



The Highland Evangel (USPS 243960) is published weekly except for the week of the Fourth of July, Thanksgiving and Christmas by the HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH 3400 27th Street, Meridian MS 39305. Telephone—601.482.0191 www.highlandbaptist.net
Periodical postage paid at Meridian, MS.
POSTMASTER: send address changes to The Highland Evangel, 3400 27th Street, Meridian, MS 39305.

Building Relationships with Christ, One Another, and the World



June 28 Ezekiel 37:15-28
June 29 Ezekiel 39:21-29
June 30 Ezekiel 43:1-12
July 1 Genesis 12:1-20
July 2 Genesis 13:1-18
July 3 Genesis 14:1-24
July 4 Genesis 15:1-21

June is our designated month to help furnish the shelves of the Lauderdale Baptist Association Crisis Center.

Please take your donations to the LBA office

**Tuesday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m.
or drop them by the church office.**

SUGGESTED DONATIONS:

**Cans of Green Beans, Corn, English Peas,
Pork & Beans, Peaches, Applesauce,
Beef Stew, Salmon, Treet or Spam, Tuna,
Vienna Sausage, Soup, Juice, Jars of Peanut butter
Boxes of Macaroni & Cheese, Instant Potatoes, Cereal
Bags of Rice, Dry Beans, Peas, etc.**

**AT 10:00 A.M. OUR MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE WILL BE
LIVE STREAMED ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**

www.facebook.com/hbcmeridian

AND YOUTUBE CHANNEL www.youtube.com/hbcmeridian

**CALL THE OFFICE TO ORDER A DVD OR USB FLASHDRIVE.
NO ACTIVITIES ARE SCHEDULED AT HBC JUNE 28-JULY 4.**



Building Relationships with Christ, One Another, and the World

Volume 61

June 28, 2020

Number 26

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH RE-ENTRY PLAN FOR JUNE AND JULY

The attendance rotation below indicates which Sunday families are requested to attend.

LAST NAME BEGINS WITH Q-Z	4th Sunday JUNE 28
LAST NAME BEGINS WITH A-J	1st/3rd Sundays JULY 5 & JULY 19
LAST NAME BEGINS WITH K-Z	2nd/4th Sundays JULY 12 & JULY 26

The nursery will be for children (birth-two years old) and Children's Church will be available for children 3-5 years old in the nursery area.

Seating and social-distancing restrictions will apply to family units and not individuals.

Pews not to be used will be clearly marked with barrier tape.

Since there will be no Sunday School activities we are **moving our worship time to 10:00 A.M. for the month of June and will continue for the month of July.**

Deacon NOMINATIONS

Deacon Nomination Ballots will be accepted during the month of June—

1. On your designated Sunday to worship
2. Just [CLICK HERE](https://highlandbaptistchurch.shelbynextchms.com/external/form/267872e9-acb4-4817-8ce1-5950902cfd6b) or <https://highlandbaptistchurch.shelbynextchms.com/external/form/267872e9-acb4-4817-8ce1-5950902cfd6b>
3. In the church office during regular office hours
4. By returning your brochure ballot in the mail.

FROM OUR MINISTER TO STUDENTS...

We are living in strange times. I feel certain that whoever reads that first sentence, those first 6 words, will have no choice but wholeheartedly agree. We are living in a time where people are being furloughed from work, students are currently enjoying a 4-and-a-half-month spring/summer break, the government has issued trillions in stimulus programs, and ground beef is approximately \$9 a pound as I write this. Strange times... A quick Google or social media search can see how people are blaming Covid-19 for everything from racial tension to political unrest to climate change. For many of us, we have been impacted in the same ways, for many of us, however, we have been impacted differently. I have been fortunate in that no one in my immediate or extended family has tested positive for the virus. No one in my extended or immediate family has been laid off or even missed a regular paycheck. However, I know this is not true for everyone. I just had a conversation two days ago with a very good friend of mine from college named Jamie. He is a student pastor in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area of Texas. He tested positive this past Friday for the virus and his wife and 3-year-old son were tested Monday. They're currently awaiting the results. Since I talked to him a couple days ago, for some reason I've been thinking about everything around us in a whole new light.

I remember when this all first came out several months ago, the first thing that I began to think through wasn't how it would impact the world or even how it would impact my community. One of the first things I thought of was how this would impact the NCAA basketball tournament. I got frustrated when the conference tournaments were cancelled. I got frustrated when the NCAA tournament was cancelled. I got frustrated when the Major League Baseball season was postponed. I got frustrated when the end of the NBA season was cancelled. I was frustrated when all the spring sports in the local high schools were cancelled. All these things frustrated me because I was inconvenienced. All these things frustrated me because something I enjoy was taken away from me. Now, don't get me wrong. I am not apologizing for being a sports fan. However, the conclusion I have come to is I was highly over-prioritizing something that really doesn't matter in the long run.

Jesus warns us against doing just this in Mark 8:34-37. He says, "*And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?'*" Your thing might not be sports. Whatever it is, what have you prioritized over the gospel? I'm not saying I was more concerned about sports rather than seeing people come to know Christ. However, based on my first reaction to everything, my priorities were definitely out of order. Use this opportunity to understand what is really important. Use this opportunity to restore balance to your priorities and place Christ at the head of your life where He belongs.

"AND THE LORD ADDED UNTO HIS CHURCH..."

BY LETTER:

Mr. and Mrs. Robbie Knight (Mev)
430 Eastwood Street (39305)
601.479.7030 601.917.3740
Deacon: Robert Bowles



ONLINE GIVING

If you own an Android phone, [CLICK HERE](#) to download the app.
If you have an iPhone, [CLICK HERE](#) to download the app.

Open the app and select **Highland Baptist Church**.

If you have the Shelby Membership App, you may provide your cell number and enter a code provided by the app to obtain your giving data. If you already have an online giving account, you may sign-in and give online. If you do not have an online giving account, the app provides the option to create one.

TEXT GIVING. The number for text giving is 601-340-9409.

Type HBC in the message.

Contact Rick Snowden (rick@highlandbaptist.net, 601.917.6335).

THE WISDOM OF OBEDIENCE

Psalm 119:1-8

1. Have a proper motivation (1-3)
2. Cultivate a heart of obedience (4-6)
3. Commit to learning God's word (7-8)

THANK YOU NOTES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM:

...Will McCarty
...the Clarice Davis family

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:

...Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelley and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ross in the death of their sister-in-law and aunt.
...Mrs. Mary McDonald in the death of her brother-in-law.

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS

IN MEMORY OF MRS. JERRY HEBLON:

Designated to the Music Ministry by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Starnes
Designated to the Music Ministry by Joy Sunday School Class of HBC
Designated to the Music Ministry by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pigford
Designated to the Music Ministry by Barry Germany

IN MEMORY OF MRS. CLARICE DAVIS:

By Dr. Jon Martin
By Mr. and Mrs. Tony McDaniel
By Marian Partridge
Designated to the Library by Joy Sunday School Class of HBC

STEWARDSHIP REPORT JUNE 21, 2020

Budget	7,332.42		
Child Development Center	.00	CDC Req. to date	581,456.75
Designated	200.00	(25@43,258.27)	
Total	7,532.42	CDC Receipts to date	407,716.50
Budget Req. to date (25@22,740.93)	568,523.25		
Budget Receipts to date	531,387.04	WORSHIP ATTENDANCE AM	90