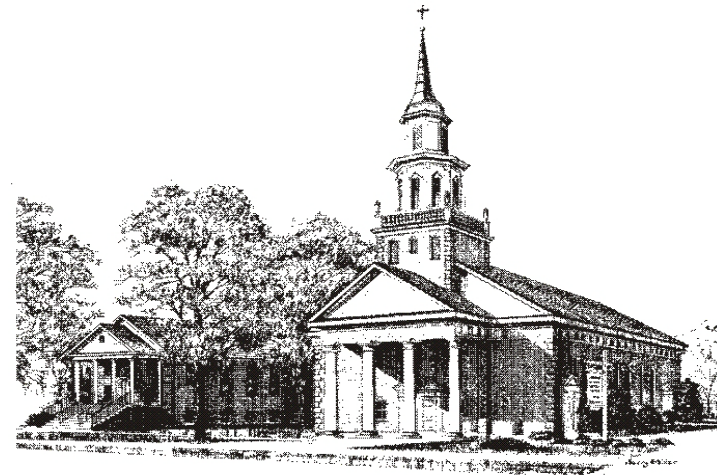


Welcome to
Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
 Established 1869

Embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world



The Lord's Day, February 26, 2012

We are grateful that you have chosen to worship God with us today. We invite you to join us on this incredible journey of following Jesus Christ as His disciples, striving to fulfill our mission of embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world through our worship, our witness, and our way of life.

Join us each Sunday morning for these opportunities . . .

- 8:30 A.M. - Food and Fellowship (Chapel)
- 8:45 A.M. - Celebration Worship (Chapel)
- 9:45 A.M. - Sunday School (Small group Bible study):
 Preschoolers (1st floor of the educational wing)
 Children, Youth, and Adults
 (1st, 2nd, 3rd floors of the educational wing)
- 11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

316 WEST MAIN STREET
 SANFORD, NORTH CAROLINA 27332
 TELEPHONE (919) 776-1541
 www.jhbc.org

Church Staff:

- Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, *Senior Pastor* (mark.gaskins@jhbc.org)
- Rev. Gilbert W. McDowell, *Pastor Emeritus*
- Rev. Ronnie Byrd, *Associate Pastor for Music & Education*
 (ronnie.byrd@jhbc.org)
- Rev. Richard Wood, *Associate Pastor for Family Ministry*
 (richard.wood@jhbc.org)
- Mr. Richard Sistrunk, Sr., *Church Administrator*
 (richard.sistrunk@jhbc.org)
- Mrs. Marva Lee Roush, *Administrative Assistant* (info@jhbc.org)
- Mrs. Jo Ann Brickhouse, *Organist*
- Mrs. Kimberly Davidson, *Pianist*

The Worship of God
 The Lord's Day, February 26, 2012
 First Sunday in Lent

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE (Sanctuary)
 Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM

Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.

Gathering to Worship

Ministry Opportunities		Richard Wood
Greeting		
Music for Meditation		Kimberly Davidson
	<i>Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways. He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.</i> (Psalm 25:8-9, NIV®)	
Words of Welcome		Mark Gaskins
Call to Worship	Genesis 9:8-15 (page 8)	Mark Gaskins
Choral Response	"Word of God Speak"	Praise Band
Invocation		Brenda Cowfer

Hearing the Word

Hymn 410	"Standing on the Promises"	Congregation
Children's Sermon		Richard Wood
Scripture Lesson	Matthew 7:21-27 (page 961)	Emma Cowfer
Hymns 517 (vs. 1 only) & 36	"I Will Sing of My Redeemer" & "He Is Exalted"	Congregation

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

*Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have,
 for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.*
 (Hebrews 13:16, NRSV)

Offertory Prayer		
Anthem	"Cornerstone"	Sanctuary Choir
Scripture and Sermon		Mark Gaskins
	James 1:16-27 (page 1196)	
	"Doing What the Word Says"	

Responding to the Word

Litany of Confession	Psalm 25:1-2a, 4-8, 11, 16-18 (NIV®)
PASTOR:	In you, LORD my God, I put my trust.
PEOPLE:	I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame.
PASTOR:	No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame . . .
PEOPLE:	Show me your ways, LORD, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.
PASTOR:	Remember, LORD, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.
PEOPLE:	Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you, LORD, are good.
PASTOR:	Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.
PEOPLE:	For the sake of your name, LORD, forgive my iniquity, though it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. Relieve the troubles of my heart and free me from my anguish. Look on my affliction and my distress and take away all my sins.
ALL:	AMEN.

Hymn 734 "Be Strong in the Lord" Congregation

The Church at Prayer

Sending Forth

Charge and Benediction Mark Gaskins

Scattering on Mission



Join us for this week's evening services and activities . . .

- **Sunday evening, 6:30 P.M. (Bullock-Matthews Room) - Chris & Rebecca (Watson) Autry sharing about their appointment as NAMB church planters in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**
- **Wednesday evening Mid-Week Worship, 6:15 P.M. (Bullock-Matthews Room) - Mark Gaskins leading study of the book of Revelation, A Call to Radical Christian Commitment**

Our Mission

By the grace of God and the power of His Holy Spirit, we will embody the presence of the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ to Sanford and the world through our worship, our witness, and our way of life as His disciples.

Our Values

- ✦ God-focused intergenerational worship
- ✦ Bible-centered life-impacting Bible study and Discipleship
- ✦ Hands-on relationship-driven missions
- ✦ An accepting and encouraging sense of family where everyone's voice counts

Becoming a Follower of Christ

Being a Christian involves a personal commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Every one of us is a sinner and in need of God's forgiveness. Only Christ can save us and set us right with God through His own life, death on the cross, and resurrection from the dead. Those who put their faith in Him and commit their lives to Him as their Lord experience His forgiveness and are set right with God. Those who have not put their faith in Him are separated from God by their sin, a separation that continues in eternity in hell if they die without Christ.

Trusting Jesus involves recognizing your need of Him, asking Him to forgive you, and committing yourself to Him as your Lord. The Christian life is about following Jesus, getting to know Him, and becoming like Him. Once you trust Christ, being baptized expresses your commitment publicly. Becoming a part of a local congregation helps you to know and serve Christ as a part of His people, the family of God.

We would be delighted to talk with you about making a commitment to Jesus Christ. Please see one of our pastors after the service or contact the church office (919-776-1541).

Becoming a Member of Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church

Becoming a member of a local congregation of believers is an important step in the Christian life. Through membership in a local church, we experience fellowship with other Christians, study God's word and learn together in worship and in small groups, and participate in our risen Lord's mission in the world.

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church gladly receives members who are followers of Christ and who believe that God is leading them to become a part of our church. New believers are received into the church through baptism. Members of other Baptist churches are received by transfer of membership. Persons coming from other Christian denominations are received by statement of their faith along with believer's baptism (if they have not already experienced believer's baptism.)

If you would like to become a member of Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church, you may come forward during the hymn of commitment following the sermon and present yourself as a candidate for membership. If you would like to discuss your decision prior to making it public or have further questions about membership in JHBC, please talk with one of our pastors after the service or contact the church office (919-776-1541).

CHURCH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, February 26

8:45 AM	Early Worship (Chapel)
9:00 – 9:45 AM	Church Library Open
9:45 – 10:45 AM	Sunday School
11:00 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary) (Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM)
	Extended Session 1 – Rachel Brown
	Extended Session 2 – Sharon Johnson
12:00 – 12:15 PM	Church Library Open
5:00 PM	Handbell Choir Practice
6:30 PM	Discipleship/Worship

Tuesday, February 28

7:30 AM	Men's Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM	Investment Committee Meeting (conf. room)
6:00 PM	Nominating Committee
6:30 PM	Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 29

10:00 AM	Higher Heights (Old Fellowship Hall)
10:30 AM	Staff Meeting
6:00 – 8:00 PM	Church Library Open
6:00 – 6:55 PM	Children's Choirs
6:15 – 7:15 PM	Mid-Week Worship (Bullock-Matthews Room)
7:00 – 7:55 PM	Mission Friends, GA's and RA's
7:00 – 8:00 PM	Wednesday Night Youth Worship
7:15 – 8:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice

Thursday, March 1

7:30 PM Praise Band Practice

SPECIAL JHBC EVENTS

College Student of the Week – Katlynn Premo, daughter of Dianne Premo. Her address is PO Box 5360, Gardner Webb University, Boiling Springs, NC 27017. Please send her a card this week.

Investment Committee will meet on **Tuesday, February 28 at 10:00 AM**.

Higher Heights will host Marilyn Green, Executive Director from The Helping Hand Clinic, at our meeting on **Wednesday, February 29**. The meeting will start at 10 AM with light refreshments. All Seniors are welcome to join us in the Old Fellowship Hall.

Higher Heights Caswell Senior Retreat, May 7-9 - All eight reserved rooms in the Smith Center have been taken and one couple is now booked in the 'Palmetto'. There is still room elsewhere, if you are interested in joining our group. **The cost per person is \$127; half (\$63.50) is due by March 4**. Check or cash is to be given to Diane Smith (776-6917).

March Family Night Covered Dish Supper is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 7 at 6:15 PM**.

Mission Jonesboro Outreach Opportunity - The 3rd grade students and teachers at J Glenn Edwards Elementary School are planning a cleanup project from 9–11 AM tentatively rescheduled for **Thursday, March 8**. The playground still has debris from the April tornado. We are looking for 10-12 eager volunteers to assist the children in their cleanup efforts. Please plan to come out and share in this outreach opportunity with our adopted school family. Contact Alice Gilchrist at 919-770-1510 for more information or to sign up.

The Handbell Choir Needs YOU!! Come and join us at 5:00 PM Sunday evening. No prior experience necessary. We need YOU to help us ring the bells!

SPECIAL THANK YOU! For each and every person who helped in the kitchen for the North Carolina Baptist Men's Region 4 Missions Rally on February 16th ...thank you, thank you. Preparing a meal for 365 people is no small task and it takes many hands to get it all done and we are thankful for each set of hands that helped in the name of missions. Also, thank you to those who set-up, cleaned up and decorated McDowell Hall. The evening was a success, all made possible by good volunteers.

NC Baptists on Mission has scheduled their 2012 Disaster Relief Training for Region 4 on **March 16-17 in Wake County**. There are four training categories: (1) Basic, (2) Cross-Trainer, (3) Recertification, and (4) Advanced. Additional information can be found on their website www.baptistsonmission.org

City on a Hill Mission Donations for the month of February = \$1,494.44.

Children's Ministry

PassportKids Sign-Up is available now – This event is for children in grades 3-6 and will be at Wingate University on July 10-13. **Registration and a \$60.00 deposit are due by March 28**. Sign-up sheets are available on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board outside Bullock-Matthews Room.

Youth Ministry

Casting Crowns Concert in Raleigh on Friday, March 9 – We have 20 tickets available. Cost is \$15.00 per person. **To guarantee your ticket please sign up in the Youth Center or Family Ministry Bulletin Board and pay Rich by March 7**.

Revolve Tour for Girls – Will be May 4-5 in Charlotte. Cost is \$30.00 per person. A sign-up sheet is on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board. **Sign up and cost are due by March 18**. See Alicia Holly for more details.

PassportChoices Sign-up is available now – This event is for youth in grades 7-12 and will be at Wingate University on July 8-13. **Registration and a \$75.00 deposit are due by March 28**. Sign-up sheets are available on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board outside Bullock-Matthews Room.

Family Ministry Ministry

Carolina Hurricanes Game – We're going to see the Canes take on the New Jersey Devils on Saturday night March 31. Cost is \$15.00 and is open to anyone who would like to go. A sign-up sheet is on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board. **Ticket reservations are first come, first serve**. See Rich for payment options.

BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE: February 19, 2012 (Week 25 of 52)

General Fund

Weekly Budgeted Needs	\$ 10,972.01	YTD Budget Goal	\$ 274,300.26
T/O Received	<u>\$ 6,598.81</u>	YTD T/O Received	<u>\$ 295,631.51</u>
Less Budget This Week	\$(4,373.20)	YTD Difference	\$ 21,331.25
Budget: \$570,544.47			
(\$570,544.47/52 weeks=\$10,972.01)		TOTAL GIVING	\$ 6,773.81
		(Last Week)	

CITY ON A HILL \$ 50.00

BUILDING FUND \$ 125.00

Current Balance is \$31,679.73

ATTENDANCE

8:45 AM Early Worship	30
Sunday School	159 + 6
11 AM Morning Worship	193
PM – Discipleship/Worship	27