

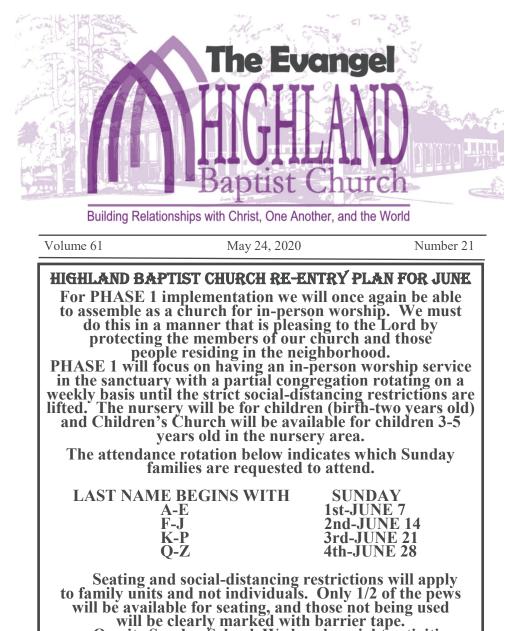
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PLEASE TAKE YOUR DONATIONS TO THE LBA OFFICE JUNE IS OUR DESIGNATED MONTH TO HELP FURNISH THE SHELVES OF THE LAUDERDALE BAPTIST MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:30A.M.-3:30 P.M OR DROP THEM BY THE CHURCH OFFICE. **ASSOCIATION CRISIS CENTER.** 



On-site Sunday School, Wednesday night activities, Sunday night activities and Precept Bible Study will be deferred until PHASE 2.

Since there will be no Sunday School activities we are moving our worship time to 10:00 A.M.

for the month of June. To avoid congestion and to maintain social-distancing, we request that those attending arrive early and enter through the Sanctuary doors. Please be looking for a very detailed letter in the mail with much more information.

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## FROM OUR MINISTER TO STUDENTS...

Most of you know this about me but I grew up in a very small town about two hours away from here on the other side of the state called Prentiss. I lived there until my 10<sup>th</sup> grade year when my family and I moved to another town about 20 minutes from there. Some of you might be able to relate to this but growing up in a small town had its ups and downs. One of the biggest positives was that you were able to create a very close-knit community. The same people I went to school with were the people I went to church with. They were also the people I played little league with as well as the ones I would have sleep overs and pool parties with. All my friend's parents were friends with my parents because everyone knew everyone. My entire grade had less than 35 people in it. One would make friends in kindergarten and they would stay friends for life because you were always around each other.

This was a positive, but it also had its downside. I remember getting pulled over in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade for speeding. I was let off with a warning but before I could get home, my dad called me asking me to come home and give him the keys because someone had seen me pulled over and immediately let my parents know. Another downside was that there were no secrets. Everyone knew everyone else's business. I had a friend who managed to fail his driving test because he ran three stop lights during the test. Keep in mind, that whole town only had two lights. He ran one of them twice. By the time we got to school the next day, I had already been told by at least half the class that he had failed. Someone heard about it and word spread like wildfire. My friend was adamant that he had not run those lights but that the instructor had it out for him. He swore over and over that he was telling the truth.

Here's the deal: I had ridden with him before. He was not a good driver. I had seen him run lights and stop signs before. I knew what the truth was in spite of what he was saying. Maybe you've been there. Maybe you can relate to having someone look you in the eye and swear something to you that you know was absolutely false. Throughout our life, we're going to have people tell us things we know aren't true and when it comes to our relationship with Christ, we need to know the truth so we have a foundation to stand on. I'm currently in the middle of a series on Wednesday nights with the youth where we are looking at different religious beliefs and how we, as Christians, can be so confident in our faith in Christ that we can lovingly share how their beliefs are based on lies and Christ truly is the "way, the truth, and the life." We are looking at how the foundation of our faith MUST be rooted in scripture. I offer the same challenge to you. Is your truth based on scripture? Do you, above all else, value the foundational truths of scripture? John 8 discusses how God's Word is absolute truth and Jesus says, "And you will know the truth. And the truth shall set you free."





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# STEWARDSHIP REPORT MAY 17, 2020

16.757.30 **Budget Child Development Center** Designated Total Budget Req. to date (20@22,740.93) 454,818.60 **Budget Receipts to date** 454,398.97

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#### A THANK YOU NOTE HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM:

...But God Ministries for our recent donation to be used for the current food shortage in Haiti.

### MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mrs. JoAnn Goldman given by Connye, Karyn and Greer.

## HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS

IN MEMORY OF MRS. LORRAINE IRBY: By the Skyward Sunday School Class Designated to the Children's Ministry by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilkerson IN MEMORY OF MRS. BILLIE SUTHERLAND: IN MEMORY OF MRS. DOROTHY SMITH: IN MEMORY OF MRS. LORRAINE IRBY: By Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mayer

