



CONNECTIONS

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Bedazzled

Glitter Makes Everything Better. Those were the words I once saw printed on the front side of a throw pillow. With sincere apologies to American Glitters, Inc., in Hamilton, New Jersey, I could never lay my head down softly on that pillow. I am not a glitter fan. Glitter never goes away. If you receive a birthday card with glitter on the front cover you can still find specks of that glitter on your hands on your next birthday.

Our culture is full of glitter. From the latest tech gadgets to the newest car models to the newest reality talent show, we are surrounded by all types of shiny people and shiny products promoted to make our lives and our leisure better. Sure, some of those gadgets and cars and shows are enjoyable and even helpful. But there is another old adage about glitter that still rings true...all that glitters is not gold.

King David probably had a fair share of gold during his time as ruler. Yet in one of his prayerful songs he wrote that the truth of God is more desirable than gold. In other words, the truth of God is not just glitter that lingers on your hand after

your birthday. It is dazzling, eternal truth that can rescue and refresh your heart and mind and soul.

So, what dazzles you most in life? What brings you the most joy in life? What are you dazzling your spouse with? What are you dazzling your kids with? What are you dazzling your grandkids with?

In her book *Give Them Grace: Dazzling Your Kids with the Love of Jesus* Elyse Fitzpatrick writes: "Give grace to your children today by speaking of sin and mercy. Tell Susan that she can relax into God's loving embrace and stop thinking that she has to perform in order to get her welcoming Father to love her. Tell David that he can have hope that even though he really struggles, he's the very sort of person Jesus loved being around. Dazzle them with his love."

Jesus is not glitter. He doesn't make life better. Jesus is life. Let us be more dazzled with his love.

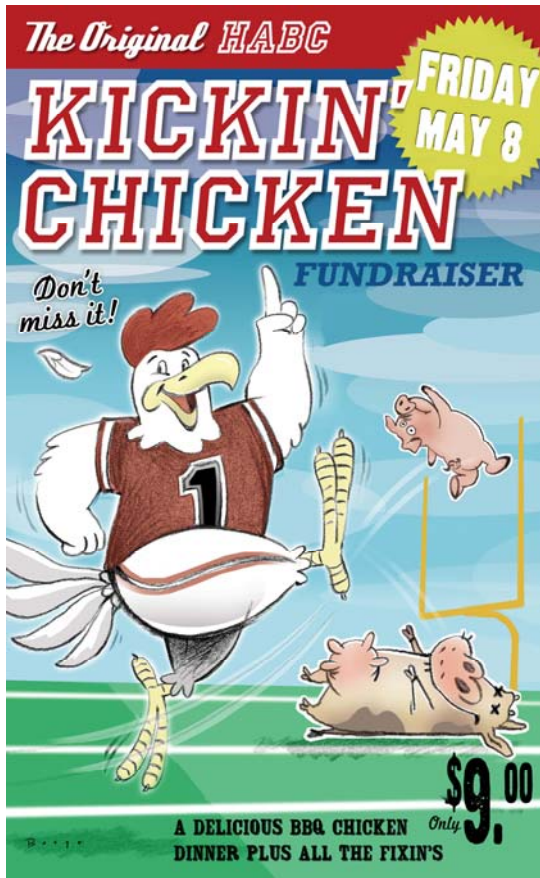
Grace to you,

Dow

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Child Safety Training

When: **Sunday, May 17** - Immediately following the morning worship service. The meeting will not last more than 15 minutes.

Who should attend: **Everyone!** We need more trained volunteers willing to work with our kids. If you work with children age 18 and under in any capacity throughout the year, this event is for you.

Today you'll face the unexpected.

Today temptation will greet you.

But today, in the midst of it all, Emmanuel is always with you.

~Paul David Tripp

March

Attendance

Avg. SS Attendance 185
Avg. Worship Attendance 304

Budget

Budget Offering \$54,218.07
B.O.F. \$2,650.00
Designated \$8,728.28

Total Offering

\$45,422.25

Monthly Budget Requirement:

\$42,298.68

May Extended Session

Nursery Volunteers

May 3 - Team 1
May 10 - Team 2
May 17 - Team 3
May 24 - Team 4
May 31 - Team 5

Children's Church Leaders

Wee Worship - Lindsay Shupe
K-5th Grade - Tammy Adams

A Note from Pastor Charles

Pat and I missed being with you at the 60th Anniversary of Holland Avenue Baptist Church. I have recently been called to serve Mt. Elon Baptist Church in Hopkins. Therefore, we were unable to attend.

Nancy Shumard presented us with a copy of the book that was published to celebrate the 60th anniversary. The committee is to be commended for their untiring work. It is beautifully done. It is a history of a great church that we were so proud to serve for 24 years. We will treasure this forever.

I am so very excited that Pastor Dow and his family are serving HABC. I am convinced that Dow is God's man for God's time. I feel a closeness to him. Great days are ahead. Pat and I pray daily for you. We miss you and will always hold a special place for HABC in our hearts.

Thank You

Dear Church Family,
Thank you for the cards, prayers, flowers, and the Winsome Sunday School Class for the food while I was sick..

Sincerely,
Barbara Crossland

From the family of Ruby Folsom:

I thank God for a wonderful church family. Thanks for the food, visits, cards, flowers, and the pall bearers.

In Christ's Love,
Jean Burroughs and Family

Toy Drive for Garage Giveaway

Bring a toy and spread some joy! We are starting a toy drive for the Garage Giveaway! While you are shopping, please consider picking up a new toy for a needy child. The box for donations will be located in the sanctuary. Please contact Amy Stinecipher 803-351-7475 or Joy Wright with any questions 803-730-2473. Larger toys can be dropped off at Caron Moore's house.

May Birthdays

1 Ron Suber	8 Carroll Crawford	17 Keith Driggers	24 Clara Ann Wright
1 Gary Driggers	8 Dale Rowell	18 Frank Morrow	26 Dow Welsh
1 Mallory Gilbert	9 Mary Gordon	18 Tari Koon	26 Lucas Shupe
1 Taylor Gilbert	9 Betty Jackson	18 Irina Flowers	26 Ben Ross
1 Caroline Heustess	9 Karin Langston	20 Sherry Mitchum	26 Bennett Smith
3 Linda Van Kampen	9 James Heustess	20 Amanda Jackson	26 Olivia Henderson
5 Alex Wright	10 Seth Feaster	21 Bill West	30 Cash Conner
6 Mary Salter	11 Amanda Underhill	21 Madison Griffin	31 Barbara Ginn
6 Grace Mower	11 Mack McIver	21 Allison Evans	31 Hampton Rea
7 Bill Burgess	12 Edie Waring	22 Nancy Shumard	
7 Crystal Rowell	12 Ashley Whisonant	22 Willie Munn	
8 Ashley Hudson	16 Kylie Siedschlag	22 Mark Branham	
8 Ralph Lewis	17 Kenneth Pound	22 Noah Jeffcoat	

Church Staff

Dow Welsh
Pastor

Brad Siedschlag
Minister of Youth

Tammy Adams
Minister of Children

Lindsay Shupe
M.O.M. /Preschool Director
& Preschool Outreach Dir.

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
8:30am - 4:30pm



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May Calendar

Sunday Schedule

9:15am - Sunday School
10:30am - Worship Service

Fourth Sunday

9:15am - Prayer Time in room 105
9:30am - Sunday School
10:30am -Worship Service

Wednesday Schedule

4:30pm - Prayer Time
5:00pm - Supper
6:00pm - Adult Bible Study
6:00pm - Children's Choirs
6:00pm - Youth Class
6:30pm - Celebration Choir Rehearsal
6:45pm - Children's Missions Classes

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sr. Adult Sunday Regularly Scheduled Services			Regularly Scheduled Activities	Weekday Preschool End of Year Program	Kickin' Chicken	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Mother's Day Regularly Scheduled Services			Regularly Scheduled Activities		Weekday Preschool Last day of School	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Graduate Recognition Regularly Scheduled Service Child Safety Training			Regularly Scheduled Activities			
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30
Regularly Scheduled Services	"Connections Newsletter"					