

# ***THE NEWSHERALD of HARTFORD BAPTIST CHURCH***

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**Church Family,  
Romans 14**

I have heard it said that you hurt the ones you love the most. This happens for many reasons, but I believe a large reason is because of the expectation of forgiveness we look for in friends and fellow church members. Often I believe we look to them and expect church people to overlook our bad behavior because of their obligation through God's Word.

Paul stresses the opposite of this in Romans 14 when he writes to the church that they are to refrain from any behavior that their conscience even hints would lead someone else astray. To behave according to Paul's words in this context would constitute a revolutionary life change for many of us. This would mean that the language we use, the clothes we wear, and the things we eat would all be subject to the sensitivities of another.

Believe me when I say that I am one of the first to be outraged by the oversensitivity of my generation and the one that follows it. But, there is something to be said for one Christian seeking the better of another even to our own inconvenience. Let the words of Romans 14 dwell richly in you today as you look at those around you with affectionate hearts of love.

**In Christ,  
Bro. Les**

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## **MARRIAGE RETREAT REPORT**

What a great weekend! "Carrying the Torch" was the theme for the couples retreat. It was a great time of encouragement for us as a couple. The range of couples marriages was five years to sixty-two years. The retreat provided time for relaxation, good food, great discussions and fellowship. If you missed this retreat, make sure you don't miss the next one.

Aubrey & Mary Bright

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## **REMEMBER!**

**OUR NEW SUNDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE BEGINS THIS WEEK!  
MEET IN THE SANCTUARY AT 5:30 P.M. FOR A SHORT TIME OF WORSHIP, THEN  
WE WILL GO TO OUR DIFFERENT CLASSES. IF YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED UP,  
PLEASE COME ANYWAY. THERE WILL BE A PLACE FOR EVERYBODY!**

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***"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men..." Colossians 3:23***

**The new School Year has begun. Please pray for everyone involved – teachers, students, administration and all support personnel.**

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## GIFTS

### GENERAL FUND

In Memory of Leonard Chandler: Cecil & Verlon Thompson, Archie & Sue Fondren, Jimmy & Mary Lou Hendrix, Raymond & Janice Wojtyna, Penny Bonner, Mary Hatcher

### BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

In Memory of Leonard Chandler: Don & Gail Hagler

### SYMPATHY

*Our HBC family extends heartfelt sympathy to Linda Pouncey & family in the loss of her brother, Donnie Blackburn, and to Scott Majors and family in the loss of his grandad, Tom Ed Majors. May God Bless You during this time of sorrow and bereavement.*

**\*\* Ladies' Exercise Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. in the gym.**

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We have begun taking contributions for this year's OCC project. Our goal for this year is \$8,000.00. We will have an emphasis day coming up soon. 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.

**\*\*For those going on the Pigeon Forge Trip - Money is now due. Cost is \$259.00 per person less your deposit and any other money you have paid.**

### NOTE OF APPRECIATION

My Church Family is so good to remember me when I am in the hospital. You are a praying people and I want to say a very special thank you for your calls, visits, and most of all your prayers.

I love all of you and sure do miss you when I can't go.

Thank You,  
Joyce & Mutt

## SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDIES

Sign-up sheets are on the vestibule table for the new Sunday Night Bible Studies which will begin **THIS SUNDAY, August 13<sup>th</sup>**, at 5:30 p.m. Following is a list of the studies which will be available:

\*Ladies' Bible Study with Lacey Hughes - Beth Moore Study, *Breath, The Life of God In Us, Reflecting on the Person, the Work and the Power of The Holy Spirit*  
\*\*"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

Please sign up as soon as you can so materials can be ordered.

### ADULT CHOIR CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST

Attention all members of the Adult Choir, past & present, and those who would like to join - we will begin working on our Christmas music this Wednesday! We will meet for choir practice in the Fellowship Hall, listen and work on our Christmas music and enjoy a time of fellowship. Please bring your favorite snack.

### WMU MEETINGS

Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>

6:30 p.m. - Gladys Kennedy Group meets in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>

6:30 p.m. - Scattering Seeds meets in Fellowship Hall

**\*\*Next Sunday is 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Fellowship - make sure to stop by Fellowship Hall following Sunday School!**

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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2017**  
**DEACONS OF THE WEEK**  
Jarrod Wagner/Chase Childs

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

**SOUND SYSTEM**  
Joey Brown

**MEDIA SHOUT OPERATOR**  
Micah Turner

**TELLER COMMITTEE**  
Archie & Sue Fondren  
Alternate-Daphne Harrell

**PRESCHOOL CHILDREN'S CHURCH**  
Teacher: Coleen Guilford  
Helper: Sandy Kinman

**FLOWERS**  
In Honor of  
Susan Brannon

**ELEVATOR OPERATOR**  
Margaret Justice

**RETIREMENT VILLAGE**  
Beth Kennedy

**GREETERS OF THE WEEK**  
Cary Hatcher/Barbara Worthy

**NURSERY-A.M.**  
Paul & Debbie Blount/Theresa Sorrells  
**NURSERY-P.M.**  
Laura Rivenbark

**OUR RECORD-8-6-17**  
Sunday School - 144  
Night of Music

**OUR HOSPITALIZED**  
Myrtle Cobb-Flowers

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**  
**AUGUST 13, 2017**

LIBRARY OPEN-8:30-9:00 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER PRAYER  
TIME-8:55 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL-9:15 A.M.  
2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP-9:45 A.M.  
LIBRARY OPEN-9:50-10:10 A.M.  
WORSHIP SERVICE-10:15 A.M.  
LIBRARY OPEN-5:00-5:25 P.M.  
EVENING PROGRAM-5:30 P.M.

**FINANCIAL REPORT-8-6-17**  
Budget Receipts - \$13,406.00  
Maintenance 3% of Undesig. - \$415.00  
Bus Ministry - \$50.00  
Bereavement Ministry - \$30.00  
OCC - \$370.00  
OCC Total So Far - \$1,941.47

**WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT**  
\$8,146.15

**REC'D THIS WEEK**  
\$13,821.00 (+\$5,674.85)

These totals include Budget Receipts and Maintenance percentage.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE**

**August 9, 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 Christmas in August



**ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS TO REMEMBER**  
**IN PRAYER!**

**\*ALL HBC MINISTRIES!**  
**\*NEW SCHOOL YEAR**  
**\*UPCOMING FALL SCHEDULE**  
**(SUNDAY NIGHT STUDIES RESUME**  
**NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 13<sup>th</sup>)**

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