



Highpoint Baptist Church The Encourager

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Fulfillment

Hour

Sundays at
9:30 A.M.

September
2013
Lessons

September 1st

The Pressure
of Trials
James 1:1-4

September 8th

The Pressure
of Temptation
James 1:13-18

September 15th

The Pressure
of Partiality
James 2:1-13

September 22nd

The Pressure
of Words
James 3:1-18

September 29th

The Pressure
of Conflict
James 4:1-10

Sis.
Geraldine Turner
Superintendent

Sis. Nina Hayes
Assistant
Superintendent

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

Purpose: The purpose of the Music Ministry is to share the gospel of Jesus Christ through song; encourage believers in their walk with Christ; lead the congregation in worship; and provide an avenue through which individuals may share their vocal gift and be an integral part of the worship services.



Voices of Highpoint

Meeting Times/Places: The Thursday before the 1st Sunday at 7:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary

Song Service Day/Time: The 1st Sunday at 10:45 A.M.



Youth & Children

Meeting Times/Places: The Wednesday before the 3rd Sunday at 6:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary

Song Service Day/Time: The 3rd Sunday at 10:45 A.M.

The Praise Team rehearses the Thursday before the 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays at 6:00 P.M.

Music Ministry

Minister of Music: Bro. Epeval Taylor, II

Music Staff: Sis. Phaedra Fox - Organist, Sis. Jocelyn King - Pianist, Bro. Terry Webb - Drummer, Bro. James Stallworth - Bass, Bro. Keith Daniels & Bro. Michael Steber - Auxilliary Drums



Male Chorus

Meeting Times/Places: The Thursday before the 2nd Sunday at 7:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary

Song Service Day/Time: The 2nd Sunday at 10:45 A.M.



F.I.R.E.D. For Christ (Young Adults)

Meeting Times/Places: The Thursday before the 4th Sunday at 7:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary

Song Service Day/Time: The 4th Sunday at 10:45 A.M.



THE HOLY BIBLE

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

The next Bible Study Series, "The Holy Bible", is scheduled to begin Sept. 11, 2013 for the day and evening bible study sessions. "The Holy Bible", will be a book by book, 52-week lesson study. Don't miss out on an opportunity to learn more about the Bible!

Talents

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

Spiritual Gifts

MUSIC

Psalm 150

The spiritual gift of music gives a believer the capability to present personal witness and inspiration to others through instrumental music or singing. This special gift enables certain Christians to praise God through music in such a way that enhances the worship experience of other believers. The spiritual aspect of the gift of music is revealed when the gifted believer gives praise and glory to God. Those listening to the music feel God's presence and their souls are uplifted in a manner that brings them closer to the Lord.

Ministry Connection

People with the spiritual gift of music:

- * Sing or play a musical instrument quite well, and enjoy it
- * Have special joy singing praises to God, either alone or with other people
- * Feel secure in the fact that their musical ability will be of benefit to other people with whom they come in contact
- * Can use their musical ability to help and inspire others to worship God
- * See that their singing or instrument playing is a spiritual encouragement for others

If you have been blessed with the gift of music, we encourage you to contact the Minister of Music, Bro. Epeval Taylor, II at 455-9017.

Treasures

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

Tithing

Malachi 3:10 *"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."*

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 can be made anytime by placing the amount on your envelope next to Capital Improvement. God loves a cheerful giver.

A Poem:

"Everybody in Church"

An excerpt by Joseph Westfall

*What if everybody in church was just like me?
What kind of church would it have to be?
Would there be a sad face on everyone you met?
Or just some starry-eyed dreamer lost without a care?
Would eyes of everyone be dim and dark,
Filled with loss and despair?
Or would the sparkle of tomorrow be found in every chair?*

*What kind of music would you likely hear,
If everyone had the same favorite song?
What kind of sound would the voices make?
If their only sound was just a fake?
Would there even be a choir or someone to sing,
If no one came or no bell to ring?*

*Would the offering plate pass quietly by?
With only a dollar from me?
Would the totals on the board get steadily better?
If the church depended on my contributions, you see?*

Stop and think about it. What kind of church would Highpoint be like if everyone were just like you? What would be done better? What would go undone? What would the worship be like? How about the evangelism? It's tempting to focus on others shortcomings and failures, but in the end, we should look only at ourselves and intentionally plan to try and make our church a better place where God would be pleased with our service.

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