



Heflin Baptist Church Messenger

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

August 5, 2021



Dear HBC Family,

I was recently re-reading portions of a book that has been a tremendous blessing to me by Warren Wiersbe.

The title of the book is "On

Being a Servant of God." It is one that I recommend every Christian read before you go to Heaven. I have always respected and been blessed by the ministry of Dr. Wiersbe. This book is one of my favorites from his writings. In chapter 5, he shares about the importance of our motive for ministry.

"If our motive for serving is anything other than the glory of God, what we do will be only religious activity and not true Christian ministry. We may help people in one way or another, but God will not be able to bless as He wants to do."

This statement was a fresh reminder to me to be certain that every opportunity God gives us to serve others is done with a focus on bringing glory to Him. I believe it is important for Christians to be engaged in the work of the ministry of the church. It is especially important that every member of the body of Christ serve the needs of others and +actively shares their faith in the Lord Jesus. The danger we must avoid is allowing ourselves to +become focused on what we are doing instead of who we are doing it for. Everything we do we must do for the glory of God.

J. Hudson Taylor was the founder of the China Inland Mission and was greatly used by the Lord. He was speaking at a conference in Melbourne, Australia where he received a flattering introduction from the moderator of the Presbyterian church. When he walked to the pulpit, he said these words, "Dear friends, I am the little servant of an illustrious Master." Dr. Wiersbe summed up Taylor's response well when he said, "God is glorified when people see the Master and not the minister." Let's encourage one another to make much of Jesus and very little of ourselves. I pray that all our ministry activity will be done for His glory and His alone.

I love you ALL and there's nothing you can do about it!

Pastor Brent

The church office is open Monday—Thursday, 8:00 AM—3:00 PM

And Friday, 8:00 AM—12:00 PM.



JOIN US WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

We meet in the Worship Center at 6:00 PM each Wednesday night for Bible study and worship. The Children's Ministry meets at 6:00 PM on the 3rd floor. Frontline Student Ministry meets at 6:00 PM in The Cave.

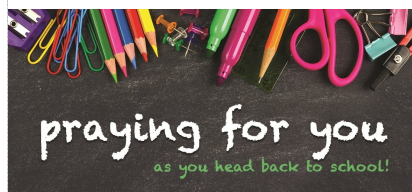


GRIDIRON DAY

Make plans to join us for Gridiron Day, Sunday, August 15, 10:00 AM at the Heflin Rec Center! Special guest will be former pro football player, Jeremiah Castille, founder of The Castille Foundation. You won't want to miss it! A delicious grilled lunch will be served following the service.

COME MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!

Join us for choir practice Sunday afternoons at 4:30.



CLEBURNE COUNTY SCHOOL

Please be in prayer for the students and faculty as the 2021-2022 school year begins. Pray for their health, safety, and educational experience. May God be with them throughout the year.

LOVE PACKAGES

HBC will be collecting Christian literature and Bibles to donate to Love Packages. A collection box is in the front foyer of the Worship Center. Materials needed include Bibles, Reference materials, Christian books & magazines, daily devotionals, Sunday School Materials, Christian DVDs, Bible games, etc. Please do NOT send secular materials, Hymn books, or Missions Magazines.



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