<u>HSBC Newsletter</u>

JANUARY 2020

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Vital Signs

<u>Year to Date (11.30.2019)</u>		
Budgeted Offering:	\$311,312.76	
Received Offering:	\$280,388.13	
Budget Expenses:	\$271,212.61	
Bldg Fund YTD:	\$17,588.00	

YTD Average Attendance:

8:30 a.m. Worship:	80
11:00 a.m. Worship:	126
Worship Total:	206
Small Groups:	127
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Many watch the Netflix series The Crown. I must admit my wife and I have watched each season. This season in Episode 3, they deal with

one of the biggest tragedies in British history. On October 21, 1966, Aberfan, Wales experienced a landslide that killed 116 children and 28 adults. When we hear about a landslide we think of a natural disaster, but the land that slid into the town was actually colliery spoil from the local coal mine. There were multiple colliery spoil mounds, but this particular mound (tip 7) was 111 feet high at the time of the disaster, much higher than was legally allowed. The height of the mound, combined with heavy rain, led to the slide. The reason for such a high number of children's deaths was because one of the first buildings hit was Pantglas Junior School, where 109 children and 5 teachers perished. After the disaster, it was revealed that many had warned the National Coal Board about the potential for a slide, but it was repeatedly ignored.

Ignoring reality is something we as Christians do quite well. We ignore the lost around us constantly, the degradation of our society, and in some way add to this degradation. Over and over again Christian leaders proclaim that only the Gospel will heal this world, but we ignore their calls. Luke 10:2 states, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest." This is a call for all of us to beseech the Lord, but we ignore the words of our Messiah. I leave you with this question:

How much longer will we ignore the harvest?



HSBC MEN'S MINISTRY

Biblical Friendship

What does Biblical friendship look like? Is there a simple answer to this much needed discipline?

To answer these two questions, I would like to first show what Biblical friendship is not. In the Gospel of Luke chapter 11 verses 5-8, Jesus talks about a man who has a friend arrive late at night, so the man then goes to another friend's house to borrow 3 loaves of bread because he is without at his own house. The response from the friend is this, "do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are in bed with me. I cannot get up and give you anything." In the end, the only reason the friend does anything for the man is because the man continues to knock and ask for the help. We may not have friends coming over in the evening asking for bread, but I'm sure all of us can look back into the not so distant past and see some form of this friend in us. An easy example of this is sending a brother to voicemail with the thought, "if it's important he will leave a message or call me back." I'm guilty, and if we are honest, I'm not alone.

Now let's look at the greatest example of what Biblical friendship looks like.

1 Samuel 18:1-5

1As soon as he had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David. and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. 2And Saul took him that day and would not let him return to his father's house. 3Then Jonathan made a covenant with David, because he loved him as his own soul. 4And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was on him and gave it to David, and his armor, and even his sword and his bow and his belt. 5And David went out and was successful wherever Saul sent him, so that Saul set him

over the men of war. And this was good in the sight of all the people and also in the sight of Saul's servants.

So, what do we gain from this section of scripture? I would say first, this kind of friendship is directed by God: it cannot be forced by human hands. Thanks to Christ and His atoning work on the cross, all Christian brothers have at least one thing in common. Second, I'd say this kind of friendship takes an unwavering commitment to the friend of course, but also to Christ. What glory does the Lord get when out of the abundance of our time we do something for our brother? Finally, I will say it takes us becoming vulnerable with our friend sharing intimate parts of our lives. The struggle is real and it's not easy, but we were not made to walk this road alone.

Jesus said this, "Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."

Soli Deo Gloria

JUSTIN KUES, HSBC Men's Ministry







HSBC Women's Ministry

Women's Ministry is excited to announce our next fellowship project: 3 on 3! This fellowship group is a way for you to connect with other ladies from our church. To participate, you will need to sign up in the foyer. You will then be assigned to a group of three ladies. Over the next three months, your group will find a time to meet once per month. This gives each woman from the group the opportunity to plan one group activity. After three months is up, a new round of sign ups will be held to assign new groups.

Group events can be just about anything you decide! Three women from Women's Ministry committee did a test run November through January. During those three months, they enjoyed dinner together at Take Root Cafe, did Jazzercise together at one of their homes, and had a movie night at the local theatre. Other ideas include: craft party, spa day, volunteering, shopping, baking, etc. It is really up to each member of the group to choose whatever they want! We look forward to giving this unique fellowship experience a try beginning in March 2020.

In other news, we are looking for women to lead bible studies in the spring semester of 2020. Dana Nelson will be leading "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World" by Joanna Weaver on Wednesday nights. This is a twelve week study. The description is as follows: "With her fresh approach to the familiar Bible story and its creative, practical strategies, Joanna shows how all of us -Marys and Marthas alike- can draw closer to our Lord, deepening our devotion, strengthening our service, and doing both with less stress and greater joy." If you are feeling led to host a bible study, please contact Taylor Lyons or April Keene.

HSBC Women's Ministry



Love has come!!!

We wanted to say how thankful we are to all of you for always loving and praying and supporting the BSU here as we try to be missionaries to this campus that we love! We are so grateful to have so many who give so sacrificially of their time and heart and talents to help us keep working to bring the message of Jesus to every corner of our campus.

It's Christmas time and we love how the lights and music and activities around the birth of Jesus allow us so many opportunities to share about Him. So, to end the year, we thought, maybe write a little something fun that is full of so much hope; we hope you enjoy it; Merry Christmas and joy to the world, the Lord has come...love has come!

*to the tune of the 12 days of Christmas ha!

On the last days of the semester...

- We served over 800 cups of hot chocolate and had so many good interactions with students about who we are.
- Served over 400 home cooked meals to sooo many students, from atheists, to agnostics, to no -faith, to catholic, to fellow followers of Jesus, to Buddhists....and saw new friendships form among students we really did not know, and were invited into some of their lives so personally. It was amazing to see God working through so many!
- We got to help a guy take home some different translations of the Bible (NIV, ESV, etc.) over break to help him as he continues to be very interested in Jesus.
- We held a night of prayer, praise and worship (ppw) for students.
- We got to see one of our girls take this and replicate it among her friends, and they held their own ppw in their dorm. To see this be replicated on their own from our idea, and see them inviting their close friends, and having chances to pray and praise and worship together;

yeah God!! Stir each other up in love.

We got to not only keep getting to love and influence two sisters who are Hindi, and who we have been loving and serving for about two years, but we got to meet their parents who traveled here. We also got to share about Jesus briefly, and then serve them by helping them make a mad-dash to get luggage they forgot before the train left LaPlata. It's so amazing that we got to be in the right place at the right time; not for us, but so they could know there is a God who came for them and loves them. And, the dad said several "You times. are а God-Loving that our jars of send." clay serving; that God can take that and bring beauty and life and opportunity to it.

Love has come!

Greg Xander Campus Missionary- TSU BSU



The Finance Committee would like to partner with you in a Five for Five Building Fund Campaign. When the designated Building Fund reaches \$5000, we will take \$5000 out of our church savings account to help pay down the building debt.

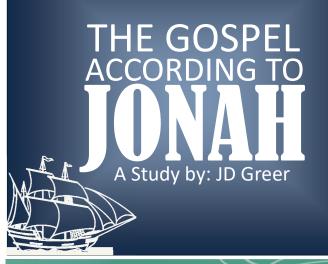
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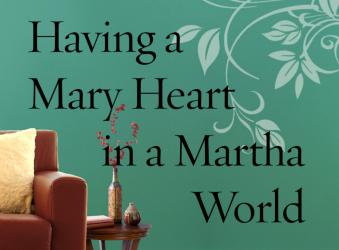
JANUARY CALENDAR

1 *New Years Day **OFFICE CLOSED

8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast	
9:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	The Pines Nominating Committee	
6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Youth Group Pastor's Study Church Council Meeting	
6:00 p.m.	Personnel Committee Meeting	
9:30 a.m.	The Pines	
5:45 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Dinner Studies Begin Youth Committee Meeting	
12:00 p.m.	Senior Adult Sack Lunch	
**Book of Reports Items Due		
4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Deacons Meeting Business Meeting	
*Martin Luther King Jr. Day		
9:30 a.m.	The Pines	
**Newsletter Items Due		
11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry	
	9:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m. 5:45 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 12:00 p.m. **Book of Rep 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. *Martin Luthe 9:30 a.m. **Newsletter	

28 9:30 a.m. The Pines 6:00 p.m. Security Taskforce Meeting **New Pastors Study Starting January 15th**





New Wed. Night Women's Study Beginning January 15th



A Note from our Associate Pastor

Church Family,

Happy New Year! It's a blessing to have a clean slate before us every time January 1st rolls around. Every New Year is a chance to reevaluate our lives, and make some necessary changes. Some of you might be thinking that you don't need to make any changes. Well...maybe; but more likely, we can all make some changes for the better! It's nothing to stress over, but it is something to pray over. Pray that the Lord shows you direction, peace, and wisdom this year. Pray that He will give you balance in your life to glorify Him. Let's just fill this year with prayer! Amen!

While you're reevaluating, consider "Who's Your One?". Who is one person that the Lord has placed in your life this year to share the Good News with? Who is one who doesn't know Jesus that the Lord keeps bringing to your mind? Pray about this, and look for an opportunity to share the wonderful change Christ has brought into your own life. When Philip was witnessing to the Ethiopian Eunuch, the Word says: "Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture (Is. 53:7-8) he told him the good news about Jesus" (Acts 8:35, ESV).

Thinking of you all this New Year, **Pastor Garrett** logosana@hotmail.com



We are in need of a Nursery Worker for Sunday morning during first service! Contact Taylor Lyons to Volunteer



One of our grandson, Kai's, favorite activities is special time with either me or Pam. It is a time where we can build a closer relationship with each other during a shared activity. He craves such moments, and will ask us daily for someone to play special time with him.

Our worship time should be similar. Whether alone or as a corporate body, we should be daily building our relationship with God through the various activities we use to worship Him, and it should be something that we crave to do.

The Book of Psalms is a good example of this. When you read through it, the psalmist is writing praise and prayer of the many situations that he is in the midst of; and while praising God is asking for His guidance to overcome the situation. As you read each psalm, you can hear the craving of the writer for that deep relationship with God, and the praise and gratitude that he has.

So, as you begin this new year, seek that special time with God as one of His children to experience that deep relationship we should have with Him.

See you in worship!

Jim Barnett, 8:30 am Music Minister Hamilton Street Baptist Church 802 W. Hamilton Street Kirksville, MO 63501 665-4633 www.hamiltonstreet.org **Steven Nelson - Pastor**

Garrett Trunk - Assoc. Pastor of Discipleship & Youth

Jim Barnett - 8:30 am Music Minister

Scott Lyons - 11:00 am Music Minister

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ADAIR COUNTY MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

January 25th

11:00 am - ???

There are no income guidelines. Recipients need to bring a photo ID, proof of Adair County residency & a container to take home the food. Hamilton Street Baptist Church 802 W. Hamilton St., Kirksville, MO

SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY:	8:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship
	9:45 a.m.	Small Groups
	11:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Worship

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING BEGINS 1/15

5:45 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 p.m.	Bible Studies