



Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church

MESSENGER

A Family of Believers doing things God's way.

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BRO. ED'S EPISTLE

Simon, son of Jonah, do you love me? John 21:16

During the forty days between Jesus' resurrection and ascension, He appeared to His disciples on several occasions. He did so to prove He was alive, to encourage the disciples' faith and to give them His great commission. His appearance to Peter and six other disciples as they fished was to restore Peter to right fellowship after his tragic failure in denying Jesus. Peter's threefold denial was challenged with a threefold question, "Do you love me?" It is also a question that each of us must face in light of all Jesus has done for us. Do we really love Jesus? If so, then we are to follow Him just as Peter did. The best way to do that is by serving others, worshipping our Lord and bearing witness to all the nations.

It is a joy to serve and worship with you!

HARRY'S HEARTBEAT- November is just around the corner. Everybody is blaming everybody for the condition our nation is in. Beloved, unless we seek God's help as we vote, history may repeat itself. The author of the book "The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire" lists five reasons for the fall of the Empire:

1. The rapid increase of divorce: the undermining of the dignity and sanctify of the home which is the basis of human society.
2. Higher and higher taxes and spending of the public money for bread and handouts.
3. The mad craze for pleasures: sports becoming more exciting, enticing, and outrageous money.
4. The building of a gigantic military force when the real enemy was within, in decadence of the people.
5. The decay of religion, faith fading into form, losing touch with life and forfeiting its ability to guide the people. WOW! Sound familiar? Scary?

But there's hope - - - we have the God given privilege of voting and choosing our leaders, the Romans didn't. When all the rhetoric is over - - - there's God. I love you, Harry

THANKS

Thanks to all who had a hand in the success of Sunday's Hot Dog Lunch. From set up to clean up, to those who brought desserts and chips and dips, you were all great. Our church is so blessed with people willing to serve. Thank you all, Barbara

LLOYD'S LINES- "HOLY GROUND" that's the name of a chorus that we use from time to time for our worship services. It says "This is holy ground. We're standing on holy ground, for the Lord is present and where HE is, it is holy ground." That is the way I feel each and every service when I stand in the pulpit and lead the worship. We not only have a praying church but we have a church in WORSHIP. Someone told me that when you enter the worship center you can feel the presence of God and the Holy Spirit. Isn't that the way it should be? Some churches have become an entertaining center. And I'm so glad that we will still sing out of the Hymn Book. In some churches the old hymns are sometimes left out of the worship. God forbid that I'm never guilty of forgetting the great hymns of the faith. Please pray for Bro. Ed and I as we lead the worship and the wonderful name of Jesus will always be honored and glorified in sermon and song.

The services for the month of March and April have been a blessing to me and I hope they have blessed you.

And now, let's look forward to "Fifth Sunday" here on April 29th. I received a nice letter from Bro. Buck and he is excited about coming back to be with us. Continue to call and invite others to be a part of this special day.

And just remember . . . God loves you and so do I. SING-cerely, Bro. Lloyd

5th SUNDAY, APRIL 29TH CHANGES

SPECIAL SERVICES WILL BEGIN

AT 10:00 A.M. WITH RANDY HARWELL LEADING MUSIC & BRO. DUKE SPEAKING AT 11:00. COVERED DISH LUNCH WILL FOLLOW. (NO AFTERNOON SINGING OR EVENING WORSHIP)



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VITAL STATS

Week of April 15, 2012

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School	72
Mission School	28
Shut Ins	24
TOTAL	124

Regular Offering	\$ 2,410.75
Annie Armstrong	855.00
Highlanders	285.00
Memory Bill Warren	50.00
Tape Ministry	1.25

TOTAL \$ 3,602.00

Contributions have been made to the Church for:

Memorial

In loving memory of Mike Warren's father, Bill Warren, a donation of \$50 was made by Mike's employer, BBVA Compass Bank.

April 22, 2012

DEACONS ON CALL

Andy Godley 744-9580

SECURITY PATROL

AM- Bob Key

PM-Johnny Handley,

SENIOR SPOT LIGHT

Wanda Johnson
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B'ham, AL 35217
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Midfield, AL 35228

THANK YOU

Thankful is the special way I feel because of you! FHBC family, Thank you our church family for all the cards, phone calls, and especially the prayers for Jim and me as we recover from surgery. Healing is coming along and we will be back worshipping with you soon. God is so good!
Jimmy & Curtis Laine

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