

February 1, 2026

Hillside Park Baptist Church

Thomasville,, NC 27360

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H I L L S I D E P A R K N E W S L E T T E R

Ephesians 5:2

And walk in  
love, as Christ  
also hath loved  
us, and hath  
given himself  
for us an  
offering and a  
sacrifice to God  
for a  
sweet-smelling  
savour.



John 3:16  
THE GREATEST  
LOVE  
STORY

Jesus Loves You!

Oh how  
He  
loves us



## **CHANNELS OF HIS LOVE**

*We lament about society,  
its dangers, and its strife . . .  
we complain about its wicked ways  
and the miseries of life.  
Yet we rush about from here to there  
to do what "must be done"  
and there's no time to get involved  
in the lives of anyone.  
We don't heed the "lonely" on a face  
or the "hurt" in someone's voice;  
we don't stop to help "the down and out" –  
but make ignoring them our choice.  
For we have a "heart condition"  
so we're much too busy – you and I –  
pursuing our own interests  
to hear a desperate cry.  
Our hearts aren't right and we don't care  
for "self" is on the throne;  
we've pushed our LORD's commands aside  
for "wants" that are our own.  
The world we've now created  
has become uncaring and unkind  
because our hearts have grown so hardened  
that to others' needs we're blind.  
But if we'll yield ourselves completely  
to God's Spirit from above  
He will heal our "heart condition"  
and make us channels of His love!*

# From The Pastor

*"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you. Not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled neither let it be afraid."*

**John 14:27**

*There was a man reading an article about peace. It stated the way to find inner peace is to always finish what you start. He took this to heart and after putting it into practice, said, "Finishing what I start is definitely working for me. I am now making a point of always finishing what I start and I think I am well on my way toward finding true inner peace."*

*"Here are the things that I have finished just today: two bags of potato chips, a strawberry cheesecake, a package of Oreos, a two-liter bottle of Mountain Dew, and a large cheese pizza."*

*He then said, "I know this works because I feel better already."*

Where do you find peace when life is unpredictable? You may look to relationships, and possessions or binge on Social media apps to find relief. In the world, you may find pleasure and prosperity, popularity or position, but you will not find peace.

*Someone once said, "Man is not at peace with his fellow man, because he is not at peace with himself. He is not at peace with himself; because he is not at peace with God."*

Peace within you and with others begins through peace with Jesus. Jesus says in **John 14:27** that His peace is not like the world's peace, and it is peace the world cannot take away. His peace passes all understanding. No one can understand or disturb the peace that you have when you have Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

And HPBC here's the good news. The deeper you go with Jesus, the more peace you will experience.

Oceanographers say that no matter how strong the winds of a storm or how ferocious the waves, if you dive just 25 feet below the surface, it is as still and calm as a country lake. That's the way it is with Jesus. Dive just below the surface, and find the Holy Spirit and His peace waiting to meet you and keep you.

You have peace *with* Jesus and peace *from* Jesus, an eternal treaty with your name on it, signed in His own blood and sealed by the Holy Spirit. So go deeper, and discover the peace that nothing can stop and no one can take away.

What a privilege it is to be the pastor of the most wooooooooooooooooonderful church in the world!!!

Pastor Steve

Phil 1:3

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*Youth*  
**NEWSLETTER**

February, 2026



**WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY**

February 11th will be our Valentine's Day Wonderful Wednesday.

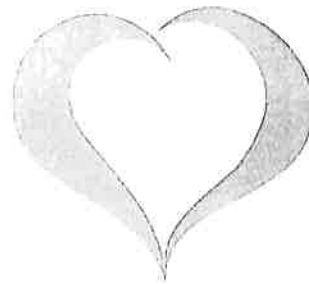
Preschool - 5th grade will be participating in making crafts and playing games. Our middle and high schoolers will be sorting and packing literature at Liberty Baptist Association so the items can be sent to missionaries.



**Youth Mission Trip**

The 2026 Youth Mission Trip for rising middle and high school students (including 2026 graduates) will be at Camp Shenandoah Springs, VA. We will leave on July 20th and return on July 24th.

An informational and sign-up meeting will be held for youth members and parents February 15th, 4:30-5:00 in the Choir Room. The final day to commit to the trip is May 1, 2026.



**Valentine's Banquet**

February 14th will be our Valentine's Banquet at 5:00pm. Youth volunteers are needed to help set up, decorate, serve food/drinks, and clean up. 3rd-12th graders please, sign up to help using the link on our Facebook page or by returning the paper copy by February 4th. All workers need to arrive at 3:30 pm and dress nicely.

# SENIOR NEWS

We want to say thank you to everyone that came to our soup luncheon on a cold day in January. We had a great turnout and a table full of great desserts. A wonderful way to start off a New Year. This month we will be going to Cagney's in Lexington on Thursday, February 19th. for breakfast. The bus will leave the church at 8:30 and we will eat at 9:00. Be sure and plan on going if you are able. They serve a good breakfast!!!

Our prayer is that all of us will dodge the flu and any other germs floating around the rest of this winter season.

Anyone that hasn't paid for their Naroway seat we need it by the 8th. to confirm our reservation.

Patsy and Audrey

One tree can start a forest;  
One smile can begin a friendship;  
One hand can lift a soul;  
One candle can wipe out darkness;  
One laugh can conquer gloom;  
One hope can raise our spirits;  
One touch can show you care;  
One life can make a difference.

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# Pastor's Humor

All the way home in the back seat of the car the boy was quiet. His father asked him three times what was wrong.

Finally, the boy replied, "The preacher said he wanted us all brought up in a Christian home, but I wanted to stay with you guys."

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Terri asked her Sunday School class to draw pictures of their favorite bible stories. She was puzzled by Kyle's picture, which showed four people on an airplane. So, she asked him which story it was meant to represent.

"The flight to Egypt," said Kyle.

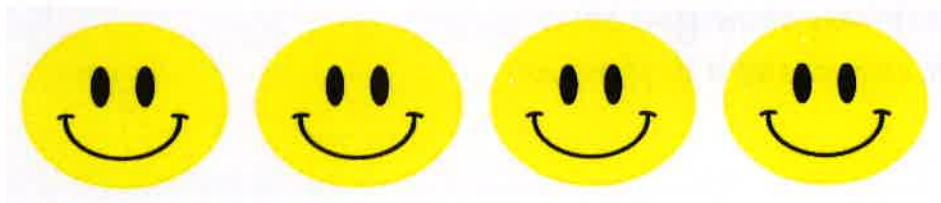
"I see... And that must be Mary, Joseph, and the Baby Jesus," Ms. Terri said. "But who's the fourth person?"

Kyle explained, "Oh, that's Pontius the Pilot!"

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The Sunday School Teacher asked, "Now, Johnny, tell me frankly, do you say prayers before eating?"

"No sir," little Johnny replies, "I don't have to – my Mom is a good cook!"





## Save the Date

Saturday, March 28th, 2026

"Remember Whose You Are"

Ladies Day

Hillside Park Baptist Church

7593 E. Holly Grove Rd  
Thomasville, NC 27360

More details to come!





MANY  
WATERS

CANNOT

quench

love,

NEITHER CAN THE

FLOODS

drown

it.

SONG OF  
SOLOMON

8:7



# Hillside Park Newsletter

## Hillside Park BAPTIST CHURCH

### Happy Birthday

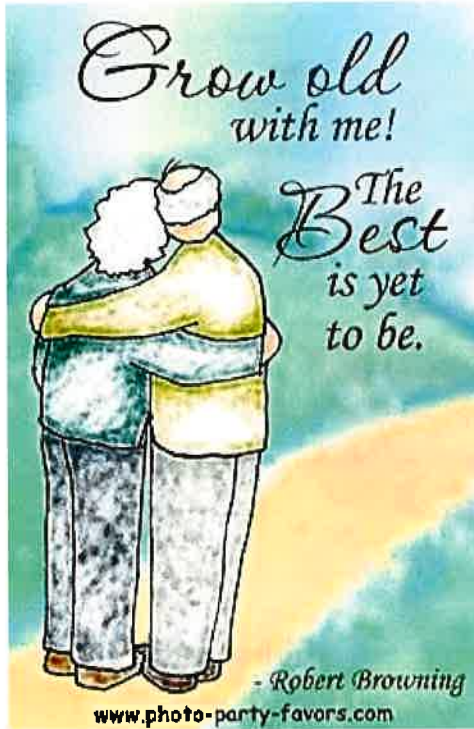


Linda Green	Februray	4	Becky Sellers	February	18
Jennifer Starrett	February	4	Sandy Williams	February	18
Polly Pitts	February	5	Bobby Grona	February	20
Tracie Lyon	February	6	Matthew Truitt	February	20
Heather Douthit	February	7	Lettie Dean	February	23
Eric Miller	Februray	12	Anthony Worley	February	25
Brenda Vickrey	February	15	Tonya Stephenson	February	26
Moddee Hulin	February	17	Fay Fogleman	February	27
Audrey Hunt	February	18	Bryan Sink	February	29
Chandler Marshall	February	18			

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## Happy Anniversary



William & Mary Barber

Februray 19, 1970

56 years

Tony & Pattie Smith

February 17, 1968

58 years