

NEWS FROM HAYS HILLS

"EACH ONE REACH ONE"

Prayer Time 8:45AM (Bldg. D Resource Center Hallway) Worship 9:15 & 10:45 AM Bible Study 9:15 & 10:45 AM

December 19, 2012

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"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

*Have a blessed Christmas.
From your church ministry staff*

Pictures from the dedication of the Bob Luter Memorial bench, last Sunday morning:



*One Worship Service this Sunday,
December 23rd 10:45 AM.
(No classes.)*

*This service will be child-friendly, including a children's time.
There will be limited child care for the very
youngest, as needed.*



*Christmas Eve Service:
Carols, Communion & Candles
December 24 5:30 PM*

*Pre-service music provided by saxophonist Don Jackson
(Come a little early to catch this!)*

**Thanks From the Church Staff to all
The servants in 2012!**

Deacon Chair: Terry Cook

Deacons who served in 2012: Jim Auchey, Terry Cook, Bill Deane, Thomas Doebner, Clay Dover, Mike Filippo, Roy Fuller, Claude Green, Donny McDonald, Wayne Moore, Jason Reeves, Kelton Reynolds, Billy Rose, Terry Strawn, Darryl Swann, Ernie West, Ben Wright, Joe Mac Jones

Administration Committee Chair: Darryl Swann

Budget & Finance Chairman: Claude Green

Building & Grounds Chairmen: Terry Cook & Roy Fuller

Evangelism Chair: Mitch Borden

Fellowship Chair: Sophia Sutton

Missions Chair: Clay Dover

Treasurer: Thomas Doebner

Committees:

Administration: John Ambrose, Shelby Delaney, Thomas Doebner, Alicia Dover, Stephanie Gibert, James Reynolds, David Smith, Jeff Hudgins,

Budget & Finance: Jason Reeves, Claude Green, Rhonda Ambrose, Thomas Doebner, James Tambur, Shelby Delaney, Terry Ferguson, Ken Rector

Building & Grounds: Terry Cook, Roy Fuller, Rick White, Terry Taylor, David Gill, Mark Dickerson, Edie Green, John Haynes, Patrick McFarland, Curry Newton, Rick White, Ken Rector

Evangelism: Bill Deane, Celeste Dickerson, Beth Filippo, Rae Hernandez, Leslie Holder, Jeff Hudgins, Stephanie Gibert, Cliff Jones, Alicia Lester, Jon Lower, Pat Lower, Kevin Normand, Billy Rose, Sean Sivils, David Smith, Pam Smith, Darryl Swann, Bill Taylor, Sunne Terrell, Jim Washburn, Diane White

Fellowship: Betty Delaney, Dawn Fuller, Becky Hawkins, Rae Hernandez, Mitzi Hudgins, Pam Jordan, Cindy Kinzlemann, Britany Krause, Valerie Newton, Rebecca Norris, Mairin Peevey, Sharron Perez, Kathy Reeves, Jane Todd

Missions: Jean Auchey, Barby Bowles, Bob Caldwell, Peta Caldwell, Roy Fuller, Tish Hallmark, Rae Hernandez, Carolyn Luter, Beverly Shelton, Angela Swann

Site Team: Marty Vannatter Mark Bryant, Scott Cole, Terry Cook, Thomas Doebner, Stanley Fees, Roy Fuller, Ken Rector

Technology Team: Mike Filippo, Claude Green, Robin Wilson, Jeff Hudgins, Toby Burton, Jim McCaslin, Eric Patterson, Rick White, Ken Rector

Security Team: James Jordan, Don Jordan, Tony Longoria, Rick Neptune, Anthony Norris, Eldwin Ruiz, Kevin Schnautz, Mike Sutton, Darryl Swann.

Sunday School (Bible Life) is the basic building block of our church. Those who lead in this area are leading us at the 'cellular' (most basic) level of church organizational life.

Pre-School Div. Director: Marcy Lind

Pre-School teachers: Elizabeth Kelley, Renee Cole, Pam Taylor, Brittany Knedik, Karen & Marcus Stone, Rebecca Espinoza, April DeCesare, Melissa Sweet, Rhonda Wingo

Children's teachers: Lori Hughes, Michael Castillo, Sharon Sweet, Roxanna Garza, Scott & Gena Doss, Paul & Emelda Ellis, Linda Hopkins

Youth teachers: Ryan and Karen Shelton, Sean & Erin Sivils, John & Angela Giberson, Jim Washburn, Wade & Denise Strickland

Adult teachers: Gerry & Annette Hiller, Gloria Washburn, Cliff & Laura Jones, Neal Blumhagen, Ben Wright, Jon & Pat Lower, Darryl Swann, John Kimbro, Ken Rector, Bill Deane, Thomas Doebner, Vicky Lewis, Cindy Rector, Eldwin Ruiz,

Volunteer Nursery Workers: Peta Caldwell, Sarah Castillo, Betty Delaney, Barbara Doebner, Beth Filippo, Cami Frasier, Shelli Glendenning, Rae Hernandez, Amy Hilton, Kelsey Jakubauskas, Melissa Jistel, Kim Johnson, Lindsay Kahler, Britany Krause, Ashley Malek, Jean McFarland, Jessica Moore, Dianne McSpadden, Denise Neptune, Rebecca Norris, Reeves, Robin Russell, Rachel Seitzer, Karen Shelton, Beverly Shelton, Anna Stewart, Brenda Tambur, Tina Thompson, Gloria Washburn, Rhonda Wingo, Cynthia Pack, Annette Hiller, Jessica Davis, Michelle Garner, Laura Jones, Pam Jordan, Shelley McDaid, April DeCesare, Misty Meyer, Jessica Nagy, Marjorie Phillips, Lisa Ramos, Elizabeth Reeves, Lydia Sahley, Karen Stone, Jennifer Taylor, Rebecca Tolworthy, Janis Price,

Operation Christmas Child Church Collection Coordinator: Rae Hernandez

Operation Christmas Child Regional Collection Coordinator: Sophia Sutton

OCC Regional Collection Team: Mike Sutton, Pam Jordan, Rae Hernandez

Touch Ministry: Charles Sweet and the deacons

Kid's PraiZe Leader: Sandra Snowden

Kid's PraiZe helpers: Courtney Snowden, Denise Neptune, Lavenia Walkup, Jean Bruner, Rebecca Norris, Denise Bryant, Jackie Truitt, Ashlie Malek, Bob and Patty Straub

Wednesday night meal leader: Billy Rose

Wednesday night meal helpers: Debbie Pfluger, Ben Pfluger, Nathan Pfluger, Diana Galbreath, Billy Rose, James and Becky Reynolds, Ernie West

Baptist Student Ministries lunch coordinator: Debbie Pfluger

Wednesday night youth helpers: Jean Bruner, Angela Giberson, Debi Lindsey, Stephanie Gibert, Tony Longoria, Eldwin Ruiz, Dawn Fuller, Jim McCaslin, Valerie Newton

Rite of Passage: Linda Hopkins, James Tambur, Brad Hagen, Toby Burton, Mike Filippo, Beth Filippo

RA Leaders: John Haynes, Sharon Sweet, Mark McDaid, Aaron Kahler

GA Leaders: Rae Hernandez, Sunne Terrell

AWANA Leaders: Rhonda Lawrence, Carol Ann McElyea, Jane Todd, Jayme Waggoner, Angela Sweeney, Chris Sweeney, Laura Jones, Sandra McDonald, Donny McDonald, Dawn Fuller, Sarah Fuller, Rhonda Wingo, Mike Filippo, Beth Filippo, Bobby Short, Sharon Sweet, Dianne McSpadden, Diane White, Tracie Samuel, Clay Dover, Jim Auchey, Mark McDaid, Shelley McDaid, Olivia Scheer, Barby Bowles, Sunne Terrell, Lindsay Kahler, Ramona Horn, Liz Spracklen, Terry Cook, Lucinda Cook, Landon Cook, Rachel Blumhagen, Neal Blumhagen, Retha Blumhagen, James Reynolds, Becky Reynolds, Billy Russell, Cory Price, Janis Price, Toby Burton

Summer Camp Director: Shelley McDaid

Greeters: Edie Green (Coordinator), Dr. Shelby Delaney, Mary Garza, Claude Green, Julie Larsen, Donny McDonald, Laura Moore, Wayne Moore, Helen Moore, Billy Rose, Linda Munoz, Inez and Sharron Perez, Eldwin Ruiz, Roxie Stanley, Belinda Willcox, Mark Winter, Jane Todd, Diane White, Rick White, Mark Winter, Talina Plant

Parking Lot Greeters: Bill Taylor (Coordinator), Bob Caldwell, John Giberson, Denise Neptune, Rick Neptune, Jason Gibert, Tony Norris, Gibson Stanley, Julie Stanley, Ron Stanley, Jim Washburn.

Soup Kitchen Volunteers: Jim Auchey, Jean Auchey, Barby Bowles, Richard Clay, Renee Dahl, Anita Deane, Dorothy Eddings, Reba Gross, Inez Perez, Sharron Perez, Billy Rose, Debi Lindsey, Mary Moskowitz, Talina Plant, Sheri Wright, James Reynolds, Cami Frasier

Church Library and Media Center Director: Virginia Turner

Helpers: Sonya Hergotz, Gloria Washburn, Sue Hopkins, Betty Copeland, Phyllis Patterson, Martha Stracener, Laura Moore, Ramona Horn

Senior Adult ministry: Edie Green

Live Nativity: Michelle and Coby Garner, Kelton and Mickey Reynolds, Jay and Becky Hawkins and Fellowship Committee

Church flowers and decorations: Jeanne Jones, Sandra Snowden

Adult Choir: Denise Bryant, Marie Cole, Carolyn Fees, Peggy Ferguson, Sonya Hergotz, Ashlie Malek, Marcy May, Sophia Sutton, Melissa Sweet, Sharalee Tidwell, Robin Coburn, Marilyn Jones, Courtney Snowden, Kim Spiller, Kay Manis, Alycen Delrie, Roxana Garza, Patty Straub, Jackie Truitt, Rhonda Ambrose, Pat Fuller, Nancy Herrington, Gay Lynn Joseph, Jeanne Jones, Barbara Kay, Cary Kimbro, Rebecca Norris, Robin Parker, Megan Rogers, Sandra Snowden, Holly Taylor, Joel Anders, Mitch Borden, Mark Bryant, Mark Dickerson, Stanley Fees, Karl Frasier, Eric Jakubauskas, Terry Taylor, Richard Clay, Bill Deane, Ken Rector, David Smith, Bob Straub, Raney Southerland, Colely Thompson.

Symphonic Band members: Marie Cole, Renee Cole, Jackie Truitt, Courtney Snowden, Sandra Snowden, Terry Taylor, Cristian Ellis, Paul Ellis, Lisbeth Ellis, Megan Rogers, Holly Taylor, Jason Reeves, James Tambur, Olivia Scheer, Brandon Claggett, Jerry Tidwell

Praise Band: Craig Johnson, Raney Southerland, Bobby Lane, Kelli Dodd, Bob Kidnew, Perry Hubert, Kirsten Walkup, Jacob Taylor

Praise Singers: Melissa Sweet, Ashlie Malek, Sandra Snowden, Barbara Kay, Courtney Snowden, Terry Taylor, Mitch Borden, Karl Frasier

Break Away: Choreographer and helper- Barbara Kay

Music Library: Barbara Kay, Sonya Hergotz

Lord's Supper Preparation: Kelton and Mickey Reynolds

Sound System: Mark Bryant, John Harding, Jason Reeves, Steve Brewer

Video Team: Eli Dover

Media Team: Brian May, Bill Hergotz, Jeff Hudgins, Julie Stanley, Jason Gibert, James Jordan, Patrick McFarland, Mike Sutton, Karen Davis, Denise Neptune, Courtney Snowden, Olivia Scheer, Micah Hopkins, Mark McDaid, Art Estrada, Jackie Truitt, Talina Plant, Tish Hallmark, Sandra Snowden, Donnie McDonald

Ushers & Tellers 9:15: Joe Mac Jones (Coordinator), John Giberson, John Kimbro, Wayne Moore, Thomas Doebner, Claude Green, Clay Dover, Ryan Mc Spadden, Jim Auchey, Terry Ferguson, Ines Perz, Rick Neptune, Eric Patterson, Sid Mueller, Dale Posey, Donny McDonald, Ron Stanley, Jason Gibert, Billy Vinson, James Herrington, Larry Bowles, Zack Meyer, Coby Garner, Caleb Kimbro, Raymond McSpadden, Bill Willcox, Dennis Joseph, Terry Lawrence, Chad Jistel, James Reynolds, Dusty Peed, Bob Shelton, Brady Spiller, Mason Cervenka, J.T. Sivils

Ushers & Tellers 10:45: Kevin Normand (Coordinator), Wade Strickland, Chase Strickland, Gerry Hiller, Don Jordan, Ryan Krause, Curry Newton, Roy Lewis, Terry Cook, Jim Plant, Cameron Cook, Chris Sweeney, Ben Wright, Doug Fuller, Bob Caldwell, John Haynes, Kevin Schnautz, David Smith, James Tambur, Micah Tambur, David Doty, Scott Cole, Eric Jakubauskas, Curtis Hopkins, Aaran Hopkins, Art Estrada, Marcus Stone, Mark Winter, Josh Blumhagen, Rick White, D'Andre Samuel, Matthew Sweet,

Jacob Trombley, Terry Strawn, Mike Filippo, Caleb Hubert, Colin Hubert, Ken Moore, Brian Lester, Eli Dover

Heart Focus Leaders: Sandra McDonald, Eldwin Ruiz

Men's Ministry Leader: Jeff Hudgins

Women's Ministry Leader: Alicia Dover

Women's Ministry Team: Alicia Dover, Britany Krause, Edie Green, Kelsey Jakubauskas, Jessica Moore, Lucinda Cook, Anne Hall, Mickey Reynolds, Melissa Sweet, Sarah Castillo

Prayer Ministry: Sheri Wright, Ben Wright

Weekly Bank Depositors: Kelton & Mickey Reynolds

Sign Message Changer: Charles Sweet

M.O.P. (Mothers of Pre-Schoolers) Leader: Jessica Moore.

M.O.P.S. (Mothers of Pre-Schoolers) Leadership Team: Lindsay Kahler, Shelley McDaid, Sheri Wright, Barbara Kay, Lucinda Cook, Jayme Borden, Gloria Washburn, Sharon Sweet, Cami Frasier, Emily Allen

Church Landscaping volunteer: Terry Cook

Legend Oaks Nursing Home ministry team: Talina Plant, Bob Caldwell, Jon and Pat Lower, Richard Clay, (non Hays Hills members: Rev Ken Passno – United Method of Kyle, Marla Rice – Fellowship of Plum Creek)

Bus Drivers: (Every Wednesday) Linda Munoz, also Curt Hopkins, Buddy Allen

Children's Home ministry: W.O.W. class

Least of These Orphan Ministry: Kelsey and Eric Jakubauskas

Village of Hope mission in Uganda: Bob and Peta Caldwell and the Agape Class.

Haiti Orphan challenge: Beverly Shelton and the Truth Seekers Class

CASA contacts: Raney Southerland and Bob Caldwell

Central Texas Life Care Center contact: Cindy Rector

Austin Disaster Relief Network, church coordinator: Angela Swann

WHO DID WE FORGET??? Let us know! We will run more in the next newsletter. Thanks!

No Wednesday night activities for next three weeks

December 19th, 26th and January 2nd: NO Wednesday night meals, No Kid'Z PraiZe, or King's KidZ, No Breakaway, No youth or Bible studies. NO ACTIVITIES ON THOSE THREE WEDNESDAYS. We will resume activities on Wednesdays on January 9.

Welcome!

To Isabel Johnson, who joined by statement Sunday, December 16th, in the early service.

Sympathy

To the family of Buddy Allen in their recent loss.

To Bill Willcox in the loss of his father.

To Misty Meyer in the loss of her father.

To Tom Tolworthy in the loss of her grandmother.

Congratulations

To James Reynolds and David Gill, who were ordained to the deacon ministry Sunday, December 9th. Also, to other new deacons Shelby Delaney and Ines Perez.



RA/GA Post Office is here!

- Send Christmas cards/letters to Hays Hills members/attenders/staff
- Only \$.20 per card/letter
- Located in the foyer
- All proceeds go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

About the inner church 'post office'

The mailings of Christmas cards, letters, or messages will continue through the Christmas Eve Service.

When checking for mail to you ALWAYS check again before you leave the church because new mailings will be coming in constantly.

The pickup of cards, letters, or messages will continue through end of day, on **Sunday, December 30th.**

Everyone should check mail on this "last Sunday to pick up" date.

Cards left beyond December 30 will be mailed out within that next 3 days using RA/GA budget funds, not funds turned in with mailings.



2012 Lottie Moon Offering

Given so far: \$2,576.50

Nearly 3,800 People Groups Remain Unengaged and Unreached, How Can You Help?

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." –Matt. 16:24-25



From Pastor David

Dear Hays Hills folks,

For the past few years Hays Hills members John and Belinda Ellis have been taking his mom to her church in Austin. John's mom has Alzheimer's, but remarkably her memory and function improve when she is at her home church: Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. (Also in the past several years John has been taking care of his father, who passed away last month. John visited him regularly with meals, etc.)

For those who don't know, John and Belinda are charter members of Hays Hills. There are about ten families that were here when I came to pastor Hays Hills in 1989. (You can tell when I'm calling charter members because instead of saying "hi Pastor David here" or "Pastor here" I say "It's David.")

Anyway, John and Belinda have been attending Pleasant Hill with his mom so long that they now feel led to join there. Pleasant Hill Baptist is a small church that in recent years has been on its last legs, sometimes with only a dozen attending. They have gone through many pastors. They are located right off of William Cannon, but kind of hard to see from William Cannon. It's a strategic place in Austin—with many unreached people surrounding it.

Many churches in the heart of Austin are suffering decline. Some are barely holding on. In recent years the Austin Baptist Association has been trying to help declining churches, and in some cases planting a church in the same building with the old church—Spanish speaking, Vietnamese, Filipino, etc. Pray for these churches that they will find new life with a new vision of the fields ripe for harvest. Pray that richer churches in the suburbs, like ours, will keep holding them up and supporting them.

Recently Pleasant Hill got a another new pastor, and he is starting to bring them back! John said, that instead of them being the only young couple in the church now, there are several! In addition, there are now more Hispanics in the church (Belinda is Hispanic) which gives hope for reaching out to more!

I told John and Belinda they have our blessings as they join that church (for a season) to be with his mom and to be a vital core and support to a church and pastor trying to come back for the sake of South Austin and the Gospel. Pray for them!

Jon Lower says there are two reasons people leave a church: either running away, or running to, something. The best reason to leave is to run to a new calling God gives you. That's what John and Belinda are doing!

I have always appreciated those members who let me know they are leaving, moving etc. I feel that we are family, and I get an empty feeling when members leave and don't communicate why. Don't be afraid of hurting feelings! If there are issues or needs that affect you or your family—how will we ever know and be able to improve—unless you tell us? What if God had some insight from you that we could use—that we never hear?

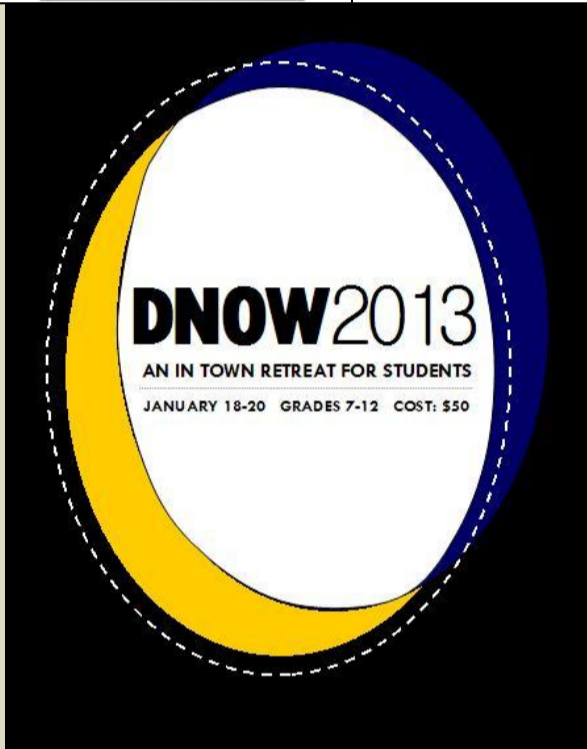
As we see a lot of new visitors at Hays Hills in recent months, I pray that many of them will make Hays Hills their home as God gives them confirmation and peace to make us their home. The next new members class is January 5. You can either attend it before or after you come forward in the church service to join.

John and Belinda remind me that a church should not be known for how many it seats but ultimately for how many it sends.

Pastor David



From Sean Youth News



Disciple Now 2013 is scheduled for the weekend of **January 18th-20th**. (HCISD has Monday, the 21st as a staff/student holiday). It will start Friday night at 7 pm at HHBC and end Sunday morning at noon.

This year's theme is '**Go Fish**'. Fishing stories. We've all heard them. "It was this big." "You should have seen the one that got away." People love to tell stories of their fishing adventures. When it comes to faith, however, most people clam up. Why is it we can't talk about what God has done in our lives as naturally as we can spin fishing tales? We will be exploring the motivation behind sharing your faith and how it can become a natural part of your life.

Students will be broken up into age and gender groups and staying with host homes throughout our congregation. These smaller family groups will be led

by a college student and will help the youth dive deep into the Word and build community among peers.

The **cost is \$50** and un-churched friends are free. Students will receive all meals (Saturday-Sunday morning, you are responsible for dinner Friday night) and a t-shirt, along with a devotional and CD of worship music for attending the retreat. They will be participating in ropes course activities Saturday.

Sign-ups are located on the windows outside the youth room. Students will need to fill out permission forms to attend the weekend. Forms are located upstairs on the tables outside the youth room.

Questions?

Contact Sean Sivils at sean_sivils@yahoo.com or Emily at emily@hayshills.com

There will be NO Wednesday night youth activities:

December 19th and 26th or January 2nd

We hope you all have a very Merry Christmas!

Sean Sivils, Minister to Youth

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Check out our youth link from the church website:

www.hayshills.com



From Jon

Discipleship and Adult Education

“LAST”

As I sat down to write this article I realized that it would be my last article for this year. Now I'm sure that I am the only one that has this problem, but sometimes when I think of a word my mind just goes off on its own and all of a sudden I forget what I was going to write about. That's exactly what happened as I started to write this article, my mind took off on the word "Last". I began to think about all the "lasts" in our lives, and now this article has absolutely nothing to do with what I thought I would write about.

Many times a 'last' is temporary and is shortly followed by a first. For example although this is my last article for the year 2012, in two week I will be writing my first article for 2013. This 'Last' will have very little impact on the rest of my life.

However, way too often a 'last' is permanent and final. These are the 'Lasts' we have to be very very careful of. I wonder, what were the 'last words' the parents in Connecticut said to their children as they sent them off to school? Were they words of love and encouragement or words of frustration and anger? Whatever they were, the parents will remember them for the rest of their lives. I know this for a fact because the 'last words' I spoke to my son, three weeks before his fatal motorcycle accident, were "I love you son, I'm really proud of you". Whenever I think of Jon Jr. I can see him in getting into the car and I hear myself say those words. Boy, am I ever happy I said them.

You never know when the words you say to a loved one may be the last words. No matter how angry or frustrated you may feel, make sure they are words of love and encouragement. But words are not the only thing that may have an everlasting impact on your life. Some of you who are reading this article may have been putting off making a decision to accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior. You may think the timing is not right or you are not ready yet. You say to yourself, I'll do it next Sunday or when there is a better opportunity. The very worst thing that could ever happen to you is to have the 'Last chance' to accept Jesus and fail to respond to it. Will the 'Last Breath' you take here on earth be followed by hearing Jesus saying "*Welcome home My good and faithful servant*" or will you hear "*Depart from me you worker of iniquity, I never knew you*"? The choice is yours.

Your brother in Christ,
Jon



From Aaron

Children's Ministry

Sunday, December 23rd – We will all be gathering for a single service at the 10:45am hour. As a result there will be no Children's Bible Life Classes or Children's Worship.

New Year, New Patterns Utilizing Long Story Short in Family Worship

On Sunday, January 13th, I will be hosting a brief seminar to equip parents to use Long Story Short: Ten Minute Devotions to Draw Your Family God which is intended to work in tandem with what your children are learning in their Children's Bible Life Classes on Sunday mornings. As you make your New Year's resolutions I encourage you to resolve to lead your family in worship in 2013. Long Story Short is just one method and is simply our attempt to assist you in your God given responsibility to disciple your children. If you'd like to see what all the fuss is about please join me at 4:30pm in Bldg. A on Sunday, January 13th.

What's the Big Deal? Why God Cares About Sex

On Sunday, January 27th, we will be offering a time for our 5th and 6th graders to find some answers to questions they have about sex. They hear about it from other kids, they hear about it on TV and on the radio, but we want them to hear about it from God's word, through God's eyes.

Not only do we believe it is a parent's *responsibility* to talk to their children about sex, we also believe parents are the people *best suited* to do it! So why are we hosting this event? For the same reason we have Children's Bible Life Classes, AWANA, and Children's Worship – not to take the place of parents in their task of discipling their children but to assist them in it.

So on Sunday, January 27th, from 4:30-6:00pm we will offer two sessions meeting in different locations on our campus, one for girls and one for boys. The evening will include a time of brief instruction and a word of personal testimony, followed by a time of Q&A. In order for your child to attend you must RSVP. If you have any questions or would like to reserve a spot for your child please contact me via the church office (512) 295-3132 or via email aaron@hayshills.com

PS. We'll be offering a training seminar for parents seeking to talk to their children about sex in either February or March.



From Ken Administration

Tis the season to.... What a marvelous time of the year.
In everything we do, we can see Jesus

- 1) The gifts... The perfect gift of Jesus for our sins
- 2) The love God’s unfathomable love for us in spite of who we are
- 3) The last minute business and bustle???Reminds us of the short time we have on earth and the sense of urgency we should have to share God’s love with others.
- 4) Memories..... The Holy Scriptures are full of memories of Jesus’ life and God’s love.

We also have memories of what God has done for us personally. We have seen Him answer our prayers; provide healing, comfort and peace in the midst of the storms. We have seen Him provide eternal salvation to many who were lost!

We remember how God has shown himself through the lives of our faithful brothers and sisters who ministered to us and helped us throughout the year.

I am grateful for these memories and these very special folks. I am thankful for my God’s love and provision. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve Him along with a dedicated staff of ministers and assistants with one focus—to be in the center of God’s will.

Let’s be focused on Jesus this season as He directs us on how to give, serve, minister and worship in His name for His glory and honor.

Amen!

Important side note: Year-end contributions for the ministries and missions of the church are a wonderful way of saying Happy Birthday Jesus! These monies help share the love of Christ with so many others in numerous ways. --- Thank you for your faithfulness in your tithes and offerings for our Lord!

Ken Rector

LOOK WHAT’S COMING UP!

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
December 23	10:45 AM	One Worship Service/ No Bible Life Classes
December 24	5:30 PM	Christmas Eve Service
January 5	8:00 AM	New Members Class
January 12	8:00 AM	Men’s Breakfast
January 13	4:30 PM	Family Worship Seminar with Aaron Kahler
January 18-20		Youth Disciple Now

January 27	Noon 4:30 PM 6:00 PM	Youth BBQ Lunch & Evangelism Information for Members "Why God Cares About Sex" with Aaron & Lindsay Kahler Concert of Prayer with Pastor Arthur Snead and South Austin Community Church at Hays Hills Baptist Church
February 9	8: 00 AM	Men's Breakfast
February 10	6:00 PM	Quarterly Business Meeting
February 24	6:00 PM	Concert of Prayer with Salem Robinson & Dunn's Memorial Baptist Church
March 3		Royal Foundlings in Concert
March 11-15		Super Hoops Camp for Kids
March 28	7:00 PM	Holy Week Communion Service
March 31	10:00 AM	Easter Service at the PAC



Budget & Finance Report

Ministry Budget Giving:

December (so far): \$57,000.13

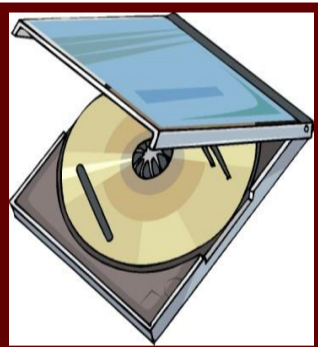
2012 (so far): \$887,167.18

(\$82,000.00 needed for general budget each month)

Designated Giving:

December (so far): \$5,523.26

2012 (so far): \$194,437.96



Sermon Audio CD's & DVD's Available!

Sermon CD's are available for \$2.00, DVD's for \$3.00 – fill out the pink envelope and form and request either a CD or DVD, enclose your payment and leave for Kelton Reynolds. The forms are in the foyer.

Note: For CD make checks payable to Kelton Reynolds, for DVD make check payable to Hays Hills Baptist church.



Flowers

If you would like to place flowers in the worship center on a Sunday morning in honor or memory of someone or an anniversary, please contact Sarah in the church office at 512-295-3132 Ext. 21

Resource Center at Hays Hills – be sure to check out our Resource Center in the east hallway of Building D for free magazines, brochures, etc. ALSO, go by this area each Sunday that new folks join, to meet them. Thanks!

