



HSBC Newsletter

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	1	6:00 PM	Food and Fellowship at La Fuente
	3	8:00 AM 11:00 AM	Men's Breakfast at Rosie's Women's Prayer Group followed by carry-in lunch & white elephant gift exchange
	4	3:30 PM	Christmas choir practice
	5	7:00 PM	Men's Monday Night Football - 2708 Weatherstone
	6	9:30 AM	The Pines Services
	7	5:45 PM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Supper Adult, Children, and Youth Studies, Prayer Group Nominating Committee Meeting
	8	6:00 PM	Food and Fellowship at La Fuente
	10	11:00 AM	Mobile Food Bank
	11	2:30 PM 3:30 PM	Manor Care Services Christmas Choir Practice
	13	9:30 AM	The Pines Services
	14	Last Wednesday night full programming for the year 5:45 PM 6:30 PM	Supper Adult, Children, and Youth Studies, Prayer Group
	15	6:00 PM	Food and Fellowship at La Fuente
	19	7:00 PM	Men's Monday Night Football - 2708 Weatherstone
	20	9:30 AM	The Pines Services
	21	6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Adult and Youth Studies, Prayer Group Youth Committee
	22	Newsletter articles due 6:00 PM	Food and Fellowship at La Fuente
	24	6:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service
	25	10:00 AM	Christmas Day service
	27	9:30 AM	The Pines Services
	28	6:30 PM	Bible Studies and Prayer Group
	29	6:00 PM	Food and Fellowship at La Fuente
	31	6:00 PM	New Year's Eve at Brown's - 19436 Tamarack Trl

Vital Statistics:

Year to Date (10.31.22)

Budgeted Offering: \$265,424.70

Received Offering: \$177,785.92

Budget Expenses: \$166,437.64

Average Attendance (11.2022)

8:30 AM: 62

Small Groups: 80

11:00 AM: 56

A Note from our Associate Pastor

Church Family,

Rejoice in the Lord! Join the “*multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ‘Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased’*” (Luke 2:13b-14, ESV). Jesus was born incarnate a virgin birth to reside among us, die as a sacrifice for our sin, and rise again! This is Christmas! Worship the baby born in a manger for you!

I pray that as our culture slips farther and farther away from the truth and the true meaning of Christmas, that there will be ‘*mas Christmas*’ in our hearts, families, lives, and communities! Be the voice and ‘reason for the season’ this year! Ask the Lord to help you worship Him for Who He really is in a way that pleases and honors Him. I hope it’s truly personal for you today, this year, and every day that God gives you to worship and glorify Him.

We are born to worship! Let us join in One Body in Spirit to live for His majesty.

Joyful,

Garrett Trunk



December Birthdays

- 1 - Remy Martin
- 6 - Renee Sweeney
- 7 - Raylee Brown
- 9 - Shirlene Lloyd
- 10 - Veryl Van Houtan
- 11 - Colton Van Houtan
- 12 - Amy Cox
- 12 - Barb Deierling
- 16 - Sheri Kennedy
- 20 - Neal Elliott
- 20 - Kiley Speaks
- 23 - Ron Hamilton
- 23 - Jeda Kerby
- 23 - Inara Martin
- 23 - Vera Willis
- 26 - Jennifer Trunk
- 29 - Doug Athon
- 30 - Willa Hucheson

Resound Report

The leadership team met with Brandon Moore on Sunday night, November 13, to move forward with Resound. We will use "One Body" as our vision statement. We will apply that to:

- Connect Up (to God)
- Connect In (with each other)
- Connect Out (to community and world outside of HSBC walls)

The plan is to focus on developing and presenting one area (Up, In, Out) at a time and develop an action plan for each area in roughly 3-month segments. There will be four teams (In, Out, Up and Communications) at work. Teams will report to the Church Council. The first emphasis will be Connect Up and plans (activities, promotions, engagement goals) will be made by the Connect Up team in January.

Thank you to everyone who participated in Operation Christmas Child this year! Your shoebox gifts, monetary donations, and prayers are greatly appreciated. As a church, we gave 144 boxes. Please continue to pray for the 144 children who will receive our boxes and will learn about Jesus and how much He loves them!

Small Group Update

The Christmas season is upon us! And the story of Christ's birth will work its way into many homes that have no thought of God the rest of the year. Please be alert to those who might have questions about why this birth is so important or what Jesus was about after the birth. And be prepared to respond! The season is also a time to reflect on how to deepen a personal relationship with God. As always, I'm recommending Small Group Bible study as a part of that reflection! It's a place to connect to like-minded people, to grow in an understanding of God's plans, and to find opportunities to serve in our church. If you need assistance in finding a Bible Study that fits, please feel free to let me know. May you have a blessed Christmas! Elsie Rudd, Sunday Morning Small Group Director 660-665-2777 erudd1970@gmail.com



Christmas Activities

There are several special things planned for the Christmas

season. Each week from November 27 through Christmas Day we will observe the Advent season with a devotion and lighting of the appropriate candle. If you are interested in helping with this contact Chad Tatro. The choir has been practicing for a Christmas special and will present it in both morning services on December 18.

We will have one combined service for Christmas Eve at 6:00 and one service only (no Small Groups/Sunday School) on Christmas Day at 10:00. Please plan to attend.

We will be sending out letters to all church members we have not seen at church recently. If you see someone around town that you know used to attend here be sure to invite them. Or better yet, make a point to call those you haven't seen here lately.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Lottie Moon was sent as a Southern Baptist missionary to China from 1873 to 1912. She saw firsthand the world's greatest problem — LOSTNESS.

Meeting so many people who had never heard the gospel compelled her to write letters to American churches describing the need for a greater missionary presence.

She pleaded for increased prayer and financial support to send and sustain more missionaries. This challenge became known as the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering®.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® is a registered trademark of Woman's Missionary Union.

Our church goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is \$1,500. There are envelopes in the back of the pews for you to use if you would like to contribute to International Missions.



Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee is grateful to the Lord for providing all our needs in 2022 and thankful to our HSBC members who have agreed to serve in 2023. You have been very gracious in "going the extra mile" and, at times, moving outside your comfort zones in order to do what you believe God has called you to do. We firmly believe that He has gifted a person to fill every place of service, every ministry that He calls our church to do; and we take seriously the opportunity to match your gifts to those areas of ministry.

To date, we have accounted for a little over half of our active members serving in at least one area of ministry. But also realize that we have some members who are filling multiple areas (1 person serving in as many as 11 areas) until we can spread the load of ministry out better among our members. We know we have weary servants; and we are also sure we still have people who are willing to serve but whom we have not yet contacted for the right place of service. If this is true for you, please contact any committee member to let us know what spiritual gifts you would like to have an opportunity to use. We will then take that information back to the committee and look for a time/place of service that matches that gift. Your current committee members are Doug Athon, Lana Brown, Linda Brown, and Leon Hutcheson.

Some of you have asked about the first meeting of the year. On January 18 each committee/ministry team will meet to choose your chairperson, review the job description the church has charged you with, and discuss/calendar your 2023 meetings. Be looking for more information on this; and thank you, ahead of time, for answering God's call to serve in the upcoming year.

Men's Ministry

Men's Breakfast. The men meet the first Saturday of the month at Rosie's, 2801 N. Baltimore, for breakfast at 8:00.

Monday night football is hosted by Chad Tatro at his home at 2708 Weatherstone Drive. Come for some fellowship and a short half-time devotion. Dates for this month include December 5 and December 19. The picture to the right shows a recent Monday night event.

Men's Bible study is on break until after the first of the year.

If you want to get to know some of your Christian brothers better, try out one of these opportunities.



Wednesday Night Programming

Wednesday night full programming will be on break from December 21 - January 11. Full programming will begin again on January 18. Meals for the first two weeks of December are:

December 7: ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, and bread

December 14: turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, and bread

Come join us!



Women's Ministry

The women will meet on December 3 from 11:00 - 12:00 at the church for prayer time. Following prayer time all women of the church please join us for our Women's Ministry Christmas Party. Put on your favorite Christmas sweater and join us for some fellowship and fun. Please bring a carry-in dish to share and a white elephant gift. (This can be a gently used item you don't use anymore, something new, or something funny!!) Please sign up in the foyer or contact Karen White. Pictures of November's lunch are to the right.

A Wednesday night women's study is being led by Karen White. This study is called Biblical Prescriptions for Life and meets at 6:30. No studies December 21 or 28.



Hamilton Street participated in Halloween Town in front of the high school and middle school on October 31. It was a beautiful evening and it is estimated there were 1300 children plus their families who attended. We handed out candy, water, and cards with the gospel message. We also invited many people to church. The pictures below show some of the activities.



The 3rd - 5th grade recently had a skating party followed by pizza. We were celebrating the children learning the books of the New Testament. Some new students joined us in August and everyone in the class has completed the New Testament and many are almost through with the Old Testament. Would you like them to test you and see how far you get? These pictures below show the skating event.



HSBC participated in the Kiwanis Christmas Parade on November 26. HSBC put together a float in a small amount of time with a few people. We handed out candy, glowsticks, and bookmarks with information about our church. The Resound Network has recommended that we become more involved in our community and this is just one of the attempts to do so. Please join in when the opportunities arise so we can become more visible and draw people to God. The float is shown below. The turnout to walk or ride in the parade was fantastic! Thank you all.

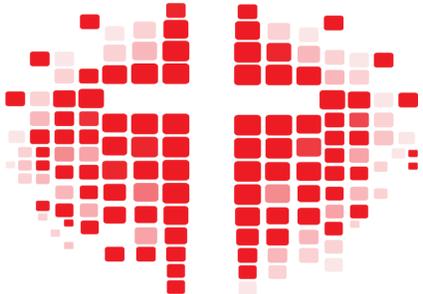


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SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES:
8:30 AM: Traditional Service
9:45 AM: Small Groups
11:00 AM: Contemporary
Service
or Join us on Livestream
[@hamiltonstreet.org](https://www.facebook.com/hamiltonstreet.org)



Honor God's Truth
Share the Gospel
Build Believers
Care for Others

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BY CONTACTING THE CHURCH OFFICE:
660-665-4633 OR HSBC@SBCGLOBAL.NET**

ADAIR COUNTY MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION DECEMBER 10 11:00 am - ???

There are no income guidelines. Recipients need to bring a photo ID, proof of Adair County residency, and containers to take home the food.

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