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HEARTLAND FAMILY MINISTRIES

Heartland Happenings

From the Pastor by Pastor Danny McCubbin



“Without vision, people perish,” says Solomon in Proverbs 29:18. This past week, we had an opportunity to give feedback on the vision of the church. Our new website will be up and running as of May 8th. There will be a vision survey for you to respond to on the website. We will need church members to give feedback by May 31st. During the month of June, the church staff will discuss results and we will share a vision for the new year at the end of July.

Starting Up New Things

We challenge the church to continue to look for ways to engage your world for Christ and invite others to Christ and to the church. As we think about new ways to engage the culture and reach people, we ask you be patient and try new things to engage the world around us for the gospel.

Summer Schedule—Begins May 31!

May 31st will be our first night following summer schedule for Wednesday nights. Instead of breaking into Bible Studies, we will have a service in the auditorium, still at 6:30pm. That night, following the service, will be the first meeting for our by-laws committee. Be in prayer for that committee.

The preaching schedule on Wednesday Nights will be May 31- July 5th- “Fighting for Your Life: Learning How to Fight the Spiritual Battles in Your Life “

Special Speakers this Summer on Wednesday night

June 7- Seth McCubbin
June 14- Jeff Johnson
July 19th- Cullan Fritts

May 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>30 <i>Lord's Supper</i></p> <p><i>Vision and Evaluation Mtg, 5pm</i></p>	1	2	<p>3 <i>Pastor visiting from Ecuador</i></p>	4	<p>5 <i>Choir Fiesta 6pm, Rm 133</i></p>	6
<p>7 <i>Church Softball Practice, 3pm</i></p>	<p>8 <i>PTF Mtg, 5pm</i></p>	9	<p>10 <i>Senior Gowning, 2:00pm</i></p>	<p>11 <i>Sr. Adult Luncheon at IHOP, 11:30am</i></p>	12	13
				<p>MCSAA State Tournament Joplin, MO</p>		
14	<p>15 <i>Spring Sports Reception, 6pm</i></p>	16	<p>17 <i>HCS Spring Concert & Elementary Graduation 7pm Retirement Reception, ~8:30pm</i></p>	<p>18 <i>Academic Awards Ceremony, 9:30am—Elem 10:30am—JH/HS</i></p>	<p>19 <i>HCS HS Graduation, 7pm</i></p>	20
21	<p>Teacher In-Service</p>		24	25	26	27
28	29	30	<p>31 <i>Midweek Activities Switch to Summer Schedules</i></p>	1	2	3

Principal's Corner

by Mr. Mike McMillan

Here it is! May! I can't believe how fast it got here. Accreditation is finished, and we are accredited for the next 6 years! Praise God. I want to say another big THANK YOU to Lesley Schmidt and everyone else who put in countless hours to accomplish this daunting task.

Track and field has been going great – thank you Mrs. Danner and all the assistant coaches. Graduation is quickly approaching along with the spring concert. Please watch for the announcements for both of these momentous events.

Finally, I want to say thank you to each of our parents for allowing me to be a small part of your student's lives for the last several years. As I'm sure most of you know, I am retiring at the end of the year. I am going to miss interacting with all of our students and watching them grow. It has been an honor and a pleasure to be the principal at Heartland Christian School. I am sure that you will continue to support our school and the administration as HCS continues to pour into your student's lives.

Enrollment Overview

Enrollment is still ongoing! On April 5th, we entered the Late Enrollment period, so the enrollment fee for returning families will be \$385 for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year. As of this printing, we have 150 students enrolled for next year and about 30 more students whom we expect will complete their enrollment soon!

For those who have already enrolled—thank you! We appreciate the prompt feedback, as it helps us in our planning for next year. If you are planning to re-enroll and have not submitted your student's enrollment packet, please, do so!

If you are having problems with your enrollment packets or Family Portal login, please reach out to Ms. Anders in the main office at janders@hfministries.org or (816) 331-1000.

Open Houses

While we do not hold Open Houses in May due to how hectic things get with the end of the school year, we will still be able to make appointments with prospective parents and resume holding open houses in the summer:

Tuesday, June 20, 5-8pm

Thursday, July 20, 5-8pm

Superintendent Section

by Pastor Danny McCubbin

Thank you for a great year! I pray you have a great summer full of time for family and relaxing. As we conclude the school year and head into the summer, we want to update you on some summer dates to be aware of:

School Calendar—The early school calendar will be sent out by the end of May to the school families who are enrolled. It will be posted on our new website, as well.

Class Offerings—High School students will finish picking classes before the school year ends. Many of them have already selected their classes for next year. New High School Students will get a phone call to go over their schedule for the upcoming school year. Middle School students will pick electives in the month of June. All students should receive their schedules in July.

Back to School Night—Back to School Night will be on August 14th. Part of this event will include a table for parents to see volunteer opportunities. We encourage parents to get engaged by volunteering for the upcoming year.

Summer Camp—You will receive an announcement before school is out giving you information on how to be a part of our summer program. Please call Danny McCubbin with any questions about a summer camp opportunity for grades K-4th.

Have a great vacation, and
we will see you all back for the next school year on August 14th!

School Section, cont.

by Ms. Jessica Anders

**“To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven”
Ecclesiastes 3:1**

The time for the school year to end is quickly approaching, and we have several events to mark the passage of this time. Please mark your calendars for the events below:

Senior Gowning, May 10, during the JH/HS Chapel, 2:00pm, auditorium

The seniors will be invested in their caps, gowns, and any honor cords they are receiving.

Spring Sports Reception, May 15, 6pm

This is the awards ceremony for the spring sports: baseball, golf, track and field, etc.

Open Prayer Time, May 17, 7:30am

This will be the last of the special open prayer times Pastor holds before the elementary chapel until we resume during the 2023-24 school year.

(more events on the following page)

Spring Concert and Elementary Graduation, May 17, 7pm

The Spring concert is a chance for all of you to come see what the kids have been working on all year! It will include performances by the elementary music program, the junior high and high school choir, orchestra, and drama department. Students from the art classes will have some of their works on display, and you may even see some of the works that were recently submitted to a juried show at Blue Ridge Christian, where our student, Millie Sarsfield, received a medal for one of her digital artworks. Towards the end of the concert, we will hold our elementary graduations. This will include presenting the kindergartners with diplomas as they move from K5 into the elementary and presenting with 5th graders with diplomas as they progress into junior high.

Retirement Reception for Mike McMillan, May 17, gym, after the Spring Concert

After the Spring concert dismisses, head down to the gym, where we will be holding a reception to celebrate Mr. McMillan's retirement! There will be a basket where you can leave cards and gifts for him if you wish to do so.

Last Day of School, May 18, Half-Day (noon release)

It is important that the students attend the last day of school so they can return textbooks, clean out their desks and/or lockers, and return any music from the Spring Concert. It is a half-day, so if you do not plan to take your student home after the awards ceremonies, please make arrangements for them to be picked up or go to aftercare.

Academic Awards Ceremonies, May 18

9:30am for Elementary; 10:30am for JH/HS

We have listened to feedback from parents and faculty and have made some changes to how awards are presented this year. We have separated the athletic awards to be presented at the sports receptions at the end of each season, and we will be presenting the academic awards the morning of the last day of school in two special chapels. If you want to take your students home early after these ceremonies, you may sign them out in the lobby once they have turned in all textbooks and music and have cleaned out their desk or locker.

High School Graduation, May 19, 7pm

Come join us as we send our seniors out into the world! We will celebrate their accomplishments, present their diplomas, and hear from our keynote speaker—Cole Knowlton—and the valedictorian and salutatorian. There will be a reception following this service.

Sports Section

by Mrs. Tamra Atcheson

Hello all,

It is hard to believe that we are entering May. This has been a year of growth and accomplishment for our students. We will finish the 2023 Spring sports season with the MOKAN Conference Track and Field Meet and the MCSAA Spring State Tournament. Our teams have worked hard to develop their skills and continue improving in these areas.

As we finish this school year, we begin to look to the Summer and training in preparation for the 2023-2024 sports seasons. Please, watch the calendar and your emails for announcements of open gyms, workouts, clinics, and sports camps to be scheduled this summer.

We are excited to continue growing our programs for students. If you are interested in helping with any of our programs, please contact me or the school office. We are planning to have the following sports and activities for next year:

Fall

Cross Country

Volleyball

Boys' Soccer

Flag Football (potential intramural)

Disc Golf

Tennis

Winter

Cheerleading

Basketball

Spring

Track and Field

Baseball

Softball

Girls' Soccer

Golf

If you are interested in partnering with our teams, please contact me at tatcheson@hfministries.org. Or please consider joining our Booster Club!

We have individual and corporate partnerships available. Forms can be found in the school office.

Midweek Meals—May Menus

You do not need to sign up to attend these meals, which occur weekly on Wednesdays at 5:30pm. If you would like to help with set-up, serving, or clean-up, please contact Yvonne Roberts.

May. 3

Baked Potato Bar, Salad, and Chocolate Cookies

May. 10

Taco Salad and Churro Cookies

New Bible Studies Starting!

Our next **New Members Class** will be starting on May 21st for anyone interested in pursuing being a new member or just wanting to learn more about their church.

This is a 6-week class that meets on Sundays at 9am.

Study of Faith in Hard Times (Book of Job) has begun Sunday Mornings at 9:00am in the choir room. For the complete list of Bible Studies, Services, and Fellowship Groups, please see the last page of this newsletter.

Sunday Morning series

On May 28, we will start a new sermon series called Treasure Hunters. We will be a long series unveiling all the treasures we will find to apply to our lives in the book of Ephesians. I encourage you to invite a friend or friends to this series as we navigate life together.

VBS is Coming!

We are already starting to plan for VBS! Sign-ups for workers are in the lobby, and sign-ups for students, are online!

This year's theme is
**"Keepers of the Kingdom
Standing Strong in
Today's Battle for Truth"**

June 25-29

5:30pm-8:45pm



Looking Ahead

**Church Picnic
Wed., July 12**

This event will include food and games. Details will come as we approach this date. Please save this date on your calendar for a church wide picnic.

**Vision of the Church
For the New Year**

Wednesday, July 26

Sunday, July 30

Times to be determined

Youth Section

by Mr. Cole Knowlton

Summer is just around the corner, and the Lord has a lot in store for our Youth Group. This week we will be wrapping up an 8-week study in I Timothy. "Command and teach these things. ¹²Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. ¹³Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching." I Timothy 4:11-13. Paul exhorts Timothy to set an example for the believers, and in turn I exhorted our youth to holiness in this manner. With the conclusion of I Timothy, we will be jumping directly into II Timothy. Please, pray that God's word will take root in the hearts of all who gather to hear His word's being taught.

Seeker's Youth Camp will be July 5th-8th in El Dorado, Missouri. Our Youth Team will be meeting over the next few weeks to pray, plan, and budget for our summer events, with the goal to make this the best Seeker's Summer yet!

Please, continue to pray for our team and for the youth that gather each week. The Lord is mighty to save, and we are excited to see what He will do.

Your Fellow Servant,

Cole S. Knowlton

II Timothy 1:6-9

Therefore, I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God, who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began"

Isaiah 64:8

But now, O Lord, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You our potter; and all we are the work of Your hand.

Jeremiah 18:4

And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter; so he made it again into another vessel, as it seemed good to the potter to make.

Romans 9:21

Does the potter not have power over the clay, from the same lump to make one vessel for honorable use and another for dishonor?

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

I Timothy 6:11-16

“But flee from these things, you man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance, and gentleness. Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, Who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, Who testified the good confession before Pontius Pilate, that you keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which He will bring about at the proper time—He Who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, Who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, Whom no man has seen or can see. To Him be honor and eternal dominion! Amen.”

Take Hold

This passage tells us to “fight the good fight” and “take hold of the eternal life to which you were called.” That sounds like an arduous task. However, it is not intended to be. As we flee from the things of this world and cling to our Savior, we will learn to depend on His strength in our weaknesses. When I was a child, we had a big John Deere tractor and sometimes my dad would let me drive the tractor. He would pull me up on his lap and put my hands on the steering wheel and tell me to drive! At first, I was scared. How could I handle that huge machine? Well, what I didn’t know, was that one of his hands was reaching up from around me and guiding the bottom of the steering wheel. Not to mention, his feet operating the gas, brake, and clutch! I felt like I was driving, but I was really relying on his strength to guide me. As we go through this life, let us not forget Who’s guiding us and on Whom we are relying.

In Christ,
Bro. Brad

FBC Choir

Choir Fellowship- We will meet in the choir room on Friday, May 5 for a Choir Fiesta! This will be a potluck fellowship for the choir members. Bring a Mexican dish to share. Festivities will begin at 6pm! After this, we will officially begin our break for the summer. We will start back up in the fall. Keep an eye out for dates!

Special Music

If you are interested in sharing your musical gifts during a Sunday morning service, see Brad Krigbaum!



First Baptist Church of Belton - Schedules

Sunday

Bible Studies, 9am

Children

Infants-5th Grade,
Rms 32-39

Seekers

6th-12th grades, Rm 33

Reviewing Romans

Young Adults, Room 5

Minor Prophets,

Major Impact

Men's Class, Rm 142
Ladies' Class, Rm 133
Senior Adult Ladies'
Class, Rm 141

Joy-Filled

Adults' In-Depth Study
of the Book of I John
Rm 9

Faith in Hard Times

(A Study of Job)

Adults, Rm 3

New Member's Class

Rm 30 (Beg. May 21)

Sunday Worship

10:15am

Wednesday

Bible Studies, 6:30pm

Children

(Infants-K4)
Rms 32-39

Patch the Pirate Club

K5-6th Grade, Rm 30

Seekers

6th-12th grades, Rm 33

Godward Heart—

Having a Heart for God

Young Adults,
Rm 5

Being a God-Centered Woman - A Study of the Women of the Bible

Women of Grace,
Rm 133

In the Beginning—A Study of the Book of Genesis

Men's Class, Rm 142

Other Opportunities for Fellowship, Service, and Study

Tuesdays, 4-6pm

FBC Yarn Club
Rm 133

Wednesdays, 5:30pm

Midweek Meals

Thursdays, 10:00am

Adults' Bible Study

Personal Revival
in Our Life
Rm 205

Special Meetings

Wed., May 31, 7:30pm
By-Laws Committee Mtg