

**You Are Invited!**

## “According to His Purpose”

*This is how God has been leading First Baptist Church of Holland.  
On March 22<sup>nd</sup> we will celebrate 131 years of God's guidance.  
Join us for a morning of worship and reflection on God's faithfulness!*

9:30a.m.—Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

10:45a.m.—Celebration Service—Historical Moments will include looking back to strengthen our faith as we look forward in our search for a new pastor.

12:30p.m. —Luncheon (provided by the Historical Committee)  
Includes a surprise dessert!

*Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

*Philippians 4:4,6-7 (NIV)*

*And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.*

*Romans 8:28 (NIV)*

### HIGHLAND LAKES CAMP NOTICES

Family Camp  
March 13<sup>th</sup>—15<sup>th</sup>

**Father/Son  
Retreat  
March 20<sup>th</sup>—21<sup>st</sup>**

Journey Camp  
June 28<sup>th</sup> —  
July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Check out more information @ hlccc.org



## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HOLLAND

# Compass

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### Compass Points

In my last newsletter article, I mentioned “sudden change” and the opportunities and challenges that often accompany sudden change – in any organization. One of the illustrations I gave was that of a football team losing a fumble or throwing an interception. Some are really disappointed, but that “turnover” provides an opportunity for football players on defense to do what they are supposed to do – get on the field and PLAY!

I want to pick up that motif for just a moment. A couple of weeks ago, we had a wonderful group of folks show up for a leadership meeting early one Sunday morning. I would like for our newsletter reading audience to know a little about that meeting. One of the Scripture passages I utilized for training purposes is a very familiar one – the “Great Commission”. An activity they were given was to identify – **in their opinion** – one of the most important words or phrase in the Great Commission. It is reprinted below for you to read:

**Matthew 28:19-20 (ESV)**

***And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”***

So what do you think? What is the most important word or two in this incredible

‘command’ from our Lord and Savior Jesus? Would it be “go”? How about “teach”? “Baptize”? “Make disciples”? There are many opinions...and since I merely asked for an opinion – you are correct in your opinion.

However, I truly believe that the most important word is one often overlooked – even in our daily living and attempts to “grow a church”. What is that word?

**“THEM”**

‘Them’ is who we are after. Yes, I know that is not proper English. But it makes sense. There is no need to go, unless we go to ‘them’. No one to teach, other than ‘them’. No one to baptize, no one to make disciples of, other than ‘them’. Jesus has called us to **change the world**, one ‘them’ at a time. In order to do that, it may require change. Why? Because life is change. Churches must go after ‘them’ in order to reach ‘them’ for Jesus. A saying I like is this, **“If you always do what you’ve always done, you’ll always get what you always got.”** Maybe you’re happy with what we have here at FBC. Maybe not. Either way, there are ‘thems’ out there that need Jesus. The ‘thems’ are not going to flock to our worship center or Bible study just because we’re here. We must do as Jesus did. Build relationships and change the world by **reaching ‘them’ for HIM!**

Love ya tons!

Frank

### Our Purpose. . .

FBCH exists to glorify God by obeying the Great Commandment and the Great Commission as we participate in . . .

**Worship**

**Ministry**

**Missions**

**Discipleship**



## Facts & Figures

**2020 Monthly Budget Need**  
\$17,067.00

**February General Fund Receipts**  
As of February 28, 2020  
\$12,862.70

**Small Group Bible Study  
Average Attendance**  
As of February 28, 2020  
**62**

**Morning Worship  
Average Attendance**  
As of February 28, 2020  
**82**

## YOUTH EVENTS



Hey students! Do you want to have some fun this summer while deepening your walk with Jesus? Then sign up for Journey Camp at Highland Lakes! All students who have completed 7<sup>th</sup> grade up to graduating seniors are eligible to attend. The dates of this year's camp are June 28<sup>th</sup>—July 2<sup>nd</sup>. A \$50.00 deposit is due by Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.

Are there any fun loving, slightly crazy, adults that are willing to invest in the lives of our students? Pray about joining up as a sponsor (Sleep is so overrated). What an awesome way to positively impact young lives for Christ. The number of sponsors needed is dependent on the number of campers, so get your name in early!

Watch the bulletin for more information and dates for fundraisers.

Parents, you can check out the camp at [hlccc.org](http://hlccc.org).

## BAPTIST WOMEN'S NEWS

The next Baptist Women meeting is March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30p.m. We will be feeding the firemen at our annual HVFD Appreciation Dinner. We are also collecting donations of breakfast cereals for the Texas Baptist Children's Home. All women and young ladies are invited to be a part of this ministry.

## BAPTIST MEN

The Baptist Men will meet at 8:00a.m. March 21<sup>st</sup> with the cook team of Shane Downing and Richard Thomas. Kick your Saturday morning off right with some great food and greater fellowship!

# MARCH 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>Deacons &amp; Staff @ 8:00a.m. SS/ABS @ 9:30a.m. Morning Worship @ 10:45a.m.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Baptist Women @ 6:30p.m. HVFD Appreciation Dinner</p> <p>Bernile Hanson</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Moms in Prayer @ 10:00a.m. Kids For Christ, Student Ministry, Ladies Bible Study, &amp; Adult Prayer Meeting @ 7:00p.m.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Scott Chanthavong</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8</p> <p>SS/ABS @ 9:30a.m. Morning Worship @ 10:45a.m.</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Rex Karl Mark &amp; Isabel Karl</p>	<p>11</p> <p>No Wednesday Activities</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Juanita Arnold</p>
<p>15</p> <p>SS/ABS @ 9:30a.m. Morning Worship @ 10:45a.m.</p> <p>Rex &amp; Kim Arnold</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Janita Taylor</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Moms in Prayer @ 10:00a.m. Kids For Christ, Student Ministry, Ladies Bible Study, &amp; Adult Prayer Meeting @ 7:00p.m.</p> <p>CJ Payne</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Holland Community Food Pantry Care Packs @ 12:30p.m. Setup @ 1:15p.m. Serve @ 2:00p.m.</p> <p>Kayla Arnold Houston Payne</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Baptist Men's Breakfast @ 8:00a.m.</p>
<p>22</p> <p>SS/ABS @ 9:30a.m. 131<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Celebration @ 10:45a.m. Anniversary Luncheon 12:30p.m.</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Moms in Prayer @ 10:00a.m. Kids For Christ, Student Ministry, Ladies Bible Study, &amp; Adult Prayer Meeting @ 7:00p.m.</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p>SS/ABS @ 9:30a.m. Morning Worship @ 10:45a.m.</p> <p>Karley Gomez</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Kathryn Groseclose</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Jed Decker</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Daylight Saving Time Begins March 8<sup>th</sup>.</b> Be sure to move your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup>!</p>			