

# Heflin Baptist Church Messenger

*Heflin Baptist Church exists to:  
Share God's Word, Show God's Love,  
Send God's People.*

February 20, 2020



Dear Church Family,

Last night, my sleep was interrupted by the sound of a fairly strong thunderstorm moving through our area around 4:00 a.m. Shortly after I was awakened, the power went out and did not return for at least a couple of hours. During the period of time when the power was out, I spent some time just sitting quietly and talking to the Lord. I soon came to realize that we all have become very dependent on electricity to carry out our daily activities. Whenever our service is interrupted, we long for it to be restored. I sensed the Lord speaking into my soul about the need to hunger for His power to be freely flowing in our lives. I believe it all comes down to a desire to grow in His grace and become more like Jesus.

When the lights came back on, I began reading a few pages from one of my favorite authors on the subject of teaching and helping others to grow in grace. I would like to share with you a few lines that remind us of the necessity of change and growth.

*"To strengthen your own commitment to change and development, remember that growing is something even the Lord Jesus did. Luke 2:52 explains the developmental process in His life: "Jesus grew," we are told in four areas:*

*He grew "in wisdom" – intellectual development.  
He grew "in stature" – physical development.  
He grew "in favor with God" – spiritual development.  
And He grew "in favor with men" – social and emotional development."*

Howard Hendricks "Teaching to Change Lives"

Have you become completely and totally dependent on the power of Christ to give life to your days?

Are you growing increasingly aware of you need to develop into the fully devoted follower of Christ that God created you to be?

Friends, let's purpose in our hearts to continue to love, serve and give of ourselves all for His glory until He comes again! Just remember ..... I love you ALL and there's not a thing you can do about it!

*Pastor Brent*

Proverbs 30:5

## YOUTH MEN'S EVENT

The Youth men will be meeting at Keith Raisanen's Farm on Saturday Feb 22, 2020 at 5pm Speaker will be Former Baseball Pitcher Chris Hammond. For more information please contact Chris Miller or Terry Coker.



## SPRING DISCIPLESHIP 2020

Now through March 22, we are studying "Tell Someone" on Sunday afternoons at 5:30 in the fellowship hall. Please join us!

## DIAMOND SET LUNCHEON

Diamond Set will meet Tuesday, March 3 at 11:30 AM in the fellowship hall for a covered dish luncheon.



## VBS FUNSHOP

VBS dates have been set for May 31 – June 4!! The theme is Group's Rocky Railway. Volunteers will attend the FunShop on Saturday, March 7 in Birmingham.

## 2020 BIBLE READING MARATHON

The 4th Annual Around the Clock Bible Reading Marathon is scheduled for Sunday, May 3—Thursday, May 7 at Ross Park. It will kick off with a prayer meeting at 5:00 PM on May 3. The Bible reading will begin at 6:00 PM and continue around the clock until noon on May 7. At noon everyone will meet at the Cleburne County Courthouse for the National Day of Prayer gathering. You may sign up to read or facilitate the Bible reading by contacting the Cleburne County Baptist Association at (256) 463-8811.

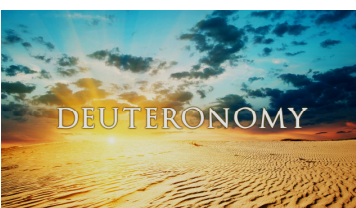


## BAPTIST ACTIVE WOMEN

BAW will meet Monday, March 16 at 6:00 PM at the home of Carol Howle. The mission project will be diapers for the Alabama Children's Home.

## AWAKEN CITY TRIP JUNE 2020

The next mission trip to Salt Lake City, Utah is planned for June 27 – July 5. Participants will be helping with Kids Camp at Awaken City Church. Trip balances are due by May 15.



## MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Monday Morning Adult Bible Study class meets in the fellowship hall each week at 11:00 AM. They are currently studying the book of Deuteronomy and would love for you to join them.



*You're Invited!*



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