# Happenings @ HHBC

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## **JUNE 2023**

#### THE WATERING HOLE AND HEAVEN

An old cowboy was riding his trusty horse followed by his faithful dog along an unfamiliar road. The Cowboy was enjoying the new scenery, when he suddenly remembered dying, and realized the dog beside him had been dead for years, as had his horse. Confused, he wondered what was happening, and where the trail was leading them. After a while, they came to a high, white stone wall that looked like fine marble. At the top of a long hill, it was broken by a tall arch topped by a golden letter "H" that glowed in the sunlight. Standing before it, he saw a magnificent gate in the arch that looked like mother-of-pearl, and the street that led to the gate looked like gold. He rode toward the gate, and as he got closer, he saw a man at a desk to one side. Parched and tired out by his journey, he called out, 'Excuse me where are we?' 'This is heaven, sir,' the man answered. 'Wow! Would you happen to have some water?' the man asked. Of course, sir. Come right in, and I'll have some ice water brought right up.' As the gate began to open, the cowboy asked, 'Can I bring my partners, too?' 'I'm sorry, sir, but we don't accept pets.' The cowboy thought for a moment, then turned back to the road and continued riding, his dog trotting by his side. After another long ride, at the top of another hill, he came to a dirt road leading through a ranch gate that looked as if it had never been closed. As he approached the gate, he saw a man inside, leaning against a tree and reading a book. 'Excuse me, he called to the man. 'Do you have any water?' 'Sure, there's a pump right over there. Help yourself.' 'How about my friends here?' the traveler gestured to the dog and his horse. 'Of course! They look thirsty, too.' said the man.

The trio went through the gate, and sure enough, there was an old-fashioned hand pump with buckets beside it. The traveler filled a cup and the buckets with wonderfully cool water and took a long drink, as did his horse and dog. When they were full, he walked back to the man who was still standing by the tree. 'What do you call this place?' the traveler asked. 'This is Heaven,' he answered. 'That's confusing,' the traveler said. 'The man down the road said that was Heaven, too'. 'Oh, you mean the place with the glitzy, gold street and fake pearly gates? That's hell.' 'Doesn't it make you angry when they use your name like that?' 'Not at all. Actually, we're happy they screen out the folks who would leave their best friends behind.' -copied

#### 51st Anniversary of HHBC Was May 21, 2023

Happenings and Highlights of the past year!

Our 50th anniversary was celebrated with a catered luncheon. Former employees & members attended. Rev. Emmett Dupree, 4th pastor preached.

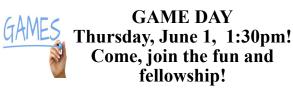
12/2022—Railings installed at entrances to church

11/13/22 Operation Christmas Child packed 472 boxes

2/23/23 Game Day started—one per month 2/28/23 Eldridge Matkins, 30th Anniversary as Organist

3/1-3/23 New floors in offices and work-room

5/21/23 13 New Members & 2 death since 50 Anniversary



#### FARMER'S MARKET

The farmer's market that uses our parking lot started on May 10 and will run through October 11. They are here from 7 am, until 1 pm each Wednesday between those dates.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS...**

...to Larry & Sara Gray on the birth of a daughter, Jasmine Athena Gray, born May 6, 2023, weighing 9 lbs., 8 ozs.

#### MEN'S BREAKFAST Tuesday, June 13, 8:30 am Carver's Restaurant Sign Up Sheet in Foyer

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- June 5 Deacon's Meeting, 6:30 pm
- June 7, 14. 21. 28 Choir Practice, 6:00 pm
- June 7 Ice Cream/Pound Cake Fellowship, 6:45
- June 14, 21, 28 Bible Study, 6:45 pm
- June 13 Men's Breakfast, 8:30 am, Carver's
- June 13 NAMI, 6-8 pm
- June 15 Bingo, 5-8:30, Ralph Scott Homes
- June 18 Father's Day
- June 26 Deadline for N/L, 9:30 am



# BELIEVERS MULTIPLY THROUGH THE MINISTRY OF THE SHOEBOX GIFTS

After receiving a shoebox gift children are invited to participate in a discipleship program called *The Greatest Journey*. It is a 12-lesson course including Bible stories and Scripture memorization.

The goal is to equip the children with the means to share with their family and friends about Jesus Christ. More than 35.4 million have been enrolled.

When they graduate, they are given a Bible with the New Testament and Old Testament stories. Many believers are multiplied through this ministry.

In Columbia, a boy who came to Christ through the Greatest Journey program began praying for his parents. His parents were dependent on drugs. As a result, his parents received Christ as Savior and started attending a Bible study. The parents then became leaders in a drug rehabilitation center and a new church was started as an outgrowth of the ministry of Operation Christmas Child.

For the months of June we will continue to collect the following:

Shirts, underwear, shoes, socks, flip flops, hats, scarves, mittens

Reusable small plastic bowls, cups, and water bottles

Stuffed animals and fishing items

Still needed: Additional Toothbrushes, soap and washcloths (No toothpaste, please)

Please remember no liquids or creams are allowed.

We will continue to accept t-shirts for jump ropes.

A reminder: It now costs \$10.00 a box. Donations are welcome.



#### SERVICE TIMES

Sundays: Sunday School: 9:15 am Worship Service: 10:30 am Wednesdays: Choir Practice: 6:00 pm Prayer/Bible Study: 6:45 pm

#### Secretary's Hours: Mon & Wed. 8:30-2 pm Thurs. 8:30-12 noon Check out our website at: www.hollyhillbaptist.org

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### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 8. Donna Price
- 16. Becky Faucette
- 17. Jo Anne Wright
- 19. Elias Marmolejo
- 22. Dolly Honeycutt
- 26. Linda Kerns
- 27. Kat Herring 27. Kim Sharpe
- 29. Lillian Lupo
- 30. Stephen Collins

- JUNE ANNIVERSARY 3. Gene & Mary Hunsinger (56th)
- 6. Bob & Donna Price (36th)
- 7. Bruce & Ruth Harris (41st)
- 9. Jerry & Betty Owens (60th)
- 11. Bud & Pat Durham (68th)
- 17. Greg & Lois Byram (56th)
- 30. Bob & Ruth Fincannon (67th)
- 30. Doug & Lillian Lupo (33rd)

Attendees of HHBC: If you have a June Birthday or Anniversary and you are not on this list, please let the church office know. (336 584-8040)

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11	12	13 Men's Break- fast at Carver's 8:30 am NAMI 6-8 pm	14 Choir 6 pm Bible Study 6:45 pm	15 Bingo—Ralph Scott—5-8:30	16	1
18 Father's Day!	19	20 No NGO this month	21 Choir 6 pm Bible Study 645 pm	22	23	2
25	26 Deadline for July N/L	27	28 Choir 6 pm Bible Study 6:45 pm	29	30	

