

# Hillcrest Encouragement

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## Loving My Neighbor as Myself!

What matters most!

1. There is **o**\_\_\_\_\_ God!
2. Love God with **a**\_\_\_\_ of our heart, soul, mind and strength.
3. Love our neighbors as **o**\_\_\_\_\_.
4. Christ **d**\_\_\_\_\_ for our sins according to the Scriptures.
5. He was **b**\_\_\_\_\_.
6. Christ was **r**\_\_\_\_\_ ... according to the Scriptures.

Jesus & Paul: these are the most **i**\_\_\_\_\_ of all.

Today, we focus on loving our **n**\_\_\_\_\_. *Luke 10:25-37*

The **t**\_\_\_\_\_: vs. 25-29

The **p**\_\_\_\_\_: vs. 30-35

The **p**\_\_\_\_\_: vs. 36-37

Loving my neighbor is not a matter of **w**\_\_\_\_\_ but a matter of what I **d**\_\_\_\_\_!

Driving this **p**\_\_\_\_\_ home:

1. Notice the **t**\_\_\_\_\_ of this kind of love:
2. God always **d**\_\_\_\_\_ His love for us.

Loving my neighbor is not a matter of **w**\_\_\_\_\_ but a matter of what I **d**\_\_\_\_\_!

### Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

1. This morning, the point of the message was this: *Loving my neighbor is not a matter of who but a matter of what I do!*
2. How do these passages about God's love demonstrate this principle?
 

<i>Matthew 5:43-48</i>	<i>1 John 3:10</i>	<i>1 John 4:7-12</i>
<i>John 3:16</i>	<i>1 John 3:16-18</i>	<i>1 John 4:20-21</i>
<i>Romans 5:6-11</i>		
3. How do they illustrate the following principle?
 

*The Bible doesn't teach us that God loves us without telling how He demonstrates His love for us.*
4. Why do you believe loving our neighbor is so important to God?
5. *James 2* arises out of a need to love our brother and sister regardless of his or her status (see especially verse 8).
6. What do you think the key point of this message from James really is?

As part of our mission focus on *connecting lives to Christ*, let's memorize Gal. 6:10.

Connecting Lives to Christ

# Hillcrest Today

## Welcome Guests

We are glad you are here! Please fill out a Welcome Visitor card and place in the collection plate. Go by our Information Area on the right side of the Worship Center for materials that will better acquaint you with Hillcrest.

For your convenience, the staffed nursery for children 2 months to 24 months is available. Check-in is in the foyer. The parents' nursery & training area is available to parents and children. Enter at the back of the Worship Center.

### Bible Classes for All Ages

Baby Bunch in Nurserv

Age 2 .....Room 100	Gr 1 ..... Room 121
Age 3 .....Room 106	Gr 2 ..... Room 117
Age 4 .....Room 107	Gr 3 ..... Room 120
Pre-K.....Room 110	Gr 4 ..... Room 213
K.....Room 118	Gr 5 ..... Room 209

### Young Adult Classes

Middle School .....	Room 204
High School .....	Room 200
University .....	Room 17

### Adult Classes

Sonrise (all ages) (8:00) .....	Room 14
Y/O (all ages) .....	Room 10/11
Welcome (all ages) .....	Room 12
Families for Christ (all ages) .....	Room 14
Common Ground (30s & 40s) .....	Room 16
H.O.P.E. (all ages) .....	Room 21
Travelers (all ages) .....	Room 30
Christ in Action (all ages) .....	Room 52
Young Professionals (20s) .....	Room 212
F.U.N. (all ages) .....	Room 219
Generations (all ages) .....	Chapel

### Worship Times

Morning Worship .....	9 a.m.
Bible Classes .....	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship .....	6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Classes .....	7 p.m.

## Glorifying God

February 28, 2016

Worship Leader ..... Isaac Wright  
Hymn ..... Great Are You Lord  
Welcome ..... Taylor Cockrell

### Songs of Praise

Hymn ..... Lord Reign in Me  
Hymn: #167 ..... Hosanna  
Hymn ..... 10,000 Reasons

### Loving Our Neighbor

Deuteronomy 19:13-18 ..... Dan Shake  
Luke 10:25-37 ..... Cody Duncum  
Prayer ..... Steve Annett

### The Lord's Supper

Hymn: #221 ..... Jesus, Name Above All Names  
Hymn ..... Something About that Name  
Communion Meditation ..... Ken Austin

### Offering

Prayer ..... Ken Austin  
Hymn ..... How Deep the Father's Love

### "Loving My Neighbor as Myself"

Hymn: #448 ..... The Greatest Commands  
*(Parents may escort children ages 2-4 to TLC during this song)*  
Message ..... Phil Ware  
Hymn ..... Salvation Belongs to Our God

### Responses

Search Committee Update ..... Phil Ware  
Hillcrest News ..... Chris Pettijohn  
Hymn ..... Awesome God  
Family Blessing ..... Dave Copeland

(\*Children's Song of the Month)

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# Hillcrest Family News

## Today's Speaker

A.M. – Phil Ware  
P.M. – David Perkins – Rm 10/11 at 6 p.m.

## Daily Bible Reading Plan for Spring

Extra copies of the plan for Feb - March are on the tables in the foyers. We are moving into Ephesians and the Pastorals (1 & 2 Timothy and Titus).

## Sympathy

- Our sympathy to Robert and Melissa Atkinson the loss of Melissa's mother, Nina Hayes.
- Our sympathy goes to the Hart Family on the loss of Bettie

## Ugly Tie Contest – Today

Lady judges, Meet in room 12 after Bible class. Guys with ties, meet in the Living Room across from the Chapel. Everyone is invited to the meal and to watch the judging.

## Men's Softball

Pitchers and catchers have reported for MLB spring training. Hillcrest's pitchers, catchers . . . infielders, outfielders and extra hitters need to report for the first softball practice tomorrow, from 8 to 10 p.m. on field 2. The season will start Mon., March 21 and go through May. Games will be at 7, 8 or 9 p.m. on Monday nights. The cost will be \$50 per player, unless we can find a sponsor. If you are interested in playing and enjoying fellowship, contact Alan Clute.

## Prayer Committee Announcement

As we continue in our search for a new pulpit minister, the congregation is asked to be in constant prayer that God's Holy Spirit will guide every aspect of this process. To encourage this, the Hillcrest living room will be dedicated as a room of prayer for anyone who would like a private, quiet place to pray. It will be open during all office hours and there will be Bibles, notebooks, and pens available. If you would like, you may write your prayer, and it will be given to the incoming minister and his family. For security reasons, only the office entrance will be open.

For the Record	
<b>Sunday Morning</b>	<b>Sunday Evening</b>
A.M. Assembly ..... 821	Rm 10/11 ..... 56
Classes ..... 712	
Membership ..... 900	Wed ..... 367
Jan. Offering ..... \$117,604	

## A Hillcrest Singing - March 4

You are invited to A Hillcrest Singing on Friday, March 4, 6:30-8:30 p.m. in rooms 10 & 11. This will be a time for learning a few new songs and reviewing songs learned in the past. Babysitting is provided. Bring a snack to share. Stay for games and conversation afterwards. RSVP to your email invitation or call the office to let us know you are coming.

## Woman to Woman – Home Dinners

Would you enjoy a lunch or dinner with other Hillcrest ladies in the quietness of a home? As part of Hillcrest's "Connecting Lives" theme, more than 20 ladies plan to have a lunch or dinner in their homes (serving 6-10 ladies each) during the week of April 4-8. All you have to do, as guests, is to sign up for your preferred date and lunch or dinner on the Woman to Woman table or online at hillcrestonline.com. Childcare will be provided.

## Survey for Hillcrest Women

The Woman to Woman Ministry has served the women of Hillcrest Church of Christ since 2005. Its co-chairs want to make the ministry as meaningful and effective as possible and ask that you help them by completing an anonymous survey. The survey can be taken either online which came to you in an email last week or by a paper copy available on the information table. Your participation will be greatly appreciated!

## Missions and Faith Sharing

### Bibles for Refugees

Thank you to the Hillcrest congregation for your generosity in giving \$22,854 this past Sunday to Eastern European Missions. We exceeded our goal of \$10,000! This will provide over 4,500 Bibles for Christians in Germany, Greece, and other parts of Europe to study with Syrian and other refugees.

Calendar of Events	
February 28 .....	Ugly Tie Luncheon
March 23 .....	New Member Dinner
March 23 .....	Hillcrest 101 Begins
April 2 .....	Hillcrest Bible Bowl
April 3 .....	Send the Light Sunday
April 3 .....	Church-wide Picnic/Care Group
April 4-8.....	Woman to Woman/Home Dinners
April 20 .....	Cajun Fest LAFF
April 29-May 1.....	Family Retreat at HEB Camp

# Hillcrest Ministries

## Children's Corner

### Nursery: 2-24 Months (TEAM #4)

### Training and Learning for Children: (Ages 2-4)

Parents may escort their children to the Children's Wing during the song before the sermon.

**Bible Hour – 6 p.m.** – Tonight from 6-7 p.m. Infants up to age 3 meet in the nursery. Children ages 4-5th grade will begin in the MPR.

## HYG – Youth

**Tonight – 6 p.m.** – Huddles - Huddle locations are listed on the bulletin board in the main hallway. This is an important time to have fun and build relationships. Bring your friends!

**Wednesday – 7 p.m.** – Come share your story! Our story is God's gift to us. Happy and joyful or painful and sad, our story can be used to encourage and bless others.

**Thursday – 7 a.m.** - Prayer Breakfast at Chick-fil-A North.

**TNT! Thursday Nights Together! – 7:30-9 p.m.**

**Sign-up** is now available online or through the link in our Newsletter for the HYG Spring Break Trip! March 12-15 \$75.

**Mark your calendars** for High School Spring Retreat, "Post-it's & Polaroids" April 8-10 \$60

Middle School Spring Retreat, "Kingdom" April 22-23 \$35

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**Tonight – 5 p.m.** – LIFE groups

G1 and G2 - Hardcastle Home

G3 and G4 - Hatfield Home

**Wednesday – 7 p.m. – LIFT – Come Share Your Story**

**Thursday - Prayer Chapel - ACU's campus, 11 a.m.**

**REACH Ministry! – Thursday, 4-5:30 p.m. – Canterbury Crossing Apartments** – Come join us as we minister to these wonderful children! See Justin, Kaylie or Savannah for more details. Background check required.

**Mar 4-6 – Our Spring Retreat is here!** We will meet at Hillcrest at 5:30 p.m. on Friday to load the bus and trailer! If you have not signed up for the retreat, today is your last chance to do it! We hope you will decide to join us!

## Adult Education Corner

**"Our Children and Social Media"** - Social media is here to stay, and we need to talk about it. It provides a convenient way for our kids to communicate with their friends, parents, and even grandparents. However, it can also provide a platform for cyberbullying and other dangerous activities. Rod Pruitt, an expert on technology safety and bullying prevention for Region 14, will offer a presentation on kids and social media during Bible class on Wednesday, March 2, in Room 12. Then, on the following Wednesday, we'll have a time for further discussion about the issues he raises.

**Sunday Morning Adult Classes** – Today's lesson is based on Mark chapters 14-15.

### Wednesday Night Classes

- **Rm 10/11** – Wendell Willis begins a series.
- **Rm 30** – ESL Class.
- **Rm 16** – Join Odies Wright for a time of Worship in song!
- **Rm 219 – Women's Class** "Walking by Faith" by Jennifer Rothschild. Women of all ages are invited.

### Tuesday Women's Bible Study – March 1 – 10 a.m.

**Rm 30** – "Listen & Learn" Teacher, Pam Clements.

**Rm 10** – "Children of God" (Gal. 3:26-29 & 4:1-7) Teacher, Mary Barton.

## Family Ministry

### Wednesdays – Rm 14/15 – 7 p.m.

*IF* – All that stands between you and your wildest dreams for your family is one little "if". Looking at Romans 8 for four weeks, we will work together to overcome feelings of guilt, fear and doubt so that you can transform your family "if only's" into "what if" possibilities!



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