

Hillcrest Encouragement

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A Vision and a Plea

I was not asleep and dreaming nor was I awake and daydreaming, but I was in that in-between zone when I had – for lack of a better word – a “vision.” It was about Hillcrest.

We were having a cookout on a beach, and it was great fun! However, out on the water a ship had wrecked and many people were in the water, some holding on to wood chunks, some swimming toward shore, and some drowning. We noticed what was happening and started waving and hollering for the people to come to shore and join us at our cookout. I realized that most of them wouldn't make it in to shore and many were already drowning. I kept saying, “We need to rescue them!” Then I shouted, “We need to save them!” Only a very few responded to my pleas. I came to an alert state and this *vision* troubled me. I shared it with some, but nothing changed.

A few months ago that vision from several years ago came back to my memory as Matt talked about prophecy and the promptings of the Holy Spirit. What could this vision mean? Well, I believe that I, as an individual, and we, as a congregation and we, as the church at large, have lost an urgency to save the lost. We invite people to “join us” but few of us go to them. I have been thinking for quite some time that we pray for blessings, for healing of illnesses, for many other good things, but how often do we pray for the lost? How often do we pray for a passion to save the lost? I wonder what would happen to this church if every member began praying fervently that we could reach the lost of this community and the world?

Jesus says, “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age” (Matthew 28:19-20). Is this great commission only meant for apostles, or is it for all believers?

Maybe many of us have quenched the Spirit by not being concerned about the lost people around us. Would you be willing to pray with me for a passion for the lost? Would you be willing to pray for _____, to come to know Jesus Christ? Would you be willing to pray that you would have the courage to reach out and teach _____? Let's really be followers of Jesus, sharing the Good News of the Gospel!

Susan Green

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 Nursery

Age 2..... Room 100	Gr 1Room 121
Age 3..... Room 106	Gr 2Room 117
Age 4..... Room 107	Gr 3Room 120
Pre-K..... Room 110	Gr 4Room 213
K..... Room 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
Upward Bound (all ages).....	Room 10
Y/O (all ages)	Room 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

March 1, 2015

Worship LeaderOdies Wright
Hymn: #718We Shall Assemble
Welcome Matt Haynes
Hymn Great Are You Lord

How Should We Pray?

1 Kings 18:25-39 Matthew Bos
Matthew 6:5-15..... Matthew Bos
PrayerJon Bos
Hymn: #801 Where No One Stands Alone
Hymn: #315 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

The Lord's Supper

Communion Meditation Justin Hatfield
Hymn I Worship You/There is None Like You

Offering

Prayer Justin Hatfield

Songs of Praise

HymnAs the Deer Thirsts
Hymn: #60 I Exalt Thee
Hymn: #76How Great Thou Art
Hymn Awesome God

“Resistance Training: Spirit Touches Spirit”

Message Matt Haynes
Hymn Shout to the Lord

Responses

Hillcrest News..... J.R.Foster
Hymn: #63 I Will Call Upon the Lord
Elder Blessing..... Malcolm Coco

The Hillcrest family is led by the Holy Spirit to glorify God, proclaim the truth of Christ which transforms lives, and encourage one another toward faithful service and maturity.

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Today is Care Group

The Young Professionals class will be leading the 6 p.m. service in the chapel.

Sympathy

To Bob & Betty Hale on the loss of Bob's sister-in-law, Shirley Hale, on Feb. 24, in Little Rock, AR.

To David & Laura Copeland on the loss of Laura's sister, Sharrell Milhollon, on Feb. 24, of Llano, TX.

To Mike & Susan Aston on the loss of Susan's mother, Lorene Knox, of Lewisville on Feb. 25th. Lorene was also the sister of Bucket Bailey.

Baby Shower

Honoring baby Avigale Jane Burton, daughter of Tyler & Elizabeth Burton, today from 2-3:30 in the home of Linda Varner, 13 Hilliard Circle. Selections at Target, Amazon & Kid's Village.

Tuesday Ladies Class – March 3, - 10 a.m.

Room 30: Pat Varner – *Lord is it Warfare* Ch. 4.

Room 10: Cathy Franklin - 1 Timothy 5:17-21

Hilltoppers Luncheon

The Hilltoppers luncheon has been rescheduled for this Tue., Mar. 3, at 11:30 a.m. in Room 12. Ken Collums, ACU's head football coach, will be sharing about how the program is training football players to be men. The menu is baked fish almondine, green beans, garden salad, potato casserole, roll and brownies with chocolate dipped strawberries. The cost is \$3 per person.

Men's Softball

The first practice will be tomorrow, March 2, from 8-10 p.m. on field 1. Turn in your contracts tomorrow night also. The season starts Mar. 16. Contact Alan Clute if you are interested in playing.

New Member Pictures

If you have recently placed membership at Hillcrest or experienced a change in your family, please come to the side of the Worship Center and have your picture made today after worship.

Calendar of Events

March 1.....Care Group (Young Professionals)
 March 3.....Hilltoppers Luncheon
 March 8.....Daylight Savings Time Begins
 March 19.....Motherly Love
 March 20-22.....HillcrestU Spring Retreat
 March 26.....Woman to Woman Event
 April 19.....Labor For Your Neighbor
 May 1-3.....HEB Retreat

Missions and Faith Sharing

From Cindy Robinson - As I weave through the tall grass to the nearby village of Wasawonge, the wonders of this place call me to think about the splendors of God's handiwork.....red flowers with no stems and these grow directly out of the sand, the strange calls of tropical birds... but I find that the true wonders of God await me at the village of Wasawonge.....the women!

Beside Irene's mud brick hut with no door, her best carpet... corn meal sacks hand sewn together.....is rolled out for everyone to sit on the dirt under the mango tree. Now the lesson about the birth of Jesus starts. Either Irene or Elmelda translates. I take off my scarf and twirl it and with clothespins we have a timeline. Linear thinking is hard for Zambians.....so the incarnation must be discussed and shown on the timeline. (Jesus got people to wonder about the same thing "If then David calls him 'Lord' how can he be his son?")

The next part was about twelve year old Jesus growing in wisdom, taller and in favor with people and God. Mwenya said she would ask her grandmother to tell her a story about Jesus everyday so that she would grow in wisdom and in favor with God. Irene and Josephine both said that they would tell Mwenya stories about Jesus every day until next Saturday. These women of Wasawonge hunger and thirst for righteousness. Please pray that their hunger will continue and that they will be filled!

HillcrestU – University

Tonight

LIFE groups meet at 5:30 p.m.

G1 and G2 – Whitlock (1317 Lakeview)

G3 and G4 – Hatfield Host (Hillcrest)

Tuesday

Tuesday Night Bible study at 2417 Church St at 8 p.m.

Wednesday

LIFT Worship: Experiencing the Psalms at 7 p.m.

Thursday

We will have small group chapel this week at 11 a.m. at Jacob's Dream. If the weather is cold or rainy, we will be in the Bible building room 120.

Spring Retreat – March 20-22

Sign up today for our retreat, REST. Sign up available from our Facebook page or hillcrestonline.com on our HillcrestU page! Cost is only \$35!

Children's Corner

Nursery: 2-24 Months (TEAM #1)

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

No Bible Hour tonight. Enjoy your Care Group.

Family Ministry

Sunday - Single and Parenting - 6 p.m. – Room 14-15

Darrin Cox & Summer Anders facilitate this group.

Wednesday - 7 p.m. - Room 14-15

"Breathing Room" Ever feel like you can't catch your breath? Perhaps you need some breathing room - a place where you can actually stop for a minute and not think about all of the family crises you're dealing with. In this four week series, we will show you how to create this place in your schedule, your finances, and your relationships. Don't miss it!

Divorce Care – Wednesday – 7 p.m. – Room 52

If you or someone you know could benefit from this support group, please plan to attend. Facilitated by Russell & Cene' Gould.

Hillcrest Family Ministry Needs You

The Family Ministry Leadership is looking for your help with an anonymous survey that will measure what is going on spiritually in the families we have here at Hillcrest, and specifically what spiritual activities are happening within the home. This takes just a few minutes of your time, and the information will help us to know better how we can help you develop more of a faith at home mindset.

All you have to do is go to www.faithlife.me to take the survey, and put in our church code, which is 511. It will take you through a series of questions where you choose a response with a click of your mouse, so it goes very quickly. If for some reason you are not able to make it work or do not have access to a computer, you can come up to the office and we will help you.

The results of this survey will be shared during our Faith at Home weekend on March 28-29th. Again, your honest involvement is needed and appreciated, and will be totally anonymous.

Thank you for your help!

Adult Education Corner

Wednesday Evening Women's Class

On March 18, a new class using the book *Children of the Day*, by Beth Moore begins. This nine-week study of I and II Thessalonians is a timely study for our class, our church, and our world. Come and invite new people to participate in an in-depth Bible study. Contact Marty Williams if you would like the workbook that goes along with the series. Cost is \$16.00.

Looking for Individuals Interested in Teaching a Summer Class.

This summer we will be using various men to teach month-long series in the Adult Classes. If you have a 4-5 lesson series and would like to be considered as a teacher this summer, please contact Perry Reeves (telephone: 676-0875 or email: reevesp@acu.edu) for more information.

HYG - Youth Group

Today

If you plan on going on the Spring Break Ski/Mission Trip, email Taylor and let him know today. After today, you will not be able to sign up. No Huddles for MS. Care Group.

Wednesday

Tutoring at 6:15 p.m. Class at 7 p.m.

Thursday

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

Friday

South-side Prayer Breakfast at 7 a.m. at Chick-fil-A South (on Southwest Dr.) Contact Taylor if you will need a ride to school.

Upcoming Events

Juniors and seniors, sign up online for the Junior/Senior Night Out on April 10-11.

For the Record

Sunday Morning

A.M. Assembly.....792
 Bible Class.....691
 Membership956

Offering.....\$21,168
 Weekly Budget\$25,000

Sunday Evening

Auditorium.....19
 Adult Life Groups.....36
 University.....62

Wednesday Evening

Classes..... 410