## +Hillcrest Encouragement

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- Ray Ferguson
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- Charles Perkins
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## What's In a Name?

Dear Lovers of Jesus,

What's in a name? Many Zambians have beautiful, unusual and endearing names. Some of the unusual and beautiful names that I like are: Talent, Lucky, Cloud, Blessing, Loveness, Comfort, Promise, Gift, Given, Favor, Audience, Wallet, Mercy, Precious, Memory, Liberty, Bright, Omega, Alpha, Charity, Miracle, Honest, Innocent, Energy, Patience, Smart, Beloved, Trusted, and Lovemore. But the name that struck me the most was "Ba Holy" (Mr. Holy). I wondered, "Who could be called 'Mr. Holy'?"

Finally, when I could stand it no longer, I asked, "Why is everyone calling Shadrek," Ba Holy"? The answer was a big surprise and it came from Roy Merritt while we were on the West Reach campaign last year. When Shadrek was in the secondary school (high school), Roy Merritt, one of his teachers, had stepped out of the classroom for a few minutes to discuss something with the head master. When he came back into the classroom, there was mischief going on and Roy asked, "Who started all this?". The answer was, "Shadrek!" But Roy's answer settled the class down immediately. "Shadrek is too holy to start all this mischief!" Then everyone ducked their heads because they were caught in their trickery and they knew Ba Merritt was right. After that Shadrek's name, Holy, stuck. "Mr. Holy" and now his wife is called "Mrs. Holy."

I reread in Peter where God tells us that we are holy and a royal priesthood. Maybe we should all be called holy. So now I join in with the others and I call Shadrek, Ba Holy. Does Shadrek live up to this grand name? Yes, after more than thirty years of this name, he still is a good, holy man trying to please Jesus with gentle words and works of service.

I wonder if someone gave me a name, what would it be? I would hope that my character would show Godly traits. Would people around me call me Faithful and Loving? Lovingly Faithful. LF. Just call me Lovey for short.

Blessings from the little house (that wants to be faithful and loving) in the Bush.

Cindy Robinson

## 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

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 2Room 100	Gr 1Room 121
Age 3Room 106	Gr 2Room 117
Age 4Room 107	Gr 3Room 120
Pre-KRoom 110	Gr 4Room 213
KRoom 118	Gr 5Room 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 22
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)	Chape

#### **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 23, 2017

Hymn: #74	Odies WrightPraise the LordPhil Vardiman	
Songs of Praise		
Hymn: #238	Worship SongYour Are the Song That I SingI Sing Praise to Your Name	

## **Coming Into God's Presence**

Psalm 15	Bob Hale
Hebrews 12:14-17, 28-29	Bob Hale
Prayer	Gary Mabry

## We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

Hymn: #699	. I'll Be a Friend to Jesus
Communion Meditation	Dickie Hill
Hymn: #234	Worthy Is the Lamb

## Offering

Prayer	Dickie Hill
Hymn .	Wonderful Merciful Savior
Hymn .	Create In Me a Clean Heart
	(Parents may escort children to TLC during this song.)

#### Sermon

Message	Mark Hamilton
Hymn: #909	There's a Fountain Free

### Responses

Family News	Sean McNeill
Hymn	Mansion, Robe and Crown
Elder Blessing	Dave Copeland

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## ナーHillcrest Family News

#### **Today's Speakers**

A.M. - Mark Hamilton

P.M. - Coy Roper in the chapel at 6 p.m.

#### Sympathy

Sympathy to Charlie & Cindy Wolfe on the loss of Cindy's mother, Sue Price.

Sympathy to Justin & Kari Hatfield on the loss of her uncle, Ed Murray.

Sympathy to Mac McCollum on the loss of his wife, Sue. Also to J.R. & Carmen Foster, Ben & Lindsey Cotton & family and Billy & Rachel Lee & family.

## Pack the Pulpit - Sunday, July 30, 9 a.m. Faith at Home - Back to School with God in Your Backpack - Guest Speaker, David Fraze

We are looking for new and gently used backpacks for the upcoming school season. Bring them with you to Faith at Home Sunday on July 30 and lets pack the pulpit.

Back to School Parenting Workshop - 10:30 a.m., Worship Center. This is an optional workshop for all parents and grandparents during Bible class. We will be collecting new backpacks and supplies that day for kids in our community who cannot afford to buy their own. Sign up in Bible class.

#### Bridal Shower - Sat., Aug. 12, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Honoring Katelyn Harlow & Jeremy Mills, daughter of Bob & Kathie Harlow at the home of Laura Copeland. Selections: Target and amazon.com.

#### Hillcrest Golf Scramble - Saturday, August 12

Our tournament will be held at Maxwell Municipal, Abilene. The cost is \$35 and includes cart and lunch. Payment is due by August 12, at Maxwell or at the church office. Sign-up sheets are in Bible classes.

#### **Unclaimed Dishes**

Are you missing any dishes? There is a table in the long hallway with unclaimed dishes. Please check to see if any of them belong to you. Any dishes left after August 3, will be donated to the Christian Service Center.

#### **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.

#### Missing Blu-Ray Player

If you borrowed a Blu-Ray player from Rm 14/15, please return it ASAP.

## Missions and Faith Sharing

#### **Send the Light Mission Trips**

- Zambia Medical Mission ends today. You can keep up with this large mission effort by entering "Zambia Medical Mission Team Info" on Facebook.
- Phil and Elaine Palmer are participating in a WBS Campaign in several Eastern Africa countries from July 6 August 7. Phil reports from Juba, the capital and largest city of South Sudan, the WBS Workshop there had 40 attendees and 11 baptisms. In Nairobi, Kenya, Phil taught the preacher school class at Eastleigh.
- Phil and Paula Sullivan will be working with refugees at the Omonia Church of Christ in Athens, Greece, July 29 -August 19. They will teach the Bible with Let's Start Talking.

#### Calendar of Events

July 23-26	VIP Camp
July 29 - August 4	Pine Springs Youth Camp
July 30	Faith @ Home Sunday
August 9	Watermelon Feast
August 12	Hillcrest Golf Scramble
August 13	Bible Class Fellowship
August 28 ACU	& AISD First Day of School
Aug 29	Hilltoppers Luncheon
September 4	Labor Day
September 10	Bible Class Fellowship

## +Hillcrest Ministries

### Children's Corner

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

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.

#### No Bible Hour Tonight

VIP Camp - Begins tonight.

Promotion Sunday, August 20 - Children going into kindergarten through fifth grade will go to their new classrooms for this coming school year. Children who are four or who will be turning four this fall will go to the PreK classroom.

### HYG - Youth

VIP Camp - July 23-26

Wednesday - 7 p.m. - Class

**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.

#### **BIG Event - August 13**

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

### Hillcrest - U

#### Tonight - 7:30 p.m.

Movie night at the Hatfield house, 2434 Independence Blvd. Bring snacks to share.

#### Wednesday - No class

#### Mark Your Calendars

Monday, July 31 - Trip to Six Flags. We will depart Hillcrest at 8:30 a.m. Cost will be \$25 - \$30 depending on how many come. Sign up in class or on our Facebook page.

August 22 - ACU Move in Day - Come help freshmen move in and invite them to HillcrestU.

August 23 - Wildcat Week Block Party - Help me set up and man an information booth at this meet and greet event in downtown Abilene. We will have the opportunity to meet a lot of freshmen.

#### **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.

For the Record		
Sunday Morning	Sunday Evening	
A.M. Assembly591	Chapel 71	
Bible Class569		
Membership892	Wed 284	
June Offering\$90,954		