Thoughts From Doug

I hope that you have been watching our worship services the past two Sundays on Facebook Live. If you have not utilized Facebook in the past—this is a good excuse for you to do so. Once you have joined Facebook, go to "Hardwick Baptist Church" and join our Facebook Group. You can join us live at 11:00 AM Sunday morning—or watch the service anytime at your convenience. If you do not have Facebook, you can go to this website: https://www.facebook.com/Hardwick-Baptist-Church-185522038148919/ to join us. And speaking of joining us: since we will not be having our Holy Week noon services and lunch at the church, I will be posting (or attempting to?) videos for each day during Holy Week. I am attempting to find church members to share personal testimonies related to Signs of Resurrection. I hope to post these videos to our Facebook page—along with a brief devotion for the day. You will be able to go to our Facebook page and watch them at your convenience.

And one other adaptation I am working on for this time of quarantine: Wednesday Bible discussion live through Zoom Meetings. So again, if you have not stepped into the virtual world of video chat meetings, this is a good time for you to investigate and take advantage of technology in a period when we cannot meet face-to-face. Go to the Zoom website at https:// zoom.us/ where you can download Zoom for free. If you have a smart phone, download the Zoom app on your phone. That way, you will be able to participate in a Zoom Bible group discussion either on your computer/ laptop or your phone. As long as we are under this period of recommended physical distancing, I will plan on hosting a Zoom meeting Bible discussion each Wednesday at 7:00 PM. We will discuss one, or more, of the weekly lectionary readings—so the Resource for Daily Prayer and Scripture Meditation, which was distributed at church the last Sunday of February, will come in handy once again. The Wednesday Bible discussion will give your more incentive to pray with the Scriptures each day. If you follow the guide that was distributed at church, you will have prayed with each of the Bible readings once prior to our Wednesday evening meetings.

We will begin these Wednesday evening Zoom meetings April 15—which should give you plenty of time to learn the Zoom format. This will also be a time when you can share prayer concerns to add to our church prayer list. I will utilize the church email list that we have, and send you a link to the April 15 meeting, along with a code. You can choose to participate by audio only, or by video and audio. If you are cautious about trying this—call someone in your life who is under 40, and they will be glad to walk you through it.

Finally—let us continue to support one another through prayers, texts, email, or good old-fashioned phone calls. Let us realize, more than ever before, that:

We are one in the bond of love—we are ONE in the bond of love—We have joined our spirit—with the Spirit of God, We are one in the bond of love.

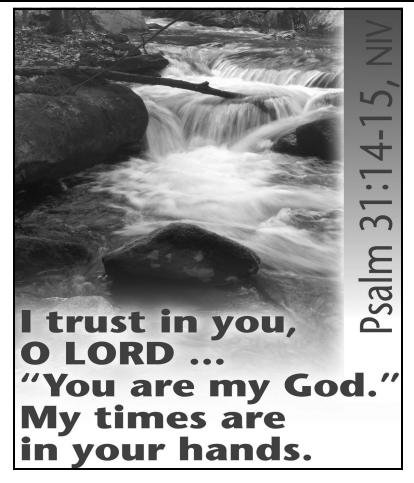
Amen. Stay safe and wash your hands.
Doug

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Prayer List

Henry/Vivian Andrews Sharon Ezell James Armstrong Lamar Guv Mack Atchison Kenny Huff Kenneth Babb Martha Huff Anne Bavne Jim Jennings Joyce Blizzard Michael/Sharon Lord Harriett & Henry Baddy Nell Maddox John Cooper Jeff McMullen Josephine Davis Marcus McMullen Eugenia English Marlene Peavy Sandra English Bonnie Stafford Ben/Jackie Watson

In Military Service: Rudy Webb



Adult Discipleship: "Companions in Christ"

Those participating will be notified at such time as the group will meet for its last session.

Dinner Church News

Our Dinner Church Ministry has been temporarily put on hold due to the repair issues with Fellowship Hall. Please continue to pray for this ministry and the Dinner Church Team as we await clearance to resume.

"In Times like these you need a Savior
In times like these you need an anchor
Be very sure, be very sure
Your anchor holds and grips
the Solid rock!
This rock is Jesus, Yes He's the One
This rock is Jesus, the only one
Be very sure, be very sure
Your anchor hold and grips
the Solid Rock!"
-George Beverly Shea-

Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study

In accordance with executive orders by the President of the United States, Georgia's Governor, and local officials that we not have activities for groups of 10 or more people to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, we will not have Wednesday Prayer Meeting/Bible Study until further notice. See Pastor Doug's article for ways to keep in touch.

Wednesday Night Program For Children & Youth

We will not have the Wednesday program for Children and Youth until further notice. The safety and well-being of the children must be our main concern during this time of uncertainty with the COVID-19 virus. Local schools are closed at this time and we must follow guidelines for prevention as well. Please pray for the children and youth who participate in this program as well as the leaders. We will resume the regular schedule when it is deemed safe.

Scripture Readings for April 5 Psalm 31:9-16 Isaiah 50:4-9a Philippians 2:5-11 Mathew 27:11-54

Annual Budget 2020.	3287,729.67
Needed Per Week to Meet Budget	5,533.27
Contributions 3/23/2020.	\$ 1,375.00
Contributions 3/30/2020.	1,600.00
Total Budget Contributions through March 30, 2020.	
Total Budget Expenses through March 30, 2020.	\$ 48,056.43

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Apr 06: Vivian Andrews, Tina Roberts Apr 09: Anne Baynae, Melba Hooks

> Nursery Workers Sunday Morning, 3/29/2020 No Services/No Nursery

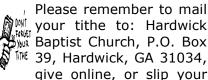
Bus Ministry, 4/05/2020

Our Sunday Bus Ministry must be discontinued until such time as restrictions imposed due to the COVID-19 virus are lifted.

Deacon of the Week, 4/05/2020

Sharon Lord, 452-7742

Annie Armstrong Offering For North American Missions Our Goal: \$1,000.00 Received: \$575.00



check in an envelope through the front door to a drop box. Offerings will be deposited and records of giving posted accordingly. Stay safe...pray... and remember to give.

Check out the HBC Website www.hardwickbaptist.org

CALENDAR

Sunday, March 29th:

No Sunday School Morning Worship live streamed

Wednesday, March 31st:

No Wednesday Activities Until further notice

Watch Your Herald

Be sure to follow your weekly "Herald" for schedule changes and cancellations in these uncertain times. We will try to keep you updated as changes occur. You will find several schedule changes in this issue.

In compliance with state, national and local officials and for the well being of our church membership, Hardwick Baptist church is closed until further notice. In case of emergency or need, please call the Church Secretary at 456-7129 for assistance. Pray for our members and their families, all health care workers as they work to care for those affected and to contain this pandemic, and our state and nation. Stay home, practice social distancing, no groups of 10 or more, stringent hand washing.

Check out ways to connect with HBC on the Pastor's page of this newsletter.

Please know that your church staff is praying for you as "we all are in this together." Take time to give each other a phone call to let someone know you are thinking about them.

"When flowers bloom, So does hope." -Lady Bird Johnson-