

Heflin Baptist Church Messenger

Emphasize Christ, Energize the Church and
Evangelize our Community.

June 1, 2017



Dear Church Family,
Throughout the week, I am always looking for life experiences that will serve as ways to help me to lead others to faithfully follow Jesus.

While attending a meeting in Montgomery last week, I ran across a few articles that spoke deeply into my soul. One of the articles talked about the power of words. Some of you are like me and have a vocation that requires you to speak a whole lot of words in a week. Others may not have to be too concerned with the effect of the words they speak in public. Regardless of our calling or vocation, we all have to interact with other people. In the earlier days of my ministry, I was much more reactive than proactive. I was much quicker about responding to others than I am today. Much of what I learned from the past was that I didn't always have to have a quick answer to every situation. Dr. Alan Redpath, former pastor of the historic Moody Church in Chicago, gives us a great reminder to consider before speaking. He tells us to T-H-I-N-K.

- T- Is it True?
- H- Is it Helpful?
- I- Is it Inspiring?
- N- Is it Necessary?
- K- Is it Kind?

Each Sunday, before I walk the steps to the pulpit, I recite these words from my heart to my Lord, "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer." These words from the heart of God and the pen of King David serve as a reminder to me of the holy assignment I have been given. Each day, we all have a holy assignment of representing Jesus to the world. May each word we speak and each life we touch be all for the glory of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

We have a great church family at HBC! We have a great opportunity before us to impact the world for God and for good! Let's keep our eyes on Jesus as we serve Him together!

I Love You ALL,

Pastor Brent

Proverbs 30:5



Hello
Summer



VBS 2017

VBS will be June 4-8! Gear your children up for the best week of the summer: new friends, amazing experiments, creative games, delicious snacks, surprising adventures and incredible music!! The fun lasts from 6:00 - 8:30 each night.

The Kick-Off Party will be Saturday, June 3 from 2:00 -4:00 PM.

Pre-registration will be available at this event. There will be food, games, a waterslide and FUN! It will be held on Ross Street in the old Buster Miles lot by Small Town Bank.



DIAMOND SET LUNCHEON

Diamond Set will meet Tuesday, June 6 at 11:30 AM in the fellowship hall for a covered dish fellowship meal. Guest speaker will be Loida Gibbs from Alacare. Please make plans to join us!

MISSION SERVE TRIP

This year's Mission Serve trip participants will be leaving on Saturday, June 17. They will return the following Saturday, June 24. Groups will be partnering with First Baptist Church to show the love of Christ in West Frankfurt, IL. This is a rural community in southern Illinois that has a poverty rate that is twice that of the entire state. Please be in prayer for all participants and this ministry.

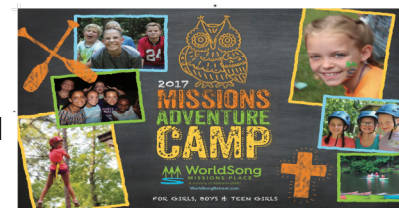


FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Join us for a delicious Father's Day breakfast before Sunday School on Sunday, June 18 beginning at 8:00 AM. There will be NO service or activities at HBC that night so that you may enjoy time with the special men in your life.

MISSIONS ADVENTURE CAMP FOR GA'S

The Girls in Action will leave for Missions Adventure Camp at WorldSong on Monday, June 26. They will enjoy a week of fun and learning and return on Friday, June 30.



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