

# CORNERSTONE

## Monthly Newsletter

### **Welcome, New Members: Mary & Newt Hewes**



Newton Maybin Hewes, Jr. was born in New Orleans, Louisiana and his family home was right on Bourbon Street in the days when that street was almost totally residential. There was a courtyard right on Bourbon with the house situated behind. After Newton's birth, the family moved to Long Beach, Mississippi where his parents stayed throughout their lifetime. After completing High School, Newton attended college at Mississippi State and then moved to Memphis where he completed his college education and graduated from Memphis State, now known as the University of Memphis. Newton went to work for IBM as a Computer Technician. Eventually he started his own company and has worked independently ever since.

Newton married his high school sweetheart from Long Beach and he and his wife, Jackie, had four children, a son and three daughters. They attended the Presbyterian Church and made room in their home to care for foster children. Newton and Jackie were involved in their church (she sang alto and directed the choir and Newton was an Elder) and they supported various charitable organizations and found many ways to give back to their community. After their children were grown, Newton's son passed away due to illness. Some years later, Newton's first wife passed away.

Mary Elizabeth Hewes was born Mary Elizabeth DeWitt, in Memphis Tennessee, lived in midtown and attended Snowden School and Central High School. After High School Graduation Mary attended Miller Hawkins Business School, attended University of Memphis and Veronica Cass Weiss Academy in Southern Florida. Mary worked for Union Planters National Bank in both Partnership Funding and Asset-Based Lending. She later switched careers and went to work for a carriage trade photographer in mid-town. There she managed the studio and learned photographic arts. Eventually she opened her own photography business, specializing in children and family photography. She was a member of a local camera club and later became a judge for their year-end competition and also judged the amateur photography exhibit at the Mid-South Fair for several years. She married her High School sweetheart, and they had four children - a daughter, then a son and finally a set of boy/girl twins. Her children are married and have children of their own. Currently, Mary has ten grandchildren, five boys and five girls.

Mary was raised in the Methodist Church and sang in the children's choir at Trinity Methodist Church but actually became a Christian when she was a young adult, as a result of God's grace and the door-to-door ministry of Open Door Bible Church.

Newton and Mary met quite by chance when Newton happened to join the table at a down town Memphis restaurant during a lunch that Mary was having with a mutual friend. That meeting was the beginning of their friendship. In time Newton and Mary married and this past August they celebrated thirty years of marriage. They are abundantly rich in family. Their two families have joined together harmoniously and Newton and Mary stay quite busy with and enjoy their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

They are so pleased to be among the wonderful church family of Highland Heights Presbyterian Church where God's truths are taught and people love the Lord and one another.

## Church Leadership

### Staff

Tim Foster **Senior Pastor**  
 Jason Gatlin **Youth Director**  
 Patrick Holmes **Young Adult Director & Contemporary Music Leader**  
 Marie Schroeder  
**Children's Ministry Director**  
 Matthew Wade  
**Recreation Ministry Director**  
 Mary Smith  
**Financial Administrator**  
 Rosie Blatt  
**Administrative Assistant**  
 Chiquita Paulson **Music Director**  
 Lauren Fiveash  
**Ensemble Director & Pianist**  
 Cindy Phillips **Organist**  
 Russell Mann **Guitarist**  
 Jason Gatlin **Sound Technician**  
 Chrissy Thornton  
**Parents' Day Out Director**

### Elders

Bob Donan - **Clerk**

#### Class of 2019

Josh Bond  
 Clint Bowden  
 Kendra Bowers  
 Jason Gatlin  
 Janis McCarty

#### Class of 2020

Richard Armour - **Treasurer**  
 Lesa Hart  
 Rob McCleary

#### Class of 2021

Steve Allen  
 Steve Deaux  
 Charle Dunstan

### Deacons

#### Class of 2019

Nikki Bond - **Moderator**  
 Lori Brown  
 Traci Gatlin

#### Class of 2020

Barb James  
 Don Rush  
 Linda Rush  
 David Thornton

#### Class of 2021

Joey Clark  
 George Krug  
 Debra Wright

## Pastor's Remarks



This month I'm going to kick off **"Ask the Pastor."** Three or four times a year, we'll have a potluck lunch after Church and an open mic. I'm "killing two birds with one stone," because lately a number of people have said to me: "I really wish you would lead a discussion on topic x" and "I really wish we had more potlucks." I'll open up the

floor for questions about 12:45 and go till about 1:30. The format will, of course, be very different from a sermon and even from a Sunday school class or Bible study class, because the questions will come from you. A few of the topics that have already been floated around include: Is the Old Testament as important as the New Testament? In the Apostles' Creed, what is "the one, holy and universal Church"? In the Lord's Prayer, why do we say "debts and debtors" and some other folks say "trespasses and those who trespass against us"? Why do Presbyterians sprinkle and Baptists immerse?

So are you game? Let me know what you think. By the way, I know most of us like to eat together at Church, so that's a no-brainer. I do hope you will stick around for the discussion while you're eating your dessert. Also, it will be open mic, so I don't want to be the only one talking. Many of you study the Bible, and we will all benefit from sharing our insights into God's Word.

The first **"Ask the Pastor"** will be Sunday, January 13th. I have a few topics that people have already asked me to discuss, but please let me know what's on your mind. Catch me at church, send me a text or shoot me an email.

Remember that I love you, and please continue to be faithful in worship and in giving.

Your Pastor and Friend,

# JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <b>New Year's Day</b> <i>Office Closed</i>	2 6:30 Ensemble 7:30 Choir Faith Cooper Holley Sullivan	3	4	5
6 The Lord's Supper Ordination/ Installation of Officers Last day to turn in Life Choices bottles. 12:30 Deacons' Meeting/Training Cindy Phillips	7 <b>9:00 Exercise Class</b>	8	9 5:30 Supper - <b>BBQ, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Hot Dogs, Desserts</b> 6:30 Activities - Pray for Me Gathering 7:30 Choir/Open Gym	10 <b>11:00 TOPS</b> 6:30 Men's Supper 6:30 Forever Young - Women's Bible Study	11 Rachel Brown	12 9:00 Elders' Meeting at St. Columba
13 12:15 Ask the Pastor Potluck Mary Smith	14 <b>9:00 Exercise Class</b> Darren Remington	15 7:00 Marine Corps League Joy Bowden	16 5:30 Supper - <b>Taco Salad, Nachos, Hot Dogs, Desserts</b> 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir/Open Gym	17 10:30 Hope Circle Glenn & Gayle Stratton	18 Randy & Sandie Brockwell  <b>YOUTH SKI TRIP</b>	19 Shannon Foster
20 1:45 Serve at the Soup Kitchen Jeannette Grant	21 <b>9:00 Exercise Class</b> Aven Gatlin Bo & Toni Ware	22	23 5:30 Supper - <b>Chicken Marsala, Pasta, Salad, Hot Dogs, Desserts</b> 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir/Open Gym Tim Foster	24 10:30 Sarah Circle 6:30 Elders' Meeting Ally Brockwell	25 Grace Amgalan  <b>PRESBYTERY MEETING IN SELMA, AL</b>	26
27 Peggy Pierce	28 <b>9:00 Exercise Class</b> Barbara Whitaker	29	30 5:30 Supper - <b>Enchiladas, Refried Beans, Salad, Hot Dogs, Desserts</b> 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir/Open Gym Mary Elizabeth Hart	31 Clint & Joy Bowden		

## PRAYforME<sup>™</sup> Gathering

**Who:** Students Grades 6-12, Pray for Me Prayer Champions and other interested adults

**What:** Time to share together, get to know prayer partners better and pray

**Date:** Wednesday, Jan 9th

**Time:** 6:30 - 7:30 PM

**Place:** HHPC Youth Room

**Questions:**  
Contact Barb James  
901.356.5743  
barbjames51@gmail.com



We still have a few books if you need one. They are \$13.



**It's our turn to serve at the Soup Kitchen!**  
Please consider joining us at First Presbyterian Church on January 20th from 1:45-3:15. We will take the van.  
POC: Steve Allen or Jason Gatlin



### Highland Heights Presbyterian PDO/Pre-K



**Throwing Snowballs** at a snowman. This activity is a good way to work on hand/eye coordination... or to just have Winter fun without the cold and wet.





## LIFE CHOICES OF MEMPHIS



*The last day to bring filled bottles is January 6th.*

All of the adult Bible classes will begin studying this book January 6th. The study will be for the months of January & February.

RICK WARREN

STUDY GUIDE



## WHAT ON EARTH AM I HERE FOR?

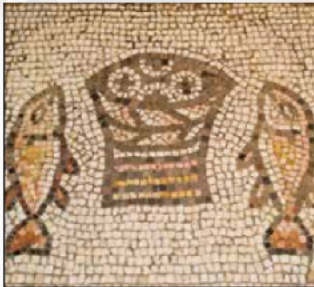


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You can read the entire itinerary and reserve at <https://www.countrytraveldiscoveries.com/HHPC>

# YOUTH

HAPPY★NEW★YEAR

## January



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Wrap up New Year's Lock in	2 No Youth	3	4	5
6 Lesson Parables	7	8	9 Game Night	10	11	12
13 Lesson Parables	14	15	16 Lesson & Activity	17	18	19 Possible Ski Trip date- will advise
20 Lesson Parables	21	22	23 Lesson & Activity	24	25	26
27 Lesson Parables	28	29	30 Lesson & Activity	31		

## Youth News

January should be a quiet month after our busy holiday season. I have a tentative date of the **19th** for the young adult and youth ski trip in St Louis. I will have info out on that ASAP

For the month of January, we will be working through the Parables taking time to study each of the deep lessons that were taught by **Jesus** and how they are still relevant today.

I would like to thank HHPC members for all the help and support given to the youth throughout the year. We truly could not do anything if it was not for the members that may not even have youth in the program. Thank you for all you make possible.

## TOPS PLANNING MEETING/LUNCH JANUARY 10, HHPC, 11 a.m.

Thursday, January 10, at 11 o'clock, TOPS will have our annual planning/soup/sandwich meeting at HHPC. Linda will prepare beef vegetable soup, cornbread, and dessert. If others want to bring a pot of soup, a plate of sandwiches, or a veggie tray that would be appreciated. Don will reprise his role as operator of the white board and marker...LOL.

We traditionally have a good attendance at this meeting, which helps a lot in planning events for the upcoming year. Linda is especially hopeful we will have lots of brainstorming as she and Don start their fourth year of organizing TOPS outings. If you have never attended a TOPS event, we especially hope you attend to give us your input.

Please RSVP to [Irrush@aol.com](mailto:Irrush@aol.com) or 734-1100 that you plan to come, and also, let Linda know if you plan to bring something to add to her soup and cornbread.



**Ms.  
Goddard's  
Class**

### **Berclair Kindergarten**

For a number of years we have supported our adopted Kindergarten class by providing school supplies, coats, hats gloves, toys etc. This year is no different. Sue Armour

explained to *our* kids during Children's Time that the offerings they give all year are used to provide these items. Our volunteers also provide parties for them throughout the year. Pastor Tim is reading a story. Sue Armour, Mitzi Goodwin, Linda Rush, and her mom were on hand for this party.

### **TOPS: Backward Glance**

Praise God for His blessings on TOPS in 2018. Eighty-five people attended at least one TOPS event last year. In December, 37

participants had a wonderful outing at Silver Caboose and the Bible Museum on the Square in Collierville.

We have a strong core of



supportive TOPS members who bring friends and family members to join us. Lunch conversations are lively and fun, visitors are warmly welcomed, smiles and laughs are everywhere. Like Christ, we always strive to be inclusive and welcoming. Come join us.





## Elders' Notes - 11.29.18

- 1) Sonny George Bond, infant son of Josh and Nikki Bond, was **baptized** on November 18, 2018.
- 2) Gratitude was expressed to **Terry Davis and her team** for all of their hard work collecting over 2,000 Operation Christmas Child boxes.
- 3) Gratitude was expressed to **Tina and Bob Donan and the kitchen team** for preparing and serving a delicious Thanksgiving meal.
- 4) The annual **Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service** will be on December 24th at 6:00 p.m. Invite your family and friends!
- 5) All remaining details for the **new Church sign** have been finished, and installation is scheduled for mid-December.
- 6) Rev. Bob James is organizing a Church **trip to Israel** in 2019. Stay tuned for more details.
- 7) Did you know you can **give to the Church electronically**? There are several ways - through your bank, automatic withdrawals or the church website. It's an easy option to ensure regular giving. Questions? Contact Elder Kendra Bowers.
- 8) **Debt Reduction Campaign** receipts through October 29th were \$173,682, which is 69% of the goal of \$250,000.
- 9) **General Fund** income through October 31st was \$353,555 and expenses were \$378,415 for a shortage of \$24,860. The **reserve checking account balance** is currently \$39,628.



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