

HSBC Newsletter

May 2023

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Vital Statistics: (03.31.23) Budgeted Offering: \$62,761.05	25	6:00 PM	Food and Fellowship at La Fuente
Received Offering: \$55,360.17	30	9:30 AM	The Pines Services
Budget Expenses: \$49,199.68	31	6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Adult Bible classes, Prayer & Youth group Audit and Personnel Committee Meetings

Average Attendance (04.2023)

Small Groups: 10:15 AM Worship: Wednesday night:

Sunday Service times from now through the end of the

summer will be:

9:00 AM Sunday School/Small Groups 10:15 AM Combined Worship Service

This is a good time to invite friends as we begin a new chapter with our interim pastor, Dr. Jonathan Hayashi.



Want to help mothers in need? The Women's Ministry Committee is helping Students for Life on Truman campus with a baby item drive. The box will be in the foyer until May 8 to deposit items. They are looking for diapers, bottles, pacifiers, onesies, sleepers, socks, hygiene products, picture frames, and care items.





A note from our interim pastor Dr. Jonathan Hayashi

Why Living Out Your Mission Matters

When I initially show up at a church I often ask, "So, why does this church exist? What is the mission?" I could ask 10 people and get 12 different answers. I soon realized that everyone was doing what was right in their own eyes.

One of the few I have used in an application for the church is the revitalization of determining the discipleship pathway. What so often matters most in the church is what comes out as the strongest indicator where they emphasize the pathway. What are we about? Why do we do what we do? What is the mission of the church? What is God's purpose for our church? How are we going to get to the other side of the finish line?

The Scripture speaks of this importance in the book of Proverbs as well, "Where there is no vision, the people perish" (Proverbs 29:18).

We need not a "fuzzy understanding" of our mission, values, strategy, and vision, but a hyper-focus on fundamentals of biblical foundation, such a time as this. People do not change in "fuzzy lands" but God in His providence grants direction and clarity in leadership.

As Aubrey Malphurs said it well, "You will never do ministry that really matters until you clearly articulate what matters."

I am convinced more than ever, fundamentals matter, and fundamental beliefs can be forgotten, as the basics are not "cool" or "edgy."

As we begin this process, the aim is to help the church walk through this process with helps in three areas.

- (1) helps you critique your current ministries,
- (2) helps you to develop your disciple-making process,
- (3) helps your people to understand your disciple-making strategy/process.

The goal of this church growth tool is to identify and align markers of maturity along a set of steps (pathway).

Recent Baptisms

Pictured are Allison Brown and Bonheur Bueso who were both baptized on April 16, 2023. They will become official members of HSBC at the next business meeting. Both had previously made decisions for Christ and have been working through discipleship materials provided by Pastor Garrett.



HAPPY

May Birthdays

- 7 Kathy Brown
- 7 Bonheur Bueso
- 9 Charles Porter
- 10 Heather Phan
- 10 Alfreda James
- 10 Jenna Thompson
- 11 Joe Seay
- 14 Andrew Phan
- 14 Mary Jo Walters
- 19 Ava Walker
- 19 Max Walker
- 21 Anna McCollum
- 21 Noah Walker
- 23 Randy Cox
- 23 Ace Johnston
- 23 Julie Sneddon
- 28 Craig Crouse
- 28 Heather McCollum
- 30 Rosa Banner

Children's Workers for May

Children's Church

May 7 - Steve & Julene Thornhill

May 14 - Renee & Alicia Sweeney

May 21 - Jen Trunk & Chelsea Phan

May 28 - Debbie Athon & Alicia Sweeney Nursery

Jessica & Lily Martin, Jamie Edmondson

Lindsey Fraser & Kendrick

Hartman

Lily Martin & Jamie

Edmondson

Glenda Baggs & Elaine Brown



BSU Update...maybe there is more to Jesus...

Spring is here and it has been exciting watching God changing lives and drawing peoplecloser to Him! We've watched our students take on a huge heart for welcoming others



by reaching out and creating activities and moments together to help people consider

the idea that maybe there's more to Jesus than they thought.

Some activities have included: watching Hindi movies together, making tea and snacks together, walks at the lake, starting a men's Bible study and cooking food together, and an all night lock-in. There have also been real conversations with friends who are noticing something different about them, and a wonderful spring break trip!

We have at least two students who have come alive in their faith personally for the first time - they are planning to be baptized before the semester ends. We have a student from Bangladesh (who was able to go on our spring break trip because of so many who helped sponsor him) who is now meeting regularly to talk about Jesus. He began asking questions on the trip and is now engaging in conversations, consistently asking real questions. He is exploring the idea of why Jesus is so different from every other belief system. Our students are reaching out and inviting so many students who went on the spring break trip to help people connect to the community.

God is doing so much and giving opportunities because of His mercy and because so many are investing in the students here.

We love that we get to be missionaries here to so many who have no Jesus! We are so grateful to be a part of His mission...in spite of the mess we are!

BSU



The BSU held a Trivia Night on April 21 as a fundraiser. HSBC had a team (Lana's team) entered. Our own Kevin Martin was the Master of Ceremonies. Questions came from categories which included Movie Quotes, Song Lyrics, Presidential Facts, and the Bible. Do you know three of the five shortest books (by word count) of the Bible? Ethan Tatro did. Pictured are the champions testing their "medals" for authenticity.

VBS dates have been set . Mark your calendars for July 23 - July 27 from 5:30 - 8:15 PM each night. This is one of the biggest evangelistic opportunities we have in our church. Please sign up in the foyer to help with this program which brings children and families into our church who might not otherwise attend. Let's introduce them to the love of Jesus and the people here at HSBC.



Church Directory

Hopefully you had your picture taken for the church directory. I will be working on putting these together soon. If you did not fill out a sheet to update your contact information, please get in touch with the office to do so. If you have a picture you would like to submit let the office know that as well.





Thanks to everyone who gave to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) for North American missions. Our church goal was \$2,500 and we were able to surpass that with a total of \$2,653. This offering will be used to reach 371 million people who live in North America. It is estimated that 281 million of these are lost. 2,400 missionary families are supported by this offering as well.

HSBC Technology Silent Auction

There will be a silent auction in the multipurpose room through May 14 at noon. Old equipment is available for bidding. Minimum bid for each item is \$1. All bids must be whole dollar increments only. Come find treasures you want to take home! All proceeds go to the HSBC Technology designated fund.



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. "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." Galatians 6:9-10 We are seeking to address the needs of those within God's church at Hamilton Street Baptist Church as they are revealed to us. If you are in need, let us know. The men recently helped

with a swing set project for a daycare center and a raised garden



bed. Committee members include: Larry Sweeney (chair), Kenny Bandy, Dana Brown, and Steve Thornhill.

Women's Ministry

Women's prayer group normally meets the first Saturday of the month at 11:00 at the church but is cancelled for May.

Women's Bible study has finished for the summer and will return in the Fall.

Coming soon a free yard sale - details

to follow. If
you have ideas
for projects
contact one of
the committee
members:



Karen White, chair,
Lindsey Fraser, Shirlene Lloyd,
Julene Thornhill, Jen Trunk

Youth Group
Youth Group will meet this month on
May 3, 17, and 31.

Resound Report

The Resound Team continues to move forward. We have completed the assessment phase and are in the implementation phase. Our new interim pastor, Dr. Jonathan Hayashi, is trained in the Resound process so he will be able to give us guidance.

Part of the process is to evaluate whether we continue with one worship service or revert back to two. Church Council discussed this at their last meeting. There has been a lot of positive feedback from having one service. Some comments included: the services are full and vibrant, there is a lot of energy, and it has given us a chance to meet people from other services. It is also easier for those in leadership to just attend one service instead of two. Some people have expressed their personal preference would be to have two services but they see it is better for the church to be combined. The conclusion was, we will continue with the current format through the end of summer and re-evaluate at that point. It will also be good to get input from our interim pastor and eventually our new senior pastor. If you wish to express your thoughts, please speak to a Deacon or Church Council member. Hopefully, soon we will fill the sanctuary and it will be necessary to go to two services.

Small Group Report

So has your year been flying by as quickly as mine has? What happened to March and April?

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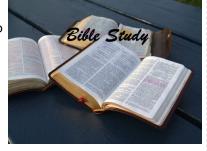
My remodeling projects for "before the weather gets warm" are still largely unfinished. I guess the day-to-day things kept my attention from the more significant things that I hoped to accomplish.

I believe that can happen in our spiritual walk as well. There are tons of daily duties, responsibilities, and activities in our lives. But those can pull time and attention away from the more important things…like time to be in the Word, time to reflect on where we are on our spiritual journey, time for ministry, time just to listen to God.

Small Group Bible study encourages people to be grounded in the word, to minister, to be supported, to reach others, and to grow to be more like Christ. If you are ready to look at where you want to be in the long term, at things that will last forever, I can find a group to help you in that endeavor!

If you'd like to be in on the "ground floor" of a group, the new Spirit Movers Small Group starts May 7. It's designed for people 30+. Let me know if you're interested!

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The Missions Committee sponsored an Easter Egg Hunt on April 1. The weather did not cooperate and the turnout was small. Since we had lots of eggs left we distributed them to some in our neighborhood and to foster families in the area. Here are some pictures

of children who received the eggs from the Easter bunny (Lily Martin).









Easter sunrise services were held at 7:30 on Easter morning. There was a good turnout.



Easter breakfast followed the sunrise service at 8:15. Lots of fellowship was enjoyed.







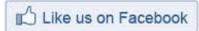






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SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES:

9:00 AM: Small Groups 10:15 AM: Combined

Worship

or Join us on Livestream @hamiltonstreet.org



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ADAIR COUNTY MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION MAY 13 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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