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Week of Prayer for **SEND» NORTH AMERICA** and the Annle Armstrong Easter Offering®

Harrisburg Goal: \$32,000
Week of Prayer: April 12th - 18th

**ANNIE
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Easter
worship & praise

Join us Easter Sunday, April 5th
at Harrisburg Baptist Church for a
celebration of our Risen Lord
at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

THE
CROSS
OF CHRIST

Friday Evening | April 3rd | 6:30 pm
A Service of Remembrance
for Good Friday

The Pastor Writes

by Dr. Forrest Sheffield, Senior Pastor



This coming Sunday, April 5, is Easter Sunday. I hope you will use this traditional Easter greeting when you arrive for worship and Sunday School, "He Is Risen! He Is Risen, Indeed!" We celebrate the resurrection of Jesus every Sunday, but on Easter Sunday, it is always a mega-celebration of God's greatness in raising Jesus from the dead. We celebrate the historical fact that "He Is Risen! He Is Risen, Indeed!"

The resurrection of Jesus Christ has come under the most careful scrutiny of men. From the New Testament times until the present day, legal minds have examined the evidence and historians have examined the facts and the testimonies of those who reported the events. The fact that Jesus is risen

from the dead is central to the validity and vitality of Christianity. There are six evidences that Jesus actually rose from the dead. Read them, ponder them and see if you agree:

1. The resurrection was foretold by Christ (*Matthew 16:21*).
2. The resurrection is the only reasonable explanation for His empty tomb. Many precautions were taken by both His friends and His enemies to ensure that His body would not be stolen (*Mark 15:46; Matthew 27:62-66*).
3. The resurrection is the only reasonable explanation of the appearances between the morning of His resurrection and His ascension forty days later.
4. The resurrection is the only reasonable explanation for the beginning of the Christian church. Without this fact, the church would have soon died a natural death. The twin miracles of the resurrection and the beginning of Christianity are so closely connected that they must stand or fall together.
5. The resurrection is the only reasonable explanation for the transformation of the disciples. They had seen their leader crucified and they feared for their own lives. Peter denied Jesus three times. After he saw the resurrected Christ, he was willing to stand before the crowds, proclaim the resurrection, and rebuke those who had "crucified the Lord of Glory." The disciples went into hiding in an upper room "for fear of the Jews." After seeing and talking with the risen Jesus, they went out to "turn the world upside down." It was also critical that they were not expecting Jesus to rise from the dead (*Luke 24:11, 41*). The women's intention to embalm His body shows that they did not expect a resurrection (*Mark 16:1-4*).
6. The witness of the Apostle Paul and the transformation of his life can only be explained by the resurrection of Christ. Born a Roman citizen and taught by the Jewish Gamaliel, Paul was educated in Greek, Aramaic, Hebrew, and the Law of Moses. He was a self-appointed persecutor of the church. He met the Lord Jesus on the Damascus Road and was converted. He was immediately changed and quickly began to preach the risen Savior.

These evidences demand a verdict, as Josh McDowell has written in his book by the same name, [Evidence That Demands A Verdict](#).

I have always had a high priority on missions and how we fund missions in Southern Baptist Convention life. We begin this month with our annual emphasis on the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Our goal is \$32,000.00 this year set by our Women's Missionary Union. Our Week of Prayer, April 12-18, focuses on "Send North America." You are encouraged to pray for our North American Missionaries and support them through a special love offering during the month of April.

I encourage you to pray with your family and give a generous and liberal offering to continue funding our Annie Armstrong North American Missions Offering. Let's do our part for the glory of Christ!

In Christ,
Brother Forrest



Southern Baptists are structured to be on mission together to reach all people. We pool our resources through the Cooperative Program and missions offerings, creating a dynamic synergy that makes our efforts on all levels stronger than they could ever be if we worked alone. Through the North American Mission Board, Southern Baptists are affirming God's call in the lives of our missionaries, sending them out strategically to share His message, and supporting them through our prayers and financial gifts.

HBC Week of Prayer
for North American Missions
April 12th - 18th

WMU will meet each day
in Room 516 / 517

Monday, April 13 - 11:15 a.m.
Tuesday, April 14 - 11:15 a.m.

Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering
HBC Goal: \$32,000.00

April

AT A GLANCE

WEEKLY

April 03 - Good Friday, Offices Closed
The Cross of Christ 6:30 p.m.

April 05 - Easter Sunday
Traditional Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
****No Evening Services**

April 12
Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Children's Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 4:00 p.m.
Children's Bible Drill 4:00 p.m.
Classic Worship 5:00 p.m.
Awaken Service 5:30 p.m.

April 19
Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Children's Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 4:00 p.m.
Children's Bible Drill 4:00 p.m.
Classic Worship 5:00 p.m.
Awaken Service 5:30 p.m.
Deacons' Meeting 6:30 p.m.

April 26
Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Children's Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 4:00 p.m.
Quarterly Business Meeting 5:00 p.m.
Classic Worship 5:00 p.m.
Awaken Service 5:30 p.m.

MONDAYS
Mother's Day Out 8:30 a.m.
Men's Ministry Luncheon April 13th, 11:30 a.m.
Merry Makers April 27th, 11:30 a.m.
Trail Life 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAYS
Morning Stretch 9:00 a.m.
Griefshare 10:30 a.m.
WMU 11:15 a.m. (1st and 3rd only)
FAITH 5:30 p.m.

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

THURSDAYS
Student Prayer Breakfast 6:40 a.m.
Mother's Day Out 8:30 a.m.
Morning Stretch 9:00 a.m.

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. **April 1st:** Chicken Casserole, Corn, Green Beans, Congealed Salad, Rolls and Dessert. Kids: Chicken Nuggets and French Fries. **April 8th:** Turkey and Dressing, English Peas, Sweet Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce, Rolls and Dessert. Kids: Corn Dog Nuggets and Sweet Potato Fries. **April 15th:** Country Fried Steak with Gravy, Lima Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Slaw, Biscuits and Dessert. Kids: Sloppy Joe Sandwich and Chips. **April 22nd:** Lasagna, Steamed Broccoli, Baked Apples, Salad, Garlic Bread and Dessert. Kids: Fish Sticks and Tater Tots. **April 29th:** Roast Beef, Glazed Carrots, New Potatoes, Cornbread, Salad and Dessert. Kids: Hot Dogs and Chips.

Sunday School <i>Attendance</i>	March 01 1020
	March 08 791
	March 15 975
	March 22 977

Extended Teaching Care: April 5th 8:10 a.m.: Brenda Lamb, Jon & Laura Criddle, Vicki Marshall, Stephanie Baughn, Pat Russell
10:40 a.m.: Cherry Tutor, Leah Partlow, Becky Conaway, Tina O'Quinn, Mike & Margaret Robinson, Tammy & Molly McCarthy.
April 12th 8:10 a.m.: Tamara Durham, Andi Hildenbrand, Kenny & Ashley Goralczyk, Greg & Brandy Patterson, Joe & Brittany Johnson
10:40 a.m.: Cireese May, Melanie Brinkley, Jay & Jessica Hawkins, Jean Russell, Jane Smith, Jeff & Lauren Fox. **April 19th 8:10 a.m.:** Vickie Gober, Lauren Patterson, John & Jennifer Freer, TJ & Tami Miles, Braden & Laurie Bishop
10:40 a.m.: Dalton & Melissa Middleton, Nicole Hazel, Amber Malone, Joseph & Kayla Gray, Dave & DeAnna Russell. **April 26th 8:10 a.m.:** Beth Shelton, Kasey Chrismond, Anna Carol Mitchell, Ashlee Eames, Susan Webb, Mendy Ramey, Matt and Mandy Bowen
10:40 a.m.: Robert & Gena Vail, Keith & Traci Hazel, Jon & Holly Simmons.

Welcome Center Greeters: April 5th Front: Blue and Sue Logan, Back: Terry and Tina Spencer | **April 12th Front:** Phil and Debbie Swords, Back: Mike and Margaret Robinson | **April 19th Front:** Betty Neilson and Lynn Collier, Back: Gerald Conaway | **April 26th Front:** Terry Simons and Sue Abernethy, Back: Tim and Sharon Miles.

Weekly Budget Requirement 2015 \$60,926.44

March 01	\$81,588.28
March 08	\$46,431.48
March 15	\$43,396.58
March 22	\$48,437.95

Required to Date \$731,117.28
Received to Date \$628,282.53

2015 Building and Maintenance Fund \$24,999.53



PRESCHOOL NEWS

FAMILY DEDICATION SERVICE

Our next Family Dedication will be on Sunday, May 17th at the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service. We are excited to worship God by dedicating our young children to Him! If your family would like to participate in the Family Dedication, please contact Angela Mitchell at amitchell@harrisburgonline.org or 823-7124. We need a picture of the child(ren) being dedicated, as well as some other information.

Vacation Bible School will be June 1st - 5th. Plan to "Journey Off the Map" with us that week! Workers sign-up will begin soon! Watch for the table near the Preschool entrance.

Bring Your Clothes! If you have any gently used baby/children's clothes that you would like to give away, we are in need of clothing, especially pants and shorts, to keep in our closet for children who have accidents.



New Arrivals

The Knight twins were born on Wednesday, March 4th. They are the daughters of Michael and Becky (Smith) Knight. Smith Anna weighed 5 lbs., 9 oz., and Lillian Jane weighed 4 lbs., 10 oz. The proud maternal grandparents are Bro. David and Debbie Smith.



Wednesday, April 1st
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Pre-K through 4th

Our Preschool SonRise Celebration will be on Wednesday night, April 1st, from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. We will have some fun games and snacks in the gym, and then we will go outside to have our egg hunt! Don't forget to bring your basket!

A Fun-filled Night at PNO!! You don't want to miss this exciting night with illusionist David Strange! He will be at Parents' Night Out on April 17th, from 6:00 - 9:30 p.m. In addition to the thrill of watching our guest illusionist, the children will have a healthy snack. The cost is only \$15 per family for members and non-members. Sign up by Sunday, April 12th, to reserve your spot so we can properly plan for childcare needs. Space is limited so don't delay! If you have any questions, call Tonya Cox at 348-2505 or 372-6592. We look forward to seeing you at PNO for a fun-filled night.



CHILDREN'S NEWS

Children's Worship schedule:

We will meet on April 12th, 19th, and 26th. We will not have Children's Worship on Easter Sunday.

Centri-Kid Parents' Meeting

Wednesday, April 29th

6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

5th / 6th Grade Sunday School Room

Parents of CK Campers, please be sure to mark your calendar for this important meeting. You will receive medical forms and a roommate request card by mail a week before the meeting. All completed forms and the balance of your camp fee should be turned in at the meeting.

WinShape Camps for Communities | June 15-19

Monday - Wednesday: 7:45am - 5:00pm

Friday: 7:45am - 1:15pm

1st - 6th Graders (*grade completed*)

Cost: \$199.00, scholarships and discounts available. Registration continues for WinShape Camps for Communities. 1st-6th graders may register at www.winshapecamps.org. The cost is \$199 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 8:00am-5:00pm 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 emailed to you after you register.

THE JOURNEY BEGINS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 01 - 05

Beginning, April 1st adult and youth volunteers can sign up to help with Vacation Bible School. VBS and VBS Music Camp registration for children will begin on May 6th. Look for VBS tables in the preschool and children's hallways and sign up soon!

HBC Student Ministry
Mission Trip to Ecuador 2015
 June 6-14
 Missionary: Steve and Carol Thompson

Camp Chacauco

Please continue to pray for the students and the adult leaders as they prepare to serve in Ecuador. The members of this HBC team will have an incredible opportunity to share Christ's love and the gospel as they lead Vacation Bible Schools and minister to local communities serving under the direction of Missionaries Steve and Carol Thompson at Camp Chacauco Ecuador.

In addition to prayer support, there is opportunity to join us as we raise funds for our mission trip. Please visit our 144 Envelopes Student Ministry Missions Wall display in the main hallway of the church.

STUDENT NEWS



PRAYER BREAKFAST meets weekly at 6:40 am on Thursdays in the Fellowship Hall. Join us for a time of prayer before school. This is a great opportunity to bring a friend. We provide transportation to school following breakfast.

SENIOR BACCALAUREATE SERVICE is May 10th. Each Graduate will be mailed information with details about the service. If you do not receive information and would like to participate please contact Emily in the church office. Rehearsal will be Monday May 4th. Make plans now to attend our Graduate Family Brunch on Sunday morning May 10th before the 11:00 a.m. Service.

Super Summer Small Groups Continue to Meet in April

The dates for Super Summer are July 13th - 17th. Super Summer is a discipleship / evangelism / leadership conference designed to provide qualitative spiritual growth and help develop student leadership in Mississippi churches. Utilizing a camp setting, for 26 years, Super Summer has challenged students to learn how to penetrate their culture for Christ. Discipleship groups continue to meet on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.



The **Student Ministry Associate Search Team** continues to meet and we are getting closer to finding the man God has for this position. This person will primarily work in the area of Middle School but will serve with and lead alongside all students and their families. Will you continue to pray for the team as they seek God and His will for this position. Pray also for the person God has to fill this very important role. The team members are: Tim Brown, Chairman; Scott Cochran, Vice Chairman; Shannon Carter, Theresa Grisham, Chris Hester, Brian McCoy and Brian Riggs.

We will celebrate the ministry
of our Senior Pastor

Dr. Forrest Sheffield
Sunday, June 14, 2015

Sunday School Classes Will Not Meet
Combined Worship Services
10:00- 11:30 AM

Retirement Reception
2:00-4:00 PM

Please pray daily for our Pastoral Committees:

Pastor Search Committee

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|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Bobby Smith, Chairman | Ross Loffin |
| Bill Collins | Roseanne McPherson |
| Helen Hancock | Sandra Ray |
| Mickey Holliman | Jessica Roy |

Student Representatives

Taylor Fikes and Ross Weeden

Interim Pastor Search Committee

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|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Reagan Wise, Chairman | Bonnie Green |
| Cathy Davis | Pam Hurst |
| Mike Ferris | James Moore |

STAFF ON CALL | In the event of an emergency, the minister on call can be reached at 891-7914.

The ministers for the following weekends are:

April 04-05: David Langerfeld, April 11-12: Tim Alexander, April 18-19: Jason Duran, and April 25-26: David Smith.

SECURITY WALKERS

April 5 th	April 12 th	April 19 th	April 26 th
8:30am - 9:30am	8:30am - 9:30am	8:30am - 9:30am	8:30am - 9:30am
Ricky Metcalfe	Phil Swords	Billy Earl Gordon	Mark Weeden
9:30am-10:30am	9:30am-10:30am	9:30am-10:30am	9:30am-10:30am
Ronnie Russell	Jack Clark	Dan Sheals	Skipper Holliman
10:30am-11:30am	10:30am-11:30am	10:30am-11:30am	10:30am-11:30am
Frank Kessler	David Maddox	Chris Hester	Scott Williams

SENIOR ADULT / RECREATION NEWS

"Intelligent people are always open to new ideas. In fact, they look for them." *Proverbs 18:15 (NLT)*

Share with us insights that might help the Senior Adult and Recreation Ministries continue to be an effective tool for the Kingdom!

APRIL SHOWERS

Bring May Flowers! Start taking pictures of your early gardens and flowers and send them to dsmith@harrisburgonline.org, or text 662-231-4944.

SENIOR ADULT ACTIVITIES

We had a great trip to the University of Alabama on March 30th. Our next trip is a two-night, three-day trip, April 15-17 to Discovery Park and America/Reelfoot Lake. Details are posted at the Senior Adult Board. Additional calendar dates are posted at the Sr. Adult Bulletin Display and on Facebook. Call Office 662-823-7135 if you have any trip suggestions.

MERRYMAKERS LUNCHEON

Monday April 27th, 11:30 a.m. Special program by Ron and Liz Laughlin, (Beaudrot and Marie, the Cajun Duo)! This is a great time to invite your friends to join us. Cost is \$4.00.

MORNING STRETCH

The class meets 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. each Tuesday and Thursday. Free non-slip socks will be given to first-time participants! This is for ladies, men and your neighbors. A great way to stretch your body and spirit!

SHEPHERD'S CENTER Seniors Serving Seniors

Thursday, April 16th, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., St. James Catholic Church, Tupelo. This is for everyone in our community 50+. Contact Dot Rieves or church office for more information.

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH

We pick up on Sunday mornings or 8:30 Worship, 9:45 Sunday School, 11:00 Worship. We take home after Sunday School, and after 11:00 Worship. Call David Smith 231-4944 to arrange pickup route.

SOFTBALL Men's City Team

Luke Prust is heading up this year's team. If you would like to play, contact Luke at 622-401-0449.

DISC GOLF

Looking for a family spring outdoor activity? Maybe you just want to get away and enjoy the outdoors by yourself. How about an eleven-hole disc golf outing at Harrisburg Baptist Church? Come by the Rec Desk and pick up a score card and disc!

MORNING STRETCH

The class meets 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. each Tuesday and Thursday. Free non-slip socks will be given to first-time participants! This is for ladies, men and your neighbors. A great way to stretch your body and spirit!

REC FACILITIES

Gym Open Play: (Mon, Tues, Thurs, and Fri: 2:30 -9:30 p.m.) (Saturdays 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.); Parents Night Out, Friday April 17 all Rec Facilities. Fitness Room: Mon thru Fri, 7:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m., Sat, 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Call the Rec Desk for updated schedule 823-7114.

FITNESS ROOM AUTHORIZATION

Authorization will be done on an as-needed basis. Contact David Smith 662-231-4944.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Contact David Smith 823-7115, come by the Rec Desk and pick up a brochure to see how you can reserve a party.

At Harrisburg, we biblically train and equip men to be spiritual leaders in their homes, in the church, and in their places of business. Please join us for our next **Men's Ministry Luncheon** on April 13th at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker is Matt Scopel, Pastor of Parkway Baptist Church, Tupelo.



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 on April 7th and April 21st at 11:15 a.m.

What's Happening at Harrisburg

Mr. and Mrs. Todd Allen request your presence at the marriage of their daughter, **Jessica Gabrielle**, to **Robin Daniel Chartier** on Saturday, April 11th at 1:00 p.m. at Harrisburg Baptist Church. Please RSVP at gabrielleandrobin.com.

Please join us for a Bridal Tea Shower honoring **Maggie Pettit**, bride-elect of **Jordan Metcalfe**, son of Karen & Ricky Metcalfe on Sunday, April 12th, 1:30-3:00 in the HBC Parlor. Given by Harrisburg Friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Rinehart request your presence at the marriage of their daughter, **Anna Kathryn**, to **Andrew Simmons** on Saturday, April 18th, 5:30 p.m. at Harrisburg Baptist Church.

Please join us for a Bridal Tea Shower honoring **Elizabeth Todd**, daughter of Christy & Bart Todd, bride-elect of **Conner Bills** on Sunday, April 19th, 1:30-3:00 p.m. at the home of Connie Young, 3903 Pin Oak Ct., Saultillo. Given by the Young Sunday School Class.

Please join us for a Bridal Tea Shower honoring **Catherine Cannon**, daughter of Anita & Craig Cannon, bride-elect of **Kyle Fitzgerald** on Sunday, May 3rd, 1:30-3:00 p.m. in the HBC Parlor. Given by the Rumbarger / Martin Sunday School Class.

JOINING BY STATEMENT

Joan Pumphrey, 03-22-15

JOINING BY LETTER

Kelly McGinnis, 03-08-15

Sherria McGinnis, 03-08-15

Gertrude Sanders, 03-08-15

Shane McLarty, 03-01-15

Nikki McLarty, 03-01-15

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