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# **COMING UP!**

# **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

Deacon's Meeting **Sunday School** Worship Service

8:00 AM 9:00 - 9:45 AM 10:00 -11:00 AM



# **KIDZPRAISE** CHRISTMAS

DINNER THEATER

December 12th @ 6 PM in the FLC

\*All proceeds will go to the Children's Ministry to offset the cost of Summer Camp

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOVEMBER 14! \$10.00

## ADULT EXERCISE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY, 8:30 AM

# WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM

MENU: Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Garlic Bread, Salad, Dessert \$5.00 Adults (6th Grade and up) \$3.00 Children \$20.00 Family Maximum

- Prayer Meeting (6:00-7:00 PM) Youth Worship (6:00 -7:00 PM)
- Kidz WOW (6:00-7:00 PM)
- Adult Choir Rehearsal (7:00-8:00 PM)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18 Senior Adult Brunch at 9:30 a.m. at the Highland House Neighborhood Watch Meeting in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m.

#### FROM OUR CHIEF OF STAFF...

# TWO LESSONS ON CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

I have been a member of Baptist churches in Mississippi, Missouri, Arizona, and Texas, and I would like to explain to you why I became a member of College Park Baptist Church in Houston, Texas and Highland Baptist Church in Meridian. My son, Drew was the reason in both cases.

## COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

We moved to Houston, Texas because of my being part of the team on a project for Monsanto Company, discovered that Houston was much larger than St. Louis, searched for a new home and began visiting churches. We visited several churches and had narrowed the choice to two churches, Missouri City Baptist Church and College Park Baptist Church.

Dan and I thought that Missouri City Baptist was the clear and correct choice.

The facilities were better. (College Park did not even have a sanctuary. They placed and removed seating in the gym every week)

The pastor was a better preacher.

The members were very friendly and welcoming.

Men, if you have never received the spousal veto, you will. I was told "You and Dan can attend wherever you like, but Drew and I will be attending College Park Baptist Church!". The reason? The nursery, pre-school facilities at Missouri City were poorly staffed, dirty and after thought. NURSERIES AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES MATTER!

#### HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

When we moved from Columbus to Meridian, I had kind of assumed that we would become members of Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church.

I was a member of Fifteenth Avenue from a very early age until I moved to St. Louis for my first, post-college job.

My parents were still members of Fifteenth Avenue.

I knew a lot of people there.

Nurseries were not an issue in this case.

So, why didn't we become members at Fifteenth Avenue? The answer is Rita Snowden & Virginia Bounds. My mother told her best friend, Virginia that we were moving to Meridian and had a child in middle school. Virginia contacted Carolyn McCay who had Benjie contact Drew. Our first Sunday visiting Highland included Drew walking into the youth area not being a stranger and having friends already there. Ladies and gentlemen, this fight was over before it started. We became members of Highland Baptist Church the next Sunday. STUDENT MINISTRIES AND DIRECT ONE TO ONE INVITATIONS MATTER!

Thanks to Dana, Libby, Sherry and Sandra, our nursery is not the impediment it once was, and Clint has a vibrant Student Ministry. My prayer is that both you and I will pray about the personal contact part of this equation.

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

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# HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIAL/HONOR

IN MEMORY OF CLARK JENKINS:

Designated to the Youth Ministry by Mrs. Lyn. Hailey IN HONOR OF MISS RYLEE HAILEY:

Designated to the Youth Ministry by Mrs. Lyn Hailey



All boxes should be returned by NOVEMBER 14.
They will be delivered to Northcrest Baptist Church on Monday, NOVEMBER 15.

# CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:

...Mrs. Jill Gavin and Peter Lang and families in the death of their mother.

Highland Thankful Harvest Dinner
Sunday, November 21, following morning worship
To make reservations, call the church office or
email Sarah by Monday, November 15.
To volunteer to bring a dessert contact Debbie Threatt
at 601.917.2101.

ITEMS FOR THE CANNED FOOD DRIVE FOR THE LBA CRISIS CENTER WILL BE COLLECTED BETWEEN SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT OCTOBER 31, 2021/NOVEMBER 7, 2021

Budget Child Development Center Designated 16,321.95/24,308.74 
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3,472.30/ 2,948.94 
Total 19,794.25/ 27,257.68 
Budget Req. to date (45@ 23,309.06) 1,048,907.70 
Budget Receipts to date 1,020,030.80

CDC Req. to date (45@ 23,342.08)
CDC Receipts to date 1,025,789.10
BENEVOLENCE OFFERING 429.00
LOTTIE MOON OFFERING 100.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL 225/251
MORNING WORSHIP 289/279