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From the Desk of Our Senior Pastor

AC 12:5 So Peter was kept in the prison, but prayer for him was being made **fervently** by the church to God.

From *21 Days of Breakthrough Prayer*, Day 8: **Fervent** (or 'earnest') Prayer defined: An intense, dedicated, focused, desperate, physically exhausting, committed to achieving the goal, 'no quitting in me because of Him in me' kind of prayer.

As I am writing this in January on Day 8, I realize that we will be done with our book by the time you read this. But my hope is that although we are done with the book, we won't be done with praying earnestly. It just can't be! Rather I hope that our attitude toward prayer has grown, and will continue to grow and be the cornerstone of our personal relationship with God.

In a relatively short time my attitude toward prayer has changed. Sometimes I have seen prayer as an obligation, something I should do, rather than an incredible gift and an opportunity to be in the presence of the Most High God, and our loving heavenly Father. In the past I have prayed most for people to be healed, for jobs to be found, and relationships to be healed. Now I want to pray that this short life of mine will bring glory to God and further the Gospel message so that many will be saved. I want to pray as Jesus, the early church, and the Apostle Paul did.

Why? Primarily because it's right – it places the world in proper order and gives our Lord Jesus what He deserves. But honestly there is another reason – nothing else has really worked. I confessed this morning in my prayers that I have tried to do too much in my own strength. And especially after ten months of COVID, and watching political division and racial unrest, I think my heart is tender enough and my soul desperate enough to pray, *'OK Lord, I can't do this. We can't do this. Forgive us for acting like we could. Come Lord Jesus and take Your rightful place in Your church and lead us. Please.'*

I have always been drawn to the story of Jacob at the Jabbok. Jacob was a trickster who had tricked his brother out of his birthright and at the Jabbok it was time to settle the account. Jacob had tried to do it all in his own strength and cleverness. None of it worked and so he was desperate. Jacob was afraid that Esau would kill him the next morning, but that night God (Jesus?) appeared to Jacob and they wrestled...all night. Jacob didn't wrestle to overcome but to hold on to God and receive His blessing. The story ends in **GE 32:28** *He said, "Your name shall no longer be Jacob, but Israel; for you have striven with God and with men and have prevailed."*

Jacob becomes a new man; Israel, and the name of God's people. 'Israel' also seems to me to be the description of the relationship that God desires for His people; we wrestle with God, we strive with God in prayer, fervently, earnestly, not to overcome but to hold on and receive His blessing.

So, our 21 days is over but may our deep desire to hold on to God be just beginning.

In His Love,
Pastor Cal

The Family Corner,

As I write this, the Personnel/Search Committee has met and the process is going well. I'll leave it to Ron Rouse, our chairperson, to give you an update in the near future. In the meantime, please, please, please pray that God will reveal the one He has prepared to fill the important ministry to our youth, children and families.

You may have noticed that we have placed a great emphasis on prayer as of late. I have come to believe that it truly is the most important thing we can do. Honestly, we have been attacked in so many ways over the last years and the problems we face are too great for us. BUT...do not be discouraged! There is nothing too difficult for God, or for us as we pray and abide in Him!

We still have copies of 21 Days of Breakthrough Prayer available at the church. It is an incredible little book that has changed the way I pray and it has changed me as well. If you haven't begun the book and the journey I beg you, begin now. There have been a few things I have read that pierced me and forced me to ask some hard questions.

For instance, on Day 13, page 77 the author says, *'Moody was a man consecrated to God who believed that prayer could do anything that God could do. Paul, under the leading of the Holy Spirit, wrote it this way: EPH 3:20 (God will) do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, (for the purpose of) ^{EPH 3:21} to Him be the glory... He will do above all that we can ask or think.'* (And this is what nailed me!) *What is it that you are seeking from God? **What's the true desire of your heart?** Are you ready to ask God about it?'*

'What is it that you are seeking from God?' I wonder if we really pray in those focused and intentional terms. I wonder if the desire of most hearts is just to be comfortable, live in peace and security, and enjoy family, friends, and the occasional entertainment. But that's just not the way Paul prayed as an example to us. It's not the way the early church prayed either. They prayed,

Lord, empower us to bring glory to You and to increase Your Kingdom as we carry the Gospel to the lost!

What's the true desire of your heart? I was very touched by the thought and so I built a matrix that had four questions. ***What's the true desire of MY heart?*** I wanted to write it down to really focus my thoughts. Second question: ***Is this Biblical?*** I went back through and realized that no, there were some things that needed to be refined. Third question: ***Is it true?*** I wanted to go back and double check – *is this really the true desire of my heart?* If not what needs to change? Fourth question: ***What do I/we need to do?*** What does the Bible, the Spirit say to me that I or we need to do? The questions focused my thoughts as I had to change and refine things – but it brought needed clarity.

What's the true desire of your heart?

Is it just to be comfortable, live in peace and security, and enjoy family and friends? Or can we honestly pray, ***Lord, my desire is to bring glory to You as You lead and we obey.*** I would encourage you in your quiet time to ask these four questions. I pray that you will find them as revealing as I did.

What's the true desire of your heart?

Is this Biblical?

Is it true?

What do I/we need to do?

*In His Love,
Cal*

MUSIC Ministry

"TRUE LOVE"

The month of February is traditionally thought of as a month of love, due to its connection to Valentine's Day. This holiday has its roots in the offensive Roman festival Lupercalia, held in mid-February. However, it was replaced by Pope Gelasius I with St. Valentine's Day in the 5th century, and since the 14th century has been celebrated as a day of romance and love. In 2020, \$27.4 BILLION was spent celebrating the holiday! Wow, that's a lot of chocolate and flowers!

I remember the days when I was in elementary school (maybe you do too), and I would make a colorfully decorated shoe box and bring it to class on Valentine's Day. Each of us would make small cards for our classmates and put them in each other's boxes. And, of course, the day would not be complete without those small boxes of chalky heart-shaped candies with the corny sayings printed on them, "Be mine", "True Love", "Cutie Pie", and "Marry Me" to name a few. I realize I just offended a good portion of the readers by saying the sayings were 'corny'. But, as a 2nd or 3rd grader, I'm sure that's what I thought. I would have never actually said those words to any girl at that age (and for some time after that)!



And what is *love* without *love songs*? I'm not sure what it says about me, but as I tried to recall love songs, certain lyrics came to mind. "Love makes the world go 'round", and "What the world needs now is love, sweet love. That's the only thing, that there's just too little of." How true. The 1987 movie "Ice Castles" is my wife's standard a love story movie. And who can't remember the terrific, if not hilarious, marriage scene in another 1987 romantic classic "The Princess Bride", when the priest describes marriage as "that dream within a dream", and declares that "true love (pronounced 'wuv') will follow you forever." Pardon me for a moment as I wipe the tears streaming down my face. LOL!

But, those of us who know Christ, know TRUE LOVE. John 15:13 describes it to us this way. "Greater love has no one than this, that a person will lay down his life for his friends." Jesus did that to pay the price for our sins and make a way for us to know God personally, and to one day stand in His presence forever. Amazingly, He also describes us who love Him and follow His commands as His 'friends'. He now calls us to do the same. Do whatever's necessary so that people can truly know God's love through Christ.

As I am writing this in the middle of January, I am making my way through The 21 Days of Breakthrough Prayer. And one thing I am being convicted of is to pray more that those around me who don't know Christ would. This verse and those surrounding it note that while God did demonstrate His great love in dying for us, to save us from the penalty of our sins, it doesn't end there. We are to model that in how we show love to those around us. As a homework assignment, I encourage you to make sure you read what I will call 'The Plane Story' in Chapter 2 of the Background (beginning on pg. 25) in 21 Days of Breakthrough Prayer. You learn that you can never anticipate how God will choose to use you to 'make faith come alive' in someone else (as the author puts it).

Let the love of God rain down on you, and you, in turn, let it shower on someone else near you. Happy Valentine's Day (month of love)!

Pastor Scott

HIGHER HEIGHTS S.O.C.S. DRIVE

Support Our College Students

The Higher Heights Coordinating Team (HHCT) would like to invite you join us in supporting our JHBC College Students. Help us remind them that they are not forgotten by praying for them and providing a small gift to encourage them as they pursue the amazing future God has planned for them.

Participate in one of these ways:

- Pray for them - we will provide you with a list of students
- Mail a check to JHBC with SOCS Drive in the memo line
- Drop a check or cash by the church noting it is for the SOCS Drive
- Contribute online at JHBC.org through your MyJHBC account
(select SOCS Drive from the Fund List dropdown)

All contributions must be received by Monday, February 8.

If you have questions about the SOCS Drive, feel free to contact Pastor Scott at scott.davis@jhbc.org or call 919-776-1541.





February 1
Rose Soldano & Sheila Stevens

February 5
Paige Brown

February 6
Catherine Mitchell

February 7
Linda Vance

February 8
**Kenny Dail, Mayna Diggs
Cheyanne Warren**

February 13
Terry Bowling

February 15
Mary Hawley Oates

February 16
Elaine Tyner

February 18
**Donald Desjarlais, Charma Mullins
Kelly Perdue**

February 20
Rowan Perdue

February 21
Weldon Brown

February 22
**Janet Long, Mitchell Watson
Michael Wicker**

February 23
**Cameron Bond, Russ Stevens
Amelia Yarborough**

February 29
Rachel Brown

Thank You Notes

Thanks, Jonesboro Baptist Church, for the beautiful floral arrangement which looks so gorgeous on my piano at home. I loved the touch of whimsy with the lady bumble bee on top. I don't think I've ever had such a lovely arrangement. Everyone has been so gracious to me and my husband. We are thankful for all the cards and gifts. I think I need to practice much more so that I can be worthy of such gifts! "Thank you" to all who have sent cards, gifts, said encouraging words. May God continue to bless you in all that you do. Thanks for letting me a small part of your worship service as a musician. Most of all, thanks for opening your hearts to us.

Love,
Leah and Daryl Perry

Dear JHBC Church Members,
Thank you for all the cards and gifts I received during Staff Appreciation Month and Christmas. I truly appreciate each and every one of them. Thanks for being such a loving church.

Marva Lee Roush

Dear Church,
At this end of year Christmas season, you have been on our minds and in our hearts. Thank you for your continuing and continuous support for our families, especially through cancer treatments and health issues. Your cards, prayers, flowers, time, phone calls, and conversations have been priceless and undergirding. You are in our prayers as well.

The Mitchell & Shelba Watson
and Dusenbury Families

Hello Church Family,
Miss you guys! Pray for 2021 year!

Blessings,
Mitchell & Shelba Watson

Dear JHBC,
On behalf of CUOC Board of Directors, we thank you for the Food Drive donations. Your generous gift has helped CUOC in funding it's food assistance program.

Thanks again and God Bless,
Christians United Outreach Center

DEACON'S CORNER

Submitted by Jamie Bowen

On Monday, January 11th, the Deacon board met for our regular monthly meeting. John Hall started the meeting. Our devotion was to be led by Carolyn Marsh, but Carolyn and Randy both are dealing with illness and she couldn't attend. She did however, provide a prayer for Cal to read to us, as written by Anne Graham Lotz on October 30, 2020. The prayer was originally posted the weekend prior to the Presidential election as a means of encouraging our own prayers for our nation at this critical time. We are living in a broken world and need to confess of our sins, repent, that we turn to you Lord to help heal this land for the glory of your great name, Lord or Lords, King of Kings, almighty God. Following the reading, the Deacons shared prayer concerns and Cal led us in prayer over all those mentioned.

Pastor Cal shared and reviewed his monthly Pastor Report with the Deacon board. Pastor Scott's monthly report had been previously distributed via email for review.

Business Discussed:

- Annex Building – demo complete. Tax exempt form to be submitted.
- Personnel Committee Update – received about (16) resumes to date for review.
- Reopening Church Discussion – this will be evaluated every two weeks.
- Ideas for Ministry Outreach
- Financial Update and Budget Outlook

The meeting was brought to a close with Tommie Angel leading us in prayer.

The next Deacon's meeting will be held on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 6:30 PM.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF JAMES TOLLIVER

To the Tolliver Scholarship Fund

> By Daphine Tolliver

IN HONOR OF LORENA BATCHELOR

To the Property Debt Reduction Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF LARRY BROOKS

To the Building & Grounds Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF WILLARD GARREN

To the Lottie Moon Christmas Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF TOMMY SCOTT

To the Benevolence Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF AARON & SHPRESA SMITH

To the Operation Mobilization Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF KALANI WHITNEY

To the Youth Activities Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

Update from the Bond Family in Utah!

We hope this letter finds you blessed and blessing others; this is especially true for 2020. It's a stranger time than anyone imagined, but ministry continues on albeit "morphed" a good bit due to the profound social impact of the Corona virus on our country. It is a masked, "half-open" world here in Utah.

As Christians, we are doubly impacted because we are called to regular fellowship, discipleship, and evangelism. We continue limited live meetings (observing protocols), and hold multiple ZOOM meetings a week. In our tiny 1% Christian world here, we are working together as much as possible to active.

Of all things... outreach at the Sports Academy continues to be fruitful, considering the situation; it's still open with protocols in place. Rod regularly shares the gospel and discusses life's big questions there with a wide variety of people; it is a great cross-section of society.

Debi also has a weekly Bible study online through "Facebook live" with her friend, Rachel Woody. It is a comfort to many.

Melissa and her husband Michael work at a Christian High School in Washington, and have a one-year-old daughter. **Andrea** and two-year-old Maylee are doing well; she is a med-tech out here. **Rachel** and her husband Vicente are here in Utah and soon expecting their first child; a son.

Thank you so much for the prayers and support for all these years; we are encouraged and blessed. We pray that you had a wonderful Christmas Season with loved ones.

Your Missionaries in Utah,
Ron & Debi Bond

Faith
Hope
and the Greatest
of these is
Love



50 NAMES AND TITLES OF JESUS

1. **ALMIGHTY ONE** - Revelation 1:8
2. **ALPHA AND OMEGA** - Revelation 22:13
3. **ADVOCATE** - I John 2:1
4. **AUTHOR AND PERFECTER OF OUR FAITH** - Hebrews 12:2
5. **AUTHORITY** - Matthew 28:18
6. **BREAD OF LIFE** - John 6:35
7. **BELOVED SON OF GOD** - Matthew 3:17
8. **BRIDEGROOM** - Matthew 9:15
9. **CHIEF CORNERSTONE** - Psalms 118:22
10. **DELIVERED** - I Thessalonians 1:10
11. **FAITHFUL AND TRUE** - Revelation 19:11
12. **GOOD SHEPHERD** - John 10:11
13. **GREAT HIGH PRIEST** - Hebrews 4:14
14. **HEAD OF THE CHURCH** - Ephesians 1:22
15. **HOLY SERVANT** - Acts 4:29-30
16. **I AM** - John 8:58
17. **IMMANUEL** - Isaiah 7:14
18. **INDESCRIBABLE GIFT** - 2 Corinthians 9:15
19. **JUDGE** - Acts 10:42
20. **KINGS OF KINGS** - Revelation 17:14
21. **LAMB OF GOD** - John 1:29
22. **LIGHT OF THE WORLD** - John 8:12
23. **LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH** - Revelation 5:5
24. **LORD OF ALL** - Philippians 2:9-11
25. **MEDIATOR** - I Timothy 2:5

NAMES AND TITLES OF JESUS (Continued)

26. **MESSIAH** - John 1:41
27. **MIGHTY ONE** - Isaiah 60:16
28. **ONE WHO SETS FREE** - John 8:36
29. **OUR HOPE** - I Timothy 1:1
30. **PEACE** - Ephesians 2:14
31. **PROPHET** - Mark 6:4
32. **REDEEMER** - Job 19:25
33. **RISEN LORD** - I Corinthians 15:3-4
34. **ROCK** - I Corinthians 10:4
35. **SACRIFICE FOR OUR SINS** - I John 4:10
36. **SAVIOR** - Luke 2:11
37. **SON OF MAN** - Luke 19:10
38. **SON OF THE MOST HIGH** - Luke 1:32
39. **SUPREME CREATOR OVER ALL** - Colossians 1:16-17
40. **RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE** - John 11:25
41. **THE DOOR** - John 10:9
42. **THE WAY** - John 14:6
43. **THE WORD** - John 1:1
44. **TRUE VINE** - John 15:1
45. **TRUTH** - John 8:32
46. **VICTORIOUS ONE** - Revelation 3:21
47. **WONDERFUL COUNSELOR** - Isaiah 9:6
48. **MIGHTY GOD** - Isaiah 9:6
49. **EVERLASTING FATHER** - Isaiah 9:6
50. **PRINCE OF PEACE** - Isaiah 9:6

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Balance Sheet
December 2020

Accounts

Assets

Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	\$167,093.17
General Fund	\$100.00
Building Fund	\$62,235.74
Designated/Restricted Funds	\$54,090.38
Facilities Funds	\$283,519.29
Total Checking/Savings	\$1,001,138.22
Sales Taxes to be Reimbursed	\$14,831.71
Investments/Endowments	\$702,787.22
Total Current Assets	\$1,001,138.22

Current credit card receipts not paid/reconciled

Fixed Assets	\$3,098,522.97
Contra Asset Account	(\$3,897.34)
Total Assets	\$4,095,763.85

Liabilities

Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	(\$15,601.35)
Facilities	\$2,305.00
Mortgage Payable	
2500000 - BB&T Loan Land prep Credit Line	\$192,194.10
Total Mortgage Payable	\$192,194.10
Total Current Liabilities	\$178,830.08
Total Liabilities	

Total facilities security deposits

Equity

Unrestricted	
3000000 - Unrestricted Net Assets (Fund Principal Closing Account)	\$3,846,975.81
Unrestricted this year (Revenues minus Expenses)	\$50,630.72
Total Unrestricted	\$20,047.18
Temporarily Restricted (sum of all Designated/Special accounts)	\$3,897,606.53
Total Equity	

Used by ACS as Fund Principal closing account
Total revenue minus expenses for the year

Total Liabilities & Equity

Income	December 2020	\$88,093.92
Expenses	December 2020	\$33,006.20
Net		\$55,087.72

	General Fund	2020-2021	Total GF Income	\$207,066.29
		2020-2021	Total Expenses	\$145,464.23
		2020-2021	Net 2020-2021	\$61,602.06

JHBC - FEBRUARY 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 11:00 AM Worship Service & Lord's Supper (Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM and www.jhbc.org)	1 6:30 PM Deacons Meeting (Main Conference Room)	2 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal 7:30 PM BMCT	3 10:30 AM Staff Meeting on ZOOM 6:15 PM Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting (Streaming)	4 2:00 PM Pearl Johnson 3:00 PM HHCT	5 Office Closed	6
7 11:00 AM Worship Service & Lord's Supper (Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM and www.jhbc.org)	8 12:00 PM Marjorie Spence/Brown Bag 6:30 PM Building & Grounds (Main Conference Room)	9 1:00 PM Virginia Oliver 7:00 PM WISH (Library)	10 10:30 AM Staff Meeting on ZOOM 6 PM Worship Band Rehearsal 6:15 PM Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting (Streaming)	11	12 Office Closed	13
14 Valentine's Day 11:00 AM Worship Service (Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM and www.jhbc.org)	15 President's Day 9:00 AM Announcer Articles due to Marva Lee 15th of the month	16 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal	17 Ash Wednesday 10:30 AM Staff Meeting on ZOOM 6:15 PM Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting (Streaming)	18	19 Office Closed	20
21 11:00 AM Worship Service (Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM and www.jhbc.org)	22 6:30 PM Baptist Men	23	24 11:00 AM Higher Heights 1:30 PM Staff Meeting on ZOOM 6 PM Worship Band Rehearsal 6:15 PM Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting (Streaming)	25	26 Office Closed	27 9:30 AM New to the Community Visits (Biscuitville)
28 11:00 AM Worship Service (Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM and www.jhbc.org)	1 ALL SERVICES, ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS MAY BE CANCELLED DUE TO THE COVID-19	2	3	4	5	6

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Please note that due to COVID-19 restrictions,
Our Greeters and Locking/Security may not be
needed for the following dates.

GREETERS

Donna Rouse & Ann Davis

LOCKING & SECURITY

February 7 - Tommy Matthews

February 14 - Lynwood Jones

February 21 - Tony Rebello

February 28 - Bill Davis



Sunday, December 13, 2020

11 AM Worship Service -

Sunday, December 20, 2020

11 AM Worship Service - 67

Sunday, December 27, 2020

11 AM Worship Service - 69

Sunday, January 3, 2021

11 AM Worship Service - On-Line Only