & Minette Baham

Are you longing to understand God's word better? Do you want to know how to study God's word? Do you have a desire to connect with the Body of Christ? Do you want to be all that you can be for God? If these questions strike a chord in your heart, this study is for you! We will explore the basic spiritual disciplines that pertain to our relationship with God and our relationship with others. The Scriptures, Prayer, Discernment, Confession, Community, and Witnessing are the disciplines that we will focus on this quarter.

"CONTENDING FOR GOD'S TRUTH"

Young Adult Class — Room 203
Chris & Kelly Redies / Emil & Michele Edwards

This is a young mixed class open to anyone who desires to contend for truth. Leaders of the early church contended for the faith entrusted to God's holy people (Jude 1:3). They demolished arguments set up against the knowledge of God (II Corinthians 10:5). Those arguments, at their core, are not so different from the arguments the church battles today. We will explore current arguments that drive some people away from God and His church turning to the Truth of God's word to expose the lies behind them.

"RESPONDING TO GOD'S FAITHFUL INTERVENTION: Minor Prophets—Part II"

Mixed Class — Room 202 Cal Jones

God's Word never becomes irrelevant because God never becomes irrelevant. We can study His interaction with His people and the ancient nations of the world as recorded in the Minor Prophets and gain a greater understanding of Him. What we learn about God can be transforming since the God of the prophets is the same faithful God we serve today. We call the last twelve books of the Old Testament the Minor Prophets, not because they are unimportant but because they are shorter in length than Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel. This quarter we will study the last six of these twelve prophets who focus on the end of the kingdom of Judah and the post-exilic Jews.

"WORD OF LIFE" Men's Class — Room 206

Gary Hunt

A study of the letters from the Apostle John, beginning with I John.

"The Birth of the Church"

Ladies Class — Room 204 Kristen Johnson

An in-depth study of the book of Acts, and the incredible events that led to the establishment and spread of the early church.

Bible Resource Center

Room 201—This room is available at any time to spend time communicating with your Lord. You may also feel free to use our Bible Resource Center to strengthen your walk.

March Anniversaries

3 ... Cal and Debbie Jones 8 ... Don and Loudena Hunt 23... Jessie and T.J. Sawyer

MARCH

March Birthdays 1... Ethan Edwards 1... Katie Murphy 13... Mike Smith 16... Bonnie Hunt

18... Bradley Pearson 18... Norm Shaddox 18... Cassie Ahlers 23... Debbie Jones

24... Maida Baugh 28... Mackenzie Antle 29... Preston Yoss

FRIDAY SATURDAY 2 Ladies Prayer Time, 8:30 a.m. in choir room	9 Annual Hermitage Youth Conference "The Way"	15	22 23	29 30
THURSDAY	7 Men's Bible Study, 7:00-8:00 a.m.	74 Men's Bible Study, 7:00-8:00 a.m. AAA 55 Senior Adults pizza party, 11:30 a.m. in fellowship hall	21 Men's Bible Study, 7:00-8:00 a.m.	28 Men's Bible Study, 7:00-8:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY THURSDAY	6 IMPACT Youth, 6:30 p.m. Kids R.O.C.K., 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m.	13 IMPACT Youth, 6:30 p.m. Kids R.O.C.K., 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m.	20 IMPACT Youth, 6:30 p.m. Kids R.O.C.K., 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m. Trustees meeting, 8 p.m.	27 IMPACT Youth, 6:30 p.m. Kids R.O.C.K., 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m.
TUESDAY	5 No Joy Seekers Ladies Bible Study	12 Joy Seekers Ladies Bible, Study, 8:30-10:15 a.m.	19 Joy Seekers Ladies Bible, Study, 8:30-10:15 a.m.	26 Joy Seekers Ladies Bible, Study, 8:30-10:15 a.m.
MONDAY	4 No Ladies Evening Bible Study,	11 Ladies Evening Bible Study, 6:30-8:00 p.m.	18 Ladies Evening Bible Study, 6:30-8:00 p.m.	25 Ladies Evening Bible Study, 6:30-8:00 p.m.
SUNDAY	Bible Classes, 9:45 a.m. (All adult classes meet together in fellowship hall) Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Safetyl/Security, 7 p.m.	10 Daylight Savings begins Youth Conference ends at noon Bible Classes, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. No evening services or activities	17 Bible Classes, 9:45 a.m. Moming Worship, 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Deacons meeting, 7 p.m.	24 Bible Classes, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship with Lord's Supper, 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship, 6 p.m. 31 Easter worship schedule to be announced NO Evening Worship

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May Anniversaries

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- 5... Brent and Shanie Kennedy 19... Matt and Kristen Johnson
- 26... Jim and Connie Duryee 30... Misty and Shea Shaddox

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