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In the bustling crowd surrounding Jesus, a woman, burdened by a twelve-year-long affliction, saw her opportunity for healing. Despite the pressing multitude, she pressed forward with determined faith, her heart set on touching even the hem of Jesus' garment. In that single touch, her life was forever changed.

She did not wait for Jesus to approach her; instead, she reached out to him, believing that even the slightest touch would suffice. And in response to her audacious faith, Jesus turned and acknowledged her, declaring, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace."

May we be inspired by the woman's example of persistent faith. Let us not be deterred by the crowds or any other obstacles that stand before us, but instead, let us press forward with unwavering confidence in the power of Jesus to heal, restore, and transform. And may we, like the woman in the crowd, experience the boundless grace, healing and power Jesus reach faith love of as we out in touch the hem of his garment.

Join us this Sunday for our new exciting message series on "Expecting Miracles TODAY!"

Plan to be there and bring your family and friends!



# Faith's Touch & God's Healing Power!

In the bustling streets of ancient Jerusalem, a woman walked silently, her ailment veiling her in solitude. For twelve years, she had borne the weight of her infirmity, her body weakened by a flow of blood that defied remedy. Countless physicians had offered empty promises, draining her hope as surely as her strength. Yet, within her heart, a flicker of faith endured—a spark that dared to believe in the possibility of healing.

One day, amidst the throngs that pressed around Jesus, she saw her chance. Her trembling hand reached out, desperate yet determined, and brushed against the hem of his garment. In that fleeting moment, the divine met the mortal, and her faith bridged the chasm between despair and deliverance. Instantly, she felt the surge of healing power coursing through her veins, her body restored to wholeness by the touch of the Savior.

This encounter with Jesus illustrates the profound connection between faith and healing. The woman's faith was not passive; it was active, reaching out in expectancy despite the odds stacked against her. It was a faith that dared to defy convention, to grasp hold of hope even in the face of despair.

Likewise, we are called to cultivate such faith in our own lives. We may not face physical afflictions as she did, but we encounter trials and tribulations that test the limits of our faith. In moments of doubt and despair, may we, like the woman with the issue of blood, find the courage to reach out to Jesus, trusting in his power to heal and restore.

Moreover, this story reminds us of the inclusive nature of Jesus' ministry. In a society where women were often marginalized and their voices silenced, Jesus recognized and honored the woman's faith. He affirmed her worth and dignity, offering her not only physical healing but also spiritual restoration.

As we reflect on this narrative, let us be inspired to emulate the woman's faith—to reach out to Jesus with boldness and expectancy, trusting in his promise to heal and transform. Let us also strive to embody Jesus' example of inclusivity and compassion, extending love and grace to all who are in need.

In the touch of faith lies the power of healing. May we, like the woman with the issue of blood, dare to reach out and touch the hem of Jesus' garment, knowing that in his presence, there is wholeness, restoration, and hope.

# The Hilton Baptist Church Record

# Lynwood Wells, Pastor

June 2, 2024

Budget \$5275.00

Budget Designated - Community Dinner \$6.00

Cash in Cash out-Sonshine Kids \$25.00

Cash in Cash out – Lackey Clinic \$25.00

Food Pantry \$75.00

Total Deposit \$5406.00

Don't forget... Instead of getting the Forecast by mail, you can have it emailed to you.

Just contact the church office!

**Lock up/ Hall Monitor** 6/9 Joe Caskie 6/16 Roger Cooke

**Counter** 6/10 Margaret Upole 6/17 Kathy Caskie

**Kids Church** 6/9 Tracy Venable 6/16 Lisa York

*Grass Cutting* – 6/15 Jon and Barbara Michie 6/29 Joe Caskie/ Don Moore



# VBS-August 5th-9th

If you want to volunteer please let Dreama know. Planning is already happening. We are looking forward to a great week!

If you are a worker, there will be a meeting on Tuesday, June 18th at 6:30pm. Please plan to attend this informational meeting.

# <u>Happy Birthday in June</u>

6/1 Joe Caskie

6/6 Kimberly Michie

6/11 Dave Gwaltney

6/14 Scott Kuhlne

6/18/ Lloyd Ware



Jean Parker 6/22

Bill Duke 6/23

Doug Miller 6/27

Pat Simmons 6/27

Many years ago a scholarship was funded by a donor from HBC to the University of Richmond. Every year that is awarded to a student. Below is the letter from the student that received that award this year.

Hilton Baptist Church Congregation,

My name is Alexandra Hall and I am a rising senior at the UR where I double major in Economics and (PPEL) Philosophy, Politics, Economics and Law. I cannot thank you enough for your generous HBC Scholarship. Without your help, I would not be able to study at UR. My father attended law school at UR and after his passing when I was 14, I knew Richmond was the place for me. I plan to attend law school after graduation and pursue a career in criminal law just like my dad and this scholarship brings me one step closer to that goal. Thank you again for your support of my education at a place I love so dearly.

Sincerely, Alexandra Hall West Virginia, Class of 2025

### **Calendar**

# Monday, June 3rd

Church office closed

# Tuesday, June 4th

Church office closed 12pm 1pm Food Distribution

# Wednesday, June 5th

Church office Closed
7pm Bible Study in person and online

# Thursday, June 6th

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

# Sunday, June 9th

9:00am Discipleship Class
10:00am Live Worship at HBC
10:00am Sonshine Kids

# Tuesday, June 11th

12pm—1pm Food Distribution

# Wednesday, June 12th

7pm Bible Study in person and online

# Thursday, June 13th

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

# <u>Sunday, June 16th</u> <u>HAPPY FATHERS DAY!</u>

9:00am Discipleship Class
10:00am Live Worship at HBC
10:00am Sonshine Kids
Food Bank Distribution after
morning worship.

### Missions Outreach—Pam Cooke 660-4226

### **Aluminum Cans**

Recycle your cans at HBC and help Support missions! Bring them to HBC and <u>place</u> them in the <u>gym</u> or the church office. All money collected goes to missions.

# **Pray for our Missionaries**

Dave Montgomery (American People) SH, RS (Central Asian People) Monte Barker (European People) RF (South Asian People) Eleazar Barajas (CA)

Todd Kornahrens (FL) Camilo Mendez (Puerto Rico) Blake Canterbury (WI)

# Serve the City

There are many opportunities to serve. See www.stcpeninsula.com or Pam Cooke and she will send you in the right direction. *BIG SERVE WEEK June 25–29th* Save the Date– More information is available on the website .There are many ways you can serve!

# Community Dinner-This Friday, May 31st

Thanks to all who helped make the Community Dinner and the Food Giveaway a great success at our last community dinner. Our next Community Dinner is Friday, June 28th from 5:30-6:30pm with the food giveaway immediately following. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be served. If you can help please contact the church office., p

# WMU Project for June

The Mission Project for this month is Lackey Free Clinic. Lackey requests monetary support. Lackey helps those who do not have insurance. It is a wonderful clinic helping with the health, vision, eye and spiritual help of their patients. The clinic is Christ centered. Please pray for this important ministry. Mark your check or envelope.

# Food Pantry /Food Bank Help

If you can help with the Food Pantry /Bank on Tuesday and Thursdays for Food Distribution or on Fridays to bag Veggies, please let the church office know. We are looking to add people to our team.

# **Item's needed for the Food Pantry**

The Food Pantry is in real need of the following: Hamburger Helper, Pancake Syrup, cereal and Pasta. We do take monetary donations for the items that we need to purchase. Just mark your envelope or check. Thank you to all who support this important ministry.

# You Are Called To Belong, Not Just Believe – by Rick Warren

"God's family is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth." (1 Timothy 3:15b GW)

You are called to belong, not just believe.

Even in the perfect, sinless environment of Eden, God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone" (Genesis 2:18a NIV). We are created for community, fashioned for



fellowship, and formed for a family, and none of us can fulfill God's purposes by ourselves. The Bible knows nothing of solitary saints or spiritual hermits isolated from other believers and deprived of fellowship.

The Bible says we are put together, joined together, built together, members together, heirs together, fitted together, and held together and will be caught up together (1 Corinthians 12:12; Ephesians 2:21-22, 3:6, 4:16; Colossians 2:19; 1 Thessalonians 4:17).

You're not on your own anymore!

While your relationship to Christ is personal, God never intends it to be private. In God's family you are connected to every other believer, and we will belong to each other for eternity. The Bible says, "In Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others" (Romans 12:5).

Following Christ includes belonging, not just believing. We are members of his Body — the Church. C. S. Lewis noted that the word "membership" is of Christian origin, but the world has emptied it of its original meaning. Stores offer discounts to "members," and advertisers use member names to create mailing lists. In churches, membership is often reduced to simply adding your name to a roll, with no requirements or expectations.

To Paul, being a "member" of the church meant being a vital organ of a living body, an indispensable, interconnected part of the Body of Christ. We need to recover and practice the biblical meaning of membership. The church is a body, not a building; an organism, not an organization (Romans 12:4-5; 1 Corinthians 6:15, 12:12-27).

God's purposes for his church are identical to his five purposes for you. *Worship* helps you focus on God; *fellowship* helps you face life's problems; *discipleship* helps fortify your faith; *ministry* helps find your talents; power helps fulfill your *mission*.

There is nothing else on Earth like the church!



# Worthy of the Name

When Alexander the Great ruled all the known world, he made it his policy to hear any appeal made to him.

One day a young soldier was brought before Alexander for trial. The young man wore the tunic of Alexander's Army. "With what is he charged?" asked Alexander – who held absolute authority in all

matters. There would be no appeal of his verdict. "He is charged with cowardice in battle," answered the prosecutor.

A great hush fell over the crowd gathered in the judgment hall. They knew Alexander as a general who expected his men to be valiant since he, himself, did not push his soldiers, but led them into the thick of battle. Alexander looked at the young soldier who was a mere youth, fair haired and still too young to shave. The angry scowl on his face slowly changed into an understanding smile, "What is your name, soldier?"

"Worthy King," responded the youth, "my name is the same as yours – Alexander."

Anger came back into Alexander's face, and he leaped to his feet. Alexander grabbed the soldier's tunic. "Young soldier." he said with great control, "either change your name, or change your behavior."

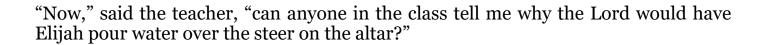
We are called "Christians". Are you worthy of the name?

# The Last Impression

The Sunday school teacher was carefully explaining the story of Elijah the prophet and the false prophets of Baal.

She explained how Elijah built the altar, put wood upon it, cut the steer in pieces, and laid it upon the altar. And then,

Elijah commanded the people of God to fill four barrels with water and pour it over the altar. He had them do this three times.



A little girl in the back of the room started waving her hand, "I know! I know!" she said. "To make the gravy!"





# Giving Back To God

The purpose of tithing is to teach us to always put God first in our lives. God doesn't need our money. He wants what it represents: our gratitude, our priorities and our faith. Look at these verses in Proverbs 3. Do you see where it says, 'Honor the Lord by giving him the leftovers of all your income'.. Now, you can see, that's

NOT what it says at all.

It says, "Honor the Lord with your possessions and with the first produce of your entire harvest..". We give to God first, before anyone else, right off the top of our income. And here is the promise, "Then your barns will be completely filled, and your vats will overflow with new wine".

As committed believers, we are called to give the first 10% to God. If we're going to be in debt, we will be in debt to other people, but should not be in be in debt to God. You and I are called to give back to God in gratitude, but also as a demonstration of our priorities. And, it is a demonstration of our faith in his promises.

In Malachi 3:10, God says, "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse ...". That means the place where you worship. Then God says, "Put me to the test!" In a sense, 'Test me and see how I will bless you for your obedience'. God says he will provide all that you need. He doesn't say he'll provide all that we greed, but all that we need.

God is doing some exciting new and powerful things through the faithful people of God at HBC...

Please remember your commitments and giving and be part of the miracle!



"Your service was a moving experience, three people had us to move because we were in their seats."