

Hephzibah Baptist Times

MARCH 2025

Wednesday Menus for the Month of March:

Dinner begins at 5:50 pm.

All meals include tea and coffee.

\$7—11 & Up, \$4—Children, 5-10, \$7—Take Out \$25 max. for immediate family.

*To-Go” Plates will be prepared by the Kitchen

Personnel after the serving line closes. We cannot guarantee “to-go” orders until all of our dine-in family members are served. As available, additional take out plates may be purchased at the regular price.

Meal dates are to be determined!

3/5 Meatloaf, Potatoes, Vegetable, Rolls, Dessert	3/12 Pork Loin, Rice & Gravy, Vegetable, Rolls, Dessert
3/19 Tacos-hard/soft shell, Rice, Chips, Cheese sauce, Dessert	3/26 Baked/fried Chicken, Mac- n-cheese, Vegetable, Rolls, Dessert
	

FYI

- **MEN’S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST:** Sunday, March 2nd, at 7:30am.
- **TRIKE-A-THON:** Saturday, March 8th, at 10am.
- **MEN'S WILD GAME SUPPER AT HBC:** Saturday, March 8th, at 6pm in Fellowship Hall.
- **RECHARGE:** Sunday, March 9th, for Engage students after 11am service.
- **YOUNG AT HEART:** Monday, March 10th, at 12 Noon.
- **VBS TRAINING:** Sunday, March 16th, at 12:15pm.
- **DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER:** Thursday, March 20th, at 9am.
- **KID’S NIGHT OUT SO YOU THINK YOU CAN COOK:** Friday, March 21st, from 6-9pm.

TEAM MEETINGS IN MARCH:

- **Building & Grounds** — Wednesday, March 5th, at 6:15pm.
- **Stewardship & Finance**—Wednesday, March 12th, at 6:00pm.
- **Mission Team**—Wednesday, March 19th, at 6:00pm.
- **Church Council Meeting** — Thursday, March 20th, at 6:30pm.
- **Deacons’ Meeting** — Wednesday, March 26th, at 6:00pm.

Please Note: All events, dates, and times are subject to change.



MEMBERSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT:

Monthly Budget Needs:	\$37,042.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$8,548.00
General Offering Received as of 2/24/2025	\$34,219.80
Year-to-Date Budget Needs:	\$222,252.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received:	\$226,274.78
11am Worship Service Average Attendance	135
Average S.S. attendance as of 2/24/2025	101

Church Staff

Senior Pastor	Dr. C. Michael Wren, Jr. mwren@hephzibahbaptist.org
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Worshipping and Serving with Joy

“Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By one of works? No, on the contrary, by a law of faith. For we conclude that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.”

The great joy of the Christian life is that we are saved by grace through faith. It is not something that we could possibly have done ourselves. The Apostle Paul takes great pains to demonstrate in the book of Romans that Jesus laid down His life as a sacrifice for our sins. Trusting in Jesus brings eternal life. Our works do not and never could. We certainly can’t brag about what we’ve accomplished, but we can worship and serve. That’s the joy. We get to worship and serve our Lord Jesus who laid down His life for us!

Since the new year, I have focused on communicating the urgency of the gospel. The book of Romans communicates it well. My Wednesday night study on the Protestant Reformation also highlights how precious the gospel is. But the gospel must be lived out. Every month is a new opportunity to do exactly this. This month, our Men’s Wild Game Dinner provides you with an opportunity to invite a friend or relative that needs the gospel or lacks Christian encouragement and fellowship. There will be plenty of food, I promise. Invite someone to church or share with them the messages posted online. Point them toward Jesus. He has done for us something we never could and given us a joy we do not deserve.

Your Pastor,

Michael Wren

Coming in April

Easter Cantata
Saturday, April 18th & 19th at
at 7pm

The Easter Cake Egg-stravaganza
Sunday, April 20th



Annie Armstrong

Week of Prayer
March 23rd-30th

2025 Easter Offering
HBC goal is \$3500

Children's Ministries

TRIKE RACE
SATURDAY - MARCH 8, 2025
AGES 1-5
10:00AM
BRING YOUR TRIKE, HELMET, AND
HAVE FUN!
COMPETE ON OUR TRACK!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL LEADER TRAINING

YOU'RE THE BRIGHTEST OF THINGS
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 23-27, 2025
9am - 12pm
 Age 3 - Adults
 Lunch provided
 Hephzibah Baptist Church

Sunday, March 16th following the morning worship, we will have lunch and training for everyone interested in helping in VBS. We need Bible

Study teachers, guides, crafts, missions, recreation, decoration, registration and a lunch team. Come and get info and join the team!

HBC Kid's Night Out
FREE EVENT
SO, YOU THINK YOU CAN COOK
Friday, March 21, 2025
6:00 - 9:00pm
Age K- 5th Grade

Student Ministries



Activities every Wednesday night from 6:30 PM- 8:00 PM for Middle School and High School students at the Youth House.

We have organized games & activities, a worship and prayer time, and a time for Bible lessons.



ReCharge, a monthly gathering for Engage students, will meet on March 9th, after the morning worship service. Lunch will be provided.



High School Bible Study will meet on March 16th and March 30th at 6:00pm at the Youth House.

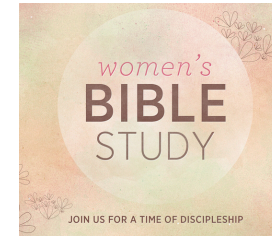


Generate Camp is scheduled for June 9-13, 2025 in Mount Vernon, GA.

Women's Ministry

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, join us on Thursday morning at 10 am in Room 102. We are currently studying "Trees: God's Gifts and His Lesson Through Them" led by Teri Adkins.

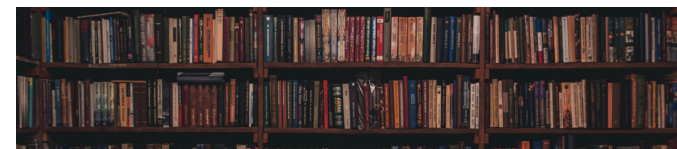


WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday evening Women's Bible study group is continuing "Trees: God's Gifts and His Lesson Through Them". We meet from 6:30pm to 8:00pm each Wednesday in room 102.

Discipleship Ministry

CHURCH LIBRARY



There are many opportunities for spiritual growth within our church. We now have seven Sunday School Classes for adults. We also have two weekly studies for women, and one for men. Our library has books and DVDs for discipleship, evangelism, parenting, and many other important topics. If you have any questions, please contact Daniel Cross (706) 836-9226.

Men's Ministry

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST
 Sunday, March 2nd, at 7:30am

MEN'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday nights from 7-8pm in Room 103.



Men of every age are invited to the Bill Postell Men's Wild Game Dinner Saturday, March 8, at 6pm Hephzibah Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

There will be a variety of foods to choose from, so invite your friends and join us for this exciting event!

Missions Ministry



We will continue to collect winter items and clearance finds. We would also like to start collecting accessory items such as sunglasses, hats, necklaces, and other such items. Thank you for your continued support.

Thank you- OCC Project Leader
 Amanda Larson

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

South Asian Unengaged Peoples
 The Campa of India (population: 7,200) are a semi-nomadic people found high in the Changtang plateau in North India. They raise yaks, goats, and other livestock and are known for their Pashmina wool. Primarily Buddhist, some of the Campa's religious practices blend Buddhism and animism. Pray that these shepherds will hear about the Good Shepherd who laid down His life for them and that they will one day follow Him.

Music Ministry

It's not too late to join the Adult Choir for this year's Easter Cantata, A Gathering of Grace. The cantata will be presented on Friday, April 18th, and Saturday, April 19th, at 7:00pm each night. The choir is practicing each Sunday in the Sanctuary at 4:00pm and would love to have you join us! We will also be adding a drama element this year, so if you would like to help with that please see Amanda Brookins or Jamie Campbell for more information.

Senior Adult Ministry

YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON
 Monday, March 10th, at Noon.

Bring a covered dish and enjoy our speaker Brian Graham, executive director of Bath Gardens Foundation.

