



The Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church **ANNOUNCER**

MAY 2025

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If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. ⁶But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; ⁸he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

James 1: 5-8

Over the last month, our staff devotions each Wednesday have been reading through the book of Proverbs. The common theme through the book of Proverbs is the importance of wisdom, often personified as a person. Solomon writes in Proverbs 2: 1-6,

"My son, if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you, making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; yes, if you call out for insight and raise your voice for understanding, if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.

The whole point of the book of Proverbs is to lead people to seek Wisdom. Unfortunately, this is becoming rare. We see people all over the news, internet, schools, and the workplace who are filled with knowledge, but have no use for wisdom.

However, throughout the book of Proverbs, knowledge and wisdom are connected. In fact, if you read the book of Proverbs, it is hard to imagine one without the other. If you truly care about wisdom, you must seek knowledge. And if you truly care about knowledge, you must seek wisdom. Look for example at Proverbs 1:7, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction."

This is not solely an Old Testament concept. James tells us that we should ask God for wisdom. After all, "For the Lord gives wisdom." But James takes it a step further. Not only is God the source of wisdom, but He WANTS us to have wisdom. If we ask, it will be given to us (James 1:5). If we lack wisdom, it is because we do not ask for it, or because we seek it in places other than in God, the source of all wisdom.



WORSHIP MATTERS

Pastor Scott

You know, they say you can't believe everything you see on the internet. And believe me, that's true! But there are some unique exceptions every once in a while. I found a great recipe for shrimp and grits the other day. I tried it out, using a little of my own creativity, and it turned out great! Just ask Ann! She ate it and didn't even get sick!

And just today, I found another great example. You outdoorsmen, do you remember Jimmy Houston? And for those who don't recognize him by name, let me tell you, he is a legendary bass fisherman. Back when bass fishing tournaments started being a thing, this guy was absolutely one of the best! He was even known to kiss a fish right before throwing them back in the water and has a laugh like no other. And for 20 years, Jimmy Houston Outdoors (TV show) consistently ranked as the #1 outdoors show on ESPN.

What many may not know is that Jimmy is a dedicated Christian. He is not afraid to talk about his faith, and has written a number of devotion books, one titled "Catch of the Day", which has a daily devotional, as well as a fishing tip to start each day.

Now, every day, early in the morning, he records a video where he goes over one of those devotions and the fishing tip and puts it on YouTube. I watched it today and thought I'd share a little bit about what he said.

Hebrews 10:24-25 was the passage he focused on. He never read it straight out, but to remind you what it says, I will include it. ²⁴ *And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds,* ²⁵ *not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.*

He says flat out, "You should not stay away from the church meetings. I know a lot of fishermen disagree with this scripture. Sunday afternoon is a good time to go fishing, but you should not stay away from the church meeting, as some are doing, but you should meet together and encourage one another.

One of the reasons we are to meet together is to encourage one another. Can I tell ya? Can I tell ya? God wants us in church to benefit each other. He intends for us to share our problems with those in church. He intends us to share our victories, our triumphs, our pain, also our joy. He has promised to be there when we meet. Whenever two or more meet in my name, I'll be there with you (Mt. 18:20).

Will you benefit from being at church multiple times this week? Absolutely you will, absolutely. Can your presence benefit other people in that church? Well, it should. Your presence should benefit other folks in that church.

Here's what you need to do. Make it a point to encourage as many folks as you can at church this week. Sunday morning, Sunday night, Tuesday, Wednesday, or some sort of special event, make it a point to encourage somebody at church this week. When the week is done, you might just find that you have been encouraged most of all."

He goes on to answer the question he opened the devotional with, "What type reel should you use to learn to skip a lure under docks? A spinning reel, obviously a spinning reel." And he continues on a bit, explaining why. But then he comes back to his real message, "Guys and girls, go out there and have you a great one. Encourage people. You don't have to wait until you get to church, by the way. Encourage everyone you meet today no matter where you are, and like I said, you might find that you have been encouraged most of all."

Well said, Jimmy. Well said. Now about kissing fish...

family @JHBC

**GRADUATE
SUNDAY**  **20
25**



Drake Bowen



Reagan Davidson



Jay Mitchell

Join us Sunday, May 18th as we honor these graduates!
Bibles will be in the main hallway beginning May 4th for
you to highlight scripture for each Graduate.
A Potluck Lunch will be held after the service on May 18th as
a way for the whole church family to celebrate our
Graduates and wish them well in their future.

**Graduate List as of April 28th, after deadline for signups*

upcoming EVENTS

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MAGNIFIED!
PSALM 34:3
DISCOVERING THE BIGNESS OF GOD
IN THE SMALLEST OF THINGS

**JOIN US AT JHBC FOR
VBS 2025**

June 16–20
jhbc.org/vbs

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JONESBORO HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH

JHBC
Kids



**Youth Summer
Hangouts**

INTERESTED IN HOSTING?
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upcoming
EVENTS

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HEIGHTS STUDENT MINISTRY PRESENTS

FIRST FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

MAY 2ND

6:30 PM TIL 8:30 PM



AWANA GRAND PRIX AND AWARDS NIGHT



May 14th





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Higher Heights

Trip to the NC State Farmers Market
Thursday, May 15

- Departure: 9 AM, JHBC Woodland Ave. Parking Lot
- Schedule: Arrive at the Farmers Market, shop around, have lunch at restaurant (\$ on you), and return to JHBC
- Sign up on the Bulletin Board by Sunday, May 11.
- Limited space available – Sign up soon!

Fun Fishing Day

Saturday, May 17, 9 a.m.

John Hackney's - 1805 Buckhorn Rd, Sanford

Optional - Carpool at JHBC Woodland Ave. Parking Lot (8:45 a.m.)

**Fun fishing, prizes, devotional, and hot-dog lunch.
Everyone is welcome! Sign up on the bulletin board.**

Sponsored by JHBC Baptist Men!





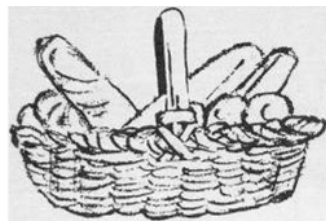
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JHBC Baptist Men Summer Kick-Off

Monday, May 19 at 6:30 pm

*Sign up on the bulletin board

- Axe Throwing
- Golf Putting Green
- Corn-Hole Tournament
- Golf Chipping Challenge
- Door Prizes
- BBQ Dinner and Dessert



SERVE OPPORTUNITY - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Join us on the 4th Tuesday each month at The Bread Basket of Sanford

Time: 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Address: 140 E. Chisholm Street

Contact Freda Lowe for more information - 919-356-8765

Isaiah 58:10 "If you pour yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness and your gloom be as the noonday."



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Sandy Creek Baptist Association & Powell River Baptist Association Shoe Fair 2025

We again will have a team traveling to Jonesville, Virginia to participate in the annual Shoe Fair for school aged children and youth. The team will be departing on Thursday, July 31, 2025 and returning on Saturday, August 2, 2025. This is an associational mission project led by Jonesboro Heights Baptist church as project coordinating church. We encourage all churches to participate by...going with the team, donating shoes, socks, school supplies, hygiene items or monetary donations in support of this mission

COLLECTION DATE: MONDAY, JULY 28, 2025 FROM 10:00 – 4:00 PM IN MCDOWELL HALL

Contact Wanda Howard, 919-818-3476, howardwp1@gmail.com or Alice Gilchrist 919-770-1510, bronco5205@windstream.net for additional information.

This year we are in need of the following shoe sizes:

MENS Sizes (7) (7-1/2) (8) (9-1/2) (10-1/2) (12) (13) (14) (15).

LADIES (5-1/2) (6-1/2) (7-1/2) (8) (11) (12).

Any size GIRLS and BOYS

Sturdy shoes or boots for School

Deacon's Corner

Submitted by Eddie Bowling

I enjoyed this article from the Billy Graham archives stating that " Angels Are All Around Us." I hope you'll enjoy it, too.

Angels are real- just as real as you and I are. Although they are largely unseen by us, they exist in great numbers. The Bible speaks of "thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly" (Hebrews 12:22) When Jesus' birth was announced to the shepherds outside Bethlehem, "a great company of the heavenly host appeared...praising God" (Luke 2:13.)

Unlike us, however, angels are spiritual beings - that is, in their normal state they don't have physical bodies. However, on occasion they can appear as ordinary humans, or even as glorious celestial beings that reflect the majesty of God. When God gave the prophet Isaiah a vision of His glory, His throne was surrounded by angels of great splendor and power. "At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook." (Isaiah 6:4)

God created the angels for one purpose: to serve Him. As such they work in hidden ways to carry out God's will and protect God's people. Even when we are unaware of them, they are still part of our lives. They also are part of a great unseen army that constantly fights against Satan and his servants of evil. God's promise should bring comfort to every believer: "He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways." (Psalm 91:11)

We aren't to worship the angels; God alone is worthy of our worship. But we can thank God for them - and some day in Heaven we'll realize just how much they've done for us, at God's command. " Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?" (Hebrews 1:14).



Honor Your Mother

Arthur J. Schoonveld

Your sincere faith ... first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice ...
2 Timothy 1:5

The well-known theologian Karl Barth was asked by a reporter, "Sir, you have written huge volumes about God. Tell me, how do you know it is all true?" According to the story, he answered, "My mother told me."

That's a rather simple answer to a profound question. But this answer says a lot about the influence mothers have on the home and on their children. While both parents have an important role in early childhood nurture, it is usually the mother who makes the home and shapes the minds of little children. The mother is often the first one to tell her children about the Lord.

As a child, the first person I looked for when coming home from school was my mother. After she passed away, our home life changed radically. My father did what he could to keep our home special, but it was never the same without our mother.

If your mother is still living, tell her how much you love her and respect her. In the nine years I knew my mother, I never once told her that. Thank her for who she is, and for how she has shaped your life. And if she is gone, thank God for who she was in your life.

If perhaps your mother is or was not the mother you wished you had, ask God to help you forgive her even now, and to give you the grace to love and accept her as she is or was.

Lord God, we thank you for our mothers. Help us to love and respect them. Help us to be loving children as well as loving parents and spouses, for your sake. Amen.



Thank You!

Dear JHBC Family,

I want to let you know that I took a few minutes to pray for you all today. I am filled with gratitude at every remembrance of you. I pray that each of you will continue to "consider how to encourage one another in love and good deeds" (Hebrews 10:24) for the sake of His Kingdom.

I also want to express my sincere appreciation for the generous gift of support given in January. I am so encouraged by your desire to help those in unreached places have the chance to hear the Good News.

Much love,
Ariane

Dear Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church,

Thank you for your continued support of Meals on Wheels of Sanford. Your support enables many in Sanford to receive a hot noonday meal who can't provide for themselves. May each of you be blessed as you have blessed many others.

Sincerely,
Deb Egbert
Corresponding Secretary
Meals on Wheels

Dear JHBC,

We have a lot of work to do and your gracious donation helps to complete His work. Many thanks!

Denise Godfrey
Executive Director
Reach Out Pregnancy Center

Dear Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church,

Thank you for your generous gift to Operation Mobilizations work. You are helping thousands of everyday Jesus followers live, work, and invest in the least-reached communities around the world. Together, we will continue this mission until everyone has heard of and experienced God's goodness and grace.

Thank you!
Andrew Ginsberg
President and CEO
Operation Mobilization

Dear Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church,

Thank you for your donation to Family Promise of Lee County. Your donation will be a great help to the families we serve in the program. Thank you!

Tamara Brogan
Family Promise of Lee County

Dear Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church,

On behalf of the Breadbasket Board of Directors, thank you for your generous donation to help feed the hungry in Lee County. Your support significantly improves the lives of those we serve, and we are truly grateful for your contribution.

With heartfelt gratitude,
W.R. Jones III
President - The Breadbasket

MEMORIAL GIFTS



In Memory of James Tolliver

To the Tolliver Scholarship

>By Daphne Toliver

In Honor of Aaron & Shpresa Smith

To Operation Mobilization

>By Anonymous

In Honor of Hal Turner

To the Higher Heights Fund

>By Anonymous

In Honor of Marcia Johnson

To the Benevolence Fund

>By Anonymous

In Honor of Cindy Brewer

To the Kitchen Team

>By Anonymous

In Honor of Sara Godfrey

To the Nursery Fund

>By Anonymous

In Honor of Faith Mann & Ariella

To the NC Baptist Children's Homes

>By Anonymous

In Memory of McKenzie Anne

To the NC Baptist Hospital Fund

>By Anonymous

In Memory of Timothy Stamatis

To the Vacation Bible School fund

>By Anonymous

In Honor of Andi Cole

To the Building & Grounds Fund

>By Anonymous

In Honor of Sadie Grace

To the Youth Fund

>By Anonymous

In Memory of Carol Wagers

To the Library Fund

>By Anonymous

In Memory of Doris Spivey

To the Music Fund

>By Anonymous

In Honor of Rene & Brooke Pizzati

To the Baptist Men on Mission

>By Anonymous





May 5 - Carol Alverson

May 6 - Cara Graham

May 8 - Mary Bright

May 9 - Stewart Tyner

May 12 - Shane Perkins

May 16 - Sandy Lamm

May 16 - Meredith Mitchell

Christian Desjarlais

May 17 - Denise Bost

May 18 - Wanda Howard

May 19 - Sonja Lawrence

May 21 - Daphine Tolliver

Mary Cox

May 22 - Mary Laton

Christopher Martinez

May 29 - Patricia Buchanan

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
Balance Sheet
March 2025

Accounts		Amount	
Assets			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
General Fund	\$107,778.39		
Designated/Restricted Funds	\$94,757.38		
Facilities Funds	\$62,857.44		
Money Market	\$102,775.98		
Total Checking/Savings	\$368,169.19		
Sales Taxes to be Reimbursed		\$13,374.08	
Investments/Endowments		\$887,339.92	
Total Current Assets		\$1,268,883.19	
Fixed Assets	\$3,098,522.97		
Contra Asset Account	(\$9,835.59)	\$3,088,687.38	Current credit card receipts not paid/reconciled
Total Assets		\$4,357,570.57	
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Payroll Liabilities	\$3,361.62		
Facilities	\$0.00		Total facilities security deposits
Total Current Liabilities	\$3,361.62		
Mortgage Payable			
BB&T Loan Land	\$0.00		Loan has a zero balance.
Total Mortgage Payable	\$0.00		
Total Liabilities		\$3,361.62	
Equity			
Unrestricted			
Unrestricted Net Assets (Fund Principal Closing Account)	\$4,205,898.82		
Unrestricted this year (Revenues minus Expenses)	\$53,303.20		
Total Unrestricted	\$4,295,202.02		
Temporarily Restricted (sum of all Designated/Special accounts)	\$95,006.93	\$4,354,208.95	Used by ACS as Fund Principal closing account Total revenue minus expenses for the year
Total Equity		\$4,357,570.57	
Total Liabilities & Equity			
Income		\$51,846.00	
Expenses	March 2025	\$68,848.91	
Net (Loss)	March 2025	(\$17,002.91)	
2024-2025 Total Income		\$374,488.95	
2024-2025 Total Expenses		\$321,185.75	
2024-2025 Net		\$53,303.20	



May 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27 VBS Day of Prayer 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship Service 12:15 pm Bi-monthly Business Meeting	28 6:30 pm Deacons Meeting	29 10 am Ladies' Bible Study 6 pm Budget & Finance 6:30 pm Missions & Outreach	30 10:30 am Staff Meeting 5:40 pm AWANA & Youth Worship 6:00 pm Band Rehearsal 6:15 pm Adult Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	1 3 pm Higher Heights Coordinating Team	2 6:30 pm Youth First Friday Fellowship <i>Office Closed</i>	3
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18 GRADUATE SUNDAY 25 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship Service	19 6:30 pm Baptist Men 6:30 pm Youth Ministry Team Meeting	20 10 am Ladies' Bible Study 6 pm Budget & Finance 6 pm Nursery Committee 7 pm Children's Ministry Team Meeting	21 10:30 am Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Youth Worship 6:15 pm Adult Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	22 12 pm J Glenn Edwards Graduation	23 <i>Office Closed</i>	24
25 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship Service	26	27 8:30 am Breadbasket Serve Opportunity 10 am Ladies Bible Study 6 pm Band Rehearsal 7 pm Family Ministry Team	28 11:30 am Higher Heights 1:30 pm Staff Meeting 5:40 pm Youth Worship 6:15 pm Adult Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	29	30 <i>Office Closed</i>	31

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RETURN SERVICE REQUEST

MAY

GREETERS

Lynwood & Cindy Jones

LOCKUP & SECURITY

May 4 - Ray Carter

May 11 - Tom Janysek

May 18 - Patrick Snipes

May 25 - Preston Perdue



Sunday, April 6, 2025

9:45 AM Sunday School - 145

11 AM Worship Service - 183

Sunday, April 13, 2025

9:45 AM Sunday School - 137

11 AM Worship Service - 183

Sunday, April 20, 2025

9:45 AM Sunday School - 131

11 AM Worship Service - 257

Sunday, April 27, 2025

9:45 AM Sunday School - 129

11 AM Worship Service - 177