

Highpoint Baptist Church

The Encourager



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Fulfillment Hour

Sundays at 9:45 A.M.

April 2014 Lessons

April 6th

Give Work A Rest Exodus 31:12-17

April 13th

Hope Needed II Samuel 9:1-13

April 20th

Easter: But Now ... Victory I Cor. 15:20-28

April 27th

Hope Found **Matthew 8:1-13**

Sis. **Geraldine Turner** Superintendent

Sis. Nina Hayes **Assistant** Superintendent

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

Help Us Go the "Extra Mile" by "Sowing a Seed"

Library Resource **Ministry** Campaign

What is the "Sow A Seed" Campaign?

The "Sow a Seed" Campaign is an intensive 6-month (180day) period of stewardship emphasis that will challenge every member of our church to seek the Lord's will regarding financial participation in our Library Resource Ministry Capital Drive. Your voluntary contribution is over and above your regular tithes and other offerings.

In 1998, when our church relocated to our present location at 2421 Lott Road, a seed faith donation of \$10,000 was sowed into this ministry to create a church library. The funds were designated to purchase furniture for the library. Now we ask you to join us in carrying out this vision.



Our Goals

Victory Goal \$50,000.00 Challenge Goal \$75,000.00 Hallelujah Goal \$100,000.00

Amount of Seed Gift

Copper Leaf - \$25.00 Silver Leaf - \$50.00 Gold Leaf - \$100.00 Dove - \$250.00 Bed Rock - \$500.00

Three Steps To Making Your Commitment

Pray - Ask the Lord to help you sow a seed in this ministry. This is the most important step in preparing your heart to respond to God's call to action.

Step Out In Faith -Trust God to provide what He lays on your heart to give. "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed. nothing will be impossible for you." -Matthew 17:20

Give Sacrificially, "Not Equal Gifts, But Equal Sacrifice" -

There is no limit to what God will do in and through us if we commit ourselves to sacrificial giving.

Your seed gifts may be placed in your regular offering envelopes on the line marked "OTHER" - write LIBRARY "SOW A SEED" and the amount. Make all checks payable to Highpoint.

Bible

THE HOLY BIBLE

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

April 2nd - Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, and Micah

April 9th - Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi

April 16th - Easter Drama

April 23rd - Review of the Old Testament

April 30th - No Bible Study - Revival

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

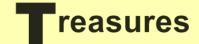
Use Your Talents and Spiritual Gifts to Honor God

God wants us to use our talents and spiritual gifts to honor Him. Talents are abilities we have to do certain things well. On the other hand, gifts are things that God gives believers to serve others.

Each of us is a unique and special creation of God. God has uniquely equipped us to impact our world. God had a plan when he created us. Therefore, God desires to use both our talents and gifts to fulfill His plan as well as Honor Him. Remember everything belongs to Him. He is creator and owner of everything!

God gave us talents and gifts to benefit others, not ourselves. And God gave other people talents and gifts that benefit us. When God gives us talents or gifts, He expects us to use them. It's like a muscle. If you use it, it will grow. If you don't, you'll lose it. If we have talents or gifts but are afraid to use them, or if we get lazy and don't use them to benefit others, we will lose them. But if we use them wisely, God will give us more.

Allow Christ to use your talents and gifts for your good and His glory. You can be part of God's plan now.



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

Tithing

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." - II Corinthians 9:7-8 NIV

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 <u>above</u> tithes and regular offerings resulting in consistent funds for capital improvement projects throughout the Highpoint property.

Stewardship Ministry Team

Senior Pastor - Rev. Dr. 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

Going the "Extra Mile" with our Time, Talents, and Treasures

