

Hillcrest Encouragement

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Forward to the Summit

Recently I was going through some personal papers and I found these words I had written years ago. Actually, I wrote the words 37 years ago while I was studying to become a Christian. During that time, I was encouraged to write down my feelings, thoughts, struggles etc.

As I read my words written long ago, I was taken back to a "time and place" 37 years ago. In some ways, my writing is "dark" and without "hope". Please see below:

"Forward to the Summit, we strive to overcome it, the force of sin which encompasses all men.

The push and shove-conscious against conscious - we must overcome - for compared to GOD we are numb

Forward to the Summit, we must strive to overcome – the force of ourselves which erodes all men"

Hopefully, I have matured in 37 years not only as a person but as a Christian. I am comforted in that we worship a GOD who is just but also full of love, forgiveness, compassion, and hope.

Today, 37 years later, I would add the following to my writings:

"Forward to the Summit, I am striving to overcome the force of sin, which affects all men

Forward to the Summit, I know I can achieve the promise of GOD if I believe"

As you think of your journey, what would you write? Possibly, Exodus 33:14 can help guide you in the same manner it comforts me.

Exodus 33:14 (NIV)

The Lord replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

Best wishes on your path to the Summit

Judd White

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 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

November 1, 2015

Worship Leader..... Odies Wright
Hymn #227..... On Zion's Glorious Summit
Welcome..... Terry Brown
Hymn: #749..... The Battle Belongs to the Lord

Sin Is Waiting to Take Over What God Has Done

Genesis 4:1-7.....Cliff Barbarick
James 1:12-15.....Cliff Barbarick
Prayer..... Greg Straughn
Hymn: #453..... Love Lifted Me

The Lord's Supper

Hymn: #234..... Worthy Is the Lamb
Communion Meditation..... Shane Price
Hymn: #313..... The Old Rugged Cross

Offering

Prayer..... Shane Price
Hymn: #810..... Listen To Our Hearts*

Songs of Praise

Hymn: #60.....He Is Exalted
Hymn: #266..... Majesty

Nehemiah: Serving God with Dirty Hands "Throw What Stinks Out of God's House!"

Message..... Greg Anderson
Hymn..... Lord, Reign In Me

Responses

Hillcrest News.....Chip Whitlock
Hymn: #875..... Home of the Soul
Family Blessing..... Jack Stewart

(*Children's Song of the Month)

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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Hillcrest Family News

Today's Speaker

A.M. – Greg Anderson
P.M. – John Fewkes – Rm 10/11

New Members

- Rick & Marla Diaz
- Mac & Sue McCollum
- Dick Wharton

New Member Pictures

If you are new to Hillcrest or have experienced a change in your family, please come have your picture made at the side of the Worship Center after worship.

Branson Trip meeting - Today

We will meet after Bible class in rooms 14/15 to finalize details.

Memorial Service – Nov. 7, 2 p.m.

There will be a memorial service for former member Mary Stockdell in the Hillcrest chapel.

MOMS to Moms Dinner – Nov. 12, 6 p.m.

Come join the fun and fellowship at our next MOMS to Moms dinner, "A Taste of Hillcrest #2," at the home of Star Ferguson, 2533 Lincoln Dr. Sign-up sheets will be in adult Bible classes and on the desk at the entrance to the children's wing. Gayle Binder will be our guest speaker and we always look forward to laughing with her and hearing what she has to share! Child care will be provided at the Hillcrest building.

Christmas Singers – Wed., Nov. 4, 7 p.m.

The Hillcrest Singers Christmas Program preparation will begin this Wed. We will have three weeks of rehearsals, then in December, we'll present a series of programs Wed. nights (and a couple of Sunday nights) at Senior Living Centers. Rehearsals are Wed. nights in the Chapel at 7 p.m. For more information Contact Greg Straughn (gregory.straughn@acu.edu). Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Light on the Hill – Nov. 15

On Sunday, November 15, we will have our Light on the Hill special contribution. The goal is \$50,000. This contribution will go toward Benevolence and Local Evangelism. We will also be collecting sacks of food for the local needy. Pick up a bag in the southwest foyer or by the chapel.

Thanksgiving LAFF – Nov. 18, 5:30 p.m.

Our next Loaves and Fishes Fellowship (church-wide meal) will be our Thanksgiving meal on Wednesday, November 18. Kent Anderson and crew will be smoking turkeys, making dressing and all the fixin's. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome! Invite your friends. This ministry is funded by your generous donations in the box at the door. If you can help set up or cook on Tuesday, cook, serve or clean on Wednesday, please sign up in Bible Class next week.

Silent Servants Reception - Nov. 21

It's only 3 weeks until Woman to Woman's "Silent Servants" reception! Have you put it on your calendar? Sign-up to attend on the Woman to Woman table at the side of the auditorium or online at www.hillcrestonline.com. Pick up a flyer on the table for details.

Men's Softball - Tomorrow, 10 p.m. on field 2 against Beltway Purple. Come out and cheer them on.

Missions & Faith Sharing

Mumena Christian Outreach Dinner & Auction Nov. 5, 6 p.m.

All are invited to hear how our church planting work in Northwest Zambia is progressing and how our Hillcrest Youth are making a huge impact for the Gospel among the Kaonde tribe! This summer some of our high school seniors will participate. Opportunities will be available to either give directly to our mission effort or to contribute to our youth participating in next summer's Mumena Gospel meetings. Come help make it happen! For tickets, go online at www.hillcrestonline.com/mumenedinner/ or call the office.

For the Record

Sunday Morning	Sunday Evening
A.M. Assembly674	Rm 10/1148
Classes.....562	
Membership.....911	Wed Classes360
Sept. Offering\$98,928	

Calendar of Events

November 2-7 Hilltoppers Branson Trip
November 5 Mumena Christian Outreach Dinner
November 8 Care Group
November 12 MOMS to Moms
November 14-15 Faith at Home Weekend
November 15 Light on the Hill Offering
November 18 Thanksgiving LAFF
November 21 Silent Servants Reception
November 26-27 Office Closed/Thanksgiving
December 5 Single Seniors Christmas Dinner

Hillcrest Ministries

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

Bibles for Eastern Europe - The final amount raised this year was \$1,482.77. This is two-thirds more than what was raised last year. Because of our giving, 296 Bibles will be printed and placed in the hands of Eastern European school children. Thank you to all who participated!

HYG – Youth

Today – Huddles will meet at 6 p.m. Middle School Huddle tonight at the Straughns (1633 Hillview). Come in your non-scary costume to celebrate All Saints Day (the day after All Hallows' Eve). We'll have fellowship and games and a costume competition.

Wednesday – Class at 7 p.m. High school class will be conducted by ACU admissions! Please come to class to hear and ask questions about some awesome things ACU is doing. Plus, they want to give you free stuff!! Middle schoolers, we will be talking about the topics that YOU have chosen!

Thursday – No Prayer Breakfast this week.

Sign up online for Encounter LE. – Nov. 22-24. Cost is \$15. ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: Sign up online for retreat! The new dates are December 4-6. The cost is \$70. Please contact Taylor if you need financial assistance.

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Tonight – 6 p.m.

- G1 – Hardcastle (1349 Piedmont Dr)
- G2 – Barnett (1401 Roadrunner Ct)
- G3 – McAlister (2573 Lincoln Dr)
- G4 – Hatfield (5333 CR 103 N)

Wednesday – LIFT worship at 7 p.m. Come share your story.

Thursday Prayer chapel – 11 a.m. – Jacob's Dream on ACU's campus.

Adult Education Corner

Sunday Morning Adult Classes – "The Holiness of God" continues through November 8. On November 15, several classes will meet in the auditorium for a class taught by Rick & Beverly Ross on coping with grief. Ask your class chair for more information.

Wednesday Night Large Class - Rm 10-11 – Kevin Batten begins a 3-week series.

Wednesday Worship in Song – Rm 16 – Join Odies Wright for a time of worship in song.

Wednesday ESL Class Rm 30 - If you have an interest in helping as a tutor, please contact Phil Palmer.

Wednesday Women's Bible Class – Rm 219 – New study begins Nov. 4. They will be studying *Walking by Faith* by Jennifer Rothschild. Women of all ages are invited.

Tuesday Women's Bible Study – Nov 3 – 10 a.m.

Rm 30 – "Jesus the Better (Perfect) Sacrifice" Heb. 9:1 – 10:18, Teacher: Donna Gee.

Rm 10 – "Timothy & Epaphroditus" Phil. 2:19-30, Teacher: Margaret Cooper.

Family Ministry

Wednesday Night Series – 7 p.m. – Room 14/15

The God Moment That Changes Everything - We've all had "aha!" moments in our lives, times when a sudden revelation surprises us with insight. In this series, we will explore how we can experience this same kind of "aha!" in our families' spiritual lives. Kyle Idleman (Gods at War) draws on Scripture to reveal how three key elements can draw us closer to God and change our lives and our families for good.

Faith at Home Weekend – "Dealing with Loss" – Nov 14-15

Saturday, Nov. 14, 6 p.m. – Milestone event – Rick & Beverly Ross will speak at a dessert banquet for anyone who has lost a loved one over the past year.

Sunday, Nov. 15 – Rick Ross will be speaking to everyone on the topic of loss and the gracious nature of death not being the final destination for Christians, followed by an optional Grief Workshop in the Worship Center where Rick & Beverly will share their story and give coping skills for dealing with loss in your life.

Divorce Care – Wednesday Night – Rm 52

Russell & Cene' Gould facilitating.