

Prayer List

Vivian Andrews	Sandra English
James Armstrong	Sharon Ezell
Kenneth Babb	Martha Huff
Katie Bainbridge	Jim Jennings
Ernest/Anne Bayne	Bill/Judie Kitchen
Brett Bentley	Michael/Sharon Lord
Lois Bentley	Jake/Nell Maddox
Richard/Susnn Bentley	Jeff McMullen
Harriett Braddy	Marcus McMullen
David Brooks	Marlene Peavy
Tilda Cooper	Bonnie Stafford
Josephine Davis	
Eugenia English	

In Military Service: Rudy Webb

Church Fellowship & Potluck Supper

Join us Sunday, March 17, at 5:30 P.M. The purpose is to gather and become better acquainted with our fellow church members. Hopefully all generations within our church will be able to participate. This will also be a good time to invite a friend who is not currently involved in a church. We will eat first, then we will have some facilitated sharing around the tables. We should be wrapping things up by 7:00 P.M.

Christian Sympathy

To the family and friends of Deacon Morgan Bloodworth who passed away Saturday following a battle with cancer. He was a member of HBC since 1975.

Check out the HBC Website
www.hardwickbaptist.org



Sunday School
Every Sunday
9:45 AM
New class for anyone not in another class led by Doug Adkins now meeting in Fellowship Hall.



Prayer Meeting Bible Study
Wednesdays at 6:00
In the History Room

During the Season of Lent we will be journeying together through *Divine Friendship: Reflections for Lent*. The book is designed to facilitate daily devotions throughout the season — to help us grow deeper in our love for God, which in turn will deepen our love for ourselves and for others. It consists of daily Scripture passages, a devotion, and questions for reflection. On Wednesdays we will be sharing specific insights from our own daily devotions. Even if you do not have the book, you will benefit by attending and joining in the conversations.



Choir Rehearsal
Wednesdays
At 7:00 P.M.
Now working on
Easter Music.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mar 17: Olivia Hill
Mar 18: Walter Peeler, Jr.
Mar 20 Ricky Hornsby
Mar 22: Lori Watson

Nursery Workers
Sunday Morning, 3/17/19
Babies.
Olivia Hill, Gail Brooks

Bus Ministry, 3/17/19
Cindy English
Children's Sermon, 3/17/19
Cindy English
Counting Committee, 3/17/19
Jim Davis, Mack Atchison
Worship Coordinator, 3/17/19
Mack Atchison
Deacon of the Week, 3/17/19
Marilynn Skinner

Annie Armstrong Offering
For North American Missions
Our Goal: \$1800.00
Received: \$ 835.00

The **HBC food Pantry** served 21 Households, 74 individuals and had 3 new applicants. We have had several new volunteers join our faithful crew to assist those who come. Your willingness to help is truly appreciated.

Annual Budget (2018).....	\$280,579.00
Needed Per Week to meet Budget.....	\$ 5,395.75
Contributions 3/10/19.....	\$ 2,493.00
Budget Contributions through 3/10/19.....	\$ 45,717.31
Total Budget Expenses through 3/10/19.....	\$ 42,808.68

CALENDAR

Sunday, March 17th:
9:45 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship
5:30 P.M. Potluck Supper

Wednesday, March 20th:
6:00 P.M. Children's Snack Supper
Adult Bible Study/Prayer Time
6:30 P.M. Children's Groups
7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir

G.A. Yard Sale
For North American
Missions
This Saturday, March 16
In Fellowship Hall
Items for the sale may be brought to the church prior to the sale. No clothes or shoes, please.

Covered Dish Lunch
Reception
Honoring Dylan Bowden
Sunday, March 31
Following
Morning Worship
Details to come regarding
Gifts of appreciation

Children/Youth Ministry Meeting—March 24th at 2:00 P.M. in the History Room

Personnel Committee Meeting—March 24 at 4:30 P.M. in the History Room.

Covenant Renewal Sunday - March 24

Last month Hardwick Baptist voted to approve a revision of our Church Constitution and By-Laws. Prior to my arriving as pastor, an ad-hoc committee (Gloria Burke, Cindy English, and David Self) had worked to prepare this revision. Before presenting it to the church, they met with me to discuss and consider any input from my perspective. One of the concerns expressed by the committee was the feeling that it was important that prospective church members understood what it means to be a follower of Jesus, and how a commitment to Christ includes a commitment to the church. We discussed how it is important to regularly remind all church members those things, not just new members. I proposed the idea of having an annual "Covenant Renewal Sunday," a practice in many churches. This would involve distributing the Church Covenant (Article 5 in our Constitution) to the membership in advance of a worship service in which we focus on an opportunity to renew our commitment to the covenant - all within the context of examining (through prayer and reflection) our commitment to follow Christ. The committee agreed that this would be a good thing, and I suggested we have the service during Lent, since it is a season of self-examination in the light of Christ's call to take up our cross and follow.

With all this in mind, we will be sharing in a service of Covenant Renewal Sunday, March 24. To prepare for that service, please spend time in prayer and honest conversation with God as you consider your commitment to our Church Covenant, listed below.

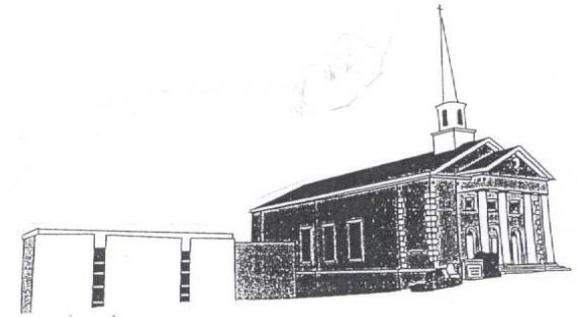
Having made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ as my Savior and having been baptized by immersion. I enter into a covenant with God and Hardwick Baptist Church. With the help of the Holy Spirit and with the Bible as my guide, I agree to:

- Attend services regularly and be an active member
- Pray for and care for one another
- Walk together in Christian love and harmony
- Strive for the advancement of the church in knowledge and holiness
- Promote spirituality
- Seek the salvation of unbelievers
- Sustain the church's worship, doctrines, ordinances, and discipline
- Contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministries, and expenses of the church
- Engage in personal and/or family devotions
- Educate my family about my faith
- Be just in my dealings and reliable in my responsibilities
- Be a Christ-like example in my speech and behavior to those around me
- Observe the ordinances of believer's baptism and the Lord's Supper

On another note, you have likely heard that Dylan Bowden has announced that March 31 will be his last Sunday with us. I will say more about that next week. For now, we give thanks for all of his faithful service to our church and pray all of God's blessings to his new ministry. Please notice the announcement on the inside of the *Herald* regarding a reception.

Love & Blessings! Doug

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