Holiday Hill Baptist Church

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | MARCH 2021



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Sunday Worship Schedule

Worship Team Rehearsal - 8:30 am Morning Worship - 11:00 am

Wednesday Services

All Services Begin at 6:30 pm

Adult Bible Study

Youth Bible Study 6th - 12th Grade

Faith Weaver Friends Kindergarten - 5th Grade Preschool Ministry Birth through Pre-K

Worship Team Practice 6:30 pm

We Want to Hear From You!

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March is always busy, and I don't have much room to type. Let's get started!

Dessert Auction Thanks. Though this is going out before February 28, I'm going to assume you all did a wonderful job participating in our annual dessert auction. I'm also going to assume that you helped us raise 30 million dollars. Thanks for that. Don't make that declaration retroactively awkward. Do your part.

Junior/Senior Retreat. Our Junior/Senior retreat is March 10-14. This life management retreat is something you do not want your junior or senior to miss. Money is due before we leave so be sure to get those payments in. A packing list will be going out soon.

Happy Birthday, COVID. The week of March 16 marks the one-year anniversary of the two-week lockdown. On March 17, the youth will be having a COVID-19 birthday party. Masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, toilet paper, and bats – all the tropes of 2020 will be there! Hope to see your teens there too.

As always if there are any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me. God bless and have a wonderful March. In Him, Josh | Micah 6:8



Saturday, March 13 @ HHBC 9:00 am - 3:00 pm A market full of local vendors showcasing seasonal crafts, handmade crafts, delicious treats, and beautiful art.

North Florida Christian Soccer League

Player Evaluation Night (required): March 5, 5:00-6:30 pm Team Assignments by: March 6 First Practices: Monday Nights, March 8 & Tuesday Nights, March 9

First Game - March 20 No Game - April 3 (Easter Weekend) Last Game & Season Jamboree - May 15

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

Each year, we honor the life and advocacy of Annie Walker Armstrong (1850-1938) when we give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North

American missions. As a tireless servant of God and a contagious advocate and supporter of missions efforts throughout the world, Annie Armstrong led women to unite in missions endeavors that ultimately led to the formation of Woman's Missionary Union, for which she served as the first corresponding secretary.

Annie believed in and followed Christ with all her heart, but it was her hands that expressed that belief in tangible ways. She spent a great amount of time typing and handwriting letters in support of missions. Many of these letters were quite lengthy and all were filled with conviction that more could and should be done in our missions efforts. Annie also never hesitated to use her hands to reach out to hug a child or distribute food, clothing and the Word of God to those in need. And, most important, Annie was a woman of prayer, folding her hands in prayer to intercede for the missionaries and for those they were helping discover Christ. Annie rallied churches to give more, pray more and do more for reaching people for Christ. As modern-day missions advocates unite to continue that work today, we can be confident that her legacy will also be ours.

Keep Jacksonville Beautiful Citywide Cleanup When: Saturday, March 20 Time: 7:45 am

Where: Glynlea Park Ballpark, wear comfortable shoes, sunglasses & carry ID

They will have rubber gloves and trash bags. If you have a bucket with a handle or a trash grabber on a handle, it would be useful. Volunteers under the age of 18 must have a parent sign the sign-in sheet (city liability). Please do not drop off a grade or middle school child, they must have an adult present. This is a safety issue. To our High School students - Participating in this cleanup could provide you with some "Community Service Hours" that you will need to graduate. They will provide you with a certificate at the end of the Cleanup to take back for your school. For more information please call the Cleanup Site Captain Kathy Wicklund - Glynlea Park Neighborhood Association - 904/724-2341

A Word From the Pastor

In the coming days and weeks, we will hear many statements and read many stories about the one year 'anniversary' of COVID19 and the impact it has had personally, locally, nationally, and internationally. Around 500,000 deaths in the United States, and millions around the world, are attributed to COVID19 figures, which are difficult to grasp. Hopefully and prayerfully the days to come will see a lessening of the pandemics impact on all of us.

I am pleased and thankful for how we at Holiday Hill have sought to work together to handle this situation in a healthy manner. By no means do all of us agree on every nuance of COVID19, but we have worked together, refusing to belittle or hold others in disdain for their perspective. I am so THANKFUL for that! Your willingness to flex, change, adapt, and embrace new ministry opportunities and templates has been part of making this work. Our transition to virtual church went very well and weekly it is an important part of our ministry; our flexibility with Sunday and Wednesday scheduling has ensured quality ministry at all levels; your tithing and giving enables us to continue to have the resources to minister to one another and reach into our community. Thank you for all you have done and enabled.

As we continue to move forward there are some ministry opportunities available to each of us. <u>D-Groups</u> for both men and women will begin the week of April 11th. Between now and then you will see information and hear testimonies of how God has used D-Groups to impact lives. Please see Les Swank or contact the church office if interested. <u>Community Groups</u> are beginning to regenerate again. The Rockholt's co-ed community group will begin Monday, March 8th, 6:30 p.m. and will be held at the church. As other groups decide on their start date, the information will be published. <u>Prayer ministry</u> is very important and we are building teams and individuals to pray in different settings in our church. There is a place and need for you, so please see Ray Wallace or contact the church office if interested.

Looking ahead is important and there are some updates for Easter weekend, April $2^{nd} - 4^{th}$. We will have a <u>Good Friday</u> service on April 2^{nd} @ 6:30 p.m. On <u>Easter Sunday</u>, April 4^{th} , we will have two morning services, 9:30 and 11:00. We will not have a *Creation to the Cross* interactive ministry event the weekend of Easter due to the requirements and preparation for Easter Sunday, and other considerations. That event is now scheduled for the Christmas season. We will not host a Community Easter Egg Hunt this year due to continuing issues with COVID19.

I love you and look forward to seeing you soon! In Christ,

Pastor Albert

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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Susan Wilmot4	1
Amber Carder5	ò
Kelly Butts6	ò
Lex Barnett)
Josh Slocum1	.5
Karlyn Carder2	24
Linda Mott2	24
Clarice Barnett2	25



Don't Forget to Change Your Clocks!



