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Easter

worship & praise

Join us on Easter Sunday, April 24th at
Harrisburg Baptist Church for an exciting
time of Worship at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

RESURRECTION CELEBRATION

FOREVER
PRAISE **III**

EASTER SUNDAY @ 6:00 pm

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The Pastor Writes

by Dr. Forrest Sheffield, Senior Pastor



As we enter the spring months, we Southern Baptists turn our attention to the Annie Armstrong Easter offering for North American Missions. It is estimated that there are approximately 255 million lost people in the United States and Canada. According to Census Bureau Statistics, the United States and Canada have a population of approximately 334 million people. That is 76% of the population that are without Christ. These are more than just numbers. They are our neighbors. They work with you and go to school with your children.

The 2011 North American Mission offering goal for the Annie Armstrong Easter offering is \$70 million, and the theme emphasis is "Start Here." This offering goal is very challenging in these difficult economic times. Getting started can be quite a challenge too. It's easy to be overwhelmed with the need, or disillusioned about our ability to participate in missions.

Our church goal for the Annie Armstrong Easter offering is \$20,000 this year. We are

on our way to reaching it, but every member of Harrisburg Baptist Church needs to be a part in reaching this goal set by our WMU. You can give throughout the entire month of April and our hope is to reach our goal by the last Sunday in April, Easter Sunday, April 24.

Reaching North America with the gospel is more crucial now than ever before. I believe Annie Armstrong would agree. She was a determined, organized, focused, and resourceful person. Annie was a pioneer in her day. In 1895, she led Southern Baptist women to pray for and give a special offering for North American missions. That offering continues in Southern Baptist churches today. The offering was officially named for her in 1934.

Annie Armstrong's motto was, "Go Forward!" Can you step into Annie's shoes as a faithful servant doing your part to reach North America for Christ? Together we can go forward into the future reaching our own nation. What can you do? As always, prayer is the most important element of any spiritual campaign. As we pray expectantly, our next step is to obey the leading of the Holy Spirit. Ask God to let you see the lostness around you. Open your heart to the people right here in Tupelo who have no shepherd and are without Christ. Then we can all give from our financial resources to enable others to go and ultimately others to hear about Jesus Christ.

We had a wonderful group of youth and adults led by our Minister to Students, Glenn Ross, who spent their Spring Break in Bayou Dularge on mission. They worked with one of our adopted churches pastored by Jerry Moser. The mission team consisted of some thirty people, mostly HBC members, and was very successful in accomplishing several needs the church had. Jerry and Cindy are loved very much by Harrisburg Baptist Church. Their ministry in south Louisiana is to be commended. Cindy's health has not been good in recent years and months. Please continue to be in prayer for this faithful couple of Christian servants.

Our 21st semester of FAITH continues to be a blessing. We have several new members attending. Contacts are being made weekly for Christ. We have had several new members to join recently who have been impacted by FAITH visits. This ministry is essential for our continued growth.

Patsy and I will host a Pizza With the Pastor on April 10, for all of our new church members (adults) who have joined since October 1, 2010 (if you have not attended already). We thoroughly enjoy having these folks in our home and getting to know them better. We thank the Lord for all of the new members He continues to bring us.

By the way, did you know that we will have been in our new facility a full ten years this coming June? My, how time flies!

In Christ,
Brother Forrest



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Conference**
July 29th and 30th
at Harrisburg

Come and learn about
the various trends in ministry
at this conference.

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JUNE 9TH, 10TH, AND 11TH

**SIGN-UP FOR PROJECTS
BEGINS IN MAY!**

April

Wednesday Evenings begin at 4:45 p.m. with a Family Fellowship Supper in the Fellowship Hall. A delicious meal is served (with separate children's meal) for only \$3.00 for adults and \$1.75 for kids, with a \$10.00 family maximum. Come enjoy the food and the fellowship prior to the various activities that begin at 6:00 p.m. **April 6th:** Pork Chops, Scaloped Potatoes, Lima Beans, Rolls, Salad and Dessert. Children: Hot-dogs and Chips. **April 13th:** Chicken Salad, Potato Salad, Fruit Salad, Crackers and Dessert. Children: Pizza Sticks and Chips. **April 20th:** Turkey and Dressing, Sweet Potatoes, English Peas, Cranberry Sauce, and Cake. Children: Chicken Nuggets and French Fries. **April 27th:** Lasagna, Broccoli Spears, Corn on the Cob, Garlic Bread, Tossed Salad and Dessert. Children: Corn Dog Nuggets and Chips.

WEEKLY

AT A GLANCE

SUNDAYS

April 03
Traditional Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Children's Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 4:00 p.m.
Classic Worship 5:00 p.m.
Awaken Service 5:30 p.m.

April 10
Traditional Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Children's Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 4:00 p.m.
Classic Worship 5:00 p.m.
Awaken Service 5:30 p.m.

April 17
Traditional Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Zamar Student Choir 4:00 p.m.
Bible Drill Recognition 5:00 p.m.
Awaken Service 5:30 p.m.
Deacon's Meeting 6:00 p.m.

April 24 - Easter
Traditional Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Forever Praise 6:00 p.m.

MONDAYS

Mother's Day Out 8:30 a.m.
Men's Ministry Luncheon April 11th, 11:30 a.m.
Merry Makers Fish Fry April 25th, 6:00 a.m.
Singles' Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
Scouting 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAYS

Morning Stretch 9:00 a.m.
WMU 11:15 a.m. (1st and 3rd only)
Children's Handbells 4:00 p.m.
Youth Handbells 5:00 p.m.
FAITH 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Evening Meal 4:45 p.m.
Library Open 5:00 p.m.
Music and Missions 5:45 p.m.
Mid-Week Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Bible Studies 6:00 p.m.
Student Revolution 6:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.
Home School Recess, April 6th, 12:00 noon

THURSDAYS

Mother's Day Out 8:30 a.m.
Morning Stretch 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School

Attendance

February 20 | 1110
 February 27 | 1018
 March 06 | 1226
 March 13 | 1249
 March 20 | 1067

Extended Teaching Care: **April 3rd 8:10 a.m.:** Matt & Christy Oswalt, Pam & Harrison Hurst, Clint & Christy Jordan, Dan & Jodi McCrimon **10:40 a.m.:** John & Samantha Logan, Keith & Traci Hazel, Dave & DeAnna Russell, Scott Williamson, Sandra Williamson **April 10th 8:10 a.m.:** Barbara Briscoe, DeAnna Woods, Brent & Arian Waldrop, Steve & Lisa Hensley, Scott & Teresa Cochran **10:40 a.m.:** Denise Roebuck, Audrey Anna Roebuck, Chris & Stacey Coln, Adam & Anastasia Tullos, Phil & Cindy Walsh **April 17th 8:10 a.m.:** Selena Davis, Nicole Hazel, Kenny & Ashley Goralczyk, Michael & Amy Green, John & Jennifer Freer **10:40 a.m.:** Melanie Brinkley, Cireese May, Jay & Jessica Hawkins, Nelda Hartley, Stephanie Turner, Jeff & Lauren Fox **April 24th 8:10 a.m.:** Lauren Patterson, Dot Thompson, Stephen & Christy Flynn, Roseanne McPherson, Ann Parker, James & Katie Moore **10:40 a.m.:** Cherry Tutor, Leah Partlow, Ryan & Patti Hammack, Cheryle Langford, Katrina Patty, Chad & Holly Cook

Welcome Center Greeters: **April 3rd** Front: Blue and Sue Logan, Back: Charlie and Jane Greer | **April 10th** Front: Patsy Wilson, Back: Terry and Tina Spencer | **April 17th** Front: Phil and Debbie Swords, Back: Dick and Nancy Stevens | **April 24th** Front: Sue Abernethy, Back: James and Katie Moore.

Weekly Budget Requirement 2011	\$57,692.31
February 20	\$43,233.09
February 27	\$84,661.82
March 06	\$69,196.03
March 13	\$55,681.28
March 20	\$40,509.69
Required to Date	\$691,848.41
Received to Date	\$691,828.00
2011 Received	\$80,235.66
2010 Note Balance	\$1,759,259.17

Monthly Giving

STAFF ON CALL | In the event of an emergency, the minister on call can be reached at 891-7914.
 The ministers for the following weekends are:
 April 02-03: David Langerfeld, April 09-10: Aaron Tomes, April 16-17: Tim Alexander,
 and April 23-24: David Smith.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Our preschool ministry strives to provide a safe, happy, Christian learning environment that meets the need of every preschooler in every program we offer. We believe the first five years of life are unparalleled in importance in building character, love, and a positive response to Christ and the church. We want time spent at church to be happy, well directed, and profitable. Our goal is to partner with parents to help preschoolers become all that God created them to be!



Join us for
Mother's Day Out

Mondays and Thursdays
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Call 321-9852
to enroll!

Mother's Day Out welcomes HBC members and non-members! Please call Stephanie Turner at 662-321-9852 to enroll or for more information. Summer registration starts soon!

**BIG APPLE ADVENTURE
VBS 2011, JUNE 13TH - 17TH
FOR CHILDREN BORN BEFORE
SEPTEMBER 1, 2007**



Kids' registration for VBS will begin Sunday, May 1st. Adult volunteers, please sign up at the VBS table in the preschool area. We'd love to have your help! Training for all VBS leaders will be April 28th at First Baptist Tupelo, at 6:30 p.m. Then Monday, May 23rd, 6 - 7:30 p.m., we will have training for our preschool VBS leaders in the recreation lounge. A snack supper will be provided!

EXTENDED SESSION is for little ones up through 3-year-old Sunday School age. Older preschoolers are encouraged to attend children's worship, in the gym. Parents are welcome to attend Children's Worship with their children. If you would like to volunteer to serve in Extended Session during our 8:30 or 11 a.m. services, contact Patti Robey, 823-7124.

CHECKPOINT AUTOMATED CHECK-IN FOR PRESCHOOLERS

The security and safety of preschoolers at Harrisburg is vitally important! Parents are now checking preschoolers in on Sunday mornings for Sunday School, Children's Worship and Extended Session at the easy-to-use touch monitors in the preschool hall. This records them "present." Then, the security badges enable teachers to release preschoolers with confidence to the appropriate person.



Friday, April 8th, 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. \$15.00 per family. Both members and non-members are welcome! This will be our "Easter Edition".

We will have games, snacks, crafts and special treats for the children. Let your children join us for a fun filled night as we celebrate the true meaning of Easter. Please sign up by 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5th. Call Stephanie Turner at 662-321-9852 for more information.

For Pre-kindergartners through 4th graders. Saturday, April 16th, 10 - 11 a.m., in the gym. We'll have crafts, games, snacks and an Easter egg hunt. Children need to bring an Easter basket. Why do we have an egg hunt? Because the women hunted for Jesus' body after He had been placed in the tomb. As children hunt Easter eggs, we should remember that Jesus' body was not found, because He was and is alive!





CHILDREN'S NEWS

ASSOCIATIONAL VBS CLINIC

April 28th; 6:00 p.m. FBC Tupelo
 VBS Workers, be sure to make plans to attend this helpful training session! 1st - 6th grade volunteers, contact Stephanie Baughn to register by Sunday, April 24th for this training.



VBS VOLUNTEERS

Adult and youth volunteers can sign up to help with VBS, June 13th - 17th. Sign-up tables are located in the preschool and children's hallways.

"The Bridge" will not meet in April. Please check the next Herald for more information about a special meeting in May.



Children's Worship Schedule

- April 03 - Children's Worship
- April 10 - Last Winter Session Children's Worship

Children's Worship is a unique worship experience designed with kids in mind. It is offered to 4 year olds - 5th graders. 4 year olds must be old enough to be enrolled in 4 year old Sunday School.

CHILDRENS MUSIC MINISTRY HARRISBURG

2011 Young Musicians' Camp
 Blue Mountain College, July 18th - 21st
 for Children grades 4th - 6th

Please pick up a registration form in the Music offices or call Emily Hubbert at 662-823-7105 for more information.

Cost is \$140.00 and is due by July 1st
There's a place for you!

HANDBELL MINISTRY HARRISBURG



Youth Handbells
 April 8th - 9th - Mississippi Baptist State Handbell Festival

Children's Handbells
 May 25th - Ring for Prayer Meeting

There's a place for you!

DID YOU KNOW?

The nation of Japan is categorized by the International Mission Board as an "Unreached People Group". Statistics show that less than one-half of one percent of the population express a relationship with Jesus Christ.

With the recent upheavals in their nation, the people of Japan need answers. Spiritual answers. What can God do that Buddha and the Shintu faith cannot? Does God really "love the nations of the earth"?

Even now, many Japanese are making their way to Tupelo. Our opportunities for sharing the gospel with them grow stronger. Pray for the nation of Japan. Pray for the physical restoration and need of their country. Most importantly, pray that Harrisburg will be faithful in ministering to the Japanese in every way possible.



STUDENT NEWS

HARRISBURG 2011 BACCALAUREATE SCHEDULE

~Please Bring 6 pictures to Stephanie at HBC no later than Sunday, April 17th. We need a wallet size senior portrait and 6 others at different ages.

~The baccalaureate practice and steak dinner will be Monday, May 9th at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

~Senior Share Night is set for Wednesday, May 11th, at 6:00 p.m. in the student department.

~Light Sunday Brunch will be provided for the graduate, parents, grandparents, and siblings on Sunday, May 15th at 9:30 a.m. in the gym. Please let us know at the baccalaureate practice how many will join you.

~The baccalaureate service is Sunday, May 15th at 11:00 a.m. Don't forget to bring your cap and gown!

TO SIGN UP ... GO TO THE WEBSITE AT WWW.HARRISBURGONLINE.ORG/STUDENTMINISTRY.



Please be in prayer as we prepare to be God's hands and feet in Ecuador this May 26th – June 3rd.



MISSION BREAKFAST: APRIL 10

On Sunday, April 10, Harrisburg's Zamar Student Choir will host a mission breakfast for our entire church! The breakfast is free, and for everyone. Voluntary donations will be accepted, and applied to our upcoming mission trip this summer. The choir will be working with the Japanese congregation at Olivet Baptist Church in Oahu, Hawaii. Zamar will minister with Japanese young people, who will in turn join us in our mission effort in 2012 to Toyko, Japan. Please pray for us as we prepare for two years of ministry with our Japanese friends, and prayerfully consider a generous donation on April 10 to help us on our way.

CHECK OUR NEW WEBSITE: WWW.ZAMARCHOIR.ORG

RECREATION / SENIOR ADULT NEWS

MERRYMAKER FISH FRY

Monday, April 25th at 6:00 p.m. Cost \$3.50. This will be our monthly meeting. Please call 662-823-7135 or 662-7115 to make your reservation by Monday, April 18th.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Would you like to help make a monthly "happy" that could be given to our homebound? We will share these happies with our homebound each month. Contact Andi Nolan at 662-823-7135 if you are interested.

MORNING STRETCH

What a wonderful feeling to wake up, stretch, and thank God for a new day! Join others each Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. for a time of stretching and thanksgiving. No cost and tremendous benefits.

SENIOR ADULT COMMITTEE MEETING

The Senior Adult Committee is always looking for input and support. The next Senior Adult Committee Meeting will be Sunday, April 4th, 4:00 p.m. Nellie Witt, Chairman.

WILDFLOWER HIKE AND PRESENTATION: New Albany; Monday, April 18th. Cost \$12.00 which includes buffet lunch at Aderholt's.

MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME: June 24th - 26th; Shaker Village, Trustees Office Dining, Stephen Foster Story Play, Old Kentucky Home State Park, Charter Bus, two nights lodging.

PENN DUTCH COUNTRY AND HERSHEY, PA: October 17th - 22nd. You will just have to pick up Brochure to see all the attractions!

RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, April 6th at 7:15 p.m. Do you have any suggestions? If so, contact Terry Goggins, chairman. Current committee members are: John Simmons, Kenneth Greer, Mary Beth Cantrell, Carla Brooks, Dawn Hudgins, Summer Blinson, Crystal Wilson, and Paul Thompson.

DISC GOLF

Our church has an 11 hole disc golf course here on our property. Come and get hands on orientation on how to play this game. This is a great family activity or something that can be challenging by yourself. Sunday, April 10th, 2:00 p.m. in back parking lot. Call 823-7115 so that we will know how many to prepare for.

RECREATION HOURS

The fitness room is open Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., closed Wednesdays 5:45 - 7:15 p.m. for midweek activities. Specific age requirements and authorization can be obtained by contacting the Recreation Office at 823-7135.

FITNESS ROOM AUTHORIZATION

Sunday, April 10th, 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday, April 20th, 5:30 p.m. We will meet in the Rec Lobby.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Our church is blessed to have three large inflatables and three smaller inflatables. We would love for members to take advantage of these great opportunities. Please contact Andi Nolan at 662-823-7135 about schedule times and additional information. Most people will reserve dates a couple of months in advance!

HBC Women's Ministry

TASTE OF Spring

Thursday, April 28th
6:30 p.m.
in Fellowship Hall
Tickets: \$5.00



At Harrisburg, we biblically train and equip men to be spiritual leaders in their homes, in the church, and in their places of business. The Men's Ministry develops men in Christian living to make a positive impact for this generation and those to come. Please join us for our next **Men's Ministry Luncheon** on April 11th at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker is Glenn Ross, Student Minister, Harrisburg Baptist Church.



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Change a Life. Change the World is more than a catchy tagline—it's what happens through WMU® around the world every day. We meet twice monthly on the first and third Tuesday of each Month. Please join us Tuesday, April 19th at 11:15 a.m. for our monthly book review. We will be reviewing *Girl Soldier: Hope for Uganda's Children, Why It Matters and What You Can Do!*



What's Happening at Harrisburg

Mr. Carey Carnathan and Ms. Dottie Wilson request your presence at their marriage on April 16, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at Harrisburg Baptist Church. Reception to follow.

Would you like to receive a devotion in your e-mail inbox each weekday to encourage you as you live the Christian life? David Langerfeld sends out a devotional thought each weekday that is free to anyone who requests it. To receive the **Daily Encourager**, send a request to dlangerfeld@harrisburgonline.org.

New Arrivals

Margaret Ann "Maggie"

Farmer

born March 17, 2011
to Chase and Shelley

Farmer

8lbs., 5oz.

Catherine Hester Wise

born March 20, 2011
to Reagan and Leigh Ann

Wise

7lbs., 8oz.

Oliver Orlando Duncan

born March 10, 2011
to Waverley and Melody

Duncan

7lbs., 6 oz.

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NEW MEMBERS

JOINING BY LETTER:

Robin Hill, 02-20-11
Roger Hussey, 02-20-11
Loraine Armstrong, 02-27-11
Clarence Harmon, 03-13-11
Arletha Harmon, 03-13-11
Matt Lindsey, 03-20-11
April Lindsey, 03-20-11
Olivia Pottebaum, 03-20-11

JOINING BY BAPTISM:

Fernando Mejias, 02-20-11
Blake Robinson, 02-20-11
Cassie Hill, 03-13-11
Debbie Yarber, 03-13-11

JOINING BY STATEMENT:

Susan Webb, 03-13-11

PROFESSION OF FAITH:

Elizabeth Wilson, 03-13-11
Katelynn Barefoot, 03-20-11
Chris Boyette, 03-20-11
Gracie Hand, 03-20-11
Allison Webb, 03-20-11

REDEDICATION:

Beverly Benica, 03-20-11
Chad Cooper, 03-20-11
David Hurst, 03-20-11
Jon-Michael McNab, 03-20-11
Rachel Prust, 03-20-11

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