



Mount Hermon Baptist Church

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Spaghetti Lunch

Ladies Softball Team fundraiser

This Sunday, March 22, 12:30 PM, after worship

\$5/person (only \$20 for family of five or more)

Also, there will be a **bake sale** in the commons area after worship, too. – Invite family, friends, and neighbors!



New Piano for Chapel

A gift in memory of Harold Keown, Sr. by Grace Keown has made possible the purchase of a Yamaha electronic keyboard for the chapel. This fine instrument can also be played as an organ and creates a wide variety of instrumental sounds. This Sunday, you will hear it played in the worship center by our gifted pianist and organist.



Update...

The new sound system in the worship center is now installed and will be in use this Sunday!



Mount Hermon Mission Offering

Goal - \$10,000.00

Around the World in 60 Days!

Total given to date: **\$1,965.00**, which puts the Mount Hermon Mission Plane almost 1/5 of the way around the world!

When you give to the MHMO 2009, you make it possible for Sam and Jane Moras to share the gospel with people in North Africa. You also help Rick & Lita Sample in their mission work with refugees settling in Northern California.



Sam Zhao in Concert



Sam Zhao, an accomplished pianist, will give a concert at Mount Hermon **Sunday, March 29 – 7:00 PM** accompanied by violinist Lauren Lee.

Sam is going to the African nation of Lesotho this summer on a medical mission trip with other students from UVA; they will be teaching local healthcare providers how to care for AIDS patients. Each student must raise his/her funding for this mission trip, so a love offering will be received at the concert to support Sam in this good cause. (If you are unable to attend but wish to donate toward Sam's expenses, you can send gifts to the church anytime.)

Plan now to attend this concert, and please invite family and friends.



Shop at Ukrop's through March 28 using your UVC card. – Turn in your Golden Gift Certificate to MHBC to benefit our youth & children's ministries.



Need Good Childcare?

Amie Edwards is now available to keep young children in her home. Perhaps you know a working parents who needs good childcare during the day. If so, have them contact Amie at 356-0167 or amiegail08@hotmail.com



Wednesday, March 25

6:00 - Dinner – **Meatloaf, green beans, potatoes, rolls, dessert**



6:45 – Guest speaker via DVD

Tony Campolo continues answering the question asked of Jesus: “Who is my neighbor?”

Handbells, Music & Missions for Kids

7:30 - Choir rehearsal



Job Seekers...

Chesterfield Baptist Church invites job seekers and employers looking for employees to attend a **Job Seekers Networking** this **Saturday, March 21, 8:00 AM**. A continental breakfast will be served during which attenders can mingle, exchange information, and share ideas. Kim Day will be available to discuss various styles of resumes. Scotty Bryan, owner of a local NTelos franchise, will speak on preparing for an interview.

TechNOW 2 is coming **March 31, 2009, 9AM - 3PM** to the Sheraton-West, 6624 West Broad Street, an event aiming to assist IT professionals currently going through a job search in or around the Richmond area. – If someone you know needs this opportunity, please pass along this info to him/her.

Website - <http://www.richtech.com/events/technow.html>

Youth Group... this Sunday, Mar. 22, 6:30 to 8:00 PM



Please donate Easter candy
and plastic eggs for this year's
Children's Easter Egg Hunt
Collection box in commons area. – Thanks!



Sunday ministers

Children's Church

Mar. 22 – Susan Prather, Katherine Harris

Mar. 29 – Heather & Scott Szczesniak

Nursery Care

Mar. 22 – Stephanie & Russ Hancock, Lindsey Mann

Mar. 29 – Felice & Bill Hall, Scott Green

Ushers

Mar. 22 – Kitty Snow, Billy Bare, Rita Utley,
Woody Carter, Vincent Russell

Mar. 29 – Ken Paul, Chris Edwards, Charles Payne,
Rachel Boothe, Mary Ann Mann

New and Updated Prayer Concerns...

Russ Hancock, having outpatient surgery on shoulder Friday

Ava Grace Fudala, Clyde & Kathy Goode's granddaughter, in
Chippenham Hospital being treated for dehydration

Phillip Bowman, Don Bowman's brother, now home from hospital in
Murphy, NC

Billy Witcher, 10 year-old son of Craig & Julie Witcher, in treatments
for severe epilepsy

Christian Hall, friend of Jackson Parsons, in MCV being treated for
diabetes

Lauren Williams, teenaged daughter of Felice Hall's coworker, in
Charleston, WV hospital with severe injuries from auto accident



Dear Mount Hermon Family,

Thank you for your cards, calls, e-mails, and visits during my recent stay in the hospital. Your prayers, love, and words of encouragement were greatly appreciated. -- Thank you so much,

Roger Mann

Happy Birthday this Week!

Mar 26 – Susan Prather

Mar 26 – Dana Heath



Bluefield College Choir is giving a free concert at Graceland Baptist Church – Saturday, March 28, 2009, 6:00 PM. Everyone is invited.

Quotes for Today

Adversity causes some men to break, others to break records.

- William A. Ward

Let us not look back in anger or forward in fear, but around in awareness.

- James Thurber

The great thing about getting older is that you don't lose all the other ages you've been.

- Madeleine L'Engle

Sunday – March 15, 2009

Worship	112	Contributions	\$3,468.00
Sunday School	70	Avg. weekly needs	3,776.00
Building Fund	\$25.00		
		Given to date:	\$ 38,421.85
		Total budget needs:	41,536.00

From the Pastor *Blessings in Dark Times*

When it is dark enough, you can see the stars.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

“Light pollution” is increasing in cities, suburbs, and areas with a lot of housing developments. The proliferation of outdoor lighting has resulted in nights which never really get dark, since a constantly glowing sky disperses light everywhere.

I have experienced such light pollution since Debbie and I have been living with her mother in Bon Air. Many nights, even at midnight, one can look outside and easily see everything in the back yard and neighborhood. It never really gets dark!

I love to spend the night in Cumberland County at a trailer I have on a friend's farm. Overcast nights are pitch black, and on clear, moonless nights you can step out into the field and see a kabillion stars! -- The constellation Orion is amazing.. In urban areas you are lucky to see the three stars of his belt and two stars each of his arms and legs, but through a clear sky, the stars between those brightest stars become visible, and you can even see his bow! – Mankind's light pollution causes us to miss seeing most of God's amazing heavens!

Humans pollute the world with hate, violence, anger, fear, lies, pornography, greed, and much more. The Church is one place you can go to waft the pollutants aside to see and hear the purity of God more clearly. -- Perfectly? Heck, no! But better... much, much better.

And strangely enough, it's often in the dark times of our lives we are able to see the light of God's grace and love. We think distressing and stressful times are terrible, but without them we would continue to wallow in our human pollutions, oblivious to the amazing graces He has placed around us.

Thank you, Lord, for dark times.

In His love,

Lee

Worship – March 22, 2009

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| Call to Worship | Choir |
| “I Love You With the Love of the Lord” | |
| Scripture Call to Worship | Gina Thompson |
| Revelation 3:20-22 | |
| Invocation Prayer | |
| * Songs of Praise 58 | “Like a River Glorious” |
| 23 | “God Is So Good” vss.1-2 |
| * Greet your friends in Christ... | |
| Welcome and Church Highlights | |
| Children's Time | Lee Ellison |
| God's Word | Psalm 4 |
| Mount Hermon Mission Offering 2009 | Felice Hall |
| * Offering Song 382 “God, the Father of Your People” | |

