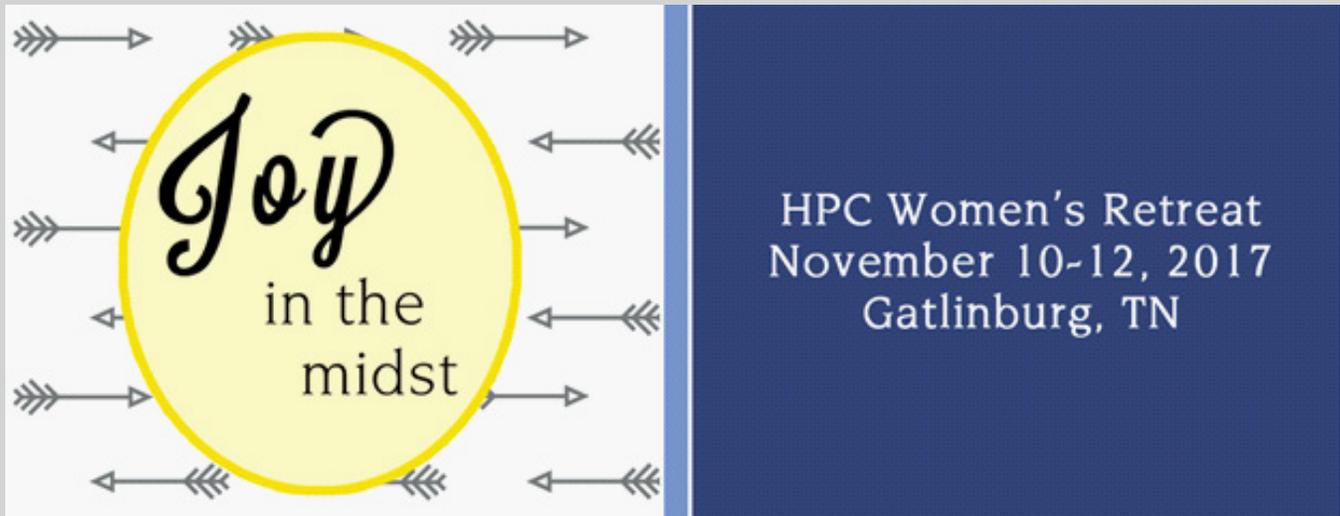


Ridge Views



Joy in the midst

We gained power of God's Word and the Lord is good. The lesson will continue on in our relationships and we know to give back and encourage each other.!!!!!!! - Kelly K.

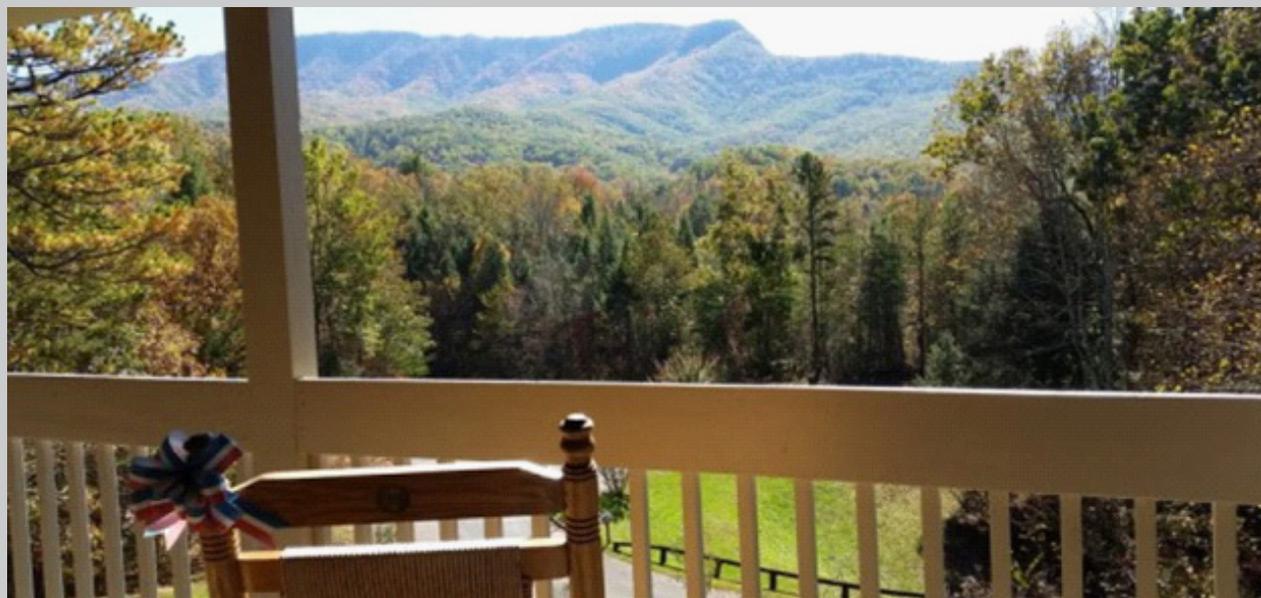
Dear HPC Ladies and Friends,

Believe it or not, the time has come again to start looking forward to our annual HPC Women's Retreat. Are you ready for a weekend away from your everyday life? Would you like to spend a few days relaxing and fellowshiping with Christian friends? Are you ready to dig into God's Word and learn how to have **Joy in the Midst** of all of life's circumstances?

This year from **November 10th-12th** we are headed back to an old favorite, Steiner Bell Lodge, in Gatlinburg, TN. Steiner Bell holds many great memories from past retreats, and has recently been renovated and updated. This location provides a wonderful atmosphere for personal "down time" and reflection, opportunities to spend time with the Lord in His beautiful creation, and a fun setting for hours of fellowship in our own private, secluded lodge. You could even wear your pajamas all day, if you wanted to!

Whether you are a "retreat person" who loves attending Women's Retreats each year, or have never attended

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a retreat in your life, we pray that you will consider joining us this year. We are looking forward to making new memories with you, and growing together in the Lord. Here's what a few ladies said about our retreat last year:

- God is truly amazing, and he worked through these women to speak directly to me, deepening my faith in Him. I left feeling recharged, refreshed, and not alone or isolated in my circumstances any longer. - Diane S.
- Our speaker was fabulous and the facility was great. God has blessed our church with some wonderful ladies. I look forward to going to the retreat next year. - Carol H.

We personally want to invite all ladies (high school graduates and older) to join us this fall for the annual HPC Women's Retreat! We pray that you will be encouraged and renewed by this sweet time of teaching, prayer, discussion, worship, fun, and relaxation. We look forward to seeing you there!



Women's Retreat Registration Information and Fees

Registration is open from now through October 8. You may register in the church lobby and pay a 50% deposit to hold your spot. The remaining balance is due on October 8. If you need financial assistance you must contact Amy DeLoach by August 27. (423-488-1805)

Registration Fees:

4 Person Room ~ \$110

3 Person Room ~ \$130

2 Person Room ~ \$160

Women's Ministry Brunch Saturday, August 26, 2017 from 9:00-10:30am

All women are invited to attend a brunch on Saturday, August 26th at 9:00am. We will be discussing the value of godly friendships as well as enjoying time with one another around the table. Please bring a dish to share. Childcare will be provided if requested by Sunday, August 19. Please RSVP in the lobby or online.

The Good Samaritan Report for June 2017

To HPC members and friends,

Thanks be to God for his provision. In June, we were able to respond to the needs of several church families. It is an awesome thing to be blessed with the resources to assist our brothers and sisters.

- 1) Four families were helped with a variety of needs for a total of \$4236.00.
- 2) Our pastoral staff assisted HPC friends with \$75.27 of incidentals.

Total assistance for June was \$4283.11. Donations totaled \$710.00

If you know of true need in our family or community, please contact one of our Pastors or a Deacon. We may be able to assist.

All contributions are appreciated as we strive to make a difference for Christ in our community.

Thanks, Doug Evans



**Composers of: *In Christ Alone,*
*The Power of the Cross, O Church Arise***

Tickets on sale August 21

Tivoli Theatre Box Office, (423) 757-5580

or visit TivoliChattanooga.com

Coming up this Fall...

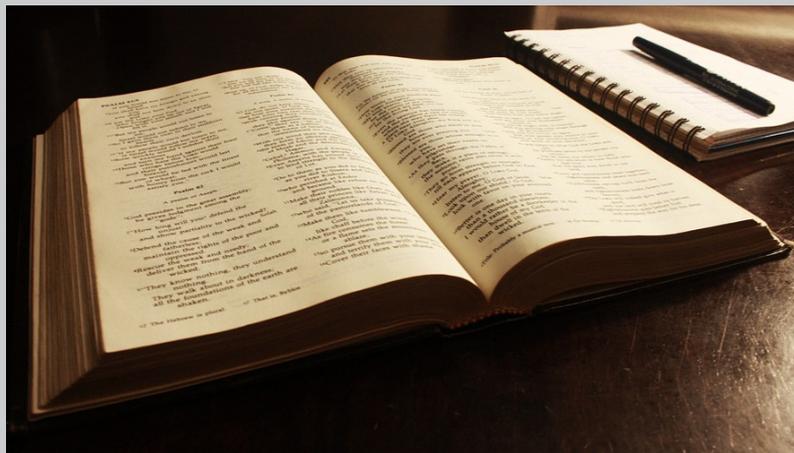
Adult Sunday School Classes

Women's Sunday School Class: Teaching Ladies for Christ (TLC)

TLC is a class designed for women of all ages in any stage of life. We will be using biblically centered books and studies to dig deeper into what it means to be a woman of God. Our goal is to connect with one another while we explore practical and applicable ideas and content that we can use daily in our lives to help continue to grow into women who follow Christ. **August 20 – December 31st** (Taught by Leigh Anne Grant)

The End of the Ages: The Book of Revelation

Ever wondered about the return of Christ? What are we to believe concerning the "rapture", the Anti-Christ, and the Battle of Armageddon? Are we living in the "end times"? What is the book of Revelation all about, and can it be practically used in the life of a believer today? If you have ever asked these questions, you are not alone. Come join us as we explore together this amazing, and complex book. **August 20 – December 31st** (Taught by Floyd Richardson).



Foundations of Faith

This class explores the basic elements of the Christian faith, and is a great resource for those seeking to learn more about what it means to be a Christian, a member of the colony of heaven. We will explore such topics as the existence of God, the person of and work of Christ and the Holy Spirit. How can you know you are a Christian, and is church attendance important? Please join us for this exciting and stimulating study **August 20 – October 8th** (Taught by Hutchings, Carver, Siren and Huff)

Using Your Gifts: Church and Your Unique Personality!

Have you ever wondered how God has uniquely created you and gifted you and what role your gifts play in the life of the church? Have you been perplexed by the differences in people and would like to identify the specific strengths and weaknesses associated with different personalities? Do you know there are practical things we can do to learn more about ourselves and our role in the life of God's people? Come discover some practical tools for discovering your unique gifts and how an awareness of your personality profile can aid in spiritual growth and development! **October 15th – December 31st** (Taught by Greg Baney)

Small Groups This Fall

Join us for the new and improved small group ministry. Over the past year, a dedicated team has met to develop a new vision and action plan for HPC's small group ministry. The mission of small groups at HPC is to encourage and facilitate Christ-centered living within our church and community. We seek to do this in three ways:

- By intentionally pursuing relationships, the context for Christian growth
- By intentionally practicing discipleship, the means for Christian growth
- By intentionally participating in outreach, the purpose of Christian growth

We are encouraging all groups to meet in the comfort of people's homes or some other off-site location that will be conducive to building deep and lasting relationships. In addition, there will be monthly home fellowship groups, which are wonderful opportunities to build relationships. If you are interested in joining a small group or a home fellowship group, please contact Greg Baney @ gregb@hixonpres.org or see the signs-ups in the foyer throughout the month of August. Groups begin meeting the week of August 20th!

Hands To Serve



As you may know, the Simmons' ministry is located in the Netherlands and supports other missionaries in their work by providing assistance in many areas (<http://www.handstoserve.org/>). Please have them in your thoughts and prayers concerning a number of things.

Sandy went to be with her Lord

and Master the evening of July 13. She had been in a lot of pain and we had asked the Lord to heal her or to take her home to Himself. We are thankful for the doctor and the nurses who have ministered to her so that she could be pain free and come to rest. A short time after the treatment she departed to a place of eternal peace and joy in the presence of our Father in Heaven. This time is a difficult time but Spiritually our Lord has been showing me things from the scriptures that are encouraging. He is our ever present help in trouble. Please pray for my three daughters (Miriam, Ruth and Deborah) and myself.

The ministry has also been in

a legal battle with the Dutch tax system. Though they had initial success with a judge, they have had a recent setback concerning the issue of tax exemption in that country. They are losing their mechanic and will need another one to fill the position. In addition to Sandy's illness and death, a co-worker's wife, Elly, also has cancer. "My daughter Ruth has her hands full as she does her best to take Sandy's place, finance, car insurance, food and a lot of other things that crop up. We are thrilled with her work and the freezer is full of food that we have received. We continue to give this away to missionaries who are not well supported when they are living in Holland".

CRU Scott & Kristin Livermore

Our work with Cru brings help to volunteers in places where we do not have staff. Scott coaches these volunteers to share their faith, disciple young believers and then send these students back to their school to do the same things with their peers. Kristin works locally at our community high school and discipled students to share their faith and provide spiritual and ministry leadership to the women at Carmel High School.

It has been a crazy ride since the first of April. Scott took students

on a spring break mission trip to Ljubljana, Slovenia to speak in classrooms. Followed by a three day stayover in Paris with Melissa. We finished up the school year with a college and a high school graduation and then off to Colorado for our college student summer mission and the Summer Conference for high school students.



Dynamic Duo Lock-in

School is back (for some) on August 10th. Here at the HPC Youth Ministry, we know that makes people sad, so we want to give you something to look forward to during your first two days of school: the Dynamic Duo Lock-in! Come dressed up in tandem with a friend as a dynamic duo (Batman and Robin, Mario and Luigi, Frog and Toad, whatever you like!) The cost for this event is \$15, which includes all the food and fun needed to take your mind off the first days of school. First time guests receive a \$5 discount. All youth under age 18 must have a notarized medical release form to participate.

Underground - Sunday Evenings

From 5 to 6:30 beginning August 20th!

- This is our large group time for all middle and high school students
- Each week we have games, fellowship, worship time and a challenging, Gospel centered Bible study
- We always encourage students to bring new people to Underground!
- Middle school Underground meets in "The Garage", High school Underground meets in "The Cornerstone". Both groups will combine for worship time.

Family Fest!

August 13th from 12 to 1:30pm

Families, if you're excited about the upcoming ministry year and want to know all about what HPC has planned for children and youth, then come join us for lunch at Family Fest! After lunch, you'll have a chance to attend both a Children's Ministry meeting and a Youth Ministry meeting. Do you have children in both age groups? No worries, we'll do each meeting twice, back to back, so everyone can attend both if they need to. Please sign up online so we know how many people to expect!

HPC Children's Ministry

The 1st annual Hixson Pres Kids summer party was super fun! We had about 50 kids come out for food, inflatables, crafts, and games. It was a great time of fellowship for kids and adults alike! Plan next year to attend and bring a friend!

Our Passport to Peru VBS was a HUGE hit this year with over 220 kids in attendance! Our mission this year ties right into our theme and a ministry our church already supports. Radio Amauta in Peru is in need of a laptop and through donations raised during VBS, we were able to provide one for them!

Thank you to all who helped before, during, and after VBS!

It really does take the whole church to pull this week off every year. Thank you again!



For the 50th Anniversary at HPC, we are compiling a BOOK of history, personal memories, thoughts, important events, special ministries, etc. There will be a form on the church's website for you to fill out, or you can submit your written ideas to Virginia Garrison in person or by email, Virginia.nanna@gmail.com by August 15.

Please include the year you began attending HPC, whether it's one or 50, and your contact information. We want to include as many of your memories as possible (may be edited for space) as we celebrate 50 years of God's blessings and faithfulness!

Upcoming Special Events!

more details on website

- Wednesday, August 2
Global Outreach Dinner
- Saturday, August 5
Grand Opening
- Sunday, August 6
Monsees Wedding Shower
- Saturday, August 13
Family Fest
- Saturday, August 26,
Women's Brunch
- Saturday, October 28,
Pancake Breakfast 8:00am
- Sunday, October 29,
Anniversary Banquet and Program, 4:00-7:00pm

Grand Opening!

Plan to attend the Grand Opening of our new location!

We have invited more than 7,000 community residents to attend a church-hosted, fair-like event on August, 5th 4pm - 7pm. Your presence is necessary as we introduce ourselves to the surrounding neighborhoods and seek to maximize every opportunity to engage our community with the gospel! We will have bouncy houses, a dunking tank, food, fun and fabulous games for the entire family. A concert featuring the Robinson Park Band will begin at 6 PM. Your presence and participation is crucial. Stop by the table in the church foyer or contact Greg Baney at gregb@hixsonpres.org for more information.

Birthdays

August Birthdays

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| 1 - Betty Harrelson, <i>Bob Henriques</i> & John Visser | 15 - Faye Evans, Andy Napier & Tricia Baney |
| 3 - Teri Evans | 16 - <i>Alethea Stoddard</i> |
| 4 - Jolee Parry & James Grant, III | 19 - Mallory Dean Sr. |
| 5 - John Seneker | 20 - Madison Thompson & Loren Watson |
| 6 - Matt Brown, Keith McAfee, & Josh Huff | 23 - Charles Hodges |
| 7 - Ginny Johnson & Carolynn Moon | 25 - Sharon Gregory & Scott Meyer |
| 8 - John Shelhamer & Ben Jones | 26 - Amy Brown & Kelley Hutchings |
| 9 - Mike Sizemore & Liam Cooper | 27 - Daphne Todd |
| 10 - Tom North | 28 - Paula Bonner |
| 11 - Cheryl Cutter & Sammy Landreth | 29 - Diana Johnson |
| 12 - Larry Frazey | 30 - Morgan Lusk |
| 14 - Herb Broadwater & Sina Beard | 31 - Logan Payne |
- *Those in Italics are our missionaries.*

Anniversaries

August Anniversaries

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| 2 - Josh & Jessie Hamblen, Ron & Stephanie Stegall | 22 - Don & Carol Pierce |
| 3 - Scott & Karen Bennett | 24 - Dale & Carolyn Hays |
| 6 - John & AnnLouise Visser | 27 - Leif & Jennifer Sawyer |
| 7 - Mark & LuAnne Kessel | 29 - Mike & Karen Payne |
| 8 - Randall & Kay Payne | 30 - Tim & Sina Beard |
| 9 - Charles & Mary Passow | |
| 12 - Clay & Amy DeLoach Floyd & Deborah Richardson and Don & Jamie Taylor | |
| 17 - Hank & Karen Shafer and <i>Josh & Kristi*</i> | <i>*Those in Italics are our missionaries.</i> |