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**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS**

**April 10**

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Building Relationships with Christ, One Another, and the World

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Deacon's Meeting	8:00 AM
Sunday School	9:00 - 9:45 AM
Worship Service	10:00 - 11:00 AM
Finance Committee Meeting	11:00 AM
Quarterly Business Session	5:00 PM

**NO ADULT EXERCISE**

**HOLY WEEK LUNCHEAS AT 11:45 AM IN THE FLC**

**MONDAY, APRIL 11 Baked Potatoes**

Speaker, Rev. Terrence Roberts Soloist, Ella Franklin

**TUESDAY, APRIL 12 Chicken Salad & Pimento Cheese Sandwiches, Chips**

Speaker, Caleb Hughes, Fellowship Baptist Church

Trio, Abby Calhoun, Bob Meng and David Hopkins

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 Potato Soup, Crackers, Sandwiches**

Speaker, Scotty Cole, Firehouse Church Soloist, Libby Davidson

**THURSDAY, APRIL 14 Green Salad, Crackers**

Speaker, Dr. Brian Rushing, Poplar Springs Drive Baptist Church

Soloist, CDC Three Year Old Class

**FRIDAY, APRIL 15 Ham & Cheese Croissants, Chips**

Speaker, Dr. Corey Fontan, First Baptist Church, Union

Soloist, David Hopkins

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13**

- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM MENU: Popeyes Chicken Boxes,

Dessert Children's Menu: Chicken Nuggets or Hot Dogs

- College Bible Study (5:30 PM at the Highland House)

- 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)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 16 Easter Egg Hunt at HBC 10:00-12:00**

## FROM OUR CHIEF OF STAFF...

### A Thank You Note From Cuba

I received a Facebook video thank you from the congregation of the Fourth Baptist Church of Santiago de Cuba today thanking us (Highland Baptist Church) for our assistance in helping them expand the number of people who can attend a worship service. The video was short, and they said “gracias” in unison. The pastor of the church as well as Evangelical Christians in Cuba in general are amazing and have taught me much.

So, just how did we do this you might ask? Well, it is not a construction project, and they will be doing all the work. This church has approximately 1,400 people attending every Sunday, and they have a sanctuary that will seat 300. They currently have five worship services each Sunday, and then make the rooms in the building available for the different ministries (youth, seniors, children, men, women ...) every other day of the week. Working with the Go Team, Church Staff, and several church members we were able to send the needed electronics equipment and cabling to transmit the worship service to several other locations in the building(s). Their goal is to expand to eight additional rooms when all the TV’s become available with Phase I including the four TV’s they currently have.

Let me give you some background on Evangelical Christianity in Cuba. It will explain a lot about what and how they do things. The Cuban Revolution ended on January 1, 1959, and it then became illegal to build new churches. The existing ones could remain, but no new churches could be built. Now, 63 years later, there are more Evangelical Christian churches than there were in 1959. It is not illegal for a pastor to own a building and use it for Bible studies. They can also legally expand these buildings. In the early days of the new government, they arrested all the pastors and sent them for training in the sugar cane fields. The pastors’ wives opened the buildings, and they continued operating without pastors until the government gave up and released the pastors. The Christians in Cuba do not complain about difficulties; they find ways to overcome them.

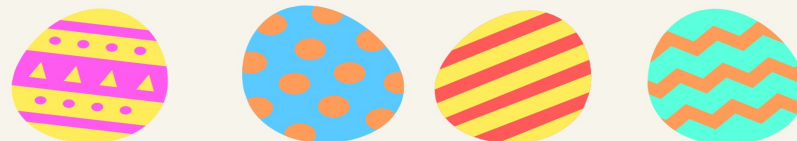
These difficulties are different in other mission fields, but there are difficulties and opportunities indeed. Some, but not all, the opportunities we have are listed below.

1. There are members of HBC who go to Romania on an annual basis.
2. A team from HBC will be travelling to Denver later in the year.
3. We are partnering with a church in Philadelphia, MS.
4. The Cuban government has lifted travel restrictions, and opportunities will most likely be available later this year.
5. There will be great opportunities in the Ukraine after fighting ends.

Pray about being part of the expansion of the Church in Meridian, Mississippi, the United States, and the World.

**BONUS:** We have two members of our church who met at Guantanamo Bay Naval Station in Cuba and later become husband and wife. She works in the library at HBC, and he knows the words to “Alice’s Restaurant” by Arlo Guthrie. Do you know who they are?

## WE NEED CANDY-FILLED EASTER EGGS!



PLEASE FILL PLASTIC EASTER EGGS WITH PREPACKAGED CANDY. BUT PLEASE, NO CHOCOLATE

Drop the eggs in the baskets scattered around Highland or at the church office!

### HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS

#### IN MEMORY OF ROBERT COREY BY:

Mr. and Mrs. George Thomas

Dr. and Mrs. L. N. Rhodes

Jerome Kittrell

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Starnes

Designated to the Library by Mrs. Lyn Hailey

Designated to the Highlanders by Highland Baptist Church

Designated to Capital Improvements by Mr. and Mrs. Duffee Williams

Designated to Capital Improvements by Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Fleming

Designated to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering by:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Compton

#### IN MEMORY OF MISS MALETA YARBROUGH:

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### STEWARDSHIP REPORT APRIL 3, 2022

Budget	22,832.45	CDC Req. to date	351,526.00
Child Development Center	.00	(14@25,109.00)	
Designated	3,115.00	CDC Receipts to date	304,787.50
Total	25,947.45		
Budget Req. to date (14@ 23,996.67)	335,953.38	SUNDAY SCHOOL	244
Budget Receipts to date	291,557.30	MORNING WORSHIP	278