



Highpoint Baptist Church The Encourager

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Fulfillment

Hour

Sundays at
9:30 A.M.

October 2013 Lessons

October 6th
The Pressure
of Retaliation
James 5:1-11

October 13th
Even Christians
Collide
Luke 10:38-42

October 20th
It's Not
About Me
I Sam. 24:1-15

October 27th
Stand Down
Gen. 13:1-18

Sis.
Geraldine Turner
Superintendent

Sis. Nina Hayes
Assistant
Superintendent

Time

What are some ways I can spend my time that will honor God and help me grow spiritually?



High School and College Ministry

Mission: The mission of the High School and College Ministry is to support our youth in middle and high school by keeping them abreast of current issues that will affect them during their high school years. The ministry also provides financial support to our members who decide to pursue their education beyond high school.

Activities: Annual college campus tour; College and Career Informational Seminar for students and parents; graduation celebration for all graduates with gifts and/or scholarships.

Ministry Leader's Message: *"It is the ministry's vision to continue to support our members as they strive for excellence in pursuing their college/career goals. Our members have always been very appreciative of everything our church has done for them. Please continue to pray that our youth and young adults will continue to stay on the "right path."*

Ministry Leaders:
Bro. William White,
Sis. Monica White,
and Sis. Brenda
Hartzog

Meeting Times and Place: August - February (as needed); March - May (3rd Sunday of each month) in the Fellowship Hall

Ministry Leaders:
Sis. Ezonia Taylor
and Sis. Ethel
Jefferson

Meeting Times and Place: The 1st Tuesday of each month in the Library of the Educational Building

Planned Activities: Provide classes and mini-seminars; establish and maintain the church history and archives; and provide technological training for the library resource ministry staff and membership.

Ministry Leader's Message: *"Our Library Resource Ministry will make use of technology in planning and operating services to our membership and community. Large volumes of books and printed materials will not be stored on library shelves, but easily accessed immediately via technology."*



Library Resource Ministry Coming Soon!!!

Mission/Vision: Highpoint Baptist Library is to be a dynamic resource center that provides information, materials, and services for every age group and ministry in our church. It is designed to advance the study of God's Word, stimulate Christian growth, and enhance the quality of worship, witnessing, Bible study, prayer, fellowship and missions. The Church Library Resource Center supports and undergirds the mission and the total educational ministry.



THE HOLY BIBLE

Wednesday Nights
6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

October 2nd - Exodus

October 9th - Leviticus

October 16th - Numbers

October 23rd - Deuteronomy

October 30th

October Bash preparation - NO Bible Study



October:
Clergy Appreciation Month

Talents

How can I utilize my talents/spiritual gifts to honor God and bless the membership?

Spiritual Gifts

MERCY

Luke 10:30-37

Do you have a real heart for people? Do you feel tenderness toward others? Are you concerned with finding ways of showing kindness to people experiencing distress, crisis, or pain? You may have the gift of mercy. Those with a gift of mercy desire to see people who are hurting alleviated of their hurt. They have a great hope and desire to be able to help others by their presence and friendship.

Characteristics of someone with the gift of mercy:

- * *Attentive* - watchful over those who are in need, or have sorrow or trouble of any kind.

Ministry Connection

Characteristics of someone with the gift of mercy (continued):

- * *Sensitive* - aware of the needs in others, even without them saying anything.
- * *Fair* - desiring impartiality and fairness.
- * *Gentle* - soft-spoken, tender, and caring
- * *Sacrificial* - willing to suffer if it will help another person

Ministry Opportunities: If God has given you the gift of Mercy, accept your God-given assignment and "put love in action" by contacting one of the following: Sis. Diane Jordan - Hospital Visitation Ministry at 452-4560, Deacon George Mayo - Metro Jail Ministry at 345-1066 and Sis. Elnora Davis - Food Pantry Ministry at 457-1561.

Treasures

What are some ways I can utilize my God-given treasures to honor God and bless the Highpoint Ministries?

Tithing

II Corinthians 8:3-4 - Give sacrificially! *"They gave as much as they were able and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service."* People ask, "What if I can't afford to tithe?" The answer is, "You can't afford not to." If you want God's blessing on your finances, you need to give. You need to obey what God has said.

Tithing (10% of your income) gives God a chance to prove He exists and wants to bless you. Start tithing and watch what happens!

Sacrificial Promises

What are Sacrificial Promises? A prayed upon sacrificial amount above tithes and regular offerings resulting in consistent funds for capital improvement projects throughout the Highpoint property.



Sacrificial Promises Checkpoint Coming Soon!



A Sacrificial Promise Checkpoint is scheduled for The Church Anniversary on Sunday, Oct. 13th, 2013 at 3:00 P.M. This is one of two annual days at Highpoint where the total amount received for Sacrificial Promises from May through October 13th is reported at the end of the program. Highpoint members were asked to seek divine guidance in January and make a prayed-upon promise to the Lord toward Capital Improvement. The first checkpoint is always during Family and Friends Day in April and the second checkpoint is during the Church Anniversary in October of each year. The first checkpoint includes a total amount collected from January through April 28th. All prayed-upon sacrificial amounts above tithes and regular offerings result in consistent funds for capital improvement projects throughout the Highpoint property.

We no longer ask each family to give \$100.00 on annual days. Instead, we are asking all of our members, children and adults, to go in prayer and decide what they would like to sacrificially give. Once you decide what you would like to sacrificially give, you just start making payments. Fill out a church envelope and write your amount next to "Capital Improvement." You can make payments weekly, monthly, or spread payments over a year. Just remember - GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER!

Stewardship Ministry Team



Senior Pastor - Charlie E. York

Ministry Leader - Phaedra Fox

Assistant Ministry Leader - Clotelia White

Church Treasurer Alisha Banks

Deacon John Patterson

Deacon Shelton Perry

Trustee Alvin Presnell

Deacon Herman Towner