

Wednesday Menus for the Month of October:  
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!

10/1 Hard/Soft shell Tacos, Chips, Cheese sauce, refried beans, & dessert	10/8 Taco Soup, Potato Soup, Grilled cheese, salad, & dessert
10/15 Meatloaf, Potatoes, Vegetables, Roll & Dessert	10/22 Baked/fried chicken, Mac-n-Cheese, Green beans, Roll, & Dessert
10/29 Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Grits, Pancakes, Biscuits, & Gravy	

MEMBERSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT:

Monthly Budget Needs:	\$38,348.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$8,849.00
General Offering Received as of 9/17/2025	\$39,686.00
Year-to-Date Budget Needs:	\$38,348.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received:	\$39,686.00
11am Worship Service Average Attendance	133
Average S.S. attendance as of 9/17/2025	112

FYI

- **PUMPKINS ARRIVE:** Thursday, October 2nd, at 4:00pm.
- **PUMPKINS PATCH OPENS:** October 3rd, 12-6pm daily.
- **MEN’S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST:** Sunday, October 5th at 7:30am.
- **BIBLE & BOARDS:** Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm
- **YOUNG AT HEART:** Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, Noon
- **YOUNG AT HEART FALL TRIP:** Thursday, October 16th, at 7am to Jeter Mountain Farm.
- **DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER:** Thursday, October 16th, at 9am.
- **HES FIELD TRIP:** Oct. 23rd, 28th, & 30th
- **GAME NIGHT FOR 412 STUDENTS:** Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at Youth House.
- **TRUNK OR TREAT PLUS:** Friday, October 31st, 6-8pm.

TEAM MEETINGS IN OCTOBER:

- **Building & Grounds:** Wednesday, October 1st, at 6:15pm
- **Stewardship & Finance:** Wednesday, October 8th, at 6:00pm
- **Mission Team:** Wednesday, October 15th, at 6:00pm
- **Deacons’ Meeting:** Wednesday, October 22nd, at 6:00pm

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

*Hephzibah Baptist Times*  
OCTOBER 2025



The Testimony of Kindness

“So Peter rose and went with them. And when he arrived, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping and showing tunics and other garments that Dorcas made while she was with them.” (Acts 9:39).

Treating people with kindness amplifies the message of the gospel. Our words and deeds go hand in hand. People need to hear the message of the gospel, but our message about Jesus is driven home more effectively when it is accompanied by acts of kindness. Dorcas made clothing for widows in need, and when she died, the widows she cared for proved how deep her impact had been. They called on Peter to raise her from the dead because they were moved by her kindness. When we show people kindness, the gospel message is amplified. October is a month for us at HBC to show kindness to our community that will strengthen our witness to them. At our Pumpkin Patch we have the opportunity to introduce ourselves to our neighbors and serve the children of Hephzibah Elementary. By providing trunks at Trunk or Treat, we provide a safe outlet for children that many parents in our community depend on. These are invaluable moments to demonstrate to the community that we care for families. They help us attach an act of kindness to our gospel message, which helps people to see in a tangible way that Jesus loves them. I look forward to serving along with you this month.

Your Pastor,

Michael Wren



Men’s Fellowship Breakfast

All men join us on Sunday, October 5th at 7:30am in  
HBC Fellowship Hall.



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**PUMPKIN PATCH**

Opens Friday, October 3rd  
12noon - 6pm daily

**TRUNK OR TREAT PLUS**

Friday, October 31st  
6pm - 8pm



**COMING IN NOVEMBER**

**THANKSGIVING**

The office will be closed  
Wednesday  
& Thursday, November 26th &  
27th.

# Community Events

## PUMPKIN PATCH

Pumpkin Patch is coming in October. The pumpkins will arrive on Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00pm. If you are able to help, please sign up at the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall. Volunteers will need to arrive at 3:45pm. The pumpkin patch will be open daily from 12pm - 6pm beginning October 3<sup>rd</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>. There is a calendar board to sign up for a 3 hour shift beside the Fellowship Hall. Remember the proceeds go to help our children and youth attend summer camp. Thank you for your willingness to serve.



### PUMPKIN PATCH Field Trip

On Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 9am, October 28<sup>th</sup>, at 9am, and October 30<sup>th</sup>, at 11am we will host children from Hephzibah Elementary School at the Pumpkin Patch for a field trip. If you are available to help on this day, please sign up on the bulletin board beside the Fellowship Hall.



### TRUNK OR TREAT PLUS

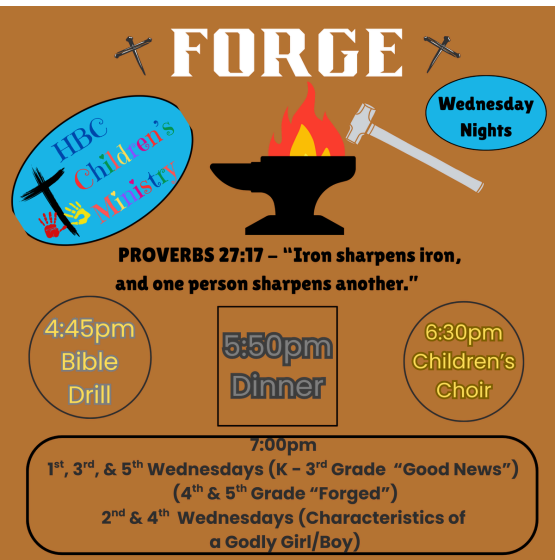
October 31, 2025  
Hephzibah Baptist Church  
6pm - 8pm

Volunteers and Donations are needed

- Decorate your trunk and bring some candy to hand out to the kids. Extra Candy will be available.

Parking space is limited so, you MUST sign up if you plan to give out candy. Spots will be designated. Please keep decorating fun and not scary for our children. All Trunk-or-Treat vehicles should be parked in the designated area by 5:30pm

- Hot Dogs are needed to feed hundreds - please mark hot dogs Trunk or Treat and place in freezer
- Wrapped candy needed - place in boxes at church



## FORGE

Wednesday Nights

HBC Children's Ministry

PROVERBS 27:17 - "Iron sharpens iron, and one person sharpens another."

4:45pm Bible Drill

5:50pm Dinner

6:30pm Children's Choir

7:00pm

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays (K - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade "Good News")  
(4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade "Forged")

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays (Characteristics of a Godly Girl/Boy)

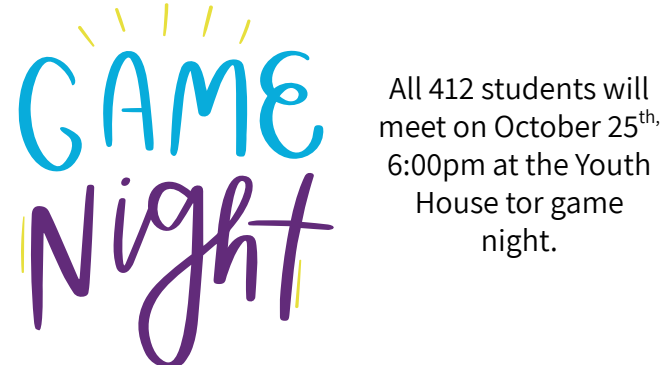
# Student Ministries



## 412 STUDENTS

1 TIMOTHY 4:12

412 Students will meet each Wednesday evening during the month of October from 6:30 PM to 8 PM. We have organized game, activities, worship & prayer time.



## GAME Night

All 412 students will meet on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm at the Youth House for game night.



HBC Youth volunteers are needed to help with the Pumpkin Patch for October on Sundays from Noon-6pm.

# Women's Ministry

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study groups are continuing our studies on the Fruit of the Spirit. We would love for you to join us at 6:30pm

Wednesdays or 10:00am on Thursdays for a wonderful time of study and fellowship.

## BIBLE & BOARDS

Join us on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, for a women's fellowship time at 6:00pm. Bring your Bibles for a time of devotion and a "snack board" to share with the group. We look forward to seeing you there!





Going Beyond  
SIMULCAST  
PRISCILLA SHIRER  
Worship with Anthony Evans

HBC will host a simulcast of Priscilla Shirer's Going Beyond 2025 event. It will be a one-day women's retreat from 9:00am - 4:00pm. Invite your friends, neighbors, and coworkers to spend a day digging into

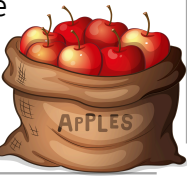
God's Holy Word, worshipping our Mighty King, and fellowshiping led by Priscilla Shirer and Anthony Evans. A light breakfast, lunch, and snacks will be provided. The cost is \$30 person. Sign up now on the Women's Ministry bulletin board outside of the church office or call the church office at 706-592-4501. Payment is preferred by Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. If you paid last year and did not receive a refund, please let us know.

# Senior Adult Ministry

Young at Heart luncheon on October 13<sup>th</sup>, at Noon. Bring a covered dish and enjoy the Fellowship.

## Fall Trip

The Young at Heart fall trip is scheduled for Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7am. We will go to Jeter Mountain Farm. The cost is \$30 dollars per person for transportation/tour plus bring extra money for meals.



# Missions Ministry



Its October, so we have one month left to collect donations. If you are interested in making an online shoebox, check out the OCC website for directions or see me for assistance. We are still accepting donations like personal care items (no soap or toothpaste), toys, clothes, coloring books, and crayons, etc.. We will have a project work day for making boxes soon so keep your eye on the calendar.

Amanda Larson

## INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

South Mongolic Peoples, East Asia  
South Mongolloa is a sensitive area where Christians are closely monitored by the government. The police keep a watchful eye, making it very difficult for believers to gather, even in small groups. Pray for God to guide and protect believers as they gather. Pray that the believers will be deeply encouraged and strengthened through their time together.

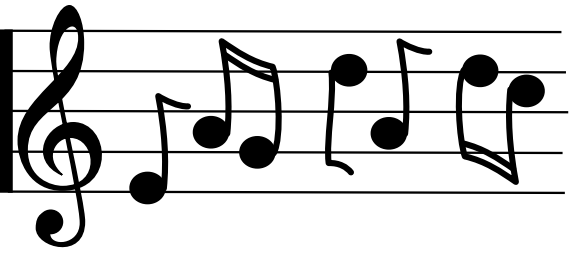
# Music Ministry

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR



The Children's Choir is now rehearsing for their Christmas Musical, Crazy, Busy, Peaceful, Holy Night at 6:30pm each Wednesday night. We

would love to have your K-5<sup>th</sup> graders join us! We will present the musical on Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm.



## ADULT CHOIR

The Adult choir meets at 9:15am on Sunday morning in the Sanctuary. Please join us.