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STATE OF THE CHURCH

Our Pastor Writes

by Rev. Rob Armstrong, Senior Pastor



Happy New Year!

If you are going to set one goal this year, make it the goal of godliness. This statement was the focus of our sermon from 1 Timothy 4:6-10 on December 31, 2017. The more that I reflect on that passage and this statement, the more I am convinced it should be a guiding thought for each of us.

In his book, *Respectable Sins*, Jerry Bridges points out there are many subtle sins that work their way into our lives. One such sin is ungodliness. He points out that there is a difference between ungodliness and unrighteousness. "Unrighteousness refers to sinful actions, while ungodliness describes our attitude toward God. Specifically, ungodliness is defined as living one's every day life with little or no thought of God, or of God's will, or of God's glory, or of one's dependence on God." (*Respectable Sins*, p. 54)

Ungodliness can go unnoticed by you and those around you. You can still be courteous and nice to others, but with no thought of the Lord or of God's will. You see there are lost people all over the world who are kind to others, courteous, and friendly. As Christians we should be kind, courteous, and friendly because it is right and good. But, we should also pursue godliness. Godliness is living your life because of who God is and what He has done for you in Christ. As Christians we should dedicate ourselves to living every day with with an immense amount of thought and concern for the Lord, His will, and His glory.

According to Bridges, ungodliness manifests itself through our planning, prayer life, work life, ordinary actions, and spiritual disciplines. To pursue godliness in your life this year I recommend the following action steps:

1. Make your plans with God, His Word, and His will in mind.
2. When you pray, pray prayers that are God centered, praying for God's will, praying for His glory to be known in your life and in the life of others, and praying prayers of praise.
3. When you work, work as if it is for the Lord Himself. Remember that everything we do and in every place we go we are representing Him.
4. Think about the Lord as you go about your daily schedule and routine. This goes beyond your work, this applies to everything that you do. Strive to honor God in the ordinary and every day moments.
5. Spend time with the Lord in prayer, personal Bible study, worship, growing with others, and sharing the gospel

I am thankful for each of you, praying for all of you, and looking forward to growing in godliness together in 2018.

By God's Grace,
Pastor Rob



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Starting in 1888, the [Lottie Moon Christmas Offering®](#) was established to empower the international missions efforts for Southern Baptists. After more than a century, the annual offering continues its steady growth. Your giving enables missionaries to be sent to make disciples and multiply churches among unreached peoples and places for the glory of God.

Thanks to your generosity, Harrisburg Baptist church exceeded it's goal of \$100,000 with total gifts in the amount of \$129,436.81. To God be the glory!

January

AT A GLANCE

Wednesday Evenings begin at 4:45 p.m. with a Family Fellowship Supper in the Fellowship Hall. A delicious meal is served (with separate children's meal) for only \$4.00 for adults and \$2.50 for kids, with a \$12.00 family maximum. Come enjoy the food and the fellowship prior to the various activities that begin at 6:00 p.m. **January 3rd:** Ham, Black-Eyed Peas, Turnip Greens, Corn Bread, Salad and Dessert. Kids: Corn Dog Nuggets and Sweet Potato Fries. **January 10th:** Chicken Alfredo, Green Beans, Fried Squash, Garlic Bread, Salad and Dessert. Kids: Pizza and Chips. **January 17th:** Vegetable Beef Soup, Sandwich, Corn Bread, Salad and Dessert. Kids: Hamburgers and French Fries. **January 24th:** Meatloaf, Scalloped Potatoes, Pinto Beans, Rolls, Slaw and Dessert. Kids: Chicken Nuggets and French Fries. **January 31st:** Hamburger Steaks, Mashed Potatoes, Lima Beans, Rolls, Salad, and Dessert. Kids: Hot Dogs and Chips.

WEEKLY

January 07
Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 3:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

January 14
Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 3:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

January 21
Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 3:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Deacons' Meeting 6:00 p.m.

January 28
Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 3:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

MONDAYS

Mother's Day Out 8:30 a.m.
Merrymakers 11:30 p.m. (22nd)
Trail Life 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAYS

WMU 11:15 a.m. (2nd & 16th)

WEDNESDAYS

Evening Meal 4:45 p.m.
Library Open 5:00 p.m.
Music and Missions 5:45 p.m.
Mid-Week Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Mid-Week for Students 6:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAYS

Mother's Day Out 8:30 a.m.

FRIDAYS

Parents' Night Out 6:00 - 9:30 p.m. (19th)
Parents' Night In 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. (26th)

Sunday School

Attendance

December 03		1057
December 10		1007
December 17		920
December 25		814

Extended Teaching Care: January 7th, 8:10 a.m.: T.J. & Tami Miles, Matt & Mandy Bowden, Stephanie Baughn, Pat Russell, **10:40 a.m.:** Robert & Gena Vail, Joseph & Kayla Gray, **January 14th, 8:10 a.m.:** Andi Hildenbrand, Susan Webb, Christina Brown, John & Jennifer Freer, **10:40 a.m.:** Melanie Brinkley, Tammy Freeman, Dave & DeAnna Russell. **January 21st, 8:10 a.m.:** Vickie Gober, Lauren Patterson, Braden & Laurie Bishop, Eric & Lynzee Kinsey, **10:40 a.m.:** Buddy & Krishna Mims, Jon & Holly Simmons. **January 28th 8:10 a.m.:** Beth Shelton, Leigh Ann Wise, Jon & Laura Criddle, Joe & Brittany Johnson, **10:40 a.m.:** Cherry Tutor, Lea Partlow, Bryan & Kathi Tanner.

Welcome Centers: January 7th Front: Lynn Collier and Betty Neilson, Back: Ed Calvert, Snr. Entrance: Debbie Swords | **January 14th Front:** Ricky and Karen Metcalfe, Back: Dick and Nancy Stephens, Snr. Entrance: Gerald Conaway | **January 21th Front:** Charles and Martha Warren, Back: Lee and Kim Tutor, Snr. Entrance: Phil Swords | **January 28th Front:** Kenneth and Patsy Williams, Back: Russell and Jill Connerly, Snr. Entrance: Sherry McKenzie.

Weekly Budget Requirement \$ 68,492.55

Budget Received

December 03	\$	43,180.28
December 10	\$	90,976.85
December 17	\$	76,894.10
December 25	\$	58,458.44

Required to Date \$ 3,082,164.75
 Received to Date \$ 3,026,421.15

Building and Maintenance Fund Received 2017 \$ 145,873.36

Monthly Giving

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Extended Teaching Care Volunteers

If you or someone you know is looking for a way to serve this year, please consider serving in ETC (our childcare/nursery during our morning worship services). You will serve 4 times a year, one Sunday morning a quarter, during either the early or late service. It is a small time commitment with great importance to our little ones, their families, and our church! Please contact me if you would be willing to serve. Thank you! Angela Mitchell (397-9025 or amitchell@harrisburgonline.org)



Ring in the New Year with Parents' Night Out!

Ring in the New Year at PNO on Friday, January 19, 2018 from 6:00-9:30 p.m.

While you are out this month, your child(ren) will play on the bouncies, make a craft, set goals for the new year, and enjoy eating cuties and goldfish for snack.

The cost is \$15 per family for members and non-members if you reserve your spot by Sunday, January 14, 2018. The cost will be \$20 after the deadline. Please call Tonya Cox at 348-2505 or 372-6592 with any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!



New Arrivals

Joseph David Robinson
son of CJ and Kayla Robinson.
Born November 28, 2017.

Grayton weighed 8 lbs., 8 oz. and was 20.5".

William Murry Dickerson, IV
son of Bill and Lora Claire Dickerson.
Born November 9, 2017.

Grayton weighed 5 lbs., 1 oz. and was 18.5".

Parents' Night In!

Parents' Night IN is for parents of children in preschool through 6th grade. Friday night, January 26th, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Parents, come enjoy supper and fellowship with other adults while your children enjoy pizza and a fun time together! There is no charge. Please sign up so we will have a count for supper and childcare. Sign up at the Preschool check-in desk and outside Shelley's office.

**"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
To Him be glory both now and forever! Amen." 2 Peter 3:18**

I am praying that we will all grow in God's grace and in knowledge of Him this new year! We can best do this by reading and studying His Word and spending time with Him alone. Another verse tells us that if we come near to God, He will come near to us (James 5:5). Let's make spending time with God and getting to know Him better a real priority this year.

Angela Mitchell

It's TIME for DAY SCHOOL Registration! Our preschool ministry strives to provide a safe, happy, Christian learning environment that meets the need of every preschooler in every program we offer. We believe the first five years of life are unparalleled in importance in building character, love, and a positive response to Christ and the church. We want time spent at church to be happy, well directed, and profitable. Our goal is to partner with parents to help preschoolers become all that God created them to be! Please contact Lynne Bratton, 841-1308 for more information.



Day School Registration:

Currently Enrolled Children, January 22nd - January 26th

HBC members with a child currently enrolled needing to enroll a sibling, January 29th - February 2nd

Non HBC members with a child currently enrolled needing to enroll a sibling, February 5th - February 9th

Other HBC members, February 12th - February 16th

Public Registration, February 19th

~Registration will begin at 7:00 a.m. in the preschool foyer.

~Registration will be complete with a \$75.00 deposit for each child and completion of registration documents.

CHILDREN'S NEWS



CENTRI-KID REGISTRATION will begin in January!

This year we will attend Centri-Kid Camp at Timber Creek Camp, June 28th - July 2nd.

Before you sign your child up for any other summer camp, please come to our Summer Camp Interest Meeting on January 24th at 5:30 p.m. in Room 503. We'll discuss easy payment plans and reasons why sending your child to camp with his or her church group can be a HUGE step in his or her spiritual development.



STUDENT NEWS

Disciple Now 2018 | January 12-14, 2018

Disciple Now is a premier event focusing students on discipleship practices that build over a lifetime. DNOW is known for great worship, excellent preaching, and relationship building moments. Harrisburg participates with the Tupelo family of faith as we meet together with dozens of churches for our worship times. The Lee County Disciple Now brings together students from all over Tupelo and the surrounding area to celebrate Christ and grow deeper in our understanding of God's Word and love. Please be in prayer for our student ministers, students and host homes during this unique time.



Active Deacons
January 1 - December 31, 2018

	Rotating off December 31, 2021	Rotating off December 31, 2020	Rotating off December 31, 2019	Rotating off December 31, 2018
1.	John Bryson	Bob Baughn	Jack Clark	Travis Beard
2.	Bill Collins	Scott Cochran	Bill Duke	Mike Biddle
3.	Bill Hamblin	Bennie Crumpton	Charles Estes	Frank Brinkley
4.	Newt Harrison	Tommy Green	Alan Flowers	Gerald Conaway
5.	Skipper Holliman	Whitten Grisham	Kenneth Greer	Charlie Greer
6.	Ross Loftin	Sammy Henderson	George Hand	Dick Guyton
7.	Blue Logan	Mickey Holliman	Ben Meriweather	Opie Hurst
8.	James Moore	Brian McCoy	Randy Morgan	Fred Jackson
9.	Greg Roy	Dan McCrimon	Brian Riggs	Rick Morgan
10.	Bobby Smith	Rob Rieves	Jon Simmons	George Stone
11.	Doug Whitenton	Ryan Simmons	Scott Williamson	Lee Stratton
12.	Dereck Young	Derwood Tutor	Reagan Wise	Smokey Young

HARRISBURG WOMEN'S MINISTRY
INVITES YOU TO

gather together

Graciously Sharing Hospitality & Faith
ON

Monday, January 22 at 6pm

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

Sara Berry

DINNER BY

Sweet Tea & Biscuits

TABLE SCAPES BY

the Ladies of HBC
COST & LOCATION

\$15 in the Fellowship Hall

CHILDCARE PROVIDED WITH RESERVATION

RECREATION / SENIOR ADULT NEWS

MINISTER of RECREATION / YOUTH ASSOCIATE

After 39 ½ years David's job title has changed from Minister of Recreation to Minister of Recreation / Senior Adults. David's new title is now Minister of Senior Adults /Pastoral Care. J. B. Long now has the title of Associate Minister of Youth / Recreation. He's your man!

YOUTH / RECREATION ASSISTANT

Lauryn Cayson is our new Youth / Recreation Assistant. This position is taking the place of the former Recreation/Senior Adult Assistant Ashley Walden. Lauryn is in the same office with the same number 662-823- 4110. Her hours are Monday – Friday 8:00am - 4:00pm.

BASKETBALL UPDATE

Our church has Boys 1/2gr., 3/4gr., 5/6gr., 7/8gr., 9/12gr., and Girls 3/5gr., and 9/12gr. Teams in the Lee County Church League. There are games on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Schedule of the games can be found on Church Web, or at the Rec Desk. Games run through February 27.

DISC GOLF COURSE

We have 35 new tee boxes with graphic signs. Free loaner disc and course layouts available now at Rec Desk.

REC FITNESS FACILITIES:

Mon thru Fri, 7:00am– 9:30pm, Sat 9:00am – 1:30pm. Parents Night Out, Friday January 19 (gym closed). Parents Night In, Friday January 26 (gym closed). Call Rec Desk for up to date schedule 823-7114. Facilities are closed 15 minutes before and after all church services.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

During the transition we will be working on updating policies. Questions should be directed to Lauryn Cayson our new Youth / Recreation Assistant 823-7110.

FITNESS ROOM AUTHORIZATION

Contact Rec Ministry at 662-823-7110 for details how you can become authorized to use fitness facilities. Children 7th and 8th grade can come with their parents, 9th grade and older may request their own ID.

MINISTER OF SENIOR ADULTS/PASTORAL CARE

After 39 ½ years David's job title has changed from Minister of Recreation to Minister of Recreation / Senior Adults. David's new title is now Minister of Senior Adults / Pastoral Care. You can still reach him at his present number 662-231-4944.

CHILDREN/SENIOR ADULT ASSISTANT

Ashley Seals is our new Children/Senior Adult Assistant. This position is taking the place of the former Children/ Youth Assistant held by Emily Hubbert. Ashley is in Emily's old office with same number 662-823- 4109. Her hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00am - 5:00pm.

GRACE MINISTRY

The holidays offered excellent opportunities to share acts of grace to the home bound. The Grace Ministry will begin to take on individual components that will allow you to use your spiritual gifts reaching and discipling all ages of our church. Contact/text 231-4944, dsmith@harrisburgonline.org.

MERRYMAKERS LUNCHEON

The Merrymakers Luncheon will be Monday, January 22nd at 11:30am. Cost is \$4. This is our Birthday Party with Clowns and door prizes. Sign up at Senior Adult/Pastoral Care table or by calling 231-4944. Harriet Miller, Cecilia Palmer, and Pat Dearman will be coordinating this year's monthly opportunities.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT GUEST HAPPIES/GOODIES

Help us provide happies for our guests. Anniversaries and birthdays are also recognized. Four to five Happies are needed each week. Sign up for a Wednesday at Senior Adult/Pastoral Care display, or call/text 662-231-4944.

VAN DRIVERS NEEDED

We pick up on Sunday mornings for the 8:30 worship and take home after Sunday School. Join the team of drivers. No commercial licenses needed. Call David Smith 231-4944 to arrange pickup.

SECURITY WALKERS

January 7 th	January 14 th	January 21 st	January 28 th
8:15 am - 9:30 am Terry Black	8:15 am - 9:30 am Dan Purnell	8:15 am - 9:30 am Bryan Tanner	8:15 am - 9:30 am Phil Swords
9:45 am - 10:45 am Steven Flynn	9:45 am - 10:45 am Kirk Kennedy	9:45 am - 10:45 am Jamie Owens	9:45 am - 10:45 am Larry Durham
11:00 am - Noon Scott Williams	11:00 am - Noon Skipper Holliman	11:00 am - Noon Chris Hester	11:00 am - Noon George Hand

What's Happening at Harrisburg

Thank You Notes

Thank you notes have been received from Judy Sewell, Sarah Heavner and the family of Andy Anderson.



Discover Class

If you've ever wondered what Harrisburg is all about, join us for our new Discover Class on Sunday, January 7 at 9:45 a.m. in the HBC Lodge. Pastor Rob will share about the vision, values and the mission of Harrisburg and what it means to be a meaningful part of Harrisburg's church family. This will be followed by a lunch at Noon in the Fellowship Hall where you'll have the opportunity to meet the staff of Harrisburg and learn more about what God is doing among us.

Missions Update!

The Mcpherson Honduras Missions team will be collecting match box size toy cars for boys and small beanie baby size stuffed animals for girls. The lighter the stuffed animals the better. You may drop them in the collection bins at the front and back entrances. Thank you for helping us share the love of Jesus!

NEW MEMBERS

Gary Heath

Tina Heath

Phillip Jarrell

Nicole Jarrell

Sherry Holmes

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