

Hephzibah Baptist Times

FEBRUARY 2025

Wednesday Menus for the Month of February:

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!

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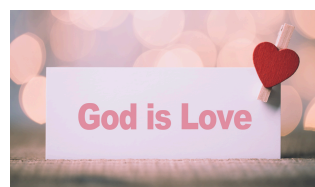
- **MEN’S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST:** Sunday, February 2nd, at 7:30am.
- **TRAIL LIFE:** February 2nd, 9th, 16th, & 23rd at 4pm.
- **MOM, DAD, & ME:** Saturday, February 8th at 10:00am.
- **RECHARGE:** Sunday, February 9th , at 12 Noon for Engage Students.
- **YOUNG AT HEART:** Monday, February 10th, at 12 Noon.
- **CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING:** Wednesday, February 12th at 7:00pm.
- **VALENTINE'S BANQUET:** Saturday, February 15th, at 6:00pm.
- **MEN’S FISH FRY:** Friday, February 21st, 6:00pm at Donald Bastons’.

TEAM MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY:

- **Building & Grounds:** Wednesday, February 5, at 6:15pm
- **Stewardship & Finance:** Wednesday, February 12, at 6:00pm
- **Mission Team:** Wednesday, February 19, at 6:00pm
- **Deacons' Meeting:** Wednesday, February 26, at 6:00pm

Please Note:

All events, dates, and times are subject to change.



Taking the Gospel to Ecuador

“How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” (Romans 10:14-15)

Walking with Jesus brings innumerable blessings into our lives—the blessing of eternal salvation, of the presence of the Holy Spirit guiding us and interceding for us even when we don’t have the words, of the confidence in knowing that the love of Jesus will never be taken away from us. Walking with Jesus also brings with it a responsibility. People cannot call on the name of Jesus if they have not believed in Him or even heard about Him. This is a responsibility we ought to be conscious of as we encounter people every day. But this year we have a special opportunity. God is calling us to go to the mountains of Ecuador to tell people about Jesus—people who are lost and confused about eternity. Pray for our Ecuador team as we prepare to go. Your prayers are important tools used by the Lord to do great things. Also prayerfully consider how you might give. Every dollar is a blessing. Together we will be the beautiful feet that bring the good news to people who need to hear it.

Your Pastor,

Michael Wren

MEMBERSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT:

Monthly Budget Needs:	\$37,042.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$8,548.00
General Offering Received as of 1/28/2025	\$33,702.31
Year-to-Date Budget Needs:	\$185,210.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received:	\$190,063.98
11am Worship Service Average Attendance	137
Average S.S. attendance as of 1/28/2025	104



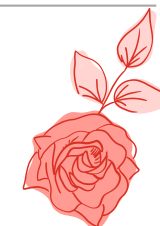
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Valentine’s Banquet: Saturday, February 15th at 6:00pm we will have a catered Valentine’s Banquet in the Fellowship Hall. Come out for a delicious dinner, dessert, games, and door prizes. The cost is \$15 per person. Childcare will be available if needed. Contact the church office at 706.592.4501 for more information.



MOM, DAD, & ME

Saturday, February 8th at 10 am

MEN’S/BOY’S FISH FRY

Saturday, February 21st, at 6:00pm



COMING IN MARCH

Trike-A-Thon

Saturday, March 8th at 10:00am

Men’s Wild Game Dinner

Saturday, March 8th at 6:00pm

Children's Ministries

Children's Summer Camp

June 9-13 at Gardner-Webb University in Boiling Springs, NC. Registration and a deposit of \$75.00 is due on February 2, 2025. A notary will be available in the Fellowship Hall after worship service on February 2nd to sign liability forms, and collect the deposit amount. Fundraising will help reduce the remaining cost.

NO SALE/ YARD SALE - Hephzibah Baptist Church will hold its annual yard sale on May 3rd at 8am. If you are beginning your spring cleaning or cleaning out your attic/garage-

remember the No Sale/ Yard Sale where you can bring your items to give away for free.

Student Ministries

Engage continues to meet each Wednesday evening during the month of February from 6:30 PM to 8 PM. We have organized games & activities, a worship & prayer time, and a time for Bible lessons.



ReCharge, a monthly gathering for all Youth students, will meet on February 9th, after the morning worship service.



High School Bible Study will meet on February 2nd and February 16th at 6:00pm at Youth House.

Generate Camp is scheduled for June 9-13, 2025 in Mount Vernon, GA. Camp Registration and a \$75 deposit are due Sunday, February 21st. Only 23 spots are available to students. The total cost of camp is \$379 before any fundraising is applied to help reduce the cost.

Women's Ministry

THURSDAY MORNING 10 AM

BIBLE STUDY

Women's Bible study group meets each Thursday at 10am. We are currently studying "Trees: God's Gifts and His Lesson Through Them."



WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

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

Deacons' Ministry

"From the Deacons" It is the Deacons responsibility to take care of the families that have been assigned to. Over the past couple of months your deacon should have contacted you by letter, card, or phone call. If you have not been contacted, please contact the church office so that we can make sure that we have the correct information on each member. If a need arises for you or your family, please contact your deacon. It is our pleasure to take care of our church family.

Jimmy John

Men's Ministry

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

MEN'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Men's Bible study meets on Wednesday nights from 7:00-8:00pm in Room 103.

Senior Adult Ministry

YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON

February 10th at Noon. Please bring a covered dish and enjoy fellowship with one another.



Missions Ministry



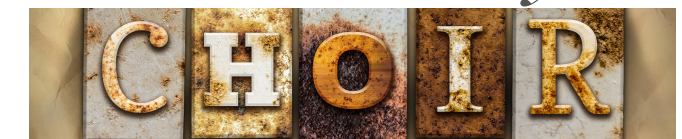
For the month of February be on the look out for clearance items such as toys, stationary, wash cloths, bar soaps, and coloring books. Thank you for your continued support for OCC.

Amanda Larson

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

Map People of Northern Brazil Workers write: "Please continue to pray for our church members as they take care of the responsibilities of the church. We will be out to the country for the next six months. The believers are well equipped to do the Lord's work in our absence. Also pray for us as we travel to different churches in the United States. We have many conventions, and engagements on our calendar. We are excited to share about what Christ is doing in Brazil!"

Music Ministry



The Adult Choir is now rehearsing for this year's Easter Cantata, A Gathering of Grace. The cantata will be presented on Friday, April 18th and Saturday, April 19th at 6:00pm each night. The choir will practice 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 for more information.

The Children's Choir will be singing the special music during our worship service on Sunday, February 9th. Please have the children in the Sanctuary that morning at 9:30am to rehearse before Sunday School.