### HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### August 2017

Highland Church reaches out in the name of Jesus Christ building disciples with vision for ministry.

Can you believe we are more than half way through the New Year? Well, it was new – 8 months ago. 2017 has been a great year! Right now, the Highland Church is a great place to be. God is using us. God is blessing us with church growth through baptisms, new members, and new ministries. God is filling us with excitement as we plan and establish new mission projects and ministries which reach out to the community, near and far! I like the excitement and joy that comes from serving our Lord with you. God's agenda is our agenda and is evident by how busy and active we are.

The session has been studying "When God Builds a Church," by Bob Russell. It has been a blessing seeing each elder take part in understanding how God builds a church!

In one part of the book, Mr. Russell states,

One of the keys to advancing the gospel is for the church to be made up of individuals who consider it their task to do the work of ministry, rather than having a congregation of people who expect the paid staff to minister to them. According to the New Testament, the purpose of church leadership is not to do all the work of the church, but equip the church to minister to one another. Paul wrote, "It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelist, and some to be pastor and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service. So that the body of Christ may be built up" (Eph. 4:11-12, author's emphasis). It is the task of the leaders to train God's people for ministry. Page 175

Already, our elders are putting into place the call to build up the body of Christ, the church. The elders have a presence in every ministry, for the purpose of guiding and overseeing the Highland Church. Our session wants you to know we want the best because we serve a mighty God.

Of course, I do not want to leave out the fact that we have many ordained elders who are not currently serving on the session, but continue to support and work for what is best for Highland and how we may glorify our risen Savior!

Have I told you, I LOVE THIS PLACE!

### **CPWM**

CPWM met Monday, July 3 in the Fellowship Hall. We looked at scripture from Luke 10:29-37 and information from the Missionary Messenger regarding our theme, "Connecting with Our Neighbor." We look forward to finding new ways to "Go and do likewise" as Jesus commanded us in this story of the Good Samaritan. Thanks to your generous donations, we voted to send \$4,000.00 to the Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund.

Our next meeting will be Monday, August 7 at 10:00 a.m. We will look at a new Bible study and other resources on our theme. Please join us!

#### **Session Notes**

At the July meeting, we voted on and/or approved:

- Donate \$200.00 to Operation Tank Full of Love which is a part of the Eric Horner Ministries.
- Pay Bro. Bud's mileage to Camp.
- Reorganize church committees
- · Hold an acolyte training after school starts
- Velva Mullen to organize and inventory our church library
- · Laura DeHart to clean out the closet in the nursery and install more shelving
- Dylan Simmons to preach a Sunday evening service. Dylan is a member of the New Hope youth group and has preached at Highland before.

### **July Numbers**

Stewardship Report as of July 24, 2017

Receipts \$ 16,630.85 Disbursements \$ 11,747.10

### **Attendance Record**

Morning Worship

 $July\ 2-120$ 

July 9 - 104

July 16 - 105

July 23 – 113

### **August Calendar**

August 2 – Youth Dairy Queen & Noble Park trip

August 7 - CPWM, 10:00 a.m.

August 9 - Missions Committee, 4:00 p.m.

August 13 - Youth Pool Party @ the DeHart's

August 20 – Session Meeting, 2:00 p.m.

August 24 - Cumberland Pioneers

# Opportunities for Serving and Giving

<u>August Elders</u> Velva Mullen, Laura DeHart <u>August Ushers</u> Tommy Hayes, Tina Gamble, Velva Mullen, Lori Kauffman

**PCM** Macaroni and Cheese

### **Christmas Spirit all Year**

<u>Operation Christmas Child</u> Information on how to fill your shoe box can be found on the table by the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. You have until the second week of November to fill and return your shoe box.

<u>Christmas Ornaments</u> The Missions Committee is selling Highland ornaments for your Christmas tree. Please see any Missions Comm. member.

Toys for Tots The toy box will still be available for your donations until October 1.

<u>Church Committees</u> There will be a Session Workshop Sunday, July 30 at 2:00 to reorganize our committees. If you would like to be placed on or removed from a committee, please see an elder. (Note the secretary's list of names was old, things may have changed. So if you see/or don't see your name here, please don't panic.)

#### **Current Elders serving on the Session**

Mike Golightly Elaine Kaye
Steve Shrewsberry Laura DeHart
Lori Kauffman Velva Mullen

Melissa Dumes

Decorating May Parker, Brenda Dodd, Linda Johnson, Velva Mullen, Tina Gamble, (and Roddy and Max ©)

Christian Education Lori Kauffman, Elaine Overton, Laura DeHart, Melissa Dumes, Mike Golightly

**Hospitality** Brenda Dodd, Barb Dolezal, Linda Johnson, Joanne Robinson, Sharon Slankard, Marlene Wallace, Diane Shrewsberry, Nancy Finnell

Maintenance Johnny Overton, Betty Rushing, Glenn Ridings, Steve Shrewsberry, Dick Kaye, Roddy Johnson

Worship Cindy and Randy Robertson, Evalena Duncan, Elaine Overton, Cheryl Rambo, Dean Kauffman, Pam Russell

Cemetery Roddy Johnson, Buddy Rushing, Dean Kauffman

Finance Roddy Johnson, Buddy Rushing, Tina Gamble, Jeff Parker

Missions Lora Rogers-Kerner, Randy Hughes, Velva Mullen, Kathy Hayes

Technology Randy DeHart, Cindy Robertson-website, Dean Kauffman, Sidney Milton-Facebook

Youth Pam Russell, Michelle Wooten, Mike Golightly



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- 7 Daniel Rushing
- 8 Jimmy Russell
- 9 Kathy Hill
- 10 Rita Gross
- 11 Jeff Parker Dayton Kilgore
- 12 Mike Golightly
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- 15 Tony Cornwell
- 18 Amy Rushing Bo Rushing
- 22 Marjet Duncan Kathy Hayes
- 24 Leona Shelby
- 25 Haley Kauffman
- 27 Deanna Miller
- 29 Nora Cunningham

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