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SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

<u>Deacon's Meeting</u>	8:00 AM
<u>Sunday School</u>	9:00 - 9:45 AM
<u>Worship Service</u>	10:00 –11:00 AM
<u>Youth Parent Meeting</u>	12:00 PM
<u>Quarterly Business Meeting</u>	5:00 PM

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY Adult Exercise at 8:30 AM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

Pancakes and Bingo at the Highland House at 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM
MENU: Apricot Chicken, Rice, Butter Beans, Rolls, Dessert, Salad CHILDREN'S MENU: Hot Dogs or Chicken Nuggets
- Prayer Meeting (6:00 PM)
- Youth Worship (6:00 -7:00 PM)
- Kidz WOW (6:00-7:00 PM)
- Adult Choir Rehearsal (7:00 PM)

East Mississippi

Church Revitalization Conference

January 28—7:00 pm Preconference dinner at 6:00 pm

January 29—8:00 am-12:00 pm

Highland Baptist Church, Meridian

Provided by the churches

of the Lauderdale Baptist Association

Register at lbams.org/revitalization

FROM OUR CHIEF OF STAFF....

Covid, Climate Change & Christianity

I follow developments in the continuing sagas of the covid pandemic and climate change because they interest me as well as directly affecting all of our lives directly. Considering the current status of news in this country I have to consult multiple sources in order to get the correct information that I need to make an informed decision. I follow the late Charles Krauthammer's advice by ignoring the far left and the far right and then consulting sources with liberal leanings, conservative leanings and advertised neutral leanings (this is a rare creature). I do not get my news on any subject from social media.

“In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in their own eyes Judges 21:25”

I have recently noticed that all of these sources propose only man based solutions to the problems with all sides proclaiming that they are “following the science” when they are actually following those solutions which they favor which have some sort of science involved. The result is a divided country with “... everyone doing what is right in their own eyes.”

What I Think Covid

I believe that we should “follow the science” AND consult the creator of the universe on a regular basis asking for wisdom and guidance concerning what we should do and how we should act. I have had covid, two vaccinations and a booster shot. That does not mean that as a Christian I should be demanding that anyone follow my opinions and actions. Ultimately, we will make better decisions if we include the Lord in the solution and assume that our brothers and sisters have been given brains also. This is an outstanding opportunity to show the love of Christ to both the vaccinated and unvaccinated.

Climate Change

I am of the opinion that climate change is real and should be addressed, but I do not believe that is a problem that requires draconian solutions that changes life as we know it. I also believe that God has given us the responsibility of maintaining and protecting this beautiful world that He has created. There are many solutions available to mankind that will be successful and work IF we include the Lord in the planning.

“Mankind Only” solutions will always lead to disaster, and “God Included” solutions lead to success. We as Christians need to be praying about any and all things and following the input from our Lord.

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS

IN MEMORY OF MRS. WRAY RICHARDSON:

IN MEMORY OF MRS. JULIE HALL:

IN MEMORY OF HERBERT JOYNER:

Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by Mrs. Carolyn McCay

IN MEMORY OF CLARK JENKINS:

Designated to the Music Ministry by Ms. Vanessa Walker

IN MEMORY OF MRS. LENEAL MASSEY:

Designated to the Highlanders by Mrs. Shirley Massey

IN MEMORY OF MRS. ANN JOYNER:

Designated to Capital Improvements by Dr. and Mrs. Dale Touchstone

HBC Media Library Update:

First, I want to thank Fran and Elliott Fleming for the 28 years they were librarians. They began in 1992 and built the library up to where it is now. We have over 5,000 books! That is quite a legacy.

I have been the new librarian almost a year now and have been very busy. With the help of MANY women in our church body, we spent several months (over 420 hours) computerizing the entire card catalog. Those that helped are Christy Turner, Amy McCarty, Regena Clark, Beth Touchstone, Rachele Hopkins, Carol Sue Wiggins, Skye Thompson, Greta Campbell, Lori McMullen, Sandra Glardon, Cindy Ross, Mary Carlisle, Mickie Allen, Karen Rhodes, Liz Jemison, and Carol Hailey. I hope I didn't miss anyone – if you helped and I didn't mention you please let me know.

What this means to you is that you can now look for and check out a book online. You only need to come pick the book up on Sunday morning. Everyone can look at the online card catalog, but if you would like to check out a book or place books in your reading list online then please email library@highlandbaptist.net and I'll assign a PIN # to you. The online catalog is available through the HBC website (highlandbaptist.net) under resources. Feel free to look around now. More information on how to use this resource will be coming soon.

ANNIVERSARY

This month Mrs. Janet Strickland begins her 9th year as our Church Pianist.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT JANUARY 2, 2022

Budget	8,072.00	CDC Req. to date	25,109.00
Child Development Center	.00	(1@ 25,109.00)	
Designated	171.00	CDC Receipts to date	.00
Total	8,243.00		
Budget Req. to date (1@ 23,996.67)	23,996.67	SUNDAY SCHOOL	146
Budget Receipts to date	8,072.00	MORNING WORSHIP	190