

## SERVANTHOOD – WHAT AN HONOR

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As I have explored the subject of servanthood, the words to the song, “Follow” by Passion keep coming to mind. The lyrics say, *“What a joy it is to follow Jesus, what a gift it is to bear His name, what an honor to choose surrender, and make Him my everything.”* These words embody servanthood. It is realizing we have no honor or glory in or of ourselves, but through Him, we can love and serve others. It truly is an honor to lay down our pride and motives and just be open to God and what His heart is.

Mark 9: 33-35 begins at the end of a discussion between the disciples about who will be seated with God. Jesus states, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.” They were caught in the comparison game, when in reality, it’s not the best person, but the one who actually cares about the things He cares for, which first and foremost is serving others.

In John 13, Jesus embraced servanthood to the point he washed His disciples’ feet. Are we willing to go this far to love others? The reality is most are not. It is in humility we find the freedom to serve well and for His glory. Where just leading or getting the job done is not the priority but being open to God and what His desires are for us.

There is not a beginning and end to servanthood. Serving others is a lifestyle for Christ-followers. It is paramount for our walk with the Lord. More and more our world is starved for those who genuinely care to serve, and true leadership comes from knowing how to properly serve.

I urge you look into avenues to pursue servanthood, and if nothing else, then to each other in your own homes and church. The memories when you served greatly and made an impact may fade, but don’t allow the way in which the Lord worked through you begin to fade.

The following quote impacted me greatly, “I like your Christ, but I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ.” This is an unsettling quote, but we need to evaluate the reality that not many Christians display servant leadership to the world or represent Christ well.

Our urging as Christians is stated in Mark 10: “. . . whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.” Let the love and beauty from the heart of God that overflows our cups not just spill onto the ground, but rather begin to fill up the lives and hearts of others. This life of service is where true blessing and fulfillment lies.

# November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
<b>3</b> 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 5:15 p.m. Joy on the Ark/OCC Packing Party/Dave Ramsey Class 5:30 p.m. Bible Study	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<b>6</b> 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting	<i>7</i>	<b>8</b> <i>6 p.m.</i> <i>Fellowship</i> <i>Fridays</i>	<i>9</i>
<b>10</b> 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 4:00 p.m. Church Council 5:15 p.m. Joy on the Ark/Dave Ramsey Class 5:30 p.m. Bible Study	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<b>13</b> 7:00 p.m. Regular Business Meeting	<i>14</i>	<b>15</b> <i>6 p.m.</i> <i>Fellowship</i> <i>Fridays</i>	<i>16</i>
<b>17</b> 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 5:15 p.m. Joy on the Ark/Dave Ramsey Class 5:30 p.m. Bible Study	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>	<b>20</b> 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting	<i>21</i>	<b>22</b> <i>6 p.m.</i> <i>Fellowship</i> <i>Fridays</i>	<i>23</i>
<b>24</b> 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service <b>6:00 p.m. Community            Thanksgiving            Service @ Hollywood</b>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<b>27</b> NO PM Services	<i>28</i>	<b>29</b> <i>6 p.m.</i> <i>Fellowship</i> <i>Fridays</i>	<i>30</i>

# November Birthdays

- 2 Andy Reynolds
- 4 Stephanie Weiss
- 6 Gary Matherly
- 7 Paula Reynolds  
Mary Bella Easley
- 8 Julia Easome
- 11 Peggy Gamewell  
Elizabeth Reynolds
- 13 Matt Doss  
Barbara Robertson
- 14 Jim Doss
- 17 Laken Waller
- 19 Nathaniel Aaron
- 20 Chuck Easley
- 21 Makaila Davis
- 22 John Moore  
Steve Reynolds
- 23 Holly Muñoz
- 24 Terry Moore
- 29 Cassandra Gatewood
- 30 David Hayden  
Becky Roberts

## Nursery for November

### Sun November 3, 2024

9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Pam Anderson, Emmalee Ayers, Pam Kendrick, & Hannah Shaw

### Sun November 10, 2024

9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Zoey Mills, Renee Moore, Anna Dunn, & Samantha Pressley

### Sun November 17, 2024

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Dana Wells, Holly St. John, James & Sylvia Lumpkins

### Sun November 24, 2024

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Shelly Lewis, Cassie Gatewood, Donnie & Peggy Moore



Holly and I would like to thank everyone for all of the things that you did throughout the month of October to express your appreciation. Words could never express how much we feel your love and support. God has blessed us by allowing us the privilege to pastor such a wonderful group of people. We thank God for all of you and may God bless you as much as you have blessed us. We love you!!!

Brother Terry & Holly

### Greeters

- November 3 Nancy Power & Jetty Burgess
- November 10 Joan Nuckols & Melody Collins
- November 17 Patsy Conner & Brenda Collins
- November 24 Mary Moon Moore & Paige Conner

### Deacon of the Week(\*)/Usher

- November 3 Tommy Jefferson\*, Bobby Mullins, Drake Easley, Randy Gatewood
- November 10 James Allen\*, Daniel Moore, William Tosh, Chuck Easley
- November 17 Adam Burgess\*, Damon Mullins, Larry Weiss, Roger Walden
- November 24 Sid Lankford\*, Adam Lumpkins, Bryan Lewis, Terry Moore

# 2024 Lottie Moon Offering



*The Mission of the Manger*

As a church, you have set a pledge goal of **\$22,930.00**, for the 2024 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. As of October 27, 2024 we have collected **\$24,493.57**.



2024 Lottie  
Moon Goal  
\$22,930.00



Welcome to November shoebox friends! Thank you for your generous donations! Our packing party in November is shaping up to be one for the record books!



Every box packed at our packing party includes:

an age appropriate wow item (toy, ball, etc.), a stuffed animal, clothing items, school supplies, hygiene items, small toys, games, and

accessories. We have a goal of packing between 175-200 boxes at our party, with thousands of items packed. We collect items all year long, focusing on a particular item each month.

Our packing party will be held November 3 at 5:15 p.m. Our children will participate during their game time during Joy on the Ark, adults and teens are welcome any time. Shoeboxes are available now and will be due back November 17. Thank you for your generous support of Operation Christmas Child!

**January Goal: 175/175 Winter Clothing Items February Goal: 736/175 Accessories**

**March Goal: 200/175 Quality Handcrafts April Goal: 200/175 Stuffed Animals**

**May Goal: 405/175 Toothbrushes 405/175 Combs**

**June Goal: Wow Item Girl: 90/90 Wow Item Boy: 90/90 Small Toys: 450/175**

**July Goal: 175/175 Clothing Items August: 900/900 Pencils 175/150 Paper 175/150 Crayons  
175/150 Coloring Books September: 175/150 Puzzles and Games**

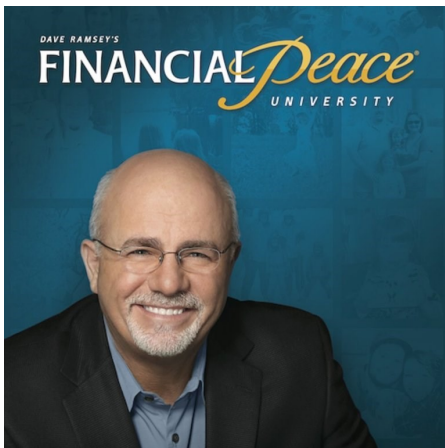
**October: WOW Item Boy: 90/90**

# Mission Emphasis of the Month



## Christian Law Association

Hollywood is proud to support Christian Law Association. More than 50 years ago as a young attorney, David C. Gibbs, Jr. could hardly believe his ears as a pastor relayed how his church was being sued by the state for operating its ministry. When he reviewed the legal documents, Dr. Gibbs was astonished that such a thing could happen in modern America. From that very first case through the present day, God has blessed Dr. Gibbs' commitment to legally help churches, pastors, and Christians free of charge. The ministry has grown substantially through God's blessing over the last 50 years as attorneys, legal assistants, and other ministry workers have joined our team of "legal missionaries." We are grateful for the service they are providing in a day when Christianity is under such attack. Please pray for this organization.

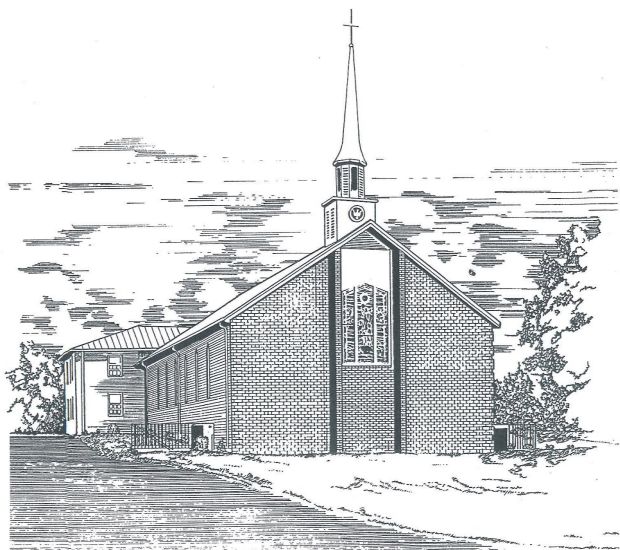


On Sundays at 5:15 p.m., we will be continuing a class on handling your finances God's way. The cost of the course is \$20. Come learn how to manage your money and build your financial foundation! If you have questions, please see Pastor.



**Join us for the Men's and Ladies' Prayer Advances! Register early for a special discounted rate!**

# Memorial and Honorarium Building Fund Donations



- Bobby & Terri Mullins donated in honor of Pastor Terry & Holly St. John
- Mary Moon Moore donated in memory of Jimmy & Inez Mays
- Susie Holmes donated in memory of James Holmes
- Glenn & Rena Edwards donated in memory of Wallace & Virginia Edwards
- Donnie & Peggy Moore donated in memory of Addison & Anna Moore & Joe & Margaret Collins



## Community Thanksgiving Service!

Sunday, November 24 at 6:00 p.m.



Hollywood Baptist Church and Marion Baptist Church will be meeting for a joint Thanksgiving service at Hollywood. This service will feature a special music and Pastor Ed Pope will be preaching the gospel. Join us as we come to give thanks to God for all of the many blessings that he has bestowed upon us!



Join us on November 13 at 7 p.m. for a Regular Business Meeting. Come discuss the important business that keeps our church running!

## **November 2024**

### **Missions Update**

Thank you, church, for your support of our local missions. We were able to provide snacks for Heritage Academy for their accreditation team, as well as providing the needed Bibles for Young Life. Donations are still coming in for the Good News Jail ministry to provide Agape bags for inmates. We are taking up a special offering on November 3, for God's Pit Crew to help them with hurricane relief.

We participated in the county wide Trunk or Treat sponsored by the Sheriff's Department at the Ag center, and passed out almost 1500 gospel tracts along with a lot of candy. What an opportunity to give out the gospel, which is our mission!

On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will be packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, with the items donated throughout the year.

As you can see, we have many opportunities to do just a little to help in a great way. Thank you again for your support. Praying that God will continue to bless all our gifts and efforts.

### **Children's Church Update**

Our Children's Church ministry continues to grow and thrive. We had 46 kids on Homecoming Sunday. We met outside at the pavilion so there were some challenges with moving sound system, props for skit, games, chairs, etc. out there, but it all worked out wonderfully. Thank you to everyone who helped us to make it happen. I am so thankful for our leaders' flexibility as we grow and change to meet the needs of these kids and our church. We had 50 kids on October 27<sup>th</sup> and are continuing to grow.

### **Upcoming Events**

The children will be singing for the joint Thanksgiving service here on November 24<sup>th</sup> and afterwards they will go to the gym for a special Children's Thanksgiving service.

We are beginning to practice for our Christmas program which will take place on December 22<sup>nd</sup>, during the morning service. I have sent home music CDs and lyric sheets with all the children so parents can help them learn the songs. It's going to be a great program, so please encourage your children to learn their parts.

Once again, thank you to all our leaders, youth, and parents for your cooperation and help in making this ministry successful.

### **Leaders for November**

#### **Date**

11/10 Nancy, Wendy, Alyx, Mary Moon, Pam K.

11/17 Megan, Hannah, Wendy, Pam K.

11/24 Wendy, Isaac, Pam K., Sabrina

# Happy Thanksgiving

# YOUTH NEWS

November 2024

Welcome to our  
HBC November Youth News!

## Fellowship Fridays!

Our Friday fellowship meetings are growing & growing! We have been so blessed to welcome new young people and a couple of adult helpers. At least 30 youth have joined us over the last two months. They eat well, play games, but most importantly, they hear about Jesus and His great love for us.  
6th - 12th graders, come join us on Friday evenings at 6-8pm.

NOW SERVING

## Youth Service in October

During the month of October the youth served the church in a few different ways.

\*Our youth decorated a table for Homecoming that honored our Pastor, Terry, and his sweet wife, Holly. We are so thankful for them both!

\*Our youth sponsored a "Get Well" basket for one of our youth members.

\*Our youth served by working in Children's Church on Oct 20th. They helped by performing in the skit and working with the children on their lesson sheets.

\*Lastly, the youth sponsored two trunks in our Trunk or Treat for the children of our church and for our community. Youth helped decorate, hand out candy, and clean up after our event. We have some amazing young people in our church.

Did you know?

Our youth meet for Sunday School at 10am downstairs. This month we are learning about prayer and communicating with God. We also meet for Bible Study and fellowship on Sunday evenings at 5:15-6:30



# YOUTH NEWS

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## PICS FROM OUR OCTOBER

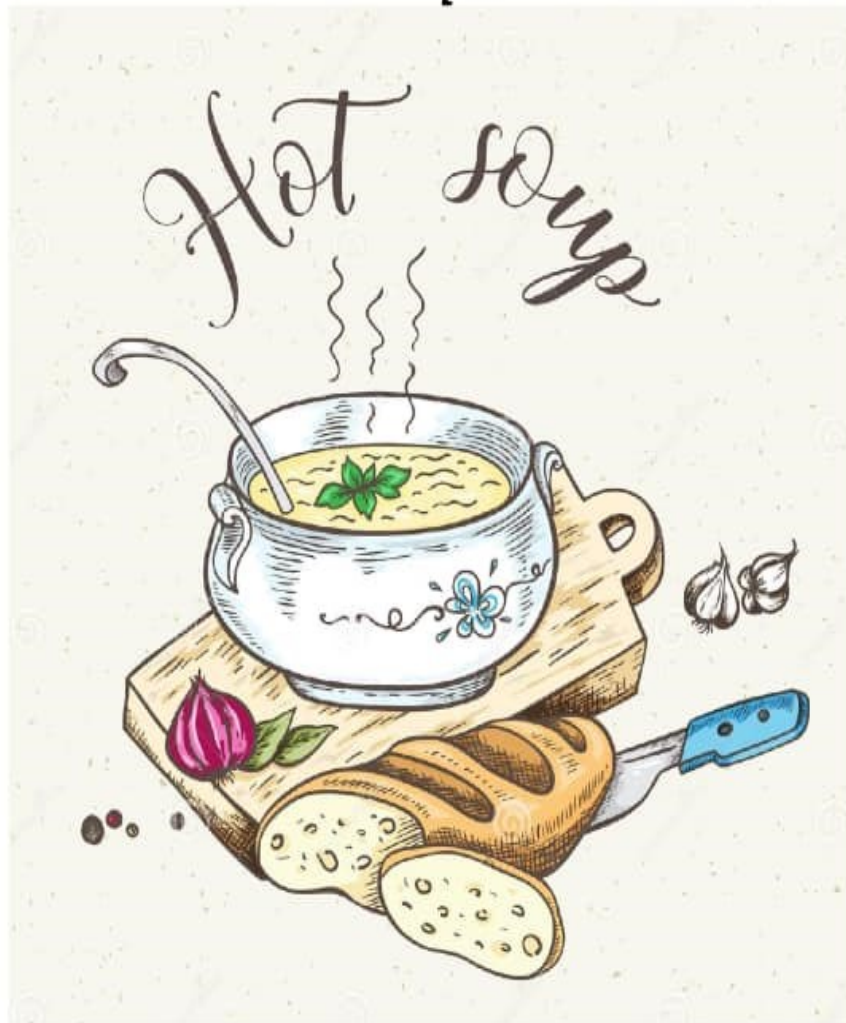


HBC Daughters of Hope Ladies Ministry

## *Soup Soiree*

Friday, November 15th

6:00 p.m.



Join us for an evening of food, fellowship and gathering ideas for future ladies events! Sign-up sheet is available in the foyer at church.

Questions? See Mrs. Holly St. John



**Thank you to everyone  
who helped make our  
Trunk or Treat a success!  
As you can see a great  
time was had by all!**

**HOLLYWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH**

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**Upcoming Events**

December 1	Hanging of the Greens
December 8	Church Council/Joy on the Ark Store Night
December 18	Christmas Caroling
December 22	Children’s Christmas Play
December 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service