

The Forecast
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YET IN ALL THESE THINGS WE ARE MORE THAN
CONQUERORS
THROUGH HIM WHO LOVED US
FOR I AM PERSUADED THAT NEITHER DEATH NOR LIFE
NOR ANGELS NOR PRINCIPALITIES NOR POWERS
NOR THINGS PRESENT
NOR THINGS TO COME
NOR HEIGHT NOR DEPTH NOR ANY OTHER CREATED THING
SHALL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US FROM THE
LOVE OF GOD
WHICH IS IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD

- ROMANS CHAPTER EIGHT VERSES THIRTY SEVEN THROUGH THIRTY NINE -



*Have you signed up for our HBC
“Trunk-Or-Treat” yet?
We still need cars, candy and you!
In fact... Invite a friend to join us and let’s
pack the parking lot
For the best time ever!*



Called To Be Ambassadors

“We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God.” 2 Corinthians 5:20

The term “ambassador” carries significant weight. In the earthly realm, ambassadors represent their countries, acting on their behalf and carrying the authority of their government. As followers of Christ, we are called to a similar role. Our identity as ambassadors means that we are not just passive believers; we are active participants in God’s mission.

Consider the implications of being an ambassador for Christ. This role implies a relationship with Him that is both intimate and profound. We are entrusted with the message of reconciliation—an invitation to experience God’s love and grace. Each day, we can reflect His character and make His appeal known in our words, actions, and attitudes.

The verse emphasizes the appeal of reconciliation. In a world often marked by division, conflict, and misunderstanding, our call is to be agents of peace. Reconciliation is more than just a momentary agreement; it is a deep, transformative process that restores relationships.

As ambassadors, we are called to embody the spirit of reconciliation, starting with our relationship with God and extending to others. Reflect on the areas in your life where you may need to seek reconciliation—perhaps with a friend, family member, or even within yourself. God’s heart is for us to experience wholeness, and we can extend that same invitation to others.

Being an ambassador requires us to be aware of how we represent Christ in our daily lives. It calls us to reflect His values and priorities. How can we embody the love, mercy, and truth of Christ in practical ways? This could mean showing kindness to a stranger, being honest in our dealings, or standing up for justice.

Consider the following questions:

How do my words reflect Christ’s message?

In what ways can I show love and grace to those around me?

Am I willing to step out of my comfort zone to share the Gospel?

Remember, our role as ambassadors is not based on our perfection but on our willingness to allow God to work through us. It’s about living out our faith authentically, acknowledging our shortcomings, and relying on the Holy Spirit for guidance.

Personal Application

Take a moment to think about your sphere of influence. Who has God placed in your life that needs to hear the message of reconciliation? It could be a coworker, a neighbor, or even a family member. Pray for opportunities to share God’s love with them

The Hilton Baptist Church Record

Lynwood Wells, Pastor

October 22, 2024

Budget \$1511.67

Designated Budget- \$50.00 In Memory of Christine Douglas

Cash in Cash out- Sonshine kids \$10.00

Total Deposit \$1571.67



To Our Church Family

We truly appreciate all you have done for us during this time of sorrow. The gifts of sharing through your prayers, time, calls, visits and cards have brought much peace during our time of loss. Please know that she loved you dearly, that she felt the love of God through you her church family and that we have been so very blessed as we have felt that same love as you have ministered to us.

The Christine Douglas Family

PBA Annual Meeting

The PBA Annual Meeting will be next Tuesday, October 29th at Orcutt Baptist Church, 653 Baxter Lane, Newport News. The business meeting will take place at 3:30pm. If you are planning on attending and would like to be a messenger to be able to vote on behalf of HBC, please contact Dreama.

The evening service will begin at 6pm. (There will not be a dinner this year) The speaker for the evening service is Dr. David Pepler of Pep Talk Ministries and the staff of PBA.

We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

October is Pastor

Appreciation Month

Take a moment this month and drop Pastor Lynwood a card or a note to let him know how much you appreciate him!

Missions Outreach

***If you have any questions on Missions Outreach Activities
call Pam Cooke 757-660-4226***

Aluminum Cans

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

Pray for our Missionaries

RB, AB (American People) EB, JE, CG, CM (Asian Pacific Rim People) MS (Central Asian People) Charles Partridge (European People) RH, KY (Northern African and Middle Eastern People) Michael Rains (Sub- Saharan African People) Sean Tambagahan (CA) Oscar Luna (MI) Christopher Litton (NC) Jean David Pierreo Louis (QC) William Ramsey (TX) Clint Conner (VA)

Community Dinner, Friday, October 25th

We will be having our monthly Community Dinner on Friday, October 25th from 5:30pm-6:30pm. The kids and Kids leaders will be preparing and serving. If you would like to help see Pam Cooke or Tara Borton (Food Bank Distribution)

Trunk or Treat- Thursday, October 31st 5:30pm- 7:30pm

Trunk or Treat is right around the corner and we need your support! If you plan to come and decorate your car (and yourself if you want) , please sign up on the Mission Outreach table. If you are unable to attend we would appreciate a candy donation. We tend to see around 500 Trick or treaters and we want to be prepared.

Sedgefield Elementary

Thanks to everyone who wrote cards for Sedgefield Elementary teachers and staff. I am sure that they will be encouraged by them next week. Please continue to pray for them.

WMU Mission Project for October

The WMU Mission Project for October is Sonshine Kids

<u>Lock up/ Hall Monitor</u>	10/27 Robbie Ayscue	11/3 Joe Caskie
<u>Counter</u>	10/28 Margaret Upole	11/4 Kathy Caskie
<u>Kids Church</u>	10/27 Debra Sink	11/3 Kathy Caskie

Thank
YOU

Our church has looked so good through the summer months because of the men and women that have worked so hard.

A special thanks goes out to Don Moore, Joe Caskie, Pam Cooke, Roger Cooke, Stan Langdon, Barbara Michie and Jon Michie for cutting the grass and caring for the lawn

Also we would like to thank Lisa York and David Falls for their hard work for all the beautiful flowers all around the church!

What a great crew of people! Thank you all your hard work!

THANK YOU

When you see Stan, Roger and Pam, give them a BIG THANK YOU! They have worked tirelessly on the problem we have had with our second floor roof and have repaired it.

They have blessed the church so much through this work!

Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!



Calendar

Tuesday, October 22nd

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

Wednesday, October 23rd

No Bible Study

Thursday, October 24th

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

Sunday, October 27th

9:00am Discipleship Class

10:00am Online and Live

Worship at HBC

10:00am Sonshine Kids

Food Bank Giveaway after worship

Free and open to the public

Tuesday, October 29th

12pm– 1pm Food Distribution

Wednesday, October 30th

No Bible Study

Thursday, October 31st

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

5:30pm Trunk or Treat

Sunday, November 3rd

9:00am Discipleship Class

10:00am Online and In person

Worship at HBC

Produce Giveaway

Happy Birthday in October

10/26 Tim Humphreys

10/30 Don Krause

Happy Birthday in November

11/5 Bella Moriah

11/7 Barbara Caffacus

11/8 Mary Hall

11/10 Gloria Ammons

11/11 Joe Whiting

11/13 Barry Surber

11/15 George Savedge

11/21 Jessica Moore

11/24 Richard Childs

11/24 Joshua Michie

11/26 Ray Moody

11/27 Annabelle Stuart

11/30 Pam Cooke



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

This year we are going to be packing Shoeboxes online instead of purchasing the items and packing them ourselves.

Shoeboxes built online go to the ends of the earth to children in some of the hardest-to-reach places—whether deep jungles, city slums, steep mountainsides, or one of more than 1,000 remote Pacific islands. Many of these areas are resistant to the Gospel, for cultural or religious reasons, and are home to numerous unreached people groups, some of whom have never heard the Name of Jesus Christ. Online boxes are carefully prepared, abiding by strict customs regulations to safeguard partners who will deliver the gifts, as well as the boys and girls who receive them.

Here are the instructions to pack a Shoebox. We ask that you use the link below or the QR code so that HBC will get credit for the boxes.

There is a ‘team’ site to use to pack shoeboxes just for HBC!!

Go to... <https://sampur.se/3XCdUMI> or scan the QR Code

Click on the green box “Build a Shoebox Online Now”

Click on the green box “Start Building”

Choose a ‘girl’ or ‘boy’

Choose the child’s age

Click the ‘Essentials’ into the shoebox, then click ‘Next’

Choose 1 Wow Item, then click ‘Next’

Choose 3 Small Toys, then click ‘Next’

Choose 2 Accessories, then click ‘Next’

You may ‘Add a Note’ (this can be a personal note, or you can use the one they suggest). You can also upload a photo. You may also click ‘No thanks, continue’

On the next screen you can ‘build another box’ or ‘continue’

After you continue, a pop-up box will ask if you would like to support this program on a monthly basis or support the discipleship program.

This is not required. Click ‘Done’

The last screen reviews your gift(s), asks for your billing information (your personal address) and your payment information.

If you do not want to build your own box, you can still donate money and we will build it for you in your name.

If you have any questions, please see Pam Cooke or the church office.





People **O**ffering **R**esources **T**ogether
Emergency Winter Shelter

We Need You... Yes You!

PORT

January 15th – January 22nd, 2025 at HBC

The following are things that we are collecting for the PORT Clothes Closet.

Men's Boxer Briefs

Women's underwear- All sizes

Thermals – All sizes

Socks

Bras- All sizes

Shoes (please no sandals)

Men's Coats

Jeans- All sizes

T Shirts- All sizes (it does not matter if it has a print on it)

Men's long sleeve shirt's (Medium and Small are needed the most)

We do not need women's clothes currently. We have some that we have boxed up that we need to use before we take anymore in.



Children's Christmas Workshop

Saturday, December 14th

10am– 2pm Ages 4-12 years old

Fun for everyone!

Food! Crafts! Games! A visit from Santa...

And a birthday Party for Jesus!

We are still looking for helpers. Please contact Dreama if you are interested in helping!

***There will be a meeting of all workers on Tuesday, November 19th at 6pm. The meeting will be brief, but it will be helpful for all to attend so that you can know what will be taking place.

Be Heir to the King! God's Great Puzzle

Would you agree that nothing is so disappointing as when you are completing a jigsaw puzzle and discovering that one last piece is lost. The 2500 piece puzzle looks broken without it. It's incomplete, so the whole message isn't there. That ultimate pinnacle is not reached ... the beauty of the puzzle is diminished.



Wow, isn't it the same as God and his Word?

Like a puzzle, the body of Christ consists of many parts, which together make a complete picture. God has equipped each believer with particular gifts needed to do what God has called him or her to do. When that person is missing or not able to carry out his role, an important part of God's plan is missing. The picture is incomplete. Not only does that person miss out on being part of God's great puzzle, but all the other pieces are affected too. They won't connect as a whole.

God has a perfect plan for His body of believers ... including you! Like pieces of a puzzle, each one of us has a specific place and a specific task to fulfill. When every piece is in its God-designed place, the picture is perfect. But when just one piece is missing, the body is incomplete and Satan gains.

So, when you see others struggling, realize that you are hurt when they aren't able to fulfill their roles. You are part of that incomplete mosaic of believers. Look to help those who struggle, not only because God calls you to "care for the least of these," but also because you will benefit from being part of a complete picture.

Today, take ownership of your place in the puzzle. Are you a lost piece ... one that dropped off the table? Are some of your edges worn down or jagged ... not fitting smoothly into the other pieces? Ask for feedback today from 2 people who are close to you. How can you fit better into God's puzzle? Your decisions can sabotage God's perfect fit, so align your decisions with God's ways. Stop working against God. Working with your God-designed fit will lead to a pleasurable and easier life. The kind of puzzle piece you are is your decision, so choose well.

Prayer: *Father God, Thank You for letting me know that I am an important part of Your Grand puzzle. And thank You, Father, for equipping each member of Christ's body, the church, to do what You have called him or her to do. Help me to be aware and sensitive as You lead me to do my part. Instead of judging or ridiculing others who are struggling, help me encourage and assist them in fulfilling what You have called them to do. I ask this in the name of the ultimate picture on the puzzle box, Jesus Christ; and all God's children say – Amen!*

Guard Your Heart

The Bible says, *“Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.” (Pro 4:23)*



You are the overseer of your heart. Each day you must monitor what goes on there. You can't blame your bad attitude, resentment and unforgiveness on others. You are responsible! When somebody offends you, it's up to you whether or not you let bitterness take root. You can't control what other people do, but it's the "inside" part – the part you can control – that God holds us accountable for. You get to decide whether or not irritation turns into anger, anger into resentment, and resentment into retaliation.

The reason weeds take over a garden is because the gardener doesn't pull them up fast enough. When your garden is choked by weeds you can't say, "I don't know how it happened!" "Look diligently," you will see them moving in. The only way to stay free of the weeds the enemy wants to sow in your life is to be attentive to the condition of your heart.

When you're faced with a hurtful, offensive situation, refuse to let a wrong attitude take root and produce bad fruit. Instead, ask God to help you replace those destructive thoughts with mercy and forgiveness towards the people who hurt you.

The Last Impression

The pastor enjoyed sharing a special "children's message" each Sunday morning. He'd bring all the children up, and they'd sit on the floor, and he'd tell them a story. One day he said, "Boys and girls, I want to tell you a story about someone who likes to live in the woods, but sometimes we can see him in our yards. Anybody have any idea who I am talking about?"



No takers. He said, "I want to tell you about a creature that lives in the woods and sometimes in our yards, has a big bushy tail, likes to eat nuts. Anybody have any idea what I'm talking about?"

No takers. He said, "I'm talking about a creature that lives in the woods, sometimes in our yards, big bushy tail, eats nuts, likes to climb trees, jumps from tree to tree—now, does anybody know what I'm talking about?"

One kid raised his hand to take him out of his misery. The pastor said, "Do you know what I'm thinking about?"

The kid said, "Yeah. I know the answer should be Jesus, but it sure sounds like a squirrel to me."



“God’s House vs. Our House”

“Is it a time for you yourselves to be living in your paneled houses, while this house remains a ruin?” – [Haggai 1:3-4](#)

After the Jews returned from exile in Babylon, they began to prosper. They started rebuilding the temple which had been ruined by the Babylonians. But the people of other religions who lived in the land sent letters to Babylon and complained that the Jews were preparing to revolt. For that and other reasons, the rebuilding of the temple stopped.

It seems that the Jews began with a will to rebuild the temple, but when opposition arose, they faltered and lost focus. They transferred their energy to building and beautifying their own houses. It took the searing words of Haggai to call them back to the priority of rebuilding God’s temple.

In the world today, we must not be discouraged by the struggle it takes to build Christ’s church. The forces of the devil will try to overcome it, but Jesus will prevail ([Matthew 16:18](#)). Remember what Jesus said: *“Seek first [God’s] kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well”* ([Matthew 6:33](#)).

It’s not that God necessarily wants us to live in a bleak apartment without beautiful paneling. But if that’s what it takes to build God’s kingdom, we must be willing to sacrifice. Our treasures are in heaven!



We Need You & Your Car For Trunk-Or-Treat!

This is one of the most effective and fun outreaches of the year... Be prepared to pass out 400 or more candies and dress up in your own costume – It’s so much fun! Call the church office today to register!