

THE NEWSHERALD of HARTFORD BAPTIST CHURCH

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August 21, 2017

Church Family,

Psalms 36 & 37 and Esther

I love that our Bible reading plan covered both these Psalms in the last few days with the book of Esther. If anyone had reason to be apprehensive about the future and upset about evil winning the day then it would be Esther and Mordecai. Haman was a man with great power and an even greater temper. His anger for the Jews was not hidden in the least, and at the height of his powers he sought to see all of God's people, including Esther and Mordecai, killed. I can imagine the hopelessness and the anger in their hearts toward Haman and their enemies was too much to bear on their own.

Psalms 36 and 37, but the latter in particular, touch my heart when my flesh desires to fret and be fueled with thoughts of revenge and vengeance. Remember the story of Esther and Mordecai. They trusted the Lord and did not act on the anger that would have been readily available to them. Instead they petitioned for their life from the king and asked him to act justly in response.

We are asking our heavenly King for the same things. We are asking that He reach out in His righteousness and deliver us from sin and temptation daily. Do not fret over the things of this world that can drive you to anger and insanity, but rather concentrate on petitioning the King of all kings through a growing relationship that will bring peace to your heart.

In Christ,

Bro. Les



Our offering emphases day will be next Sunday, August 27th.

Our goal is \$8,000.00.

To date we have received \$2,681.47.

**Let's all work together to reach our goal to help spread the
Good News of Jesus Christ around the world!**

**There are envelopes in the pews or you can use a regular offering envelope and
mark OCC or Operation Christmas Child on the outside of the envelope.**

GIFTS

GENERAL FUND

In Memory of Leonard Chandler: Kenneth & Geraldine Kinman, Harold & Carole Hicks, Ronnie & Gloria Outlaw

In Memory of Mary Brackin: Billy & Kathy Peacock

In Memory of Minnie Kate Bottoms and Red Horn: Harold & Carole Hicks

**** Ladies' Exercise Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. in the gym. There is a change in schedule coming. Watch for the announcement.**

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We have begun taking contributions for this year's OCC project. Our goal for this year is \$8,000.00. Our offering emphasis day will be August 27th. If you would like to go ahead and contribute, just place your offering in an envelope and notate on the outside of the envelope Operation Christmas Child.

SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDIES

Our new Sunday night schedule is in full swing. The following studies are available.

* Beth Moore Study, "Breath" with Lacey Hughes

**"Follow Me" with Robert Guilford

**"Helping without Hurting: Church Benevolence" with Bro. Les

**"The Andy Griffith Show/Mayberry Bible Study" with Bro. Bruce

*Regular Discipleship Training Class with Charles Thomley

*Youth - Study the book of James with Jarrod Wagner

* Children's Bible Study with Chase Childs

If you could not be here last Sunday, please join us next week at 5:30 p.m.

SPECIAL CALLED BUSINESS MEETING

We will have a Special Called Business Meeting next Sunday night for the purpose of electing a Minister of Music Search Committee. Those to be voted on are Adults - Lacey Hughes, Ryan Tate, Laura Sorrells, Frank Yates, Mary Bright, Levonne Outlaw and Theresa Sorrells; Youth - Jud Bailey or Julianne Thomas. We will vote for five adults and one youth - six total. The top four adults and one youth will serve and the fifth adult will be the alternate.



****JUST A REMINDER!** – If you are scheduled to work in the nursery, a.m. or p.m., and cannot be there, please call the office or let Vicki know. We depend on your help. Thank you for volunteering your time for our sweet babies!

****There will be a Deacons' Meeting next Sunday, the 27th, at 3:00 p.m.**

****Sing-A-Long at Hartford Healthcare is this Tuesday, August 22nd, at 2:00 p.m.**



SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2017
DEACONS OF THE WEEK
Chase Childs/Billy Peacock

USHERS
Don Farris, Chmn.
Mutt Brannon
Jimmy Hendrix
Paul Fondren

SOUND SYSTEM
Joey Brown

MEDIA SHOUT OPERATOR
Micah Turner

TELLER COMMITTEE
Gary Miller/Billy Peacock
Alternate-Mary Ann Shields

PRESCHOOL CHILDREN'S CHURCH
Teacher: Ashley Tate
Helper: Joe & Deborah Craig

FLOWERS
In Memory of
Betty Brannon
Given by Mutt & Joyce Brannon

ELEVATOR OPERATOR
Joe Craig

RETIREMENT VILLAGE
Aubrey Bright

GREETERS OF THE WEEK
Joey Brown/Sharrel Forehand

NURSERY-A.M.
Brenda Tate/Amy Hales
NURSERY-P.M.
Carole Hicks

OUR RECORD-8-20-17
Sunday School - 147
Evening Studies - 133

OUR HOSPITALIZED
Myrtle Cobb-Westside Terrace

SUNDAY SCHEDULE
AUGUST 27, 2017

LIBRARY OPEN-8:30-9:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER PRAYER
TIME-8:55 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL-9:15 A.M.
LIBRARY OPEN-9:50-10:10 A.M.
WORSHIP SERVICE-10:15 A.M.
DEACONS' MEETING-3:00 P.M.
LIBRARY OPEN-5:00-5:25 P.M.
EVENING PROGRAM-5:30 P.M.

FINANCIAL REPORT-8-20-17
Budget Receipts - \$6,131.50
Maintenance 3% of Undesig. - \$190.00
OCC - \$150.00
OCC Total So Far - \$2,681.47

WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT
\$8,146.15

REC'D THIS WEEK
\$6,321.50 (-\$1,824.65)

These totals include Budget Receipts and Maintenance percentage.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE
August 23, 2017

6:00 - 6:25 p.m. - Library Open
6:30 p.m. - Mid-Week Prayer
Meeting/Youth & Children's Activities
7:45 p.m. - Adult Choir



ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS TO REMEMBER
IN PRAYER!
*ALL HBC MINISTRIES!
*NEW SCHOOL YEAR
* FALL SCHEDULE/SUNDAY NIGHT
STUDIES