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**DAILY  
BIBLE  
READING**

October 25  
October 26  
October 27  
October 28  
October 29  
October 30  
October 31

Jeremiah 10:1-16  
Jeremiah 29:1-23  
Jeremiah 30:1-24  
Nahum 1:1-15  
Nahum 2:1-13  
Nahum 3:1-19  
Ezekiel 34:1-31

**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!



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**Coming Up This Week!**



**OCTOBER 25, SUNDAY**

**Sunday School** 9:00 - 9:45 AM

**Worship Service** 10:00 - 10:45 AM

**OCTOBER 28, WEDNESDAY**

- NO FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER



- Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 PM

**FROM OUR MINISTER TO STUDENTS...**

Just about every Wednesday evening, the students gather at 6:00 in the youth area on the lower floor of the church for a time of fellowship and worship. We typically start off with a couple of announcements, then move into a time of worship in song where our talented youth worship intern, Kyra, leads us. This is followed by a time of worship through the opening and studying of God's Word. During that time, I lead our students through an in-depth time where we look at a particular passage of scripture. We understand what God meant for the original recipient as well as how it is applicable to our lives today. We follow this up by Kyra coming back up one more time and leading our students in a time of response. This is truly one of the best hours of my week. I absolutely love getting to worship along-side our students. I love getting to see them sing praises loudly and then intently pour into scripture together. If you ever want to check it out for yourself, I encourage you to come down and worship with us one Wednesday.

However, before all this takes place, before one song is sung or one Bible is opened, we play a game. Normally, it's some silly game that only takes a couple minutes. Normally, the game has absolutely no relevance to what we are talking about that night. Normally, when the game is over it is not thought of again. Every week, this game has a prize. The game is inconsequential, but the prize is feverishly fought over. Every week, our students fight for the right to take home a one-foot tall rubber chicken that annoyingly squeaks every time you squeeze it. I've had students aggressively declare before our service starts that "TONIGHT, I WILL WIN THAT CHICKEN!!" When a student wins the chicken, it's theirs for the week. They get to name it. They get to carry it with them. They send in pictures and videos of where all the chicken has traveled during the week.

You are probably asking yourself, "Why in the world would you award them with a chicken?" I tell them every week why they carry a chicken and I'm going to share that with you now. That chicken is an attention grabber. It's loud and piercing sound combined with the absurdity of a middle/high schooler carrying it around makes people look. It even makes people question as to why they have a chicken. I encourage our students each and every week to use everything at their disposal for the glory of God, even something as silly as a rubber chicken. I encourage the winner to proudly show off the chicken and squeak it often so people will ask about it. Then I encourage the winner, when asked about the chicken, to tell the person asking that they got it from church, invite them to join you next Wednesday, and then ask them if they know Jesus. I'm trying to help our students understand that everything we have in our life can be used to glorify God. Colossians 3:17 says, "And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." I issue the same challenge to all of you reading. No matter what you have at your disposal, find a way to use it for the glory of God. Even something as silly as a toy chicken, find a way to see God glorified through it.



High Attendance  
**SUNDAY**

**NOVEMBER 15!!!**

**A Group Photo will be taken in the Sanctuary at the end of the worship service!!!**

**HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS/HONORS**

IN MEMORY OF MRS. DOT SMITH:

Designated to the Library by Elliott and Fran Fleming.

IN MEMORY OF LARRY HAILEY:

Designated to Capital Improvements by:

Strickland/Williams Sunday School Class of HBC

IN HONOR OF MRS. JAMIE SMITH:

IN HONOR OF MR. AND MRS. KEN RICHARDSON:

Designated to Operation Christmas Child by:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Compton

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

...Carl and Frances White.

**THE VERY NEWEST**

Congratulations to Mrs. Mary Andero on the birth of her granddaughter, Madeline Mojisola Andero.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mayer on the birth of their granddaughter, Anna Mayer Hines.



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

**Our goal for this year is 250 boxes. How can you help? Bring your donations to the Gathering Area.**

**Suggested items include:**

**FOR ALL CHILDREN: Soap, washcloths, combs, pencils, sharpeners, pens, crayons and markers**

**FOR OLDER CHILDREN: Solar calculators, notebooks, flashlights**

**FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN: Color books, toy cars, playdoh**

**A display is in the church foyer if you would like to make a monetary donation.**

**All items are needed by Sunday, November 1.**

**The packing party will be Wednesday, November 4, in the Family Life Center.**

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT OCTOBER 18, 2020**

Budget	32,484.75	CDC Req. to date	976,847.34
Child Development Center	.00	(42@23,258.27)	
Designated	1,944.90	CDC Receipts to date	792,212.50
Total	34,429.65		
Budget Req. to date (42@22,740.93)	955,119.06	SS ATTENDANCE	182
Budget Receipts to date	873,687.90	WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	213