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## HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 2019

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

### What Is the Call to Ministry?

It is helpful to think of a calling as an imperative invitation. The call to salvation is a strong invitation to trust Jesus Christ as your Savior. The call to ministry is a convincing invitation to work with God in advancing His kingdom and building His church as a vocational pursuit. A specific ministry call is a compelling invitation to work with God in ministering in a particular way or area of ministry, or in a specific place, or to a particular group of people.

A calling is different from a vocational choice. A vocation is what you're paid to do, but a calling is what you're made to do. Understanding the difference between the call and vocational can make all the difference between feeling fulfilled and frustrated.

The dictionary gives the definition as: "a strong inner impulse toward a particular course of action, especially when accompanied by conviction of divine influence." James George is more detailed in his definition of the pastoral calling. He writes, "The call of God to vocational ministry is different from God's call to salvation and His call to service issued to all Christians. It is a call to select men (people\*) to serve as leaders in the church." (\* Inserted by me)

Professor James Bryant and Pastor Mac Brunson state, "As much as anything, answering God's call is a step of faith. It is like enlisting in the army, and you put your life and future in someone else's hands." Once you are called, the things of this world become less important. Obeying becomes the real issue. Let others feel free to build their wealth while the called, surrender to the will of God.

Even though, God doesn't call all to a full-time ministry, He does call all to the ministry. I define and describe the call to church ministry as a working of the Holy Spirit which brings conviction from God affirmed by the church, expressed by our giftedness, made visible by results. It is that unmistakable sense that the Lord has called me to lifelong vocational service in building His Kingdom.

Proverbs 18:16 is a verse that has helped shape my life and my calling, "A man's gift makes room for him And brings him before great men." When I realized that if I took care of my gift, my gift would open up many doors for me.

Helping others find direction in their calling is why I am teaching this in **our Young Adult Sunday School class**. Understanding our gift helps us understand our purpose in life and ministry!

Bro. Bud

## **CPWM**

Our women did not meet in July

The next meeting will be Monday, August 5 at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We will review highlights of the CPWM Convention and General Assembly which met in Huntsville, AL this past June. In 2019-2020 we will learn how to "Walk in Love" as we are sent out to a lost and dying world. Through our Bible Studies this year, we will learn more about this new theme. Please join us as we minister to Highland Church and our community.

## **Session Highlights**

Items approved at the July meeting:

- Donate \$200 to Eric Horner's Operation Tank Full of Love
  - Children's Church Open House and Blessing, Aug. 11
  - Celebrate Communion, Aug. 4
  - Purchase roll paper towel dispensers and towels for all restrooms
  - Purchase supplies to strip and clean Fellowship Hall and Kitchen, Bro. Doug will head this project
  - Allow Face to Face, a branch of the Emmaus Walk Ministry, to evaluate facility for possible sessions in 2020
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## **New Members**

We welcome Matt and Carolyn Stowell to the Highland family. They have two daughters, Madeline and Olivia.

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## **July Numbers**

Stewardship Report as of July 30, 2019

Receipts	\$ 21,707.58
Disbursements	\$ 22,075.64

## **Attendance Record**

Morning Worship

July 7 - 102

July 14 - 94

July 21 - 134

July 28 - 102

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## **August Calendar**

August 5 - CPWM, 10:00 a.m.

August 9 - McCracken Co. Schools begin

August 11 - Children's Church Open House  
Blessing of the Back Packs

August 14 - Youth Groups resume

August 15 - Highlanders, Lake Barkley Lodge

August 18 - Session, 2:00

August 21 - Trivia, Judges 1-10

August 22 - C. Pioneers, The Parlor, 9:00 am

**Ushers** – Melissa Dumes, Abe Dumes

Ray Massie, Dick Kaye

**Elders** – Tina Gamble, Roddy Johnson

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**Paducah Cooperative Ministry** Canned Goods

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**Highlanders.** The bus leaves at 10:30 am on August 15 for our trip to the Lake Barkley Lodge. Everyone is invited to join us for our trip.

**Adult Trivia** This month we will test our knowledge on Judges, chapters 1-10. Study up for trivia on July 21 at 6:00 p.m.

## Children and Youth News

Our Children's Worship on Sunday Mornings is going great!! We would like to invite all adults to an **Open House** after worship on August 11. Please come downstairs to see our special space, and meet our volunteers and kids. There will also be an informational meeting for participating parents at that time.

Our August lessons cover the connection between obedience and God's character. God is the creator of the world and is in charge of everything. We show that we trust God by obeying Him and His plan for our life.

Week 1: What is the Bible? Psalm 119:105

When you learn about God, it's easier to follow Him.

Week 2: The Fall, Genesis 3:1-24

Trust and obey even when you think your way is better.

Week 3: Noah, Genesis 6-8

Trust and obey even when others don't.

Week 4: Abraham to Isaac, Genesis 12-21

Trust and obey even if you don't know how it will work out.

Parents: There is a special App you can download to access weekly lessons and at home work. Go to the app store and look for "ParentCue" You will be prompted to enter the church name and your child's name. See Lori Kauffman for details or help.

**Blessing of the Backpacks** Bring your backpack to church Sunday, Aug. 11. We will have a special prayer for all our school age youth.

**Wednesday Youth Programs** resume August 14

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## August Birthdays

1 – Betty Rushing

2 – Steve White

5 – Carrie (Rushing) McKee

7 – Daniel Rushing

8 – Jimmy Russell

9 – Kathy Hill

10 – Rita Gross

11 – Jeff Parker

Dayton Kilgore

12 – Mike Golightly

13 – Loretta Vasseur

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

## *August Anniversaries*

6 – Dean and Lori Kauffman

7 – Jeff and Lisa Parker

8 – Roddy and Linda Johnson

10 – David and Joanne Robinson

11 – Buddy and Ann Rushing

Bob and Rita Gross

25 – Glenn and Gretta Ridings