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## **Our Pastor Writes**

by Rev. Rob Armstrong, Senior Pastor



Greetings!

One of the greatest strengths of Harrisburg Baptist Church is the fact that we are a multi-generational church. Our church is made up of 5 generations: The Greatest Generation (born before 1946), Baby Boomers (born between 1946-1964), Generation X (born between 1965-1979), Millennials (born between 1980-2000), and Generation Z (born after 2001). When you think about it, where else can you find a group like this? In the sports world people get together to cheer for a team. In music and the arts people of all ages come together to appreciate and celebrate. But, in the church we do more than cheer for a team, seek a common entertainment, or share an appreciation for an art. The church comes together to love the Lord, love one another, and pursue God's mission. You may not have thought about it before but, the church itself is a testimony to the power of the Gospel.

During the month of May we will be highlighting some of the work that God is doing in different generations of the church. We will be recognizing our High School graduates (May 6 at 11:00am), honoring our mothers (May 13), supporting our families with baby and child dedication (May 13), and celebrating our senior adults (May 20). You will find more information about these special Sundays in this edition of the Herald. I hope that you and your family will prioritize these opportunities to support one another through the month.

These last few weeks have been especially encouraging as the Lord continues to build our church on the truth and the power of the Gospel. In addition to our increased attendance, baptisms, and new members there are incredible testimonies of how God is working in the lives of our members. God is working in our hearts and in our homes as He renews and transforms us each week. James 4:8 says, "Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double minded." Remember this truth in the coming days and lean into the Lord in your prayer life. Spend time in the Word and dedicate yourself to being faithful to Him because He is faithful to you. Keep on inviting your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to join us in what the Lord is doing here in our midst. I'm proud of you and grateful to be your pastor.

By God's Grace, Pastor Rob



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. May 2<sup>nd</sup>: Breakfast for Supper! Children: French Toast Sticks and Fruit. May 9<sup>th</sup>: Red Beans and Rice with Smoked Sausage, Fried Okra, Slaw, Corn Bread and Dessert. Children: Hamburgers and Chips. May 16<sup>th</sup>: Baked Chicken, Macaroni and Cheese, Navy Beans, Salad, Rolls and Dessert. Children: Chicken Nuggets and Tater Tots. May 23<sup>rd</sup>: BBQ Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Corn on the Cob, Slaw and Dessert. Kids: Hot Dogs and French Fries. May 30<sup>th</sup>: Spaghetti, Green Beans, Fried Squash, Garlic Bread, Salad and Dessert. Kids: Pizza and Chips.

Sunday School

Attendance

March 25 | 954 April 01 | N/A April 08 | 938 April 15 | 1019

Worship Sttendance

March 25 | 1086 April 01 | 2019 April 08 | 1030 April 15 | 1164

Extended Teaching Care: May 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:10 a.m.: Justin & Stacey Loden, Christa Evans, Denise Green, Jason & Jennifer Boyette. 10:40 a.m.: Melissa Worley, Liz Troxler, David & Cathy Davis. May 13<sup>th</sup>, 8:10 a.m.: Bonnie Webb, Jill Conerly, Jackie Webb, Nelda Hartley, Amber Steele, Ashley Evans, Matt & Christy Oswalt. 10:40 a.m.: Robin Newell, Maggie Davis, Briley Backstrom, Brenda Tidwell. May 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:10 a.m.: Pam Hurst, Deedee Coker, Jordan & Mary Heather Dozier, Ken & Dana Long. 10:40 a.m.: DeAnna Woods, Trina Gamiel, Rick & Anna Morgan. May 27<sup>th</sup>, 8:10 a.m.: Selena Davis, Amanda Holland, Katie Rieves, Lauren Knight, Alan & Carol Flowers. 10:40 a.m.: TBD

Welcome Center Greeters: May 6<sup>th</sup> Front: Bryan & Kathi Tanner, Back: Braden & Laurie Bishop, Snr. Entrance: Lynn Collier | May 13<sup>th</sup> Front: Bob & Joan Maynard, Back: Jim & Liz Troxler, Snr. Entrance: Debbie Swords | May 20<sup>th</sup> Front: Buddy & Cecelia Palmer, Back: John & Carrie Coggins, Snr. Entrance: Sherry McKenzie | May 27<sup>th</sup> Front: Harry & Sarah London, Back: Blue & Sue Logan, Snr. Entrance: Gerald Conaway.

Weekly Budget Requirement	\$	72,338.71	
Budget Received March 25	\$	48,154.08	
April 01	\$	94,254.35	
April 08	\$	81,570.05	2
April 15	\$	56,850.29	2
Required to Date	\$	1,085,080.65	120
Received to Date	\$	923,890.40	Ello
Building and Maintenance	<b>.</b>	47.041.00	Vin
Fund Received 2018	\$	47.941.30	



#### AT A GLANCE

#### WEEKLY

#### **SUNDAYS**

May 06

Morning Worship 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Graduate Brunch 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. (Baccalaureate)
Zamar Student Choir 3:00 p.m.
Children's Musical 5:00 p.m.

May 13

Morning Worship 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Senior Adult Brunch 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 3:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

May 20

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

May 27

Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

**MONDAYS** 

Mother's Day Out 8:30 a.m. Merry Makers May 21st, 11:30 a.m. Trail Life 6:30 p.m.

**TUESDAYS** 

**WMU** 11:15 a.m. (1st and 15th) **FAITH** 5:30 p.m. (1st and 8th)

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.

## PRESCHOOLNEWS

You are invited to our **Day School Kindergarten Graduation and End-of-Year Program!** Join us on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary to see our Kindergarten class graduate and our Day School and Mother's Day Out children lead us in a time of celebration and praise.

**Preschool M&Ms:** Our last night for M&Ms will be Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to our special leaders! They have done a wonderful job in leading our preschoolers in music and missions each Wednesday night! Watch for news on our Family Nights on Wednesdays this summer!

#### **VBS Sign-Up!**

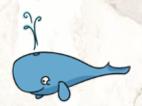
For 3-year-olds (3 by Sept. 1, 2017) through 6<sup>th</sup> Graders. We also have classes for babies, ones and twos. Sign up today at the table by the preschool hallway! Volunteers still needed, too!

Registration is now open for our **Summer Mother's Day Out** program. Summer MD0 is for children 8 weeks through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. We meet on Mondays and Thursdays from 8:30 - 1:30 p.m. We are planning some fun filled days! Please sign your children up at the table near the preschool welcome desk, or call Krisha Mims at 419-6878 for more information.

#### **BABY AND CHILD DEDICATION SERVICE**

No one has more influence on a child than the parent. What happens at home is more important than what happens at church. It is our hope that Harrisburg can partner with each parent and be their biggest fan, strongest supporter, and a trusted guide as they raise each child to know what it means to have a personal relationship with Jesus. Our upcoming Baby and Child Dedication Service is on Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at our 8:30am and 11:00am service.

**PARENT'S NIGHT OUT** will be on Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 - 9:30 pm. We will have a "whale" of a time playing in the pool and sprinkler, reading the story of Jonah, and making a craft. We will enjoy a healthy snack. Wear your swimsuit with a t-shirt and shorts. Bring a towel and change of clothes. The cost is \$15 per family for members and non-members. The cost will go up \$20 after the deadline. The deadline to reserve your spot to ensure proper childcare will be Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Please call Tonya Cox at 348-2505 or 372-6592 with any questions. We look forward to seeing you at PNO!





#### **WinShape Camps for Communities**

July 9th - 13th

Monday - Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. 1st - 6th Graders (grade completed)

Cost: \$214.00

scholarships and discounts available

Registration continues for WinShape Camps for Communities. 1st - 6th graders and 7th - 9th graders may register at www.winshapecamps.org. The cost is \$214 per child and includes all activities, a t-shirt and family lunch on Friday. Don't miss out on the best week ever! Kids may customize their camp experience by choosing from 21 skills that include:



gymnastics, flag football, wacky science, cheerleading and many more! Camp is from 8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m. on Monday-Thursday and 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Friday.

Volunteers are also needed to help the WinShape Staffers. Those age 16 and older may register as a volunteer at www.winshapecamps. org/wscvolunteer. When you register online you will be able to indicate what days and times you are available. A background check will also be required. Background check information will be e-mailed to you after you register.

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## **VBS2018**

REGTISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND VOLUNTEERS CONTINUES THROUGH MAY. VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED! REGISTER ONLINE AT:

WWW.HARRISBURGONLINE.ORG OR AT THE VBS TABLE.

JUNE 4TH - 8TH 8:30 - 11:30 AM

## **VBS MUSIC CAMP 2018**



VBS Music Camp provides a fun-filled way to extend the Biblical instruction that takes place each morning in VBS. Campers will learn and present a musical incorporating the music from "Game On!", participate in daily sports activities, enjoy creative craft opportunities, engage in team competitions, receive encouragement from God's Word, AND learn how to effectively live as a part of God's team. They will also receive a CD and a t-shirt. The week will culminate with a musical presentation on Sunday, June 10 at the 5:00 p.m. evening worship service.

DATES: JUNE 4-8 TIME: 11:30-2:30

(IMMEDIATELY AFTER VBS)

PARTICIPANTS:

ALL WHO HAVE COMPLETED GRADES 1-6.

COST: BY MAY 20:

S20 FOR THE FIRST CHILD

S15 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CHILD

PER FAMILY UNIT.

AFTER MAY 20:

S25 FOR THE FIRST CHILD

S20 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CHILD

PER FAMILY UNIT.

Appreciation Brunch during Sunday School in the HBC Gym at 9:45am

Senior Adult Appreciation Day

May 20th

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Tayla Alexander Mary Grace Crumpton Victoria Kennedy Jillian Mitchell

Kyle Austin Lauren Claire Davis Bryce Lindsey Griffin Moore

Carter Blankenship Anna Goggans Avery Claire Littleton Eric Morgan

Madison Brandon Marcus Gray Landon Long Mikaela Page

Neely Brown Leigh Ellis Grisham Brandon Main Colby Reves

Guyton Bush Carter Halbert Ryan Malone Blake Robinson

Dallas Butts Gracie Hand Molly McCarthy Eli Smith

John Aaron Cantrell Hannah Huckaby Anna McCoy Joy Tomes

Mary Carter Katie Jarvis John Henry McDade Haley West

Bryant Castles Trey Kelly Addie Grace Mims Asia Willingham



#### ST. LOUIS MISSION TRIP MAY 24 - 29 Cost \$265 | \$25 Deposit

We are looking forward to the opportunity to go and serve the people of St. Louis this May. Our efforts will allow us to touch the lives of a local church, inner city residents, the homeless and some of the refugee population. Our partner is Mission St. Louis and Apostles Church. This is an excellent choice for the first-timer, and/or those who want to include the whole family. Anyone who has completed the first grade and older will be allowed to go. No plane tickets to buy, passports to secure, shots to be taken or a far distance to travel for this one. Check out Mission St. Louis's website!

For the people who are interested in construction projects, we will help with some improvements at the Apostles Church. This church is a nearly new church plant and is actively looking to plant other churches. We are excited how God is using the team there to reach the people of North St. Louis with the Gospel.

Our plan is to leave Tupelo around 3 pm on the 24th and return around 3pm on the 28th. Please prayerfully consider joining us on this adventure. Feel free to call John Gordon or Marilyn Swindle with any questions. The cost for this trip is \$205.

# SECURITY

# May 6<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am - 9:30 am Blue Logan 9:45 am - 10:45 am Katrina Patty 11:00 am - Noon David Maddox

May 13 <sup>th</sup>
8:30 am - 9:30 am
Bill Collins
9:45 am - 10:45 am
Robert Yarber
11:00 am - Noon
John Hall

May 20th
8:30 am - 9:30 am
Dan Purnell
9:45 am - 10:45 am
Jamie Owens
11:00 am - Noon
Doug Whitenton

	May 27th
	8:30 am - 9:30 am
	Jack Clark
	9:45 am - 10:45 am
Ž	Dan Sheals
	11:00 am - Noon
	George Hand

### SENIOR ADULTS

#### **SENIOR ADULT COMMITTEE**

Ellen Kennedy, Ronnie Shurden, Patsy Wilson, Johnnie Creely, Janice Evans, Gregory Henderson, Sharon Dickerson, Buddy Miller, Cathy Davis.

#### **SENIOR ADULT DAY**

May 20<sup>th</sup> will be Senior Adult Day at HBC. All senior adults are invited to an Appreciation Brunch in the gym during Sunday School. If you have a special idea, contact / text 231-4944, or e-mail dsmith@harrisburgonline.org as we make plans for this special day.

#### **MERRYMAKERS LUNCHEON**

Monday, May 21st, 11:30am. Randy McCoy will entertain and inspire us! Special, Catfish / Chicken meal. The cost is \$4.00. Sign up at Senior Adult / Pastoral Care table or by calling 231-4944 to specify chicken or fish.

#### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT GUEST HAPPIES / GOODIES**

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

#### **SENIOR ADULT RETREAT**

May 26<sup>th</sup>, First Baptist Tupelo, 12:00 noon - 4:00pm. Details and sign up available at Senior Adult / Pastoral Care display, or call / text 662-231- 4944.

#### **BACK ON THE ROAD**

The May Creation Museum / Noah's Ark trip has many on the waiting list. We are looking at scheduling another trip soon. In June we will visit the Cherry Creek Orchards; in July, the George Poteet History Center Tab Boren Pottery. Details are forth coming. Dates and times are available by contacting the Senior Adult office and display board.

#### **SHEPHERD'S CENTER Seniors Serving Seniors**

Lee Acres Church of Christ will host Shepherd's Center May 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 - 11:00am. Come join us for refreshments and inspirational ideas from senior adults in our community.

#### **VAN DRIVERS NEEDED**

We pick up on Sunday mornings for the 8:30am worship service and take home after Sunday School. Call David Smith 231-4944 to arrange pickup.

### RECREATION

#### **GYM MEMBERSHIP**

Harrisburg has a gym fully equipped for a great workout. If you are a church member and looking for a gym, stop by and see Lauryn Cayson. The process is simple: fill out a form, pay \$15 for your I.D., and get ready to smile for a picture.

#### **BIRTHDAY PARTIES**

Harrisburg loves celebrating with you. If you are looking to book a birthday party, please call Lauryn Cayson at 823-7135. She can assist you with dates available, approvals, and answer all your questions on what is available for use.

#### **DISC GOLF COURSE**

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



At Harrisburg, we biblically train and equip men to be spiritual leaders in their homes, in the church, and in their places of business. Our next **Men's Ministry Luncheon** will be scheduled for September. Please see details in upcoming editions of "The Herald".



Change a Life. Change the World is more than a catchy tagline—it's what happens through WMU® around the world every day. We meet twice monthly on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Please join us Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 a.m. in Room 516 / 517.

# What's Happening around Harrisburg



#### "Walk Where Jesus Walked" | Israel 2018

Join us this November 3<sup>rd</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for the journey of a lifetime. Walk the ancient streets of Jerusalem. Sail the Sea of Galilee. Visit the Garden Tomb. Your Bible Study and your life will never be the same. If you're interested, pick up a brochure in the church office or contact David Langerfeld at 871-8731.

Maggie Farmer Vivian Creel Mitchell Wren Christopher Dobbs Maddox Negrete Kolton Bass Jimmy & Glenda Cole Traci Dobbs Roy & Deletha Norris Michael & Tammi Metz Grant & Priscilla Collins

NEW MEMBERS

Thank-you notes to Harrisburg have been received from Nellie Witt and the Salvation Army.

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