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Jeremiah 1:1-19 Jeremiah 2:1-25 Jeremiah 3:6-25 Jeremiah 4:1-19 Jeremiah 5:1-19 Jeremiah 5:20-31 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. **UPDATED INFORMATION ON THE ARK TRIP** If you are interested in The Ark Trip (October 30-November 1, 2020), please contact Dr. Willie Greer, 601.486.3027 or Bobbie Vick, 601.483.4082. Anyone is welcome to go!



Building Relationships with Christ, One Another, and the World

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FROM OUR MUSIC WORSHIP LEADER...

One of the things I've learned over the years is the the best way to love another is to figure out what a person needs and then find a way to help fill the gap. I've had many people fill gaps throughout my life and I'm forever grateful for them. No one can be everything to another person, but we can all be something for someone. No matter where we are in life, there are universal truths about how to treat others and have the fewest regrets about how we loved the people around us.

In Luke 19, we read about Zacchaeus, the chief tax collector in Jericho. He knew Jesus was passing through his town and was desperate to see him for himself. And so this hardened tax collector, who also happened to be small in stature, didn't hesitate to climb a sycamore tree to get a better view of this Jesus he'd heard about. Here's the question: How can we be the tree in someone's life? How can we be the embodiment of what allows the world to get a better view of Jesus? We are surrounded by people who are hurting, broken, lonely, and lost; people who have climbed all the wrong trees in search of something to give their lives meaning and purpose. How can we live in a way that answers their questions? Are the branches of our life kindness, humility, love, acceptance, joy and peace? People don't care about our actions. "Who is wise and understanding among you?" asks James. "Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in humility that comes from wisdom" (James 3:13). I don't want to hear about how great your tree is if you can't show me that it bears fruit.

I have a dear friend that I met at Highland when we were in the college ministry. She's since married, has three children and resides in Tennessee. We don't see each other nearly often enough. We do keep in touch though. The best thing about her is that her texts and phone calls are intentional. There's not ever been a time in my adult life when I've received a text from her and didn't need to read it. It's always something to the extent of, "Hey!!! Just had you on my mind. I know life is crazy for both of us, but know that you have a million people in your corner that believe in you. May God be glorified in what you do this week!" I don't know how she learned to love so well, but I know that she's taught me how to love better and encourage more people around me.

It's not always easy. A lot of times, love looks like being the things in someone else's life that you felt were missing from your own. When you recognize that emptiness in another person, it's because it's the very same emptiness you've felt in your own life before. That's the redemptive power of loving the people around us. It's in the pouring out of ourselves by loving others that we ultimately find who we were created to be.



at the end of the worship service!!!

"AND THE LORD ADDED UNTO HIS CHURCH..." **BY LETTER:**

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HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS

IN MEMORY OF LARRY HAILEY: Designated to the Williams/Strickland Sunday School Class: IN MEMORY OF ALLEN GOLDMAN: Designated to the Music Ministry: IN MEMORY OF STEPHEN MCDONALD: Designated to the Faith Sunday School Class: IN MEMORY OF MRS. CLARICE DAVIS: Designated to the Children's Ministry: By Mrs. Lyn Hailey IN MEMORY OF MS. LINDA MARTIN BY: Dr. Willie Greer's Sunday School Class Designated to Missions by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Medlin IN MÉMORY OF MRS. L'OUISE THOMAS BY: Dr. Willie Greer's Sunday School Class

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:

...Bo Reece in the death of his sister.

THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WERE PRESENTED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED AT THE OCTOBER 11, 2020 QUARTERLY BUSINESS SESSION:

The Highland Baptist Church Ministerial Staff, Property Committee and Finance Committee recommend that we enter into a contract with Belinda Stewart Architects for Architectural Services to support the needed renovations in the sanctuary. This approval contains the following provisions.

- This is for architectural services only. Any construction will require approval.
- The phasing of any construction work will be in accordance with the recommendations of the Property Committee.
- The architectural fees will be determined using a percentage of estimated/actual construction costs (7%).
- Decisions on scope of work, finishes, colors etc. will be made by a select committee approved by the congregation.

The Property Committee of Highland Baptist Church recommends that a select committee be formed for the purpose of consulting with the architect and approving colors and finishes for the Sanctuary Renovations Project. The Property Committee further recommends that the committee be composed of the following individuals.

Liz Dudley - Chair, Abby Calhoun - Staff Representative Barbara Anderson, Betty Smith, Heather Carr

STEWARDSHIP REPORT OCTOBER 11, 2020

Budget	13,054.45	CDC Req. to date	953,589.07
Child Development Center	.00	(41@23.258.27)	,
Designated	1,607.90	CDC Receipts to date	792,212.50
Total	14,662.35		
Budget Req. to date (41@22		SS ATTENDANCE	203
Budget Receipts to date	841,203.15	WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	256