



HIGHLANDS HIGHLIGHTS

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It has been an amazing four years of ministry for me at Highlands. I feel blessed to have been part of the church for these years. These years have been a pivotal point in Highlands' history. There have been highs and lows we have celebrated and weathered, and now it is time for both the community of faith and for me to begin writing new histories.

It is clear that Highlands has been in a period of decline of membership, yet I pray that as a community of faith the membership numbers are not the only indicator people judge the church. There is a strong feeling of community and love at this church. There is a strong desire to shake things up and move in the direction that God is calling. These are great qualities. Truth be told, Highlands is in a great position to choose its own destiny. Many times that decision is made for churches, but Highlands has the desire and resources to boldly choose the course in the next chapter of the life of the church.

That is my voice to the church today. Plot the course. Set the sails and boldly go where God is calling. There are no restrictions in following the course where God is calling Highlands to go. Many times we confuse resources as a limiting factor in ministry. The truth is that the only restrictions that are placed on the church are human-made. Ministry, ministering to the people of God, ministering to the community of Lake Highlands, ministering to the greater DFW Metroplex is only limited by the size of your dreams and visions. God will provide. God always has!

Highlands' first fifty years has been marked by tremendous periods of growth in both number and spirit. Highlands next fifty years can be shaped in much of the same way. Since November, Highlands has added over 40 members! Praise God! With this new multicultural course plotted out, it is now time to boldly move forward as one, multicultural church. It is time to consolidate decision making, it is time to consolidate resources, it is time to begin to nurture new relationships with all the new members of Highlands. It is time for reconciliation and revival. God is performing a miracle in the hallways, in the classrooms, and in worship.

It is a great opportunity and burden set before you. Come and take part in God creating things new. Come and behold the new thing God is birthing. Come and celebrate in the spirit that has built this church and is still building. It is in your hands.

Peace be with you always,

Dave

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Sunday, July 11, 2010

The Irish Blessing
Chancel Choir

Rev. David A. Tambur, preaching

Sunday Schedule

Bell Rehearsal	8:30 am
Fellowship 15	9:30 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship	11:00 am
Iglesia Cristiana	2:00 pm



This Sunday, Cole and Faith Hughes will open our worship service with a prelude. The choir will share a special anthem for David's last Sunday, and Elaine Keefer will do an offertory solo.

Sunday, July 18th, Allison Kincaid will be our guest soloist on flute.

If any of you would like to provide special music or have a friend or family member that would during the next few months, please let me know.

Highlands Bells—we will begin rehearsals Sunday, August 1st, at 8:30am. We also need to set a time to video us for Kim's ordination!

Lori McCommons
Music Director

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR PARENTS AND CHILDREN:

Children's Church will be discontinued for July and August. Please let me know if you are willing to work with Children's Church next fall.



I also need volunteer's for Sunday School for Kindergarten through 5th Grade beginning now. I will provide the lesson and the activity for the teachers.

You can reach me on my Cell phone 214-315-2127.

Thanks,
Julie Futral,
Education Chair

Outreach

I will be out of town for the months of July and August. If you have anything for White Rock Center of Hope, please take it to the center. I usually take items on the days that I work.

Have a great summer —I will!

Gayle Hurst
Outreach Chair



ABOUT OUR PEOPLE

June was not a good month for **Don Kirkland**. A few weeks ago he took a bone out to the porch for his dog who was so excited that he put his paws on Don's back and pushed him off the porch where Don landed on his knees. Painful, but nothing was broken. Last week a 400 lb hydraulic table fell on his femur. Again, nothing was broken, but a lot of pain. And in a way, it was a fairly good month without broken bones, if one looks on the bright side. Hope Don could. It was good to see him in church on Sunday and able to walk.

George and Joyce Gray also recently celebrated their 61st anniversary. They received a card from their daughter with a \$10 bill in it so that George could take Joyce to Dairy Queen for a banana split. George showed the owner of the DQ the card from his daughter, and the owner (or manager) charged them for one and gave them one free banana split. A happy moment for George!

We missed a number of our people on the Fourth, but many were out of town or celebrating with family and friends. Many of those present were decked out in red, white, and blue.

We enjoyed **Jemmy Phipps** solo on Sunday as well as the morning of beautiful patriotic songs planned for us by **Lori McCommons**.

The Tambur family has returned from their trip to Pennsylvania for the family reunion and a quick tour of Washington D. C. on a very warm day.

Don't forget that we will have a reception for the **Tamburs** and **Kimberly Russell** on Sunday July 11 right after church.

Carol Moss's granddaughter, Chrissie Landes, flew to Germany recently to be with her other grandmother, Joyce Landes. While on a trip to Germany with a friend, Joyce Landes had a stroke and was hospitalized. Chrissie volunteered to fly there to be with her grandmother until she was well enough to travel back to the U. S. and home.

Thank you very much for once again for letting us use your church for a family meeting! Again, I am sorry someone used the youth room without permission.

Jenny Money



PRAYING FOR OUR LOVED ONES

Health Concerns: Martha Davis, Kelly Hughes (Julie Tambur's sister); Gabby Iezzi, Ann Jamison (Carol Moss' daughter), Kelle Jones (Marion Goodrich's granddaughter), Lynn Kearney, Carol Moss, Allison Nichols, Lynne Norwood (Tambur family friend); Emily Obenhaus (Mary Sue Thomas' granddaughter), Kathy Patton, Scott Peterson, Sr., Mary Preskitt, Tiffany Vanarsdel (Stevie Linn's niece), P.G. VanGurp and Mimi (Helen Swearingen's Grandson), Betty Zelios.

Homebound: Sandy and David Borjes, Ethel Marie Cronholm, Raymond & Pat Dunlap (The Plaza); Betty Jennings (Caruth Haven Court), Doris Moore, Jean Neese (Fowler, Jackson), Tug Southwood (Stonebridge Nursing Home), Neyl Spitler (Fowler, Pearl Nordan), Lennie Tully (The Loyalton), John Wallace (The Loyalton)

Military: Travis Donnell, Andrew Oberdieck (Lura & Jim Lenington's grandson), Matt Lenington, Daniel Stailey, Marla V. Thurber



John Wallace passed away last Friday. Our Christian Sympathy is extended to his daughter Carra King and family. Services are Tuesday, July 6th at 12:30p.m. The service

will be preceded by a visitation beginning at 11:30a.m. John and his wife Jane have been longtime members of the Crusader's Class.

John was born in Ranger, Texas on August 18, 1914 to James and Carra Wallace. His father was a pharmacist and his mother a homemaker. He was the second of four children, 2 boys and 2 girls. The family also lived in Aledo and Weatherford before making their home in Fort Worth. John attended Central High School where he met Jane Boucher. John and Jane were married on June 18, 1938 and moved from Fort Worth to Oklahoma. He worked for the Curtis Candy Company until serving in the Army during World War II. After returning from overseas, John and Jane again made their home in Fort Worth. John was elected to the 50th session of the Texas Legislature serving in the Texas House of Representatives from Tarrant County. In 1948, John and Jane moved to Dallas. They owned and operated the Stevens Park Café in the Oak Cliff area. After their daughter, Carra, was born, the family moved to the Lake Highlands area of Dallas. John worked as a manufacturer's representative for the Jack L. Wallace Company until his retirement in 1979. He was a long-time member of Highlands Christian Church. John became a resident of the Emeritus of Lake Highlands in March of 2002. John is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Jane. He is survived by his daughter Carra King and husband Richard, grandson Alan King, and nephew David Matkin and wife Martha. John will long be remembered as a loving father, devoted granddaddy, and a loyal friend.

Youth News

I hope everyone had a celebratory Independence Day this past Sunday. I have not received any crazy hospital calls so I assume none of the youth had firecracker catastrophes. There was no youth group because of the holiday and next Sunday we are having the reception for David and family and for me so we will not have a traditional youth group on that day. I am still getting community events in line for our service days in Dallas the 12-16. Our schedule right now is to work from 9-12 and then have a 2 hour lunch break to continue from 2-5. This will be on Monday -Friday and we will go to Six Flags on Saturday to celebrate the week. In the church, we are painting the youth room, the two bathrooms across from the fellowship hall and work in the community garden. We are still working on getting the community events lined up.



I have ordered a total of 22 shirts for this week and hopefully we will have participation from some of our teenagers from the Hispanic service, and some adults as well. If you are interested in working one or more days please let me know. This service is not limited by age, race or gender. We welcome all who want to spend time and energy for the communal good. We are also planning a lock-in for Friday, July 23rd as a last hurrah with me and a hopeful mingling between the two youth programs. It should be lots of fun!!!

Kimberly Russell

■ Church Activities

Tuesday, July 6, 2010

9:00 a Kindermusik Classes

Wednesday, July 7, 2010

7:00 p ICH

Saturday, July 10, 2010

1:00 p Vocational School

Sunday, July 11, 2010

9:30 a Fellowship 15

9:45 a Sunday School

11:00 a Worship

12:00 p Reception for David and family and
Kim Russell

2:00 p ICH Sunday School

2:25 p ICH Worship Celebration

4:00 p Bethel Ethiopian Church

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

9:00 a Kindermusik Classes

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

7:00 p ICH

Saturday, July 17, 2010

1:00 p Vocational School

Sunday, July 18, 2010

9:30 a Fellowship 15

9:45 a Sunday School

11:00 a Worship

12:00p Board Meeting

2:00 p ICH Sunday School

2:25 p ICH Worship Celebration

4:00 p Bethel Ethiopian Church



■ Sunday Attendance: July 4, 2010

Worship Attendance	48
Sunday School	30

■ Serving: Sunday, July 11, 2010

Church leaders performing duties during worship service

Elders at Table and Shut-Ins:	Julie Futral Mark Read
Offering Counter:	Renee Bowen
Lead Deacon:	Denise Highland
Lock-up:	Kim Brashear
Prepare Communion:	Jo Ann Carlisle LaDonna Durham
Worship Leader	Adelle Read



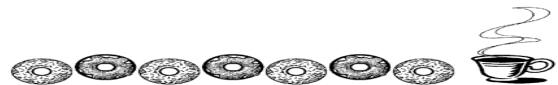
The New Covenant will host Fellowship 15 in July



July 11—Anne Price

July 18—Kathy Westfall

July 25—Betty Britt



Quote of the Week

“Chaos often breeds life, when order breeds habit”

—Henry Brooks James, American writer (1838-1918)

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Highlands' Sunday School Classes

Children and Youth Classes

Nursery

West Wing Caregiver: Andi Hughes

Kidz Time with the Bible (Pre-K thru-5th grade)

West Wing
Teachers: Kim Russell and Andrea Robinson

Chi Rho (6th-8th grade) and C.Y.F. (9th-12th grade) meet together

East Wing Teacher: needed

Adult Classes:

Crusaders Class

East Wing

Teacher: Rev. Tambur

Curriculum: Acts of the Apostles

Our largest Sunday school class, the Crusaders are well organized and active.

Traditional Bible study is a regular feature of this group's meetings, along with prayers, hymns and lots of fun.

Kerygma Class

East Wing

Teacher: Class Discussion/Don Hurst

Curriculum: "Unlocking the Message of the Bible," a Guide to Biblical Interpretation.

This is one of our youngest adult classes; Kerygma includes both single and married individuals.

Through Bible study and spiritual growth, they seek to find direction in dealing with the tough problems of life.

New Covenant Class

East Wing

Teacher: Melinda McNutt

Curriculum: Varied Bible Based Studies

An innovative Bible Study class encouraging thought and participation from members.



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OUR MISSION

HIGHLANDS CHRISTIAN CHURCH IS A WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF FAITH THAT CELEBRATES THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS BY ENCOURAGING CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND ADULTS TO GROW IN THEIR UNIQUE RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOD AS TOGETHER WE RESPOND TO GOD'S SPIRIT BY WORKING TO CREATE A MORE JUST AND LOVING WORLD.