

Wednesday Menus for the Month of May:

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!

FYI

- **NO SALE/YARD SALE:** Saturday, May 3rd, 8am.
- **MEN’S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST:** Sunday,
May 4th, 7:30am.
- **RECHARGE:** Sunday, May 4th, 12 Noon.
- **BABY DEDICATION:** Sunday, May 11th.
- **YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON:**
Monday, May 12th, at Noon.
- **CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING:** Wednesday,
May 14th, at 7pm.
- **MEN’S/BOY’S FISH FRY AT THE RIVER:** Friday,
May 16th, at 6pm.
- **GRADUATE RECOGNITION:**
Sunday, May 18th, during the 11am Service.
- **ENGAGE WARS:** Saturday, May 24, at 9am
- **OFFICE CLOSED:** Monday, May 26th.
- **PAINT WARS:** Saturday May 31st, 10am

TEAM MEETINGS IN MAY:

- **Building & Grounds:**
Wednesday, May 7, at 6:15pm
- **Stewardship & Finance:**
Wednesday, May 14, at 6:00pm
- **Mission Team:**
Wednesday, May 21, at 6:00pm
- **Church Council:**
Thursday, May 22,
at 6:30pm
- **Deacons’ Meeting:**
Wednesday, May 28,
at 6:00pm.

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

5/7 Baked/Fried Chicken, Mac-n-Cheese, Vegetable, Roll & Dessert	5/14 Hard/Soft Shell Tacos, Cheese Dip, Chips, Refried Beans & Dessert
5/21 Eggs, Bacon, Sausage Biscuits, Gravy, Pancakes, & Grits	5/28 Baked & Regular Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread & Dessert
	

MEMBERSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT:

Monthly Budget Needs:	\$37,042.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$8,548.00
General Offering Received as of 4/27/2025	\$29,529.87
Year-to-Date Budget Needs:	\$296,336.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received:	\$293,897.99
11am Worship Service Average Attendance	135
Average S.S. attendance as of 4/27/2025	101



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"Developing a Heart Like Jesus"

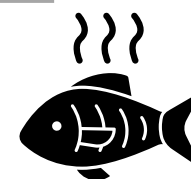
"And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said,
“Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven
and consume them?” But he turned and rebuked them.”
(Luke 9:54-55)

Despite our best intentions, sometimes our attitudes need adjustment. Parents willingly provide this correction to their children from time to time. If we’re honest with ourselves, though, we have to admit that sometimes the Lord has to correct us. Our attitudes toward other people are not always where they need to be. The root of the problem is that we need a heart like Jesus. We need to care about people the way Jesus cared about people. We need to trust the Lord with the things that we cannot control instead of complaining and shifting the blame. Jesus rebuked his disciples for just such a moment when James and John lashed out at how they were treated by a Samaritan village. And the Prophet Jonah was famously rebuked by the Lord for his bad attitude toward people the Lord loved and wanted to repent.

This month we’re going to study the book of Jonah on Sunday morning, and my prayer for each of us is that we will develop a heart for God that will lead to a heart for the people God loves—no matter how we might feel sometimes about how they act. Jesus has loved us. Let us learn to love as Jesus loves.

Your Pastor,

Michael Wren



Men’s/Boy’s Fish Fry at the River:

All men and boys don’t miss this wonderful time of Fun and Fellowship. Friday,
May 16th 6-8pm at the River. Fishing available from 2-6pm. For more information
see Skip Brown.

**ANNIE ARMSTRONG
EASTER OFFERING
FOR NORTH AMERICAN
MISSIONS**

HBC Goal: \$3500
Final Total: \$3650

**HAPPY
MOTHER’S
DAY**

Sunday, May 11th

Baby Dedication Sunday

COMING IN JUNE

**Children’s /Youth Summer Camp
June 9th-13th**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
June 23rd-27th
9:00am-12noon**

Children's Ministries



The No Sale Yard Sale will be on May 3rd from 8am – 1pm. Invite your friends and neighbors to this Free yard sale. If you are interested in having a table at the yard sale, please sign up at church. On May 3rd you need to arrive before 7:30am to set

up your table. You will be able to place your items on and around the table. You are responsible for taking with you any item that is left on your table home with you when the yard sale is over. It would be best if you could stand near your table to talk and meet with people as they browse around the yard sale. This event is meant to invite people to our campus and have conversations with them as they attend this event. Not only will we have the items at the yard sale, but we will also have tables about different ministries of our church. If you would like a table for a ministry you are doing, please sign up for a table.

We will need many volunteers to set up, mingle with people who attend and clean up following the event. If you have any questions see Jamie Campbell or Cindy Lewis.



Student Ministries



We will be honoring our 2025 Graduates on Sunday, May 18th, at the 11am Service. If you are a 2025 Graduate, please provide your information to Renee Jenkins by email rjenkins@hephzibahbaptist.org no later than Thursday May 8th at noon. **If you are a High School Graduate**, your information should include a photo, your full name, name of school, date of graduation, your family's name (father, mother, siblings, grandparents), your future plans, and honors you would like to include. Please understand that we might need to edit due to space limitations. **If you are graduating from College, Graduate School, or a Technical School**, include full name, name of the school, degree earned, and your future plans.



ReCharge, a monthly gathering for students grades 6th-12th, will meet on May 4th after the morning worship service. Lunch will be provided.



Women's Ministry

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Women's Bible study group meets each Thursday at 10am. Please join us for a great time of study fellowship.



WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday evening Women's Bible study group would love for you to join us at 6:30pm on Wednesday nights for a wonderful time of study and fellowship.

Discipleship Ministry

CHURCH LIBRARY

The library has a section dedicated to Discipleship. This section contains materials for Personal Discipleship, Doctrine, and Evangelism. Stop by and see what might be useful to you in your walk with Christ. Donations of books and study guides in this category are welcomed. They will be reviewed for their useability. If you have any questions, please contact Daniel Cross at (706)836-9226 or email at crossdaniel4@comcast.net.

Men's Ministry

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

May 4th at 7:30 AM

Senior Adult Ministry

WXFG's Chief Meteorologist Jay Jeffries will share his testimony of God's grace following his 2016 mini stroke and heart surgery. Bring a covered dish and join us on Monday, May 12th at noon.



Missions Ministry



For the Month of May OCC will be taking donations of personal care items like a hair brush, tooth-brush, wash cloths, etc.

Thank you, Amanda Larson

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

Peoples of the Konkan Coast, India (KAHN-kin) - Pray for the Hill family, who became followers of Jesus and have studied through a basic discipleship book with some other believers. Pray that they will be bold in sharing the gospel with their family members who live in the same row of houses. Ask that their entire family will believe in Jesus and all follow together in being baptized.

Music Ministry



Thank you to everyone who played a role in making the Easter Cantata a reality. From the choir members, to the actors, to

everyone who worked behind the scenes, each person's presence was felt and appreciated. Because of the selfless service of each participant, we were able to share the story of Jesus' sacrificial death with more than 200 people. I am beyond blessed to have the privilege of serving the Lord with such a wonderful church family. It is an incredible joy to serve the Lord with gladness with all of you!



Join us on Wednesday, May 21st, at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary for the Children's Ministry Spring Recital. The children will share songs and Scripture that they have been learning throughout the year. You will not want to miss this wonderful night of worship.