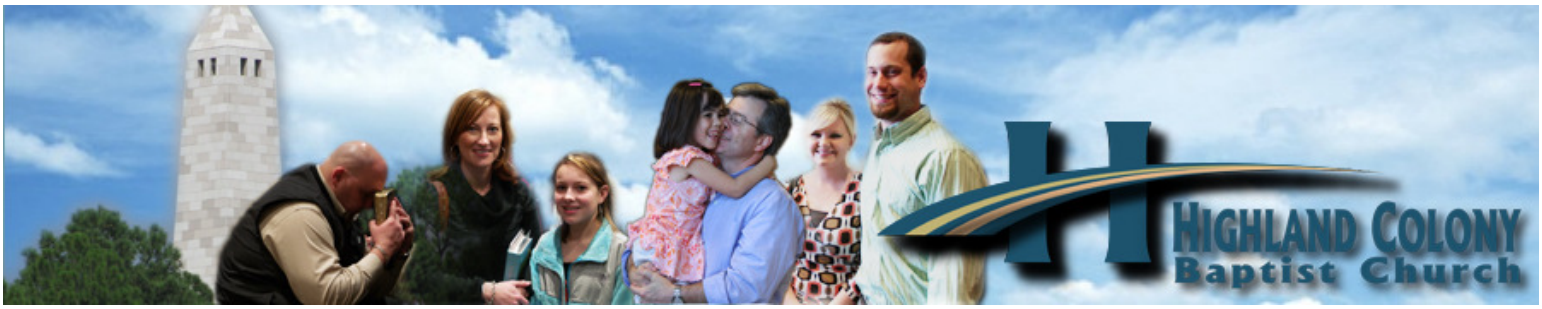

Highland Colony Home Connection

'Bringing information and opportunities directly into your home'

From the Pastor

Happy New Year!! It's time to turn the page and start on a new chapter in the life and history of HCBC.

I'm sure you know by now that Tim Daniels has resigned and had his last Sunday with us on December 27. We will so miss all of the Daniels family. The best thing I heard said during this was, "Tim leaves us better than he found us." That is what anyone wants to hear when the decision is made to make a move.

Though sad, I'm also excited about what lies ahead for us at HCBC. I have such a sense that we are about to move to a whole new level as a church. I will be working with the Personnel Committee to find our next leader for the areas of worship and music. We will begin this search in earnest immediately. The members of the committee are: Steve Narbo, chairman, Wanda Tucker, Tarea Stout, Patsy Holeman and Bobby Fortenberry. We welcome your input and will actually be soliciting that in the weeks ahead. In the meantime, Chris Weeks will be working with the choir and leading our worship for he foreseeable future. Thank God for Chris!

The second week in January, I'll begin a series of messages entitled, "Resolved." In these messages, I'll be challenging all of us to resolve to become more mature followers of Jesus in 2010.

I am looking forward to an exciting new year at Highland Colony.

Honored to be your pastor, JR

ReNew Women's Ministry

Finding Your Way through the Old Testament: *Guideposts for the Journey*

Saturday, February 27 9AM-2PM

Most 21st Century Americans are familiar with Bible stories, but get lost along the path of independent study. Earnest intentions to "read through the Bible" end in frustration. Others stick with it from Genesis to Malachi, but aren't exactly sure what they've read.

Our 2010 ReNew Women's Conference is going to lead us past this roadblock. We will look at key points in the history of God's people to develop a framework for understanding His message for the ages. We will also examine tools that can enrich our study and guide us through difficult sections of the journey.

Paul Gay will be our leader. For 35 years, Paul has taught the Bible to adults and has a passion for helping others see its timeless message in fresh ways.

In our time together, we will point out God's faithfulness, His sovereignty, and His plan. This study will equip the new seeker and encourage the veteran pilgrim. Invite a fellow traveler and mark it on your calendar. No materials need to be purchased, but lunch is provided at a cost of $10.

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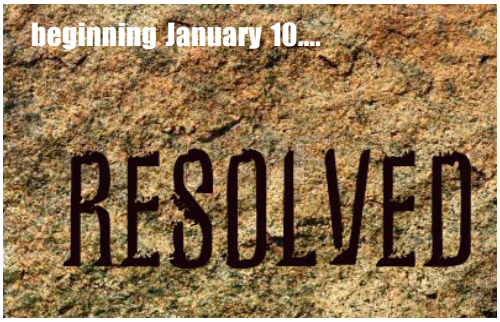
Highland Colony Baptist Church

Sunday, January 10 5:30 P.M.

LIVE IT OUT!

Virtue: DISCIPLINE --- *doing what you need to do now so you can grow stronger.*



New Sunday School Class Begins January 24

Who? For parents of middle school and older elementary aged children.

What? An opportunity for parents who are not connected or who are ready to help start something new.

Where? Room B107 (behind the children's theater)

When? Sunday mornings at 9:15.

Come join Pat & Rebecca Smith in the start of this new class!

UpStreet is our Sunday School theme for Kindergarten - 5th grade children. During January, we want our kids to master these 5 Faith Skills::

(1) **navigate the Bible** (learning Bible basics, like how to find stuff in the Bible)

(2) **personalize Scripture** (learning to memorize verses and to apply them to real life)

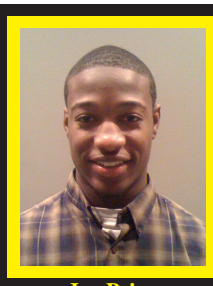
(3) **dialogue with God** (learning about prayer and how to pray);

(4) **articulate faith** (learning what we believe about God and Jesus and why)

(5) **worship with your life** (learning that worship is much more than just singing).

Welcome!

Recent additions to our Highland Colony family include...



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COMING EVENTS

Mark your new 2010 calendars with these dates!

January 6	Wednesday night programming resumes	
January 23	HCBC Annual Youth Hunt (preregistration required)	
January 25	6:30	L.A.M.P.S. Monthly Meeting
January 27	6:15	Quarterly Ministry Conference
January 31	10:30	The Lord's Supper observed during worship
February 27	9:00	ReNew Women's Conference
March 5-6	Disciple Now Weekend	
March 15-19	"Spring Break"	
May 26-30	Lake Forest Ranch summer camp for children who have completed 3rd,4th, or 5th grades. Cost: $315	
June 13-16	Highland Colony Family Vacation	
June 21-24	Students: Wayfarer Summer Camp -Anderson S. Carolina	

January Staff Anniversary
Carol McCorkle (Receptionist) - 5 years

MidWeek @ Highland Colony
meal entrées

January 6 Mesquite Grilled Chicken
Kids: Chicken Nuggets
January 13 Country Fried Steak/ Gravy
Kids: Hot Dog
January 20 Chicken Pot Pie
Kids: Chicken Nuggets
January 27 Chili with Baked Potato
Kids: Hot Dog

Adults 50+

L.A.M.P.S.

Monday, January 25
6:30 pm
Covered Dish Supper

JASON THOMAS: GOING GREEN MISSISSIPPI

Do your part to protect and improve Mississippi's environment and pass on ideas to other generations.

FROM HCBC MISSIONS COMMITTEE:

Lottie Moon Offering Goal: $16,001 Collections: **$17,118.02** HALLELUJAH!

Once again, the response to the Christmas family adoptions in Camden was phenomenal. Twenty- three families including 50 children were adopted, which brought many smiles and bright eyes on Christmas morning! The truck was loaded up with all the bicycles, scooters, skateboards, dolls, games, books, clothing, and food baskets purchased and wrapped by our HCBC family.

May God bless the generosity of His people at Highland Colony and may the families receiving the gifts know they are loved by God. When we work together, God can use us in mighty ways.

Special thanks to Lee Wheatley for the use of his truck and to Bill Hawks, Paul Gay, Jeff Stout, Tre and Linda Lewis, Kathy Flowers, Rickey Carter, and Danny Ladd for their help in loading and unloading all the gifts.

Tithes and Offerings

Projected December Budget Needs	$	182,114.00
December Receipts	$	168,323.78
December Difference	$	-13,790.22
Projected Oct-Dec Budget Needs	$	430,739.20
Receipts Oct-Dec	$	382,910.41
Fiscal Year-to-Date Difference	$	-47,828.79
2009-2010 Budget	$	1,583,600.00
Projected January Budget Needs	$	134,606.00
"The Vision" Commitments	$	2,519,844.48
"The Vision" Receipts	$	1,760,886.67