



# Our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year

## Mount Hermon Baptist Church

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**SNOW** is in Saturday's forecast.

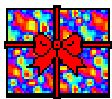
We will have service on Sunday, if practical.

If conditions are severe and we have to cancel, emails  
and calls will go out to everyone.

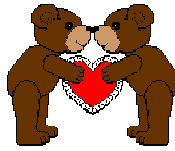


### Here's a great way to enjoy the Bible!

Starting Sunday, Feb. 7 **audio discs of the New Testament** will be made available to you at no charge. By listening on your home, office, or car MP3 player for about **28 minutes each day**, you will hear the entire New Testament read and dramatized over the course of **40 days**. This good resource is made available through the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship as a way to enrich your spiritual life. Use it to prepare your heart during Lent: the forty days leading up to Easter.



The choir is giving a **baby shower** for Sarah Blankenship this **Friday, Feb. 5** at church, 7:00 PM. – Everyone is invited!



Everyone, save the date!

**Sunday, February 14**

**Valentine's Dinner** - 6:00 PM at church

Bring your sweetheart to this fun youth fund-raiser.

Watch for details next week!

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## **New & Updated Prayer Concerns...**

- **Earthquake victims and relief workers in Haiti**
  - **Peiling Zhao's mother**, in hospital in China, heart trouble
  - **Margaret Crump** is now home
  - **Agnes Callahan** in Bath Community Hospital in Hot Springs, VA
  - **Jerry Cornwell**, Nancy Spivey's cousin, health problems and going to hospital Monday
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**Wednesday, Feb. 3**

**6:00 PM** – Dinner – **pork loin, macaroni & cheese,**  
**mixed vegetables, rolls, desserts**

**6:45 PM** – Bible Study – ***The Psalms: Songs of Faith***  
Children Missions & Music  
Handbells

**7:30 PM** – Choir rehearsal

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### **From the Financial Secretary:**



Contribution Statements for 2009 will be distributed at church again this Sunday, Jan. 31. If you have questions regarding your statement, please contact me at [meyerhoeffer@earthlink.net](mailto:meyerhoeffer@earthlink.net) or 804-379-5388. Also, if you do not receive a statement by early February and would like one, contact me and I will provide one for you. I encourage everyone to use **church offering envelopes** to ensure that you are given proper credit for your tithes and offerings. In order to do this, please make sure to include amount on front of envelope. Thanks to everyone for making God's work possible at Mount Hermon Baptist Church through your giving and in so many other ways! - **Linda Meyerhoeffer**

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## Sunday ministers

### Nursery Care

Jan 31 – Nicole & Brandon Garrett  
Feb 7 – Gina Thompson, Dustin Pratt

### Children's Church

Jan 31 – Marci Nichol and helper  
Feb 7 – Belinda Kunkel

### Ushers

Jan 31 – Ken Paul, Charles Payne, Rachel Boothe,  
Mary Ann Mann, youth  
Feb 7 – Levis Crump, Rachel Boothe, Bob Lanier,  
Barry Flora, Charles Payne, youth

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## Happy Birthday!

Jan 31 - Burley Spivey      Feb 2 - Christie O'Neill  
Feb 1 – Daniel Hall      Feb 4 - Rick Witt  
Feb 2 - Niki Pettus      Feb 4 - Bill Hall, Jr

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### *Quotes for Today*

**Luck is preparation meeting opportunity. - Oprah Winfrey**

**Wise men talk because they have something to say;  
fools talk because they have to say something. – Plato**

**If everyone is thinking alike then somebody isn't thinking. - George S. Patton**

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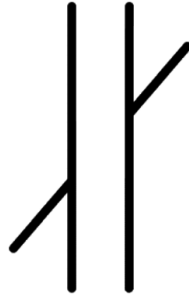
### Sunday – January 24, 2010

Sunday school – 56	Contributions	\$ 3,397.00
Worship – 125	Avg. weekly needs	3,765.00
	Given to date	\$ 13,423.00
	Budget goal	15,032.00

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From the Pastor



The slanted lines on each side of image above look as if they don't align with each other, but they do. It's an optical illusion. Artists can create many images to fool the eye.

*Life is full of obstacle illusions.* - Grant Frazier

I don't know who Grant Frazier is, but he hit upon a helpful insight playing off the phrase "optical illusions." The mind can be fooled, too. Too often we *imagine* we are up against forces and circumstances more powerful than we can handle. We think someone or something is "out to get us", so we don't believe we can achieve the desired goal. We react to phantom enemies and assume limitations which in truth don't even exist! – In the civil war, Union General George McClellan often overestimated the troop strength of the Confederates and retreated from "superior numbers" which weren't even there.

God does not want us fooled. We are capable of far more than we imagine and should not trip over *obstacle illusions*.

Paul looked at the struggles he faced sharing God's good news to a hostile world and still wrote, "**I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.**" – **Philippians 4:13.** And the Bible clearly says: "**Greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world**" – I John 4:4. – Is there an obstacle so large that God can't overcome it?

Why don't you punch the roadblock you think you face today? See if, perhaps, it might just disappear before your eyes.

In His love,  
**Lee**

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**Worship – January 31, 2010**

*Bible Countdown to Worship – 10:55 AM*

Call to Worship *Jesus, Name Above All Names* Choir

Scripture Call to Worship Bob Lanier

Ephesians 1:3-6

Invocation Prayer

\* Song of Praise 390 "We Are Called to Be God's People"

\* God's Word For Us Ephesians 4:3-7

\* Song 287 "Take My Life, Lead Me, Lord" vss.1&3

- \* **Greeting each other**
  - Welcome and Church Highlights**
  - Children's Time** **Susan Prather**
  - God's Word** **I Corinthians 12:12-31**
  - Prayer**
- \* **Offering Song 396 "When the Church of Jesus"**
- \* **Offertory Statement & Prayer** **Bob Lanier**
  - Special Music** *More Love to Thee* **Choir**
  - Message** **Play to Your Strengths** **Lee Ellison**
- \* **Commitment Song 277**
  - "Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated"**
- \* **Parting Blessing**
- \* **Parting Song** *Shine, Jesus, Shine* **Choir**