

Hillcrest Encouragement

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Crowns (10, 3, 1)

How can a pointed yellow strip of paper be so valuable and honoring? Three times I have seen how people, young and old, highly valued the yellow, flimsy strips.

The first time was in the Northwest Province of Zambia in Chief Mumena's kingdom. We honored ten on the Mumena B teachers with a dinner and a yellow construction paper crown for each teacher to show we appreciated them. The next day, nine teachers wore their crowns to teach their pupils. The teachers donned their crowns the next day and the next day. This very simple thing was a huge prize for them.

The second time that the crowns happened was with three children of the small village of Wasawange, which is about a mile from Namwianga. I asked the three children, (ages twelve, ten, and five) to present the gifts as the Magi did to the young child, Jesus, "Please, wear these crowns and present these gifts to the young child." They were very serious as they knelt down to receive their crowns from me. They were very solemn as they presented to baby Jesus the gifts of lotion, money, and clothes. They reluctantly gave back their crowns after the Bible drama had finished. The children and the adults were quite subdued, and each one knew the lesson very well when the drama was finished.

The single crown was presented recently to a Namwianga lady worker who had come during her lunch break to water the new flowers that she had planted around Kel Hamby's three-year-old memorial tree. I told her, "Jennifer, today you are a queen. Sit on my bed and put your feet on a stool." I placed a paper yellow crown on her head. She beamed and said, "I'm a queen?" "Yes, you are a queen for today." Then I asked her what it felt like to be a queen. She said that a queen did good to people and did not do bad to anyone. A queen would not gossip about anyone. A queen was happy.

She sat there on my bed with much happiness on her face. Then it was time for her to go back to work and she left, walking away with the crown still on her head.

I can't think about crowns without thinking of all the millions of crowns that Jesus deserved and deserves, but He only received the thorny crown full of mockery and dishonor. Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Romans 12:10

Blessings from the little house in the Bush.

Cindy Robinson

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

Nursery.....	2-24 mo.
Age 2	Room 100
Age 3	Room 106
Age 4	Room 107
Pre-K.....	Room 110
K.....	Room 118
Gr 1.....	Room 121
Gr 2.....	Room 117
Gr 3.....	Room 120
Gr 4.....	Room 213
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
Soulful Filling (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

July 2, 2017

Worship Leader Lynn Luttrell
Hymn Shout Hallelujah
Welcome Jack Hardcastle

Songs of Praise

Hymn Here In This Place
Hymn He Is Faithful
Hymn As The Deer Thirst

Let Justice Prevail

Psalms 1, Deut. 16:18-20 Jim Carpenter
Romans 13:1-8 Jim Carpenter
Prayer Malcolm Coco

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

Hymn Oft We Come Together
Communion Meditation Matt Merrit
Hymn Wonderful, Wonderful, Jesus Is to Me

Offering

Prayer Matt Merrit
Hymn We are One In the Spirit
Hymn: #448 The Greatest Commands
(Parents may escort children to TLC during this song.)

"Encourage One Another"

Message Terry Brown
Hymn A Common Love

Responses

Special Announcement Neal Coates
Family News Shane McClung
Hymn: #570 A Beautiful Life
Elder Blessing Neal Coates
*(*Children's Song of the Month)*

Hillcrest Family News

Today's Speakers

A.M. - Terry Brown
P.M. - Bob Pipes in the chapel at 6 p.m.

Sympathy

Sympathy to Jim & Janiece Watts on the loss of her father, Wayne Rogers.

New Member/Updated Old Member Pictures

Think your appearance hasn't changed much since the last directory pictures were taken in 2011? Take a look at Hillcrest Connect www.hillcrest.ccbchurch.com. Do you have more children or have they grown more than 8 inches? Are you pictured at all? Time for a new picture! Alan will be taking pictures at the side of the worship center today after worship.

Nathan's Schedule for Summer

Nathan will not be available during July. He is on Vacation and then in Zambia for 3-4 weeks.

HYG Ground Zero - July 2-6

We are in prayer about how HYG can best serve our community with the love of our Lord. Here is a preliminary schedule:

- July 2: Ground Zero overview and devo at 6 p.m.
- July 3: Neighborhood prayer walk and begin service projects 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- July 5-6: Service projects 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

How can you help?

1) We would like individuals and/or couples to sign up to be group leaders during Ground Zero. You will lead a group of kids through the scheduled activities. We will walk through the neighborhood and pray for our neighbors as we seek out service opportunities.

2) Refer a job or someone in the neighborhood that needs work done.

3) Keep this local mission in your prayers.

If you are willing to help with Ground Zero, please contact J Sanders at 669-1536 or email j.sanders@hillcrestonline.com

Hillcrest Neighborhood Parade - Tues., July 4, 10 a.m.

The 21st annual July 4th parade will begin at 10 a.m. (starting at the corner of Bacon and Campus Court) followed by homemade ice cream in the MPR. Sign up in Bible class to bring homemade or Blue Bell ice cream, or cookies. We also need folks to set up or clean up the MPR or receive ice cream at 9 a.m. Several ice cream freezers are available to borrow. Contact Alan Clute.

VIP Camp Craft Needs: This year's craft needs are plastic containers with lids, cereal boxes, old cords or wires, boxes smaller than cereal boxes, shoe boxes, and toilet rolls. Drop your items into the bins marked "VIP Camp" next to the WBS room.

Good SOIL Projects (Serving Others in Love)

The Hillcrest Family wants to help out whenever we can. We have created a list of needs on our website with a contact phone number. If you can help out, visit hillcrestonline.com/good-soil/ on the members section of our website and find out where you are needed.

Missions and Faith Sharing

Send the Light Mission Trips

The University Ministry campaign to Austria has returned and was a success. They will report to the congregation in September along with other Send the Light groups. They worked with two refugee congregations, one in northern Vienna and one in southern Vienna in an area called Traiskirchen. For example, one Sunday after church they were involved in small group discussions about hope, confidence, and identity, and later that week a female named Frazane from Afghanistan was baptized.

The Mumena, Zambia campaign trip with several high school seniors has begun. It is led by Cam Hurst and Brian Davis, and runs June 26-July 10.

Cade and Lisa White are visiting Cassie White through July 3.

Calendar of Events

July 2-6	HYG Ground Zero
July 4.....	Hillcrest July 4 Neighborhood Parade
July 6-23	Zambia Medical Mission
July 9.....	Bible Class Fellowship
July 23-26	VIP Camp
July 29	Pine Springs Youth Camp
July 30-31	Faith @ Home Weekend
August 13	Bible Class Fellowship

Hillcrest Ministries

Children's Corner

Nursery: 2-24 Months (TEAM #1)

Training and Learning for Children (Children's Church): (Ages 2-4) Parents may escort their child to the Children's Wing during the song before the sermon.

Bible Hour - 6 p.m., beginning in the TLC room.

VIP Camp - July 23-26 (For children who have finished 1st-5th grade) Online registration forms have been emailed to our families.

HYG - Youth

Tonight - Devo in the MPR from 6:00-8:30; Lance Parrish will join us. Dinner provided. Girls bring desserts and guys bring drinks.

Wednesday - 7 p.m. - Class

July 2-6 - Ground Zero

July 7 - Ranger's Game (sign up through youth news letter or at hillcrestonline.com.)

July 13, 6-8 p.m. - Skate and Bowl at FBC Family Life Center.

VIP Camp - July 23-26 - Sign up with J and Keri to help.

Pine Springs - July 29-August 4, for incoming 7th graders through graduating seniors. Go to pinespringscamp.com to sign up or get brochure from J or Keri.

If you would like to receive the youth newsletter in your email, please sign up at hillcrestonline.com/ministries/youth

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Wednesday - 7 p.m., Class, *Crazy Love*

For the Record

Sunday Morning	Sunday Evening
A.M. Assembly	Chapel
617	87
Bible Class	
587	
Membership	Wed.....
892	274
May Offering.....	
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Adult Education Corner

Sunday Morning Adult Classes - Each adult class will pursue topics of their own choosing for the summer months. Ask your class chair for information about topics and teachers

Wednesday Night Classes

- Rm 10/11 - Various men will be presenting individual lessons during the month of July.
- Rm 16 - Congregational Singing: Join Odies Wright for a time of worship in song!
- Rm 30 - ESL Class
- Rm 51 - Class for Singles led by Glenn Tuttle
- Rm 52 - Divorce Care will resume in the fall.
- Rm 212 - Class for Young Professionals
- Rm 219 - Women's Bible Class: Various speakers through the summer. Women of all ages are invited.

Family Ministry

Wednesday Night Class - 7 p.m., Rm 14/15

A Life Long Love

Couples often settle for too little when it comes to marriage, we fail to understand how deeply God cares about our spouse. We diminish our need to not only understand what biblical love really is, but also to become a people who excel at it. We let ourselves drift apart instead of making the daily choices to grow closer together.

You will never look at worship or your spouse in the same way again, and this series will guide you through the power shifts and seasonal mine fields that blow up so many marriages so that you can grow in your love, instead of in your disappointment.

Faith at Home Weekend - July 30-31, Back to School with God in Your Backpack

Sat., July 30, 10:30 a.m. - Back to School Parenting Workshop

We will be collecting new backpacks and supplies that day for kids in our community who cannot afford to buy their own. Watch for information in Bible classes on what you will need to bring.

Sun., July 31, - Guest Speaker, David Frazee, during Worship & Optional Workshop during Bible Class in the Worship Center.