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Hebrews 12:2

²Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Church family,

It is hard to believe the summer is already in full swing. In fact, as I write this letter, we are finishing up an incredibly successful girls camp at Plains Baptist Assembly, our students have returned from Glorieta, and we are preparing to leave for Nicaragua!

Each one of the previously mentioned trips has been or is being led by one of our ministry staff members.

Scott led our youth in Glorieta Kathy led our girls camp in Floydada, and

"Pack and Prayer" for the July 2-Nicaragua Mission Trip July 3— Church office closed July 3-10 Mission Trip to Nicaragua July 5-No evening service July 12-Service Night July 13-17 Camp Xtreme Youth Super Summer July 19--Deacons Meeting **Business Meeting** Aron Arceneaux in concert July 26during the evening worship

July 1-

Church Calendar

Family Life Committee Meeting

John will lead our mission trip to Nicaragua. I am thankful for all for the staff we have. I am thankful for our ministry staff and our support staff. Each member of our staff is hard working and committed to the task at Highland to Connect, Grow, and Go. Over the next couple of weeks, as you see any of our staff in the halls, please remember to thank them for the work they do. We are not the same without them.

I would like to say thanks for all of the people involved in making our 4th of July Celebration such a success. The Family Life Committee did a great job putting our church fellowship together. They are always working hard to make sure we have times to "connect". I also want to say thanks to Tricia and the choir. I know the soundtrack to the song did not work, but I was really pleasantly surprised when they pulled out the piano and sang like nothing had gone wrong

Do you have beautiful feet? Would you like to? Don't take off your shoes. Instead consider these words from Paul in Romans 10:15. How beautiful are the feet of those who bring the good news. Nothing can improve your Christian walk as much as communicating the love of Christ. Having "beautiful feet" should be the desire of every Christian. To have them we simply "share good news" - something we all enjoy doing - and make that "good news" the message of Jesus Christ.

If I get "good news" during the day, I do not hesitate to call home and tell Angie or even everyone I know for that matter It is a shame not to share the "good news" I already have with everyone with whom I come in contact. By the way, the "good news" for today is Jesus loves you!!!

May God continue to bless you church family



"Pack and Prayer" for Nicaragua



(Highland Nicaragua Team 2014)

Join us at the Family Life Center on July 2nd at 6.00pm to pray over our Nicaragua mission team. The team will be leaving July 3rd and will return July 10th. On the trip our team will provide medical and dental services, veterinarian services, adult evangelism, children evangelism, youth evangelism, and more. Please pray for the team as they travel and serve the Nicaraguan people.

Summer Sunday Nights

Join us this summer each Sunday evening where there's something for everyone!

July 5—No Service

July 12—Service Night

July 19—Business Meeting

July 26—Aron Arceneaux in concert

August 2—Cook Out with Churches

August 9—Testimony Night

August 16—Baskets for Tech

August 23—Sunday Night Sing

August 30—No Service

Mission Trip to Tohatchi

Join us as we minister on the Navajo Nation in Tohatchi, New Mexico. The Tohatchi Baptist Church is in need of new flooring in their kitchen and worship area. The church was moved from Texas to its present location in three sections in the early 50s. The flooring is original and needs to be replaced.

We are looking for laborers to help! We are planning on the week of **September 28th** for this endeavor. Please begin to consider this mission opportunity. Contact Kathy or Coy O'Guinn for more information.

Servanthood

The Key to Greatness

by John Gillespie

What is greatness? Is itSignificance? Influence? Power? I believe Jesus answers this question in Matthew 20:26-28.

²⁶ It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, ²⁸ even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (ESV)

In these verses we see a direct correlation between greatness and servanthood. Basically, if we want to be great we must serve others. However, servanthood is not something that automatically happens. Servanthood is the outward action of people that truly live in tune with God. Connecting with God and people and Growing through prayer and Bible study helps us learn to be Christlike servants. This is why Connect-Grow-Go is so important to our church. Connect-Grow-Go is our simple way of communicating our desire for people to move towards servanthood.

Jesus himself provides the ultimate example of servant leadership and if our church can exhibit that same Christlike servanthood our community will clearly see Jesus through us. Our goal is to reach our community in a way that has eternal impact. So, how does Highland become a great church? The answer is go and serve others.

If you have questions about Highland or you need help finding a place to serve contact John at john a highlandbaptist.org.

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STUDENTS! We are going to the movies this month! We will be seeing the movie Inside Out on July 26th at Premier Cinemas



(The Mall)! We will determine the time as we get closer to the date and the movie times post.



Rock the Desert is August 7th—9th. There are two ticket options to choose from: \$50/person (covers ticket and hotel; you will have to pay for your meals); or \$100/person (covers ticket, hotel and meals). If you would like more information regarding what time the event begins and information about the band schedule go to the RTD website at http://www.rockthedesert.com. To sign up contact Scott at scott@highlandbaptist.org or call the church office. Limited spots are available.



August 14th and 15th we will be having another great youth evangelism conference! This is for all students including the upcoming 6th graders. This will be the first event 6th graders are able to join the student ministry with! Cost is \$15/person so talk to Scott if you plan on attending! Adults, this is also an opportunity for you to serve. We will need adults to help man merchandise tables, set up and tear down the stage! Contact Scott if you would like to volunteer in any capacity.

Children's Camps

Camp Xtreme takes place July 13th—17th and is for boys and girls in 4th—6th grade. The cost is \$205. It takes place at Plains Baptist Camp, Floydada. Contact Kathy O'Guinn for more information. Scholarships are appreciated.

Parent's Day Out

Highland Parent's Day Out is now registering for Summer and Fall/Spring sessions. Summer sessions started **June 16**th and



will conclude July 28th. Fall sessions will begin September 2nd. For more information contact Katie Majors, our PDO Director in the church office.

VBS 2015



Thank you to all who served in Vacation Bible School 2015. You may have brought snacks, prayed, delivered information to homes, invited others, served in classes and in other ways. We could never do VBS without you! There were 80 plus serving the children each day. We had around 150 children enrolled. Many lives were touched, young and old. Pray as we follow-up on these families, especially those without a church home