

## From Our Pastor

May 1, 2019

HOLLYWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

What do you think when you see a sign that says, “Do not place hand under mower while running?” It is usually in big bold letters located on the deck of a lawn mower which gives a great warning that could be life altering if neglected. There are many signs in life that we have a tendency to take for granted or in some cases pay NO attention to. For some unknown reason we think that is for everyone else but not me.

All throughout the scriptures God gives us some healthy *sign posts* if we will heed them. One that I would like to draw your attention to is the one that says in Hebrews 10:24-25, “And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.” I realize that everyone is extremely busy and especially in the summer months. Weddings, graduations, family get-togethers, holidays, cookouts, vacations.....etc. Understandable!! But the problem lies when we don’t understand how easy it is to get pulled away. Once we miss one Sunday, then it becomes easy to miss two Sundays and the next thing you know you are not coming at all and you have formed a habit that will take you a long ways away from God’s plan.

In this passage, Paul was dealing with people that were wavering in their consistency of fellowship with the local body of believers. Their fellowship had become about them instead of it being about others. Do you ever ask this question? Why do I go to church or why should I go to church? Most of the time, we come for what we can *get* instead of what we can give or contribute. The emphasis in this passage is not on what a believer gets from the assembly, but rather on what he/she can contribute to the assembly.

First of all, Paul says in verse 24, “Let us consider one another.” He is talking about *mutual consideration*. I must put others first in my walk with the Lord. My reason for showing up should be for what I can do to be of help to my brothers and sisters in the Lord. For the last 32 years that has been my weekly prayer before I come to church. I want God to use me to be a blessing to someone else. Church cannot be about me but it must be about others.

Secondly, there should be *mutual concern*. Faithfulness in church attendance encourages others and provokes them to love and good works. The word *provoke* here in verse 24 is used in a good sense. It means to “stir up, or to call into activity for a worthy purpose.” This verse is not saying when you come to church *provoke* yourself to love and good works. It is saying that when I come to church I should encourage my church family to love one another and encourage them in the work of the Lord.

Thirdly, there should be *mutual communion*. It is my responsibility not to abandon my fellow comrades in their service of the Lord. As a brother I should be in my place doing what I need to do to encourage others in the Lord. How can I do that if I am not in my place? It would be good to remember that apart from anything else, going to church is a good way to demonstrate where our loyalty lies. I am not only expressing my loyalty to God but I am also being loyal to those that I should love the most.

Paul expresses the importance, in verse 25, of making our *temple attendance* a priority in these last days. As we see these days approaching it should motivate us to take our responsibility more seriously. Remember this is a *sign post* that God is using to exhort us to take serious due to the very nature of the times. He is saying, as the *day* (His return) approaches we must be faithful to come to church with a heart to honor God but also a desire to be a blessing to those that we come in contact with.

See You Sunday!!!

Bro. Terry

# May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study	2 6 pm Archery Class 6:30 pm Community Prayer Service @ White Oak	3	4 <i>11 am</i> <b>Daughters of Hope Luncheon</b>
5 9:00 am Prayer Meeting 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service 5:00 pm VBS Volunteers Meeting 5:45 pm Joy on the Ark/Escalate 6:00 pm Bible Study 7:15 pm Church Council	6	7 10 am Ladies Bible Study	8 5:45 pm Fellowship Dinner 6:00 pm Praise Team Practice 6:45 pm Regular Business Meeting/Youth Prayer & Missions/ JAM 7:45 pm Choir Practice	9 6 pm Archery Class 6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study	10	11 <i>9:30 am</i>  Youth Paintball Trip
12 <i>Mother's Day</i> 9:00 am Prayer Meeting 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service NO PM SERVICES	13	14 10 am Ladies Bible Study 6 pm Wish Bible Study	15 6:00 pm Praise Team Practice 6:45 pm Prayer Meeting/ Youth Prayer & Missions/JAM 7:45 pm Choir Practice	16 6 pm Archery Class	17	18
19 <b>Graduate Recognition Sunday</b> 9:00 am Prayer Meeting 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service 5 pm Church Wide Cookout	20	21	22 6:00 pm Praise Team Practice 6:45 pm Prayer Meeting/ Youth Prayer & Missions/JAM 7:45 pm Choir Practice	23 6 pm Archery Class	24	25
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## Children's Church Workers

May 5	Carie Lloyd and Madilyn Moss
May 12	Karen Carlsen and Megan Blair
May 19	Lori and Caroline Doss
May 26	Randy and Cassie Gatewood

## Nursery for May

### Sun May 5, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Stephanie & Sara Weiss, Cheryl Waller  
(Toddler) Donnie & Peggy Moore, Heather Bray

5:45 pm – 7:00 pm James & Sylvia Lumpkins

### Wed May 8, 2019

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Paige Conner

### Sun May 12, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Elizabeth Reynolds, Ben Ferris, Cheryelle Easley (Toddler) Lori & Caroline Doss, Chuck Easley

### Wed May 15, 2019

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Holly St. John

### Sun May 19, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Randy & Cassie Gatewood, Erin Ball  
(Toddler) Sylvia & James Lumpkins, Shelly Lewis

### Wed May 22, 2019

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Roger & Emma Walden

### Sun May 26, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Mary & Madilyn Moss, Drake Easley  
(Toddler) Paige Conner, Jessica Waller

5:45 pm – 7:00 pm Donnie & Peggy Moore

### Wed May 29, 2019

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Linette Nuckols

## May Birthdays

1	Lydia Nuckols Bowers
2	Hal Lloyd
7	Judy Reynolds
7	Karen Riddle
8	Kim Jones
9	Debra Reynolds
10	Robert Hubbard, Jr.
14	Matthew Anderson
15	Norma Betterton
15	William Tosh
16	Hailey Doss
19	Samantha Aaron
19	Jessica Marlowe Burgess
20	Earl Nuckols
22	Lois Ann Batten
22	Bill Nuckols
25	Leon Burgess
25	Ritha Gammon
26	Isabelle Lumpkins
26	Kimberly Matherly
26	Tim Moore
27	Ashley Doss Wallace
27	Dot Hubbard
29	Wendy Byrd
29	Matthew Falls
29	Ashley Norman
31	Jessie Henderson

### Greeters

May 5	Shirley Fisher, Julie Ragsdale, Melody Collins, Debra Reynolds
May 12	Judy Reynolds, Mary Moss, Jetty Burgess, Christina Falls
May 19	Bonnie Ragsdale, Joan Nuckols, Chuck Easley, Dorothy Fowlkes
May 26	Paige Conner, Faye Shropshire, Lynita Falls, Julie Ragsdale

### Deacon of the Week(\*)/Usher

May 5	Karle Byrd*, Randy Gatewood, Dale McFaddin, Chuck Easley
May 12	Chris Falls*, Larry Weiss, Jared St. John, James Lumpkins
May 19	Donnie Moore*, William Tosh, Bryan Lewis, Terry Moore
May 26	Bobby Mullins*, Tommy Jefferson, Gary Matherly, Hale Crider



# Opportunities for Service



Grace A Lot is in need of volunteers for Saturday mornings (one Saturday every three months). They are also seeking donations of new underwear, socks, and undershirts in children and adult sizes (men's and women's).

Donations can be placed in the box in the foyer. To volunteer please contact the church office.



We are creating a Children's Ministry Closet where our Children's teachers can use materials for lessons and lessen the duplication purchase of craft supplies. If you have any questions, please see Carie Lloyd.

Do you have any of these items that you can donate or purchase for use? Any donations are greatly appreciated! If you have supplies to donate, please place them in the collection basket in the foyer.



Colored tissue paper	Water based paints/ Tempera paint	Cotton balls	Little paint brushes
Glue sticks	Tacky craft glue/ White school glue	Construction paper	Clear contact paper
Buttons	Foam stickers	Jewels/sequins	Sand/seashells
Yarn	Wiggly eyes	Hole punches	Empty toilet paper rolls
Colored foam craft sheets	Q tips	Crayons	Thin paper plates
Hot glue guns/glue sticks	Colored glitter	Balloons	Adult scissors
Assorted stickers	Marbles	Glue dots	Ribbon
Toothpicks	Clothes pins (springy and flat)	Straws/Pipe cleaners	Markers
Children's scissors	Pom poms	Water color paint sets	Feathers

For those of you collecting along with us at home, May's focus is Hygiene Items. Toothbrushes, soap, washcloths, deodorant, dental floss, brushes or combs make wonderful additions to your shoebox! Please remember however that liquids of any kind, and toothpaste are not allowed in shoeboxes this year!



Hygiene Items

May

# 2019 Lottie Moon Offering: **Update**

As a church, you have set a pledge goal of \$18,465.00, for the 2019 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. As of April 28, 2019, the church has collected

**\$6,420.25.**



## *The Mission of the Manger*



Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. — Matthew 28:19-20

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

Dear Hollywood Baptist,  
I'd like to say thank you for all your prayers and support. They are very encouraging and uplifting. I hope this letter will find you all in good health and encourage you all to keep being a beacon of hope to everyone around you.  
Sincerely,  
Sgt. Joshua Stone

**Reminder:** If you would like to send cards to Sgt. Joshua Stone, you can reach him at:  
Sgt. Joshua Stone  
Unit 15545 Box 1720  
APO, AP 96271

Dear Church Family,  
Thank you so much for remembering me on Administrative Professionals Day! The card was beautiful, and I will certainly enjoy the gift card. Thank you for all of your kind words, friendly smiles, joyous laughter, and all the love that you have shared with me throughout this year. It is, as always a pleasure to serve you.  
With love,  
Julie





Get ready folks, dates have been set for Vacation Bible School! June 9-12 we will be exploring the goodness of God, even when life is wild, in ROAR! As always we can't make this wonderful event happen without you, and we need all kinds of skills and talents.

We will be having a volunteers meeting at 5 p.m. on May 5. If you would like to volunteer and cannot attend the meeting, please see Heather Lankford. We are asking that students and volunteers pre-register at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/6c428a>. If you need help registering, please see Heather Lankford.



Attention Parents and Grandparents!

If you are interested in having your child recognized in our Graduate Recognition Ceremony, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer! The last day to sign up is May 12. Graduate Recognition will be held during the morning worship service on Sunday, May 19, at 11 am.

**CHURCH  
COOKOUT**



Join us on May 19 at 5 pm for a church wide fellowship cookout! We are celebrating the end of our Joy on the Ark year, and our graduating students. The church will be providing meat, buns, condiments, and drinks. Bring a side dish, vegetable, salad, or dessert and come enjoy a time of food and fellowship! We hope to see you there!



**A fabulous time was had by all at our Joy on the Ark Family activity night! We made beautiful Easter centerpieces, had yummy snacks, and colored Easter pictures. There is always something special happening on the Ark! Make sure to join us for our final store night of the year on May 5 at 5:45 pm. And don't forget to mark your calendar for our closing exercises May 19 at 5 pm!**





## Havin' Fun in Sunday School!

Anyone interested in becoming a Sunday School teacher, please contact Lori Matherly at 434-548-3618!

**We have a class for YOU!  
Join us Sunday mornings at 10 am!**



**Youth Update**



May 11 Paintball Trip

May 19 Church-wide Cookout

June 9-12 VBS

June 15 Kayaking

July 29-August 2 Student Life Camp



# Easter Extravaganza 2019













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**Events in June**

**June 2**

**Grace A Lot Community Choir Fundraiser**

**June 9-12**

**Vacation Bible School**

**June 15**

**Baby Shower: Tara St. John Harper**

**Youth Kayaking Trip**