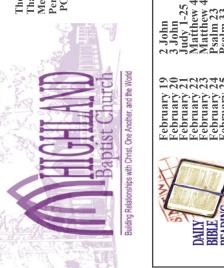
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### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19**

Sunday School 9:00 - 9:45 AM Worship Service 10:00-11:00 AM Called Business Meeting following the Morning Worship Service Finance Committee Meeting 11:00 AM **Evangelism Panel Discussion** 4:00 PM

ADULT EXERCISE Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 8:30 AM

# **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

- Precept Bible Study
- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM

MENU: Cheeseburger Casserole, Green Beans, Rolls, Salad, Dessert

CHILDREN'S MENU: Hot Dogs or Chicken Nuggets

- Youth Worship (5:45-7:15 PM)
- Kidz WOW (5:45-7:15 PM)
- Prayer Meeting (6:00 PM)
- Adult Choir Rehearsal (7:00 PM)

#### **OUR VISION STATEMENT**

We want to see every member of the HBC family growing in Christlike character and on mission in our church, in our homes, in our city, and in our world.

#### FROM OUR MUSIC WORSHIP LEADER...

There's nothing that's humbled me quite as much as mother-hood. I've been a mom for five short years. The first child was SO easy! He's 110% all boy, but he has a kind heart, he's smart, and he's always been a "pleaser" for the most part. My second child hasn't been so easy. She's cute and smart, but gosh she's temperamental. She will throw down in a heartbeat. My husband and I are both very strong willed (or hard headed depending on who you ask) and she may have gotten a double dose of that.

A few weeks ago, we were in the grocery store. Most stores have self -checkout and Mac likes to use the handheld device and "scan" all of the groceries. I often do grocery pick up at Walmart because all of the extra help from his scanning adds a lot of time to the process. When it got time to leave, Mac and I were going to just carry the bags out of the grocery store to the van because it just seemed like the easiest option. Hensley, being the independent child that she is, wanted to help. I handed her a lightweight bag. She wanted the one with the cans in it. I handed her a different bag, but she insisted on wanting the heaviest one- that's the one she touched first. It was her idea. She was hard headed enough to insist that she got what she wanted. When I didn't give in, because she wasn't going to be able to carry it, she fell out in the middle of the grocery store floor and proceeded to pitch a fit. People were looking. Mac was saying, "Just come on, Hensley" with a disgusted look on his face. What was going to be a very easy exit, led me to the van with one child kicking and screaming, carrying multiple HEAVY bags and me sweating by the time I got everyone situated. Hensley was ill, I was mad and embarrassed and Mac just kept talking and saying, "We don't act like that, no ma'am." (He clearly was trying to be the favorite that day !!)

I found myself trying to talk through what just happened with my 19 month old. I was trying to rationalize with someone who really didn't understand and just wanted to help- or get her way- at the time. I said to her, "Mama took the bag from you because it was too heavy for you to carry." She just looked at me with a blank stare and big tears running down her face. Then it hit me. It was kind of like God had a gentle laugh and said, "Oh really? PAY ATTENTION DEAR GIRL- say that again."

That In a nutshell is how God works. He's so gentle, but he does take things away when they're simply too heavy to bear. There are often many times that I try to carry the full load- not because I have to, but because I WANT to. How many times have I insisted that I carry the heavy load when I didn't have to? How many times has God tried to tell me, "Those things are too heavy for you to carry, so let me help?"

I know that many of you have a plate that is overloaded with work, your home life, parenting, taking care of the sick, or maybe you're in a place of transition from one season to the next and are waiting to see what God has to teach you. May you find ways to be still and listen to God's gentle voice and allow Him to take away the things in your life that are too heavy to carry in this season, so that you find purpose and meaning in what He has for you to do next.



**JANUARY 15—MARCH 12, 2023!** 

### CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATNY ARE EXTENDED TO:

...Robby Null and Dennis Null and family in the death of their father and brother.

...Mrs. Holly Johnson in the death of her mother.

**Budget Deficit to date** 

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIAL/HONOR IN MEMORY OF BILL COMPTON (ROBERT COMPTON'S BROTHER):

IN HONOR OF FRAN FLEMING'S 90TH BIRTHDAY: Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by: Elliott Fleming

## NOTICE OF CALLED BUSINESS MEETING

There will be a Called Business Meeting Sunday, February 19, 2023, following the Morning Worship Service for the purpose of electing a new Finance Committee Member.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT	FEBRUARY 12, 2023
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Budget Budget Online Giving	19,248.84 7,407.59	CDC Req. to date (7@23,318.27)	163,227.89
Designated Designated Online Giving	832.00 500.13	CDC Receipts to date	110,526.00
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Total	27,988.56	SUNDAY SCHOOL	248
Budget Req. to date	179,641.56	WORSHIP	261
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