

May - June, 2011

highland crest baptist church

T.R.U.T.H

Our Ministers

Jim Downs Senior Pastor
Chad Hertler Associate Pastor of Discipleship & Evangelism
Jed Manders Minister of Youth & Family



Church Picnic

Don't miss our annual picnic on Sunday, June 26th following AM service!

HCBC will provide

- Beverages
- Hot dogs
- Hamburgers
- Brats
- potato salad
- all the fixins

We expect lots of guests so bring one or two dishes to pass (i.e. salad, dessert or vegetable)

There will be

- Inflatable games
- Dunk tank
- Cotton Candy
- Sno Cones
- Kid's games
- Relays
- Volleyball tournament
- Lots of fun for all ages!

Picnic will end with a casual service under the tent outside. Dress: modestly casual

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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Jim Downs
Senior Pastor

A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to "honor thy father and thy mother," she asked "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?"

Without missing a beat one little boy (the oldest of a family) answered, "Thou shall not kill."

Finally, after a year and a half of praying, studying Scripture, researching, and communicating with missionaries, the missions committee has a growing excitement about doing mission work in a country most of us have never heard of! The world is a big place, and there are lost people everywhere, but the committee has felt God's hand gently directing us to Senegal, West Africa. In less than two weeks, four men from Highland Crest will be walking through villages on the western side of the country, meeting people, praying with them, and telling them stories from the Bible. Senegal is 97% Muslim, and one of the main things that we will be doing is looking and watching. We will be especially interested in finding a place that will be open to the Good News we share so that we will be able to go back repeatedly in the years to come and hopefully be a part of establishing a reproducing New Testament church there.

One of the most often asked questions about doing overseas missions is this, "Why go overseas when there are so many lost people around us here?" The answer is found in the importance of being a healthy church. A healthy church is a balanced church. Balanced between giving and receiving, between grace and law, between love and justice, and a

myriad of other things. In missions, we must strike a healthy balance between missions right around us, and also missions in hard to reach areas. When it comes to Acts 1:8, Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, uttermost parts are all separated by "and" instead of "either/ or". We want to do our part in all four of those places. Someone else might say, shouldn't we just let the professionals do it? Well, we want to be balanced in supporting career missionaries, while at the same time getting some close up on-the-site experience ourselves.

I have observed that going on a good mission trip makes a better "home" missionary out of most people. To preach the Gospel in other lands gives us a greater vision for God's Kingdom. Will you pray for these four men to have clear discernment, Godly wisdom, and infectious love for people we haven't even met yet?

Together for His glory,

Bro. Jim

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CALENDAR

MAY

1		Lord's Supper (Eve service)
4	5:15p	Wednesday Night Meal
5		NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
6	5:30p	Mother Daughter Banquet
8		MOTHER'S DAY No Evening Service
11	5:30p 6:30p	Finance Committee Meeting Business Meeting
14		Jed Manders' HCBC Anniv.
15	7:00p	Building / Grounds Meeting
18		Ministry Council CANCELLED
21	11:30a	XYZ Fellowship Potluck
28	7:00a 8:30a	Honor Role Deacon Meeting
30		MEMORIAL DAY church ofc closed

JUNE

1	5:15p	Wednesday Night Meal
5	10:15a	Grad Recognition Sunday
7	11:30a	XYZ Fellowship Potluck
12	7:00p	Building/Grounds Meeting
12-15		Southern Baptist Convention in Phoenix AZ
13-18		Youth Summer Camp
19		FATHER'S DAY -no eve svc
22	5:30p	Administrative Council Mtg
25		Widows Luncheon
	7:00a	Honor Role
	8:30a	Deacon Meeting
26		CHURCH PICNIC

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun	9:00 am	Sunday School (all ages)
	10:15 am	Worship Service
	5:00 pm	Prayer Group
	6:00 pm	Evening Service
Mon	9:45 am	Mothers of Small Children Bible study (meets at HCBC)
Wed	6:30 pm	Discipleship Training Children: King's Kids, Youth Group
	7:40 pm	Choir Practice

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Regular Hours: Monday thru Friday
9:00 a.m. to Noon & 1:30 - 5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

Meets the 1st Wednesday of every month.
Time: 5:15 p.m.
Cost: \$3 per person or \$10 per family

MAY Menu

May 4, 2011

Yum! Build Your Own Nachos with all the fixins
Surprise Dessert & Beverage

JUNE Menu

June 1, 2011

"Something Pasta" and Salad
with Dessert and Beverage

Summer Camp – Building Authenticity

I have never been more excited about the upcoming Youth Summer Camp as I am this year! We are having a great year in the Youth department as several of the young adults have really been seeking after God. It has always been my desire and focus of Summer Camp to make the Lord our first and most important priority and this year is no different. But, we will be adding another step: building authentic relationships with one another. It is always a tough balance between serving the wants of the young adults who will be attending camp and keeping the focus where it belongs - on Jesus.

After several months of prayer, I am excited to announce that we will be doing several new things that we have never done before. Each of the new "parts to camp" will be in an effort to grow with one another and in an authentic walk with the Lord. I am also very excited to work with several new parents who will be serving with me this year at Summer Camp. This will give me a chance to get to know each of them more closely, as well as for them to get to know me in a different way.

Please be in prayer for the teenagers and parents who will be blessed at camp this year. As always, if you have young adults who are planning to attend and would like to contribute your time in ANY way, please come talk to me. Also, even if you are not currently parents of youth, but would like to give any amount toward a scholarship to help someone else be able to attend, please talk to me. Your gifts are always a blessing!




Jed Manders
Minister of
Youth
& Family



Chad Hertler
Associate Pastor
of Discipleship
and Evangelism

Other opportunities...

- ◇ May 15th
Game Night at
HCBC
following
Evening
Service
- ◇ June 13th-18th
Summer Camp
- ◇ June 26th
Church Picnic
- ◇ July 15th
bonfire at
Manders'
house

Psst ... Jed's 4th
Anniversary as
Youth Minister is
May 14th.
Congratulations Jed!

A couple of days ago, I went with my wife to the doctor for her ultra-sound. We are of the persuasion that *if the technology exists to determine the gender of the child-use it!* It didn't take long to identify that we would be having our fourth boy! I pumped my fist in the air

and shared a good laugh with Melody (she, as always, was a good sport despite not getting the elusive girl). As the urge to share the good news swelled I reached for my cell phone to send a mass text. Melody had another idea, "How about we have some fun with this? Why don't we take the ultra-sound pictures and hand them to my parents and allow them to determine the gender of the baby for themselves?"

We left the hospital and drove to Jim and Vonna's home. There, they were handed a stack of pictures. One by one they began to explore the pictures: "There is the back." "There is the profile-oh look how cute his nose is!" "There are those tiny hands and feet" "There is the...congratulations on having a boy!" It was a fun moment.

This got me to thinking that there is more than one way to share the ultimate good news. Recently, I have come across two methods that do not get as much focus: opening your home for a gospel Bible study and Bible storying.

Small group Bible study: A new Bible study entitled *Christianity Explored* has just been released. This is a seven week study that walks through the gospel of Mark. The study discusses

topics like: *What are we doing here? Who is Jesus? Sin: Why did Jesus come? The cross: Why did Jesus die?* This study would be ideal to invite lost friends, relatives, and neighbors to your home. I am also aware that some of you lead a Bible study at work. This is another valuable resource that communicates the gospel in a thorough manner. Check out <http://www.christianityexplored.org> for more information.

On Wednesday, May 25, our church will be offering this class. It is intended not only for the seeker, but also to a Christian who would like to use their home for the gospel (attending this class will give you a chance to preview it for yourself).

Bible Storying: Jason Lee, our missionary to Senegal, has been teaching us about Bible storying. This form communicates truths of the Bible using the stories of the Bible. Most people in the world are not literate. They learn through story form. One of the stories we are learning for our trip to Senegal is called *Creation to Christ*. This story gives an over view of the entire Bible in 20-30 minutes! It is the most comprehensive, Bible-centered gospel presentation that I believe I have heard. Likely, this story will be a staple of our gospel presentation to West Africa for years to come. If you would like to know this story and other stories, feel free to email me at chad_hertler@highlandcrestbaptist.com

May we strive to share the uncompromising truth of the gospel... using all means available!

Wanting to serve you,



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GRAD RECOGNITION

Are you or someone in your family that attends HCBC graduating from High School or College this Spring? If so, please contact the church office so we can include you in our Grad Recognition Bulletin and service on June 5th. We don't want to miss anyone!

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

Check out our website for new Discipleship classes starting May 25th.