## \*Hillcrest Encouragement

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## Psalm 136

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.

His love endures forever.

2 Give thanks to the God of gods.

His love endures forever.

3 Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

His love endures forever.

4 to him who alone does great wonders,

His love endures forever.

5 who by his understanding made the heavens,

His love endures forever.

6 who spread out the earth upon the waters.

His love endures forever.

7 who made the great lights—

His love endures forever.

8 the sun to govern the day,

His love endures forever.

9 the moon and stars to govern the night;

His love endures forever.

10 to him who struck down the

firstborn of Egypt

His love endures forever.

11 and brought Israel out from among them

His love endures forever.

12 with a mighty hand and outstretched arm:

His love endures forever.

13 to him who divided the Red Sea asunder

His love endures forever.

14 and brought Israel through the midst of it,

His love endures forever.

15 but swept Pharaoh and his army into the Red Sea:

His love endures forever.

16 to him who led his people through the wilderness;

His love endures forever.

17 to him who struck down great kings,

His love endures forever.

18 and killed mighty kings—

His love endures forever.

19 Sihon king of the Amorites

His love endures forever.

20 and Og king of Bashan—

His love endures forever.

21 and gave their land as an inheritance,

His love endures forever.

22 an inheritance to his servant Israel.

His love endures forever.

23 He remembered us in our low estate

His love endures forever.

24 and freed us from our enemies.

His love endures forever.

25 He gives food to every creature.

His love endures forever.

26 Give thanks to the God of heaven.

His love endures forever

# F-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
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 15, 2015

### **Eternal Hope for Christians**

Psalm 34:17-19	Collin Pittman
Revelation 21:1-7	Collin Pittman
Hymn: #890	In the Land of Fadeless Day
Prayer	Dik Pittman
Hymn: #214	Have You Seen Jesus My Lord?

## The Lord's Supper

Hymn: #574	Oh, How I Love Jesus
Communion Meditation	Keith Morgan

## Offering

Prayer	Keith Morgan
Hymn: #31	Be Still and Know

## **Light on the Hill Offering**

Prayer ...... Keith Morgan

## "A Walk to Remember"

Hymn: #477 ...... There Is a Place of Quiet Rest

Message ..... Rick Ross

Hymn: #912 ..... Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary

## Responses

(\*Children's Song of the Month)

## +Hillcrest Family News

#### Today's Speaker

A.M. - Rick Ross

P.M. – Steve Powers

#### **New Member**

Victoria Tyson

#### **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.

#### **Light on the Hill – Today**

Today, we will have our Light on the Hill special contribution. The goal is \$50,000. This contribution will go toward Benevolence and Local Evangelism.

#### Thanksgiving LAFF – This Wednesday, 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 cook on Tuesday, cook, serve or clean on Wednesday, please sign up at the information table. If you have borrowed tables or chairs from our building, please return them.

#### Silent Servants Reception – This Saturday, 9:30-11 a.m.

There will be a presentation at 10 am-- in the MPR! It is a celebration of Thanksgiving for Hillcrest's "Silent Servants" hosted by the Woman to Woman Ministry. We were overwhelmed with how many of you are serving 'behind the scenes!' Everyone is welcome. Please enter the multipurpose room (MPR) via the covered entrance near the chapel. A presentation will be made at 10 am. Come enjoy the fellowship and say "Thank you!"

#### Calendar of Events

November 15	Faith at Home
November 15Lig	tht on the Hill Offering
November 18	Thanksgiving LAFF
November 21 Sile	nt Servants Reception
November 26-27 Office	e Closed/Thanksgiving
December 5 Single Ser	niors Christmas Dinner
December 12	Breakfast With Santa

#### **Needed for Breakfast with Santa**

We are in need of pine cones, ranging from 3 to 5 inches, for a Christmas craft. A bin in the large hall has been marked for this collection. Thank you!

#### Christmas for the Children of Cherokee Home for Children

Last year the Hilltoppers sent gifts for each child at Cherokee Home for Children. Cherokee Home provides for the physical, educational and spiritual needs of about 35 children (ages 11 months to 18 years) that have been removed from difficult family situations. If you would be willing to purchase and wrap a gift from one or two of the children's wish lists, please contact Janiece Watts at 325 372-1970 or janiece.watts@gmail.com.

## Missions & Faith Sharing

#### **World Bible School**

Hillcrest is leading the way in the innovations taking place with World Bible School's new P.R.E.P. program in Ghana. This effort, "Partners in Religious Education Program", is the result of an open door to teach our curriculum in the public secondary schools of the Ghana education system. Our two-way digital scanning enables us to achieve the necessary lesson turn-around for Ghana's educational calendar. Paula Leverett and Don Pope are helping to pave the way in this innovative approach. Hillcrest volunteer lesson graders are making an eternal difference! If you would like to participate in this, ask Don or Paula when the next grading session will be.

## Hillcrest - U

#### Tonight – 6 p.m.

6 p.m. - G1 – White (2541 John C. Stevens)

6 p.m. - G2 - Hancock (1841 Marathon Ct)

6 p.m. - G3 – Holt (1318 Newcastle)

5 p.m. - G4 – Pruett (14 Hilliard Cr)

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

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

**Saturday Night Fun Times - TBA** 

#### Mark your calendar

December 6 is our annual Christmas Party! Make plans to be there!

## +Hillcrest Ministries

## Children's Corner

#### Nursery: 2-24 Months (TEAM #3)

#### **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.

Bible Bowl - Practice is today.

#### Breakfast with Santa - December 12, 9-11 a.m.

Mark your calendar for our annual free pancake and sausage breakfast in the MPR. Bring the children in their pajamas! Christmas craft activities will be provided with an opportunity to have pictures made with Santa. This is open to the community, so please bring a neighbor!

### HYG - Youth

**Today** – Huddles 6-7 p.m. Sign up for Encounter LE TODAY!! Only \$15

**Wednesday** – Thanksgiving LAFF followed by class at 7 p.m. We will be finishing up our current Wednesday night studies. You don't want to miss the finale!

**Thursday** – Prayer Breakfast at 7 a.m. at Chick-fil-A (north). Middle School Guys Night!! Cutthroat Kitchen! 6:00-7:30 pm in the Hillcrest Kitchen Sign-Up sheets can be found in class

**Friday** – We leave for Encounter LE! Meet at the Hillcrest covered entrance at 4:45 p.m. We are leaving at 5 p.m. Bring your dinner with you to eat on the bus. We will return Sunday at 2 p.m.

Sign up for High School Retreat. SABOTAGE! Dec. 4-6. \$70. Please let Taylor know if cost will be an issue.

#### For the Record

Sunday Morning	Sunday Evening
A.M. Assembly 704	Rm 10/11 Care Group
Classes 698	
Membership 915	Wed Classes 388
Oct. Offering \$109,324	

#### **Adult Education Corner**

**Sunday Morning Adult Classes** – Today several classes will meet in the auditorium for a Grief Workshop by Rick & Beverly Ross on coping with grief. Next Sunday the final series of the year begins focusing on the "Spiritual Responsibilities of the Individual and the Church."

Wednesday Night Large Class - Rm 10-11 — Following LAFF, Kevin Batten will finish his series, "The Foolishness of God."

**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 –** Continues a study of *Walking by Faith* by Jennifer Rothschild. Women of all ages are invited.

#### Tuesday Women's Bible Study – Nov 17 – 10 a.m.

Rm 30 – "A Call to Draw Near (Hold Firm to the Faith)" Heb. 10:19-39, Teacher: Pat Bratcher.

Rm 10 – "Pressing On Toward the Goal" Phil. 3:12-21, Teacher: Cathy Franklin.

## Family Ministry

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

The Advent Conspiracy - Are you tired of how consumerism has stolen the soul of Christmas? This year, take a stand! Join the groundswell of Christ-followers who are choosing to make Christmas what it should be---a joyous celebration that enriches our hearts and the world around us, not a retail circus that depletes our pocketbooks and defeats our spirit. This series shows you how to substitute consumption with compassion by practicing four simple but powerful, countercultural concepts. Find out how to have a Christmas worth remembering, not dreading! Christmas can still change the world when you, like Jesus, give what matters most---your presence.

**Divorce Care – Wednesday Night – Rm 52**Russell & Cene' Gould facilitating.