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Join us Mother's Day May 10 at 9:10 for Moms and Muffins

Romans 10:13-15

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." 14 How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? 13 And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

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Highland Family,

Have you ever been thirsty? Have you ever told someone you were about to "die of thirst"? I am not asking about the times you were a little parched What about those times were you wondered if you would ever have another drink? What about a time whether you even wondered if you could drink at all?

I love Psalm 63. O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you, my soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water. I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name, I will lift up my hands (verses 1-4).

I am reminded often about this Psalm when people discuss spiritual "dryness" I wonder if we could honestly pray this to our Heavenly Father. Is God truly our God: and do we earnestly seek him? Does everything you know cry out to Him?

Church Calendar

May 3-Joshua Class Luncheon following the morning worship service Deacons Meeting at 4:00 p.m. Business Meeting at 5:00 p.m.

May 10-Mother's Day

May 17—Senior Recognition during the morning worship service

VBS Rally at 3:45 p.m.

Cake Auction for Nicaragua Mission Trip following the evening worship service

May 24—Youth A.C.T.S. at 6:30 p.m. No evening service

May 25-Memorial Day (office closed)

May 28-last PDO until June 16th

May 30—Car Wash & Hamburger Lunch from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

May 31-Sunday School Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center

No evening service

Now imagine not having water to drink. Would you want to drink from a dirty pond or would you want to drink cool, fresh, clean water? Would you want something that refreshes you or would you settle? Of course, we would want the clean water. We would not settle for a substitute. When we are truly thirsty, water is what satisfies. When we are spiritually thirsty, the "Living Water" is the only satisfaction for that thirst.

There are too many times we settle for what the world has to offer We accept a substitute, and of course, are not satisfied. My challenge to our church is to reject substitutes and be able to honestly pray the prayer of David. Remember the love of God is better than even life itself. Our Creator, Sustainer, and Savior knows exactly what we need. God is always refreshing and sufficient

God bless you church family. We will see you Sunday!

WHAT IS CONNECT-GROW-GO?

Connect-Grow-Go is our process for making disciples at Highland Baptist Church. Connect-Grow-Go is the circular step-by-step spiritual growth process

for our people. This process starts with our connection to God through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and continues with our connection with others. The process then moves to our personal growth through daily Bible reading, devotion, and prayer. As we grow in these spiritual disciplines, we grow closer to God and His will for our lives. This leads us to 'Go' and serve our church and community while seeking the lost. As we seek the lost, we help them start the Connect-Grow-Go process themselves through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

How do I start the Connect-Grow-Go process?

The answer is simple. Join a Life Group Bible Study. This is where you will connect with others and grow in your faith. If you are looking for a Life Group contact John at iohn@highlandbaptist.org or (806)795-6453

Who can help me through the Connect-Grow-Go process?

All of our pastors are willing and able to help you with your spiritual development. You can always call, text, email, or come by the church office.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CHURCH

You may make financial contributions to the church with offering envelopes or by using the on-line system found on the church website, www highlandbaptist.org. If you no longer wish to receive offering envelopes, please contact Sandy in the church office.

NICARAGUA NEWS

Fundraising Opportunities

Highland Baptist Church currently has 21 people traveling to Nicaragua this summer to share the Gospel with thousands of Nicaraguans. On this trip, scheduled July 3-10, our team will provide medical services, dental services, and veterinarian services all while sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ. The total cost of this trip is around \$50,000 for our group, and each team member is diligently trying to raise support for this trip. Over the next few weeks we will have some fundraisers to help these team members pay for their trips.

- <u>Cake Auction</u>—Sunday, May 17th following the evening service in the Fellowship Center;
- Car Wash & Hamburger Lunch—Saturday May 30th 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the FLC parking lot;
- <u>Chick-fil-a Days</u>—Tuesday, June 2nd (5211 69th Street, located by Hobby Lobby)
- Spaghetti Lunch—Sunday, June 14th after the morning worship in the Fellowship Center;
- Selling or Buying a House???—Chad Brady (a member of Highland Baptist) who works at Progressive Properties is donating 10% of his commissions to the Nicaragua Mission effort from now until July. If you are buying or selling a house, please contact him at 806-544-8984.

Please join us for these fundraising events and continue to pray for our team as they prepare to enter the foreign mission field.

Blessings.

John Gillespie Associate Pastor



GLORIETA YOUTH CAMP

JUNE 21ST—27TH, 2015

Cost is \$200/person; \$100 is due at registration to hold your spot. We will be doing fundraisers to help cover the remaining cost of \$100 or as close as we can to it. If you have any questions, please contact Scott by email scott@highlandbaptist.org or call the church office at 795-6453.



SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY, MAY 17TH

May 17th during the Sunday morning worship service, we will be recognizing our high school seniors! We are so proud of their achievements, and you are invited to come and support them! If you would like more information, please email Scott at scott@highlandbaptist.org or call the church office.



YOUTH A.C.T.S. May 24th at 6:30 p.m. Picnic and Movie Night!

Come to the park on 89th and Quitman (near the Pardue's home) and bring your own dinner. We will play some Ultimate and then go to the Pardue's to watch a movie outside! Bring a blanket to lay down on or a chair to sit in! It will be throwback movie night!



Vacation Bible School is for kids entering Kindergarten through 6th Grade (completed). Everyone is welcome; so invite your friends, family, neighbors and more. Registration begins Sunday, May 17th.

Teachers and workers are needed in every area of VBS. Sign up for volunteer positions by contacting Kathy O'Guinn in the church office.

You are invited to a VBS Rally Sunday, May 17th at 3:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Center. Come meet with others who will be serving in VBS.



Highland Parent's Day Out is now registering for the Summer and Fall/Spring sessions. For more information call the church office and speak with Katie Majors, our PDO Director.

CHILDREN'S CAMPS

Girl's Camp
June 26th—29th
Girls 1st—6th Grade
Cost—\$170

Boy's Camp July 8th—11th Boys 1"—6th Grade Cost—\$160

Camp Xtreme
July 13th—17th
Boys & Girls
4th—6th Grade
Cost—\$205

All Children's camps take place at
Plains Baptist Camps, Floydada.
Contact Kathy O'Guinn for registration information.
Scholarships are appreciated.