



Highpoint Baptist Church The Encourager

A Stewardship Ministry Monthly Publication



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Fulfillment Hour

Sundays at
9:45 A.M.

September
2014
Lessons

September 7th
Connected
in Christ
Ephesians 2:17-22

September 14th
Connected
in Unity
Ephesians 4:1-6

September 21st
Connected
in Growth
Ephesians 4:11-16

September 28th
Connected
Through Words
Ephesians 4:25-32

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?

Highpoint is Going the "Extra Mile" with "National Back To Church Sunday"

What is National Back To Church Sunday?

National Back to Church Sunday is a campaign strategically designed to help churches reach out and invite everyone to try church again. This powerful movement encourages church attendance by inspiring and empowering church members to invite their neighbors, friends and loved ones to a special Sunday service designed just for them. Back to Church Sunday is always celebrated on the third Sunday of September each year in the United States. In 2013, over 23,100 churches participated in this growing national movement and on average saw a 31% increase in their attendance on that day! This year 30,000 churches are expected to come together and bring spiritual renewal to their communities through Back to Church Sunday!



"Back To Church Sunday" - An Outreach Opportunity!

Highpoint will be able to *specifically* and *intentionally* reach out to those who have left the church and encourage them to return. This will give them an opportunity to re-connect with fellow believers, re-connect with God, or just to return to what was once an important part of their lives.



THE HOLY BIBLE

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

Sept. 3rd - Lesson 39 - I Timothy
Sept. 10th - Lesson 40 - II Timothy
Sept. 17th - **Church Business Meeting**
Sept. 24th - Lesson 41 - Titus and Philemon

"Extra Mile" ways to invite People Back To Church

1. **Use Highpoint's "Inviter Cards"** - The "Inviter Card" works like a church-member business card, and is designed for you to hand to people and invite them to Highpoint. Keep them in your office, car, wallet/purse, and anywhere that is handy. There is also a large quantity of them at our guest welcome center.
2. **Give the person you invited an extra "Inviter Card"** and ask them to invite one of their friends, co-workers, or loved ones to come along with them. They may feel more comfortable bringing someone with them and we will be able to share the Word of God with everyone invited.

Talents

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

What Ministries Can Do Before "Back To Church Sunday"

Fulfillment Hour teachers can lead their class members to look at their class roll and see who has been absent for a while. Assign class members to call those members and invite them to church on Back to Church Sunday.

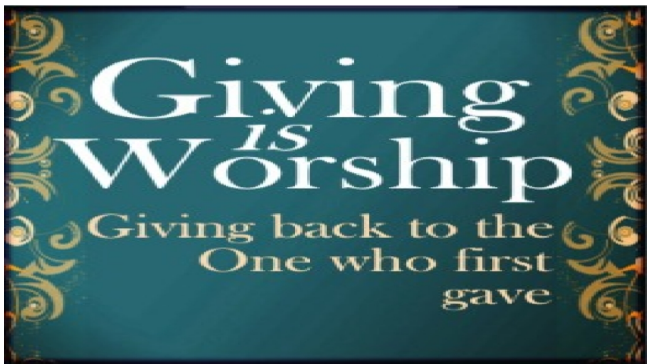
Ministry Leaders can ask their members to make a list of members who used to be a part of their ministry but no longer attend Highpoint. Assign ministry members to give them a call and invite them to church September 21, 2014.

Ushers and Greeters can prepare to be equipped for the increased guest potential. You are the "front-line team" that they will initially see. Welcome them and allow them to sit where they are most comfortable.

Everyone can start praying for specific friends and family members they would like to see come back to church. Be **specific and intentional** when praying by calling friends and family members by name and touching and agreeing on their receptivity to your invitation.

Treasures

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



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.

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

We're Going
The Extra Mile
in 2014



Time
Talents
&
Treasures



Will You Walk
With Us?

Matthew 5:41- 48

Stewardship Ministry Team



Senior Pastor - Rev. Dr. Charlie E. York
Ministry Leader - Phaedra Fox
Assistant Ministry Leader - Clotelia White
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