

The Messenger

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ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

JULY 2018



23rd Annual Church and Community Picnic

Tuesday, July 3—7:00 pm till dark

Food, Fun, Fireworks!!!

Bring your lawn chairs



From the Pastor's Desk

It seems the heat is getting to everybody. This photo of a church sign says it all. Unless you have changed the sign, most of you probably don't understand that church signs are an art form. It takes some planning to make sense, the space is limited, and you can run out of the right letters. It takes some skill, patience, thought, and physical stamina to master. When the cover over the letters comes crashing down on top of your head you must endure the physical pain. And then there is the heat and the cold.

So, when it's hot, it's hot! The letters can get uncomfortable to touch, and the metal on the sign can burn your skin. As the one who usually changes the sign I can understand why someone at Grace Baptist decided to get real and honest with the congregation, and I don't blame them.

I also think that they have expressed the mission of Christ with candor and eloquence. I'm sure not everyone who read that sign was a believer, but no matter your religious affiliation, you have to appreciate the beautiful lack of physical energy and practicality that went into this sign.

I am also reminded of the advice I was given about preaching from a college professor years ago. When you preach remember K.I.S.S. Keep it simple stupid!

With that I will close and say "Amen."

Terry Fortner

Auditorium Open For Prayer

The auditorium is open for prayer each Sunday morning from 9:15 9:45. Come before Sunday School and pray for revival and revitalization.

Lanny Vines will drive the church van on Sundays in July. Call him at 988-1802 if you need a ride to church.

Welcome New Members

Rick Douglas joined Zion Hill Sunday, June 3, by statement. Welcome, Rick!

In July we will collect school supplies for Operation Christmas Child.

GriefShare Class

If you or anyone you know is interested in attending GriefShare classes, please call the church office, Nancy Prickett (416-3970) or Brian Goforth (416-2144).

Deacons meet 8 am Sunday, July 1

Kids Day Out

July 2 we will leave at 9:30 am to go to Cabot Aquatic Park. The cost is \$6, which includes lunch at McDonald's. Wear modest swim suits, bring a towel, and lots of sunscreen. We will return at 1:30. July 2 is also the deadline to sign up for Blanchard Springs Caverns KDO, which is scheduled for Monday, July 16. Cost is \$7. You will need to bring a sack lunch and wear closed-toe shoes for this trip. KDO is for children who have completed grades K-6. Younger children can go if accompanied by an adult 18 or older. All other children who are not accompanied by an adult must have a completed permission form from the office or submitted from the church website at www.zionhillbaptistchurch.net.

New Orleans Mission Trip Meeting If you are on the mission team, there is a meeting scheduled for 6:30 pm Monday, July 2, at FBC Sherwood. If you can't go to New Orleans, you can donate items for Blessing Bags. There is a list of needed items at the bottom of the next page. Please turn items in by Sunday, July 1.

Church and Community Picnic

Zion Hill's 23rd annual picnic begins at 7:00 pm Tuesday, July 3. Weather permitting, there will be outdoor activities, a designated children's area with an inflatable bounce house, and a fireworks display after dark. Corndogs and chips will be served from 7 - 8. For dessert there will be ice cream sundaes from 8:30 - 9. Members are asked to bring cookies or brownies. Popcorn and cotton candy will be available until 9. We will need volunteers to help with set-up, food preparation and serving, supervision of activities, and clean-up. See Bro. Matt to sign up to help. Begin now to invite your friends and neighbors and tell them to bring lawn chairs and join us for this celebration of our country's freedom.

Churchwide Ministry Project

The first Thursday of July, from 9 until noon, we will continue the sewing project from June. Don't sew? Come for the fellowship! If you have questions or suggestions, call Mickie Vann, 988-2790.

Pray for Mission Team

Tyler, Monica, and Barrett Griffin, Ricky Bridges, Korey Grimes, Matt, Kasey, Grant, and Natalie Hill, Brooke Murray, Andy and Ronda Kew, and Steve, Janet, and Madison Holmes, will minister in Jesus' name July 7-14 in New Orleans.

Men's Breakfast

Call a friend and invite him to come with you to Men's Breakfast 8 am, Saturday, July 14, for good food and fellowship.

WOM Prayer Breakfast

Ladies, bring a friend to Women on Mission Prayer Breakfast 9:00 am, Saturday, July 21. Come, and enjoy the fellowship.

CentriKid

Pray for children and leaders attending CentriKid at Williams Baptist Universtiy in Walnut Ridge: Jordan Erwin, Paitlyn Guthrie, Christopher, Juliana, and Jenny Bridges, J C Waldrop, Chloe Howard, Matt, Grant, and Natalie Hill, Madison Holmes, Riley Johnson, Diana Jones, Annabel Smith, and Makaylea Walton.

Senior Saints Fellowship

Tuesday, July 17, join Senior Adults at 11:00 am for an inspirational program by James and Molly Vandiver and Friends. Bring a dish for potluck lunch.

Cabot N and R Center Service

Join us at Cabot Nursing and Rehab Center 2 pm Sunday, July 22, as we minister to the residents and workers. Bro. Steve will lead in singing and Bro. Terry will bring a message from God's word.

Celebration and Praise Service If you want to share a song or word of praise 6:00 pm Sunday, July 29, please tell Gary Vaile. Bring fingerfoods for the churchwide fellowship after the service.

Youth News

- At Wednesday night *Switch* services we have music and a devotion from 6:30-7:30 pm. Join us!
- July 18, 7:30 pm—Youth Committee Meeting, Basement.



Message from Matt

It seems quite common for us to look around at our society these days and wonder what has happened. Things aren't like they once were. Children are more disrespectful than ever. A man's word is only good if backing it up will still benefit him. People feel they are owed things in life without having to work for them. It makes for a really frustrating world to live in. We often sit in our comfy church buildings and find people to blame for such behaviors. We blame drugs, alcohol, the government, schools, and broken prison systems for many of these problems.

We talk about how the world without Christ is a dark place. With that in mind, why do we act surprised when people in the world act dark? One of the big problems is that we often don't see how bad things are until the problems move into our own lives. Christ has called the church to be the light on a hill for all to see. In a world as dark as ours, it would seem as though the light of Christ shining through the church would be very evident, but is it?? We live in a day where it is honestly hard to tell the difference in those who claim to know Christ and those who don't. Sure, our claim distinguishes us from the world, but do our actions back our claim?

As the church, we should be training up our next generation in the ways of the Lord. This doesn't start in the church building, this starts at home! In The Family God Uses, Henry Blackaby lists some of the things we should be teaching our children. Love, trust and respect for others, sharing, honoring one another, obeying authority, working together, sacrifice, carrying out responsibilities, integrity, honesty, grace and forgiveness, hard work, prayer, commitment, and Christian values. This is a pretty demanding list, but parenting is a steep calling. To train our children in all of these things takes time, energy, patience, and opening ourselves up to our kids. We live in a time where we seldom take the time necessary to train up our kids. We hire a babysitter so we can go run errands. We find it quicker and easier to do our children's chores for them rather than taking the time to teach them how to do it. We struggle in showing love, in teaching sacrifice, in grace, and in forgiveness. I get it! We are all VERY busy. However, let's not let our busyness be the stumbling block for our children growing in their faith and being the light that God's has commanded us to be in this dark world.

In the very near future I hope to set up a way for accountability and encouragement for parents as we raise our children. So...stay tuned, because if you are like me, we could use all the help and accountability from our brothers and sisters in Christ that we can get.

Bro. Matt

Items for Blessing Bags

Hygiene Items: toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, wet wipes, nail clippers, hair combs, tampons, pads, socks, bar soap, washcloths, laundry pods, travel packets. Please, no hand sanitizer or mouthwash.

Snacks and Food Items (individually wrapped or bagged): beef jerky, peanut butter to go, energy bars, nut or seed packages, tuna to go, peanut butter crackers, bottled water.

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Service Times:

Sunday:

9:15 am Auditorium open for prayer

9:45am Sunday School 10:55am Morning Worship 4:00 pm GriefShare Class 5:00pm Discipleship Training Adult Bible Study

Growth Groups TeamKID

6:00pm Evening Worship

Tuesday:

7:00pm Churchwide Visitation

Wednesday:

6:30pm Mid-week Services

Bible Study

(3rd Wednesday Business Mtg.)

Switch Service

GAs, RAs, Mission Friends

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

July Activities

1 8:00 am Deacon Meeting	
Sunday Services	
2 9:30 am KDO-Cabot Aquatic Park, \$6 (Deadline to sign up	p for 7/16 KDO)
6:30 pm New Orleans MT Meeting, FBC Sherwood	
3 7:00 pm Church and Community Picnic	
4 Independence Day/Office Closed	
5 9:00 am Churchwide Ministry Project	
7 7:45 am Mission Team leaves for New Orleans	
8 Sunday Services	
11 6:00 pm GriefShare Legal Q and A	
Midweek Services	
14 8:00 am Men's Breakfast	
Mission Team returns	
15 Sunday Services	
7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting	
16 9:00 am KDO-Blanchard Springs Caverns, \$7 and sack lu	ınch
17 11:00 am Senior Saints Fellowship	
6:00 pm Website Committee Meeting	
18 9:30 am Extension Homemakers Club	
Midweek Services (Business Meeting)	
7:30 pm Youth Committee Meeting, Basement	
9:00 am Women on Mission Prayer Breakfast	
22 Sunday Services	
2:00 pm Cabot Nursing and Rehab Center Service	
23 Children leave for CentriKid, Williams Baptist Ur	niversity
25 6:30 pm Midweek Services	,
27 Children return from CentriKid	
29 Sunday Services	
6:00 pm Celebration and Praise Service	
7:00 pm Churchwide Fellowship	

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