

**THE LAUDERDALE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION WILL HOST A MOBILE DENTAL CLINIC FEBRUARY 27-29 AT CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH 8:A.M.—4:00 P.M. DAILY**

**Volunteers are needed to serve as counselors, greeters, etc. If you would be willing to help out, please contact the LBA office, 601.483.1419. Don't forget that reading glasses will be collected until February 23.**

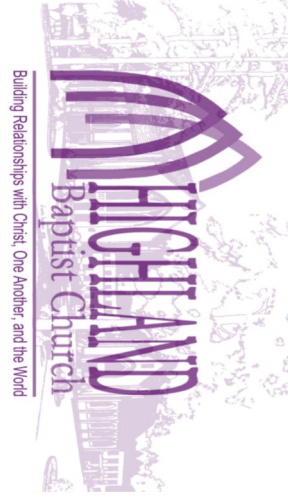
**MEN, MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MARCH 22 AT 6:00 P.M.**



**MAN CHURCH**



February 23 Psalm 17  
 February 24 Psalm 33  
 February 25 Psalm 36  
 February 26 Matthew 6:1-18  
 February 27 Psalm 50  
 February 28 Psalm 51  
 February 29 Psalm 57



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**COMING UP THIS SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2020**

**Prelude**  
**Call to Worship** He Leadeth Me  
**Welcome** Clint Jackson  
**Worship Song** Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King  
**Worship Song** Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me  
**Offertory**  
 \*CHILDREN GRADES 1-3 ARE INVITED TO GO TO KIDZ WORSHIP AT THIS TIME.  
**Choral Worship** All My Hope  
**Message** Rev. David Hopkins  
**"GOD'S GAME PLAN FOR WINNING"**  
 Ephesians 4:1-16  
**Song of Commitment** Softly and Tenderly  
**5:00 P.M. LIFEGROUPS**

**MEMORIAL FLOWERS**  
 The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in memory of Mr. and Mrs. George Von Edwins and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simon Mayer, Sr. given by Mr. and Mrs. Adam Kitchens.

**PRESCHOOL EXTENDED SESSION February 23 2020**  
 Dave and Heather Carr, Cortney Holloway, Joy Scott  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH (3 years-Kindergarten)**  
 Katie Odom, Tyner Mikell  
**KIDZ WORSHIP (GRADES 1-3) Libby Waite**

**STATISTICAL REPORT FEBRUARY 16, 2020**

BIBLE STUDY MINISTRY		STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
Main Connection Group		Receipts:	
Enrollment	513	Budget	20,007.20
Attendance		Child Dev	.00
Adult	140	Designated	1,499.00
Youth	23	Total	21,506.20
Children	32	Budget Req. to date	159,186.51
Preschool	19	(7@22,740.93)	
Worship Team	7	Budget Rec. to date	125,270.51
Visitors	6	CDC Req. to date	162,807.89
Total	227	(7@23,258.27)	
Nursing Home	14	CDC Receipts to date	92,307.00
Total SS Attendance	241		
Worship Att. AM/PM	267/78		

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, February 23**

- 9:00 A.M. Library Open
- 9:30 A.M. Sunday School Security-Pete Threatt
- 10:30 A.M. Library Open
- 10:45 A.M. Morning Worship  
Security—Tim Snowden, Victor Threatt
- 12:00 P.M. Library Open  
M4 Interest Meeting
- 5:00 P.M. LifeGroups  
Children's Bible Study  
Nursery for Birth-2 years old  
Security— Dale Touchstone, Elwood Vick

**Monday, February 24**

- 8:30 A.M. Adult Exercise
- 6:30 P.M. Prayer Time in the Sanctuary

**Tuesday, February 25**

- 12:00 P.M. Highlander's Meeting
- 4:00 P.M. Ladies' Quilting
- 6:30 P.M. TrailLife USA

**Wednesday, February 26**

- 8:30 A.M. Adult Exercise
- 9:00 A.M. Precept Bible Study
- 5:00 P.M. Family Night Supper  
MENU: Apricot Chicken, Rice, Green Beans, Salad, Dessert  
CHILDREN'S MENU: Chicken Nuggets or Hot Dogs
- 5:45 P.M. Angel/Cherub Choir (3 & 4 years)  
Kidz Praise (Kindergarten-Grade 5)
- 6:00 P.M. Prayer Meeting  
Youth Bible Study
- 6:15 P.M. W.O.W.
- 7:00 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, February 27**

- 7:00 A.M. Men's Prayer Breakfast

**Friday, February 28**

- 8:30 A.M. Adult Exercise

**Saturday, February 29**

- 9:00 A.M. Women's Ministry Dough Bowl Painting

**FROM OUR MINISTER TO STUDENTS..**

*"Balls and strikes, safe and out, any judgement calls are mine and my partner's call. Arguing them won't do you any good. However, if you have any questions about a non-judgment ruling, call time out when the ball is dead, and we'll talk about it. Now, are all your players safely and properly equipped?"*

When I was three years old, the tee ball program in Prentiss (where I grew up) didn't quite have enough players to fill as many teams as they wanted so a few dads were called to see if their sons wanted to play a year earlier than they were technically allowed to play. My dad, being a sports nut, was quick to answer yes and my baseball career began then in 1989. Fast forward to 2004, I'm still playing. I'm a senior in high school and that was the last time I played organized baseball. I knew I wasn't good enough to play at the collegiate level, so I found another way to stay close to the game. I began umpiring little league. After a couple years, I was asked to begin umpiring some jr. high ball. After that, I started doing high school ball. To this day, I still umpire in the spring. It serves a couple purposes. One: it gives us a little extra spending money. Two (and most importantly): it keeps me close to a game that I love being around. The paragraph at the top of this article is a portion of what I'm supposed to say to the head coaches during our pre-game meeting. We go over a few rules, exchange line ups, shake hands, and then we play ball. I love every aspect of it. I don't even mind getting ribbed by fans after they disagree with a call I make. I just enjoy being around the game and I made an effort to keep it in my life.

I feel certain that this attitude is shared by each and every one of us. Maybe not toward baseball or any other sport, but definitely toward something. If we are passionate about something, if this particular thing is important to us, we find a way to be around it. We find a way to keep it in my life. Too many of us will claim that Jesus and the church is important to us, but we don't make any effort to be around it. We claim to love Christ but are we really living in a way that exemplifies that? Do we make the effort? The beautiful thing about our salvation is that there is nothing we can do to earn it. We can't win it. We can't work hard enough for it. Jesus just offers Himself freely to us. However, after salvation, it DOES take effort to continue to walk in Him. It DOES take effort to grow in Him. It DOES take effort, just like any other relationship, to keep close to Him. What are you doing to build that relationship? Are you spending time daily in the Scriptures? Are you spending time in prayer? Are you making an effort to be not just a member of Highland, but invested in the ministries here?

**CONTINUED...** 2 Peter 3 commands us to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity." That is my prayer for you today. Make the effort to grow in Christ now and "to the day of eternity."

**HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS/HONORS IN MEMORY OF BILLY STUBBS:**

**Designated to the Music Ministry by:**

- Mr. and Mrs. Duffee Williams
- Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Smith

**Designated to Capital Improvements by:**

- Norman and Jennifer Wilson
- Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Mathis

**IN MEMORY OF MRS. BILLIE SUTHERLAND:**

**Designated to the Tea Room by:**  
Mr. and Mrs. Duffee Williams

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VISITING THE ARK IN WILLIAMSTOWN, KY MAY 2-5, 2020, PLEASE CONTACT BOBBIE VICK OR WILLIE GREER. THIS TRIP IS OPEN TO ANYONE INTERESTED!**

*Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simon Mayer, junior request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Emily Brooke to George Adam Kitchens Saturday, the twenty-second of February Two thousand twenty at half past six o'clock in the evening Highland Baptist Church, Meridian, Mississippi and afterwards at the reception Northwood Country Club*

**THE VERY NEWEST**

Congratulations to Mrs. Helen Stubbs on the birth of her great-grandson, Luke Patrick Stubbs.

1 5:00 p.m. Life Groups	2	3	4 WOW WORSHIP RALLY	5 7:00 p.m. Bee Keepers Meeting in the Fellowship Hall	6	7 10:00 a.m. Kitchens Birthday Party in the FLC 4:00 p.m. Pratt Birthday Party in the FLC
8 8:00 a.m. Deacon's Meeting NO Life Groups	9 5:30 p.m. CDC Comm. Meeting	10	11 No Evening Activities	12	13	14
15 5:00 p.m. Life Groups	16	17	18 Worship Kidstyle: Jesus, the Savior: Jesus' Crucifixion and Resurrection	19	20 6:00 p.m. Parent's Night Out	21
22 1:30 p.m. Morgan Ross/Garrett Reed Tea Shower 4:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. Man Church	23	24	25 Worship Kidstyle: Jesus, The Savior: On the Road to Emmaus	26 6:30 p.m. Neighborhood Watch Meeting	27	28 Jackson Birthday Party in the FLC
29 OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Last Life Group Meeting	30	31				<b>MARCH 2020</b>