



CALENDAR

March 2	AWANA	6:15PM
	Youth	6:45PM
	OASIS	6:45PM
	Praise Team Practice	8:00PM
March 6	Sunday School	9:45AM
	Morning Worship	11:00AM
	Church Luncheon	12:15PM
March 7	Women's Sewing Ministry	7:00PM
March 9	AWANA	6:15PM
	Youth	6:45PM
	OASIS	6:45PM
March 11-12		
	Youth Lock-In	7:00PM-7:00AM
March 13	Sunday School	9:45AM
	Morning Worship	11:00AM
March 16	AWANA	6:15PM
	Youth	6:45PM
	OASIS	6:45PM
March 19	AWANA Musical Practice	10:00AM
March 20	Sunday School	9:45AM
	Morning Worship	11:00AM
	AWANA singing in Service	
	Church Luncheon	12:15PM
March 23	AWANA	6:15PM
	Youth	6:45PM
	OASIS	6:45PM
March 26	Junior Master's	
	Golf Tournament	10:00AM
March 27	Sunday School	9:45AM
	Morning Worship	11:00AM
March 30	AWANA	6:15PM
	Youth	6:45PM
	OASIS	6:45PM



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Minister of Music and Media
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Happy Anniversary



03-02 Andre & Gayle Miller
03-12 Randall & Rosie Cook

* Please call the Church Office if your anniversary is not listed.

Happy Birthday

03-01	Tripp Lonergan	03-20	Gayle Miller
03-03	Wesley Williams	03-22	Renee Dean
03-06	Elijah Rodriguez	03-22	Kathy Arrowood
03-06	Joelle Jeffers	03-22	Kate Ellis
03-07	Sheri Murphy	03-22	Jennifer Grimes
03-09	Nick Hawkinberry	03-23	Adam Nelson
03-10	Don Ray	03-25	Zach Piorkowski
03-15	Wade McClellan	03-28	Randy Lewis
03-15	Miguel Rodriguez	03-28	Joy McKettrick
03-18	Vann Bennett	03-29	Wayne Allen
03-19	Jessie Arnold	03-30	Clay Smith
03-20	Brandi Lewis		

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Deacon of the Month

Brett Rogers
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FINANCIALS

as of February 21, 2022

Actual Expenses YTD \$ 54,205
Actual Received YTD \$ 57,424

CONNECTIONS

March 2022

• HAPPY •

March

THE PASTOR'S DESK

Our Vision:

To glorify God
through loving
Him and serving
others

Our Mission Statement:

A Faith Family
helping to make
and develop
mature disciples
of Jesus Christ

What requests do you take to God in prayer? If you're like me, you often pray for yourself, your spouse and your children. You probably pray for those who are sick and those who are going through seasons of trial. But do you pray for your neighbor who just moved in down the street? Are you praying regularly for our church and her mission in Harlem and beyond? Are you praying for Christians living in other countries? I suspect that many spend a great deal of time praying for the people and situations that affect us directly. But, when it comes to praying for things that don't affect us directly we tend to be less consistent.

Over the past several months I have been a bit convicted about how infrequently I pray for things that don't directly affect me. But Paul calls his readers in 1 Thessalonians to "pray without ceasing." If we are striving to be in a constant state of prayer, I would propose that we need to extend our prayer lists. There is so much more than our own family and friends to be praying for. So, in this spirit I want to suggest for you a few requests to add to your prayer list.

Pray that the people of Harlem Baptist have an increased desire to participate in the mission that we have been called to carry out. Pray that we are united in our efforts to love God, love people, and make disciples in our community. Pray for increased vision and mission for this local church.

Pray for our ministry partners: Garden City Rescue Mission, iCare Ministries, the Baldrige Family.

Pray for Christians around the world who are facing persecution.

Pray for the country of Ukraine.

Pray for the unchurched living around you.

Pray for the Christian community in Harlem. Pray that we live bold lives that reflect Christ in all that we do so that we can grow God's Kingdom in our community.

Now, these suggestions are just a starting point. There are a multitude of requests that we can take to the Lord in prayer. But, if you're struggling to know what and how to pray I would encourage you to simply ask the Spirit to guide you in your prayers. I believe the Spirit will reveal to you what and how you should be praying.

Let's strive to be a church that is intentional to pray not only for our family and friends but also for that which is not always in view. When we broaden our prayerful perspectives we begin to get glimpses of the Global body of Christ. What a beautiful picture that is!

*Press on!
Carson*

Church News

B.L.A.S.T 

Will meet each Sunday
at 11:00AM

YOUTH
MINISTRY

WEDNESDAYS
AT 6:45PM



SAVE THE DATE!

VBS will be every
Wednesday in June

VBS-DECORATION ITEMS NEEDED!

We are in need of VERY large boxes (large T.V.'s, refrigerator, stoves, etc.) over the new few months, please contact Rebekah Dickerson at 706-888-9688 to see if we might can use it for VBS.

Thank You!



March is racing towards so quickly, isn't it? It feels like just yesterday it was Christmas! Where does the beginning of the year go?

We are working hard here in music ministry to prepare for Easter (Sunday, April 17th) and the children's musical, Kidz Under Construction, that will be held on Sunday, May 1st @ 6pm in our Family Life Center. Please be praying for our choir, praise teams, band, and Awana Choir as we practice each week in order to help lead in worship here at Harlem Baptist Church! Do you use a computer every day? Can you film a TikTok or are you a master at PowerPoint (for those of us over 30!)? Then you would be a great fit for our Media Team! We are currently seeking more people to serve running our sound board, camera, and computer/live stream each Sunday morning. It is EASIER THAN YOU THINK! And we will train you! Please reach out to me if you would be interested... even if all you can give is one Sunday morning a month, that is still a HUGE help!

I am so ready for this Easter season of worship! See you Sunday!

-Rebekah

HBC LUNCHEON



March 6
Mexican Buffett

March 20
Pot Roast and Fixings

Women's Ministry:

Have you ever been the recipient of a kind word or deed? That happened to me this morning. I had been to Kroger to pick up my groceries and decided I would go by McDonalds and get a biscuit. I went through the drive through, had my money ready and when I arrived at the window to pay; the girl said "the car in front of you paid for your meal". I looked at the car and didn't recognize who car that might be and started trying to figure it out and then I just decided to say "thank you Lord for this person and this act of kindness show towards me today." You know when someone does something like that for you; it makes you want to do an act of kindness for someone else. It reminds me of that song we use to sing at Youth Camp: "Pass It On" It only takes a spark to get a fire going...

Speaking of kindness; our sewing group's latest project was little bags for the moms in the neonatal unit. These bags were filled with lotions, gum, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, etc. Things that might be useful. The bags are taken home with mothers who are going home with their babies and mothers who will go home alone. (We sometimes take for granted that all the women don't go home with their babies)

Examples of kindness: Do you know someone you could share some act of kindness with today?

"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you." Ephesians 4:32

Spring will soon be here!!
Blessings,
Kathy

Women's Event

Michael W. Smith

A NIGHT AT THE PIANO

APRIL 28, 2022

WEST ACRES BAPTIST CHURCH



I do NOT want to call this a New Year's Resolution, but I have been very focused on shaping some of my behavioral routines and tendencies early in the year 2022. These broad-scale changes have only yielded small margins of benefit thus far, but the one place I have made the most progress is in the spiritual discipline of reading. It is important to note that reading of any kind is not necessarily a spiritual discipline. If you are, for instance, reading "Harry Potter" or "Hop on Pop", that's not really an important tenet of the Christian faith... nor has that really been my aim either. But I have invested much more time and energy into reading Christian literature and texts as well as simply reading the Bible more. Here are a few benefits I have discovered from delving deeper into reading.

Ability to focus longer – our society and culture is so ADD. Blame it on commercial advertisements, video games, whatever, but we are always distracted and our attention spans are shorter than ever. That's not opinion, it's science. But I have found after 2 months of following a steadfast reading plan, my ability to focus in general has increased. Now I just have to make sure I am focusing on the right things...

Ability to listen closer – I guess in a small sense I have become a better listener within the context of person-to-person conversations. But more accurately, I mean that reading has helped me become a more careful listener to God. God does not speak in an audible voice. At least not typically; certainly not in the way we wish He would. So He uses a series of other communication methods to grab hold of our attention. And I feel strongly that reading more so far in 2022 has helped attune my ears and my mind a little more to that which God might have to say to me.

More reflective and more conscious decision-making – Again, I do not mean to say that reading has helped me make simple decisions like "chicken or steak" for dinner. I do mean that increased reading of Christian literature has led me to be more aware of the sum total of my spiritual decisions over the course of a given day. It is easy to be aimless, and thus, effortless when it comes to our relationships with Christ. This leads us to be stagnant and inactive in regards to growing in the Spirit and fostering more intimacy with our Creator. However, reading has made me more sensitive to the movement of the Spirit and more cognizant of my need to put time and effort into maintaining my relationship with God – just as I would any other human relationship.

All this to say, if you are READING this newsletter article, I want you to consider joining me in the challenge to spend more time reading. Read the Bible more. Read some more from your favorite Christian author. If you don't HAVE a favorite Christian author, find one. Finally, let me go ahead and bulldoze through two potential excuses you may have for not reading more.

"I don't have the time." – Don't you, though? While you are in the car rider line waiting to pick up the kids from school? Or that 30 minutes before bed when you are usually watching Netflix? Or maybe when you are in the bathroom? I know you are taking your phones in there!

"I don't have any books to read at home." – Come meet me up at the church office. I have several shelves full of good Christian books. I would love nothing more than to share the joy of reading with you!

-Evan