

From Our Pastor

February 3, 2019

HOLLYWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

This is the time of year when some focus more on their “love life”. We begin to evaluate whether we are measuring up or not in our expressions of love to others. We ask ourselves certain questions. Am I doing a good job expressing true heart-felt love? What is the definition of heart-felt love? How do I visibly show true love? Why do I struggle in opening up my heart to others? All of these questions arouse legitimate concerns in our lives and each of us should ponder these concerns. Do we ever stop to evaluate who we should be expressing love to? Most of the time, our emphasis is on our relationship to people instead of the Lord. The first and greatest commandment is to “love the Lord thy God with all your heart, mind and soul.” This means that He should be the recipient of the “best that I have to give” when it comes to expressing love.

In Revelation 2, we find a description of the church of Ephesus. At one time this church expressed great enthusiasm in their love relationship with Christ. Jesus was the main priority in their lives and He received the most attention. All of their efforts were directed to proving out what they felt in their hearts, but something changed their focus. A decline had started in their hearts that they were not even aware of. Their devotion had turned to duty, their loyalty and allegiance had changed, their hearts had grown cold and Jesus was no longer a priority. They were going through the motions. From the outside it was pretty impressive, however, Jesus knew that in their hearts there was a difference.

I often have to ask myself, “What is my motivation for trying to express love to others and the Lord?” What is the depth of my love? How far am I willing to go to prove my love? Am I only doing what I do to reap a greater return or am I truly concerned of letting someone know that I really love them with a Godlike love that is unconditional, selfless and sacrificial?

Jesus knew they were only giving lip service to the cause and He challenged them to take a long look at their hearts. First of all, Jesus asked them to stop and remember what their love was like when they first fell in love with Him. Do you remember those days? You could not do enough to please the heart of God. All you wanted to do is to bring pleasure to His heart. Whatever He asked you to do you would gladly do it even if it cost you something. There was sweet communion and rich times of fellowship between you and HIM.

Secondly, Jesus said not only to remember but repent. He was asking them to do an about face and get themselves back where they once were. Repentance is the admission that the fault is ours and we feel sorry for it. It is realigning ourselves with God and cooperating with the Holy Spirit to return to where we need to be.

Thirdly, Jesus required them to return. No man needs to stay where he is. The proof of repentance is a changed life. It is a willingness on our part to get back to doing the things that we did in the early days of salvation when our love for Jesus was so fresh and vibrant.

This past week at the Men’s Prayer Advance, David Gibbs preached on, “How is your love life?” He made a statement that really challenged me. He said, “There is no such thing as a good Christian that has a bad love life.” It is our responsibility to cultivate and maintain a strong relationship with Christ and to show our love to Him. Our chief responsibility is to live a life that proves out our great love for the Lord Jesus. So “how is your love life?”

Bro. Terry

February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 <i>Sportsmen's Banquet 5 pm</i>
3 9:00 am Prayer Meeting 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service 5:45 pm Joy on the Ark 6:00 pm Bible Study/ ESCALATE Super Bowl Party	4	5 10 am Ladies Bible Study 6 pm Wish Bible Study	6 6:00 pm Praise Team Practice 6:45 pm Prayer Meeting/ Youth Prayer & Missions/JAM 7:45 pm Choir Practice	7 6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study	8	9
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Children's Church Workers

February 3	Carie Lloyd and Madilyn Moss
February 10	Karen Carlsen and Megan Blair
February 17	Lori and Caroline Doss
February 24	Randy and Cassie Gatewood

Nursery for February

Sun Feb 3, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Sylvia & James Lumpkins, Shelly Lewis (Toddler) Randy & Cassie Gatewood, Linette Nuckols
 5:45 pm – 7:00 pm Sylvia & James Lumpkins

Wed Feb 6, 2019

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Sylvia & James Lumpkins

Sun Feb 10, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Paige Conner, Jessica Waller, Devin Motley (Toddler) Mary & Madilyn Moss, Sabrina Moore
 5:45 pm – 7:00 pm Donnie & Peggy Moore

Wed Feb 13, 2019

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Paige Conner

Sun Feb 17, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Becky Roberts, Mandi Dolan, Faye Shropshire (Toddler) Wendy & Karl Byrd, Sabrina Moore
 5:45 pm – 7:00 pm Roger & Emma Walden

Wed Feb 20, 2019

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Holly St. John

Sun Feb 24, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Stephanie & Sara Weiss, Cheryl Waller (Toddler) Lori & Caroline Doss, Elizabeth Reynolds
 5:45 pm – 7:00 pm Roger & Emma Walden

February Birthdays

- 1 Lathan Grey Mullins
- 3 Joshua Reynolds
- 6 Matthew Lloyd
- 7 Robert Collins
- 9 Jessica Newby
- 10 Justin Matherly
Nona Roach
- 11 Chris Aaron
- 12 Chris Falls
Misty Bishop
Jacob Waller
- 15 Christian Aaron
Cristi Elmore
- 16 Brenda Reynolds
- 18 Karen Hayes
- 20 Tommy Jefferson
- 23 Shelly Lewis
Mary Moss
- 24 Mary Moon Moore
- 25 Paige Conner
Travis Eanes
- 27 Sean Carlsen
Seth C. Elmore
- 28 Pastor Terry C. St.
John

Greeters

February 3 Bonnie Ragsdale, Joan Nuckols, Christina Falls, Dorothy Fowlkes
 February 10 Shirley Fisher, Julie Ragsdale, Deborah Reynolds, Paige Conner
 February 17 Judy Reynolds, Lynita Falls, Mary Moss, Melody Collins
 February 24 Bonnie Ragsdale, Chuck Easley, Helen Moschler, Faye Shropshire

Deacon of the Week(*)/Usher

February 3 Bobby Mullins*, Jared St. John, Bryan Lewis, Gary Matherly
 February 10 Karle Byrd*, Adam Lumpkins, Randy Gatewood, Drake Easley
 February 17 Chris Falls*, Larry Weiss, Chuck Easley, James Lumpkins
 February 24 Donnie Moore*, Chris Falls, William Tosh, David Burgess

2019 Lottie Moon Offering

BECAUSE YOU GAVE

- 1.75 million people heard a gospel witness
- 275,000 became new believers
- 14,000 new churches and 4,000 new groups were formed
- 21,000 leaders were trained to start new churches
- 444,263 nationals met in on-going Bible studies

The Mission of the Manger



As a church, you have set a pledge goal of \$18,465.00, for the 2019 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. As of January 27, 2019, the church has collected **\$1,660.00.**



**2019 Lottie
Moon Goal
\$18,465.00**

Statistics taken from the 2014 Annual Statistical Report available at imb.org.

Opportunities for Service



Please consider sending a note of encouragement to Sgt. Joshua Stone, as he is serving in the Army. Joshua is currently stationed at Camp Humphrey in South Korea. Joshua is the son of Susan and James Holmes. His wife Jordan is working as a pharmacy technician in Madison Heights during his deployment. He will be deployed for the next year, and letters from home can help keep his spirits up while he is away from his family.

Letters and cards do not require additional postage when being sent to service members.

Letters and cards can be sent to:

Sgt. Joshua Stone
Unit 15545 Box 1720
APO, AP 96271

Baby Dedication



On January 27, four precious baby girls were dedicated to the Lord here at Hollywood. We dedicated: **Rose Faith Ball**, born to Jason and Erin Ball; **Adaline Elizabeth Bishop**, born to Kent and Misty Bishop; **Madelyn Grace Gatewood**, born to Randy and Cassie Gatewood; and **Chloe Renee Moore**, born to Daniel and Sabrina Moore. Please join us in praying for

these precious children and their parents. We look forward to watching these beautiful children and their parents grow and learn here at Hollywood!



On January 29, Miss Lillian celebrated her 100th birthday!

This special occasion was celebrated with a party at her residence. The Church honored Miss Lillian's special day with a flower arrangement, a basket of goodies, and a mountain of birthday cards. Thank you for helping us celebrate this milestone in Miss Lillian's life, and for showing your appreciation for her years of good and faithful service to our church.

*Hollywood Friends
and Relatives,*

*Thank you so much for
the basket of goodies and
flowers, and every
remembrance of my
100 years.*

Lillian Moore



Dear Hollywood Baptist Church,
 We wanted to let all of you know how much we appreciate all that you do for our center. Your generosity helps us meet some of our clients needs while we share God's Word and Love with them. Thank you so much for your continued support and prayers for our ministry. We are here to speak up for those who cannot speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves and share God's message of love to all those that come through our doors. God Bless.

The staff at
 Transitions Pregnancy Solutions

Dear Hollywood Baptist Church,
 Thank you ever so much for your donation of \$515.00 in December.
 Your generosity helps us to bring hope to those in crisis.
 Blessings,
 God's Pit Crew

To all at Hollywood Baptist Church,
 We cannot thank you all enough for the support that you all give to our school. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. The families that received the Thanksgiving food boxes were so grateful. We could not help families in need without your generosity; we are all very thankful for all that you do for us.
 From all of us at Union Hall Elementary School



As many of you may know, each year Samaritan's Purse releases a list of shoebox items, for people who would like to collect items for their shoebox year round. This list focuses on a different category each month.

Collecting items year round can help extend the joy of packing a shoebox throughout the year, and can help keep costs more manageable than trying to pack an entire box in October/November. Follow along all year and you'll have a full shoebox in November!

February's item is accessories. This includes things like watches, hair bows, jewelry, and sunglasses! In case you missed it January's item was winter wear items such as hats, gloves or scarves. Keep an eye out here for future shoebox news and events! March's item is quality crafts, so there may be a craft day coming up soon!



Accessories

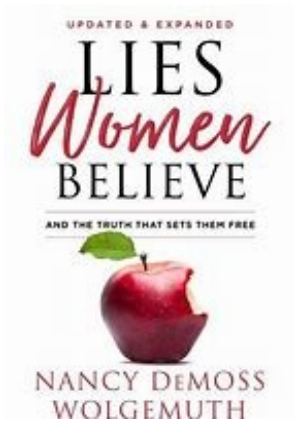
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Shoebox Fact: 10.6 million shoeboxes were packed in 2018. More than 2 million children reported making decisions to accept Christ after attending the Greatest Journey (the Gospel lessons that accompany a shoebox gift).

Daughters of Hope Ladies Ministry

We invite ALL ladies ages 18 and over to join us at the following events:



FEBUARY 2019 : Ladies Bible Study is returning!

Our new Ladies Bible Study beginning Thursday, February 7, at 6:30 p.m. for evening study, and Tuesday, February 12, at 10:00 a.m. for daytime study. We will be starting the powerful study, Lies Women Believe and the Truth That Sets Them Free. Ladies of ALL ages, please join us as we continue to study the Word and seek after truth. Cost of materials for this study is \$22. If you are interested in this study please sign up on the information board. Please see Holly St. John or Paige Conner for more information. We look forward to seeing you there.



PRAYER ADVANCE

Ladies Prayer Advance— March 21-23, 2019 in Roanoke, VA

Register for the prayer advance online then contact the church to secure your spot in our reserved hotel rooms. The church has reserved a block of rooms. The cost for each room is \$100 per night or \$100 per person for the trip with a roommate.



Living Proof Live with Beth Moore—April 12-13, 2019 in Roanoke, VA

Register for this event online then contact the church to secure your spot in our reserved hotel rooms. The church has reserved a block of six hotel rooms with king sized beds and a queen sized sleeper sofa. The cost for each room is \$99.

From Our Associate Pastor of Youth and Music

"We are called to be God's people, showing by our lives His grace; We are called to be God's servants, working in His world today."

So goes the old hymn. We throw that word around a lot: *called*. God *calls* us to salvation. God *calls* us to service. And eventually, God *calls* us home. But what exactly does that mean?

Paul began many of his letters by stating that he had been called by God, to be an apostle and to serve Him. He waxes eloquent about the calling that each and every Christian receives from God. There are various roles for our calling apart from salvation. But what do we do with that call?

1. We can run from God's call

Everyone knows the story of Jonah. God called him to evangelize the Ninevites. Instead, he got on a slow boat in the completely opposite direction. After a few days and nights in the belly of a great fish, he got back on the track that God intended for him to be on.

Our running tends to not be that dramatic, but it is still disobedience. We may not be called to evangelize an entire civilization. Our call may be to teach a class, witness to a family, sing in the choir...any number of things. But running is running, and the destination is out of God's will.

2. We can misinterpret God's call

Paul described himself as "set apart from birth." (Gal 1:15) He was an incredibly gifted theologian and scholar of the Jewish faith. God equipped him to understand and teach the deep things of His Word. Many times we think of Paul as a dirt-bag before he was converted, but the reality is he was serving God, as he understood it, as someone who was called.

It wasn't until the Damascus road experience that Paul realized his passion was mis-directed. He was persecuting the God he thought he was serving. He mis-interpreted the call that God had placed on his life. Fortunately, for Paul and for Christianity, God helped him to see the error of his ways and put him on the right path.

Sometimes we try to replace the actual call of God on our lives with a call that is "good enough." Maybe we are called to ministry, but we think serving as a Sunday School teacher will suffice. Maybe we are called to missions, but think that vocational ministry will get it done.

The fact is, God calls each of us to a specific role and purpose. We only feel the peace of God when we are in that purpose. To try and satiate the hunger to serve God with anything other than the meat of perfect obedience is futile.

3. We can accept God's call

At the end of the day we only find peace in obedience. God has not called everyone to be Billy Graham, but He has called everyone to a specific purpose and mission. We will not be satisfied until we answer that call with a resounding "yes!"

If God has called you to be a teacher, shine the light of Christ on the children with whom you come in contact. If God has called you to be a farmer, work the soil to the glory of God. If God has called you to any vocation, do it with all your might for God's glory. But if He has called you to something else, and you have not responded, I promise you your joy will not be complete until you do. Accept God's call.

In Christ Alone,

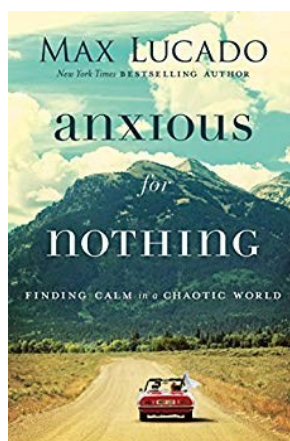
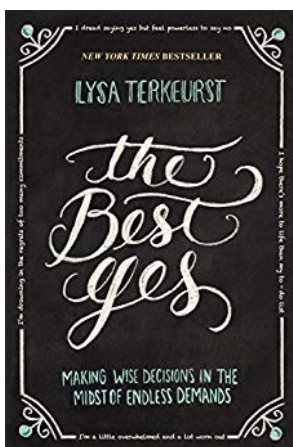
Hal



We've been having lots of fun at Joy on the Ark! We had a pajama night, and had a great time learning about Joseph. We're learning great songs and movements with Ms. Mandi. And we're so EXCITED that our store night is coming up at the end of the month! We have been learning tons of new and amazing things and having lots of fun! Come join us Sunday nights at 5:45 pm. There is plenty of room for YOU on the Ark!



Beginning in February WISH will be starting a new Bible study by Sadie Robertson. The study focuses on confidence, and will be exploring the book of Daniel. WISH meets at the home of Blair Lumpkins every other Tuesday at 6 pm. If you have any questions, please see Blair Lumpkins.



This study also includes a book group with two reading options: The Best Yes by Lysa Terkeurst or Anxious for Nothing by Max Lucado. In April when the study concludes the group will meet for a book review. While we will discuss both books, it is not necessary to read them both. If you are interested in joining up, please let us know.



Join us for our second annual Super Bowl Party at 6 pm on February 3. The party will be held at the Doss' home. Come join us for a time of food , fun, and fellowship. If you have any questions, please see Hal or Lori.



There will be a youth tubing trip to Wintergreen resort on February 16. We will be departing the church at 8:15 am and returning at 5:30 pm. Cost for the trip is \$60 and you must sign up no later than February 10. All youth who would like to attend this trip will require a signed permission slip from a parent. Please see Hal with any questions!



We will be attending the Valley Student Conference in Roanoke, March 22-23. The cost for the trip is \$70. If you are interested in this trip please sign up by February 13. Please see Hal with any questions.

HBC STUDENTZ



Parent's Day Out

Sunday, February 24, 2019

12:30 – 4 PM

Ages: Birth – 5 years

Are you:

A single parent who never gets a break?

A couple who can't seem to find time alone?

In need of an afternoon away from the kids?

We will watch your children...FOR FREE!!

Lunch, snacks, and games provided.

Adult supervision will be present

Here is all that you need to do:

- 1) Register via email to hollywoodbcstudentz@gmail.com (name, email, phone, number of kids and ages)
- 2) Attend morning worship at HBC on February 24 (nursery available).
- 3) Check your kids in with us.
- 4) We'll see you at 4!!

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Events in March

March 2

SBCV Children's Leadership Conference

March 21-23

Ladies Prayer Advance/Valley Student Conference