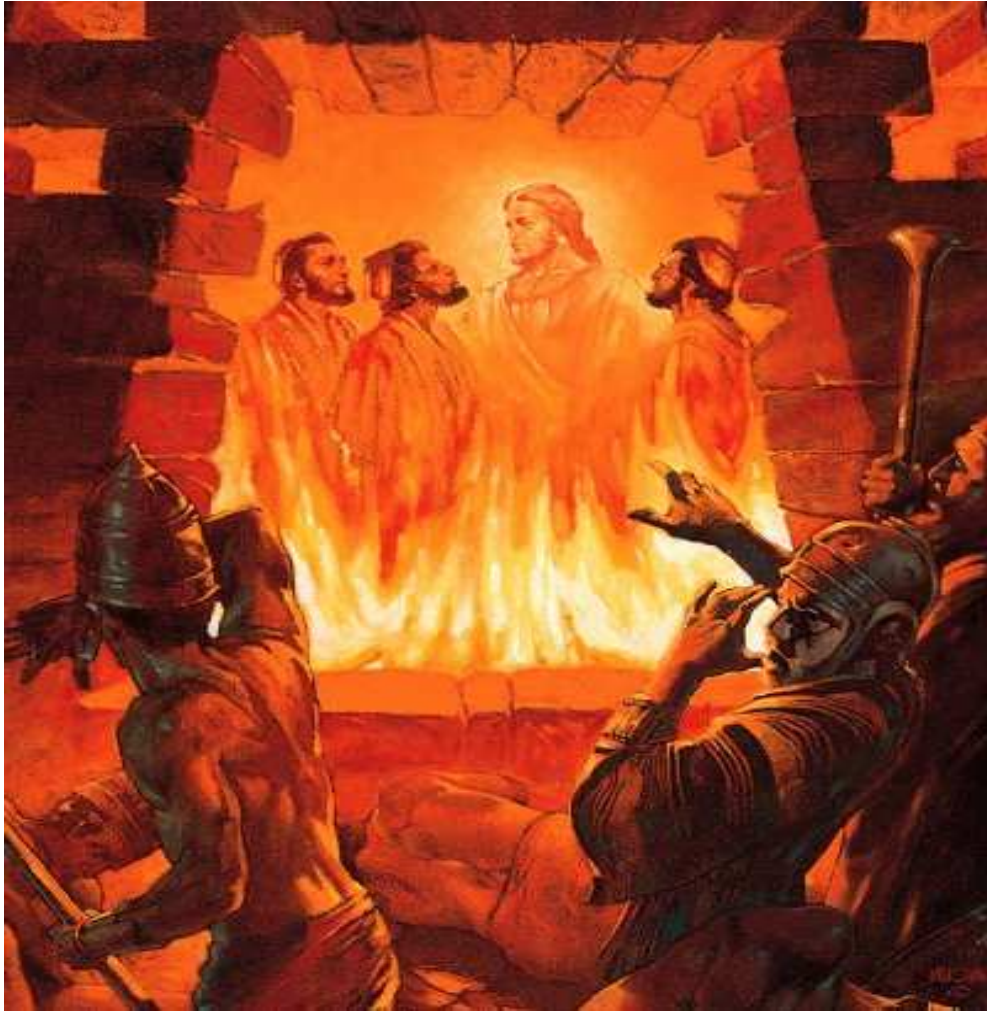


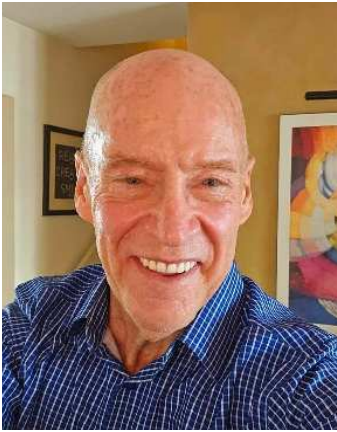
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“THE FOURTH MAN IN LIFE’S FIERY FURNACES!”

“And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, fell down, bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished; and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, “Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?” They answered and said to the king, “True, O king.” “Look!” he answered, “I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God!” Daniel 3:23-25

This Sunday will be a service like none other as Pastor Lynwood returns to the pulpit to preach the message that has been the hallmark of his life and ministry over the last fifty years!



The 4th Man In Life's Fiery Furnace

There are times in life when we find ourselves standing at the edge of the furnace. The heat of life—whether in the form of trials, suffering, or persecution—threatens to consume us. It is in these moments, like the three Hebrew men in Daniel 3, that our faith is tested, and we are forced to confront a life-altering question: *Will we stand firm, trusting God, or will we bow to the pressures of this world?*

In Daniel 3, King Nebuchadnezzar commands that all people, regardless of nationality, bow down and worship a golden image that he has set up. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, three Hebrew men who refused to worship anyone but the one true God, faced a deadly choice: either bow down to the king's idol or be thrown into a fiery furnace.

This moment is not just an ancient story; it is a living testimony to all who face the furnaces of life—be they personal crises, struggles with illness, family challenges, or temptations to compromise under pressure. Like these men, we often don't know how our trials will resolve. Yet, our faith is not in the outcome, but in the One who holds us through it all.

And here's where the story takes on its most profound depth...

When the three men were thrown into the furnace, the king saw something that left him astounded. *"Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, 'Weren't there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?' They replied, 'Certainly, Your Majesty.' He said, 'Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods.'" (Daniel 3:24-25)*

In the heart of the furnace, when everything seemed lost, when the flames should have consumed them, there was a fourth man—standing with them, unscathed, and unbowed. Nebuchadnezzar recognized this figure, and many believe this was a theophany—a visible manifestation of God Himself, or perhaps even a pre-incarnate appearance of Christ.

The reality of this moment is this: In the fiercest fires of life, we are never alone. The fourth man walks with us. The God who promised never to leave us or forsake us is always present, even when we cannot see Him. His presence is our peace, and His power is our protection. We may not understand why we are in the furnace, and we may not know how long the flames will rage, but we do know that He is with us!

God doesn't promise to keep us out of the fire, but He promises to be with us in the fire. And in the end, like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, we too can emerge from our trials, not smelling of smoke but shining with the testimony of God's faithfulness.

On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood

The Hilton Baptist Church Record

November 12, 2024

Rev. Lynwood Wells, Pastor

Budget \$1745.00

Budget Designated– Use of Church \$150.00

Budget Designated– In memory of Larry Painter \$25.00

World Hunger \$50.00

Cash in Cash out– Coffee \$7.00

Total Deposit \$1977.00

Calendar

Tuesday, November 12th

12pm– 1pm Food Distribution

Wednesday, November 13th

No Bible Study

Thursday, November 14th

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

Sunday, November 17th

9:00am Discipleship Class

10:00am Online and In person

Worship at HBC

Produce Giveaway

Tuesday, November 19th

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

6:00pm Christmas Workshop
Meeting

Thursday, November 21st

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

Sunday, November 24th

9:00am Discipleship Class

10:00am Online and Live

Worship at HBC

10:00am Sunshine Kids

Lock up/ Hall Monitor 11/17 Lisa and David Falls 11/24 Pam Cooke

Counter 11/ 18 Joe Wircenske 11/25 Margaret Upole

Kids Church 11/17 Lisa York 11/24 Debra Sink

This week we received 67 cans of food along with this note ...

“This donation of 67 cans of food is in memory of Robert Fries “Grampy”
to honor his 67th birthday.”

Love, Reagan Fries and Family

Missions Outreach

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

Aluminum Cans

PLEASE READ....AN IMPORTANT CAN UPDATE!

The Fire Marshall made a recent inspection of the church and we are not able to store cans to take to recycling. Because of this finding, at end of November we will not longer be able to accept cans.

If you would like to save your own cans and take them to Old Dominion Recycling, 1618 W. Pembroke Ave , just mention Hilton Baptist Church and they will give you a better price for your cans. These men know that the money is going to missions and have been so good to us since we have been taking our cans to them.

We just took the cans that we had to them this week and with the money received we are able to send two shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.

Thanks to all who have brought cans. We appreciate it so very much!

Pray for our Missionaries

Jennifer Dove, MH, Angela Jolly, Julianne Sutton (European People) JS (Northern African and Middle Eastern People) Jeremy Proemsey (CA) Tyrell Brown (MD) Alex Robinson (MT)

November's Community Dinner is Friday, November 29th. Tabernacle Baptist East End will be preparing the meal but we can use help in the Food Distribution and in clean up. Please see Pam Cooke to help with dinner clean up and Tara Borton to help with the Food Bank.

WMU Mission Project for November—Food Pantry

The WMU Mission Project for October is the Food Pantry. We are blessed to be a part of the Food Bank but there are items that we need for our church pantry. Spaghetti noodles, jelly, instant potatoes, cold cereal , plastic and paper bags. Thanks for your continued giving.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, November 18th , Hilton Presbyterian, 34 Main Street, 1pm-6pm, you can walk on or go to RedCrossBlood.org and enter HiltonAC to make an appointment.

PORT Our week of PORT is January 15th—the morning of January 22nd, 2025. The sign up sheets to sign up to help will be located in the back of the church starting this Sunday. Please take time to stop by and sign up to work. We need everyone to be a part as we reach out to those who are homeless.

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) Women's clothes are not needed at this time.

Happy Birthday in November

- 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



PBA Senior Adult Event

Stevens Memorial Baptist Church is hosting a Senior Adult Rally on Thursday, December 5th from 12 noon to 3pm. Lunch will be \$5.00. It will be a lot of fun, entertainment including music, games and quizzes. Save the date! More information is coming!

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.**





Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Pack a shoebox online!

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.

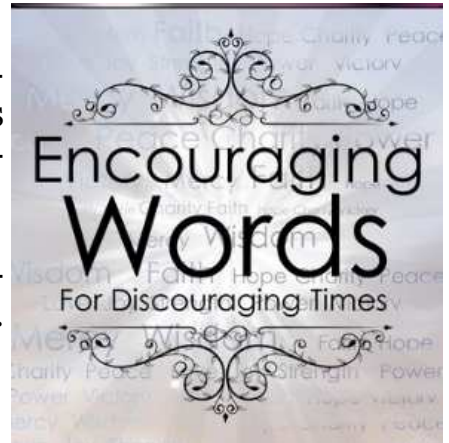
If you do not want to build your own box, you can still donate money and we will build it for you in your name.

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

Words Of Encouragement!

Words of encouragement often come through the experiences of another person's life. Sometime those experiences are painful. Other times they are the fruit of successful endeavors.

As you read and reflect upon the truths expressed here, allow them to saturate your soul. They may challenge you. They may heal you. Either way...I pray they will bless you!



“Everyone has inside them a piece of good news. The good news is you don’t know how great you can be! How much you can love! What you can accomplish! And what your potential is.” – Anne Frank

*“The world breaks everyone, then some become strong at the broken places.”
- Ernest Hemingway*

*“Strength does not come from winning. Your struggles develop your strengths. When you go through hardships and decide not to surrender, that is strength.”
- Arnold Schwarzenegger*

*“Courage doesn’t always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying, “I will try again tomorrow.”
– Mary Anne Radmacher*

“You must do the thing you think you cannot do.” - Eleanor Roosevelt

“Difficulties are meant to rouse, not discourage. The human spirit is to grow strong by conflict.” - William Ellery Channing

“Worrying does not empty tomorrow of its troubles. It empties today of its strength.” - Corrie ten Boom

*“In the end, some of your greatest pains become your greatest strengths.”
- Drew Barrymore*

“It is time for us all to stand and cheer for the doer, the achiever – the one who recognizes the challenges and does something about it.” – Vince Lombardi

“Nothing is more beautiful than the smile that has struggled through the tears.” - Demi Lovato

*“We must accept finite disappointment, but we must never lose infinite hope.”
– Martin Luther King*

*“Even the darkest night will end and the sun will rise!”
Victor Hugo – The final chorus of the musical “Les Miserables”*

God did not lead you into this present suffering, but he *has* promised he'll stay with you there.

He's promised to mend every broken thing.

This is the hope of resurrection.

For Those Are Suffering

One of the most comforting truths of our faith is this: that God does not abandon us in our suffering.

And one of the biggest lies of our enemy and our own human misconceptions is this: That God *caused* the suffering and brought evil upon you.

Yes, we all suffer. Some of the most faithful Christians I know have endured great pain and suffering. And yes, I know that because God is

Redeemer, He can bring great good out of great suffering. But the God I know did not *give* you cancer, harm your kid, tempt the gunman, or send the hurricane to your city.

If that were the case, imagine how this would feel: the God you really needed to comfort you during your time of trial ... has been identified as the one who brought this hell upon you. It simply doesn't ring true.

If you are in emotional or physical pain today, know that God is not the source of your suffering. He is the source of your comfort, strength and your redemption!

Think They're The Only Ones Here!

One day, 3 men died and went to heaven. "Religion?" God's secretary asked the first man.

"Jewish," the man replied. "Okay, go to room 23, but be very quiet when you go past room 8," the secretary said.

"Religion?" he asked the second man. "Catholic." "Go to room 10, but be very quiet when you go past room 8."

"Religion?" he asked the third man. "Lutheran" "Go to room 71, but be very quiet when you go past room 8."

"Why must I be quiet when I go past room 8?" the man asked.

The secretary replied, "Oh, the Baptists are in room 8, and they think that they are they only ones here."



Dear HBC Family,

I want to express my deepest gratitude for your prayers, support, and encouragement before, during, and after my recent surgery.



Your kindness and faith have been a true blessing, and I am so thankful for each of you. With God's grace and your prayers, I am slowly and steadily on the path to recovery.

I am following my doctor's orders to maintain a limited office schedule and cannot drive for the next couple of weeks. I so very much appreciate your understanding. With that being said, I have been cleared to preach this Sunday, and I cannot wait to preach my favorite sermon of all time... *"The Fourth Man!"* How supernaturally and wonderful that God planned that to be the third message in our sermon series *"Unshakeable!"*

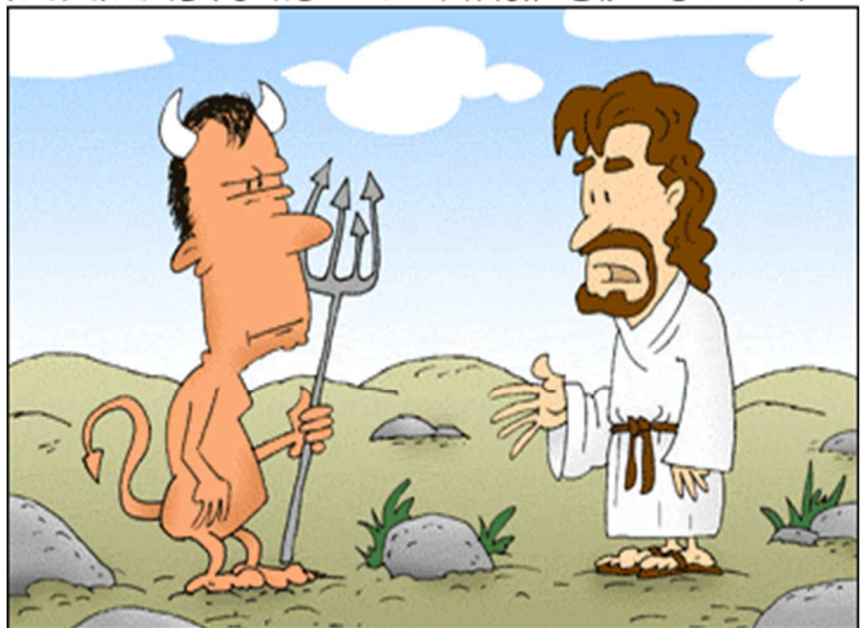
I am believing God for this to be one of our most awesome Sundays ever and I hope you will plan to be there....And bring a guest as well!

In Christ's love, Pastor Lynwood

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

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

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Thanks to Steve Doyal (See Matthew 4:1-11)

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