



Mount Hermon Baptist Church

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Bible 101 – Genesis 1

The Bible’s opening words “**In the beginning...**” are intentionally vague. So are descriptions of creation at first: *formless, empty, darkness* (Gen. 1:2) God then speaks and creates _____.

God’s thought was that the light was _____. From there, water is separated from land and sky, and dry ground appears. Then vegetation. Then sun, moon, and stars. (So where did the light come from on the first day?) – The Bible doesn’t care, since the subject is God’s creative action, not logical processes.) Animals make the scene next, and then mankind, whom God created in His _____.

When God finished, He thought His work was _____

_____ (Gen. 1:31), and then He _____.

[see end of Enewsletter for fill in the blanks]

Youth did great work at Kingdom Builders!

Saturday, Sept. 26





Wednesday dinner Menu, Oct 7 - 6:00 PM

Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, rolls, & dessert

Music & Missions for Kids - 6:45 to 7:30 PM

Handbells – 6:45 PM

Bible Study - Job: *When Bad Things Happen to a Good Person*

Choir – 7:30 PM



The family and friends of **Francis & Levis Crump**
invite you to the celebration of their **70th Wedding Anniversary**
this Sunday, October 4, 2009 at 2:00 PM
in Mount Hermon Baptist Church pavilion

Your presence at this celebration will be your treasured gift to them on this special day. – RSVP to Kay Hancock, 804-739-2253 or Frankay8@comcast.net



Beginning this Sunday, Oct. 4, the



Children's Choir will be sharing time with practices for the children's Christmas play. We will alternate weeks, which will be indicated in the bulletin each Sunday. On days when there will just be play practice, all children will go to Children's Church at the allotted time. Children who do not want to participate in the program are to

remain in the church service with parents. We hope all children will participate, as it will be a wonderful experience.

October 4 - All children to play practice in Children's Church

Sunday ministers

Children's Church – Christmas practice

Nursery Care

Oct 4 – Carolyn, Billy, and Shane Bare

Oct 11 – Amie & Chris Edwards, Becca Matthews

Ushers

Oct 4 – Levis Crump, Rachel Boothe, Bob Lanier,
Barry Flora, Charles Payne

Oct 11 – Ken Paul, Bill Hall, Anne Cox,
Ray Fleming, Macy Hudson

New & Updated Prayer Concerns...

- **Ilene Rutherford**, had surgery Tuesday, JW, 268
 - **Norman Wilkinson**, St. Francis Med. Ctr, 509, pneumonia
 - **Joe Covolo**, Stephanie Hancock's father, had shoulder surgery Tuesday
 - **Sympathies to Nancy Spivey & family** in the death of her uncle, Jacob Deitrick, of Short Pump, on Sept. 26
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Happy Birthday this Week!

Oct 4 - Jessie Mustian

Oct 5 - Amy Lawson

Oct 6 - Charlotte Lind

Oct 7 - Amelia Eungard

Oct 7 - Ryan Orange

Oct 7 - Rick Pratt

Oct 9 - Cortne Lanier

Oct 9 - Brian Nichol

Quotes for Today

Mother Teresa was asked at the end of her life whether she was discouraged because after decades of caring for the dying and destitute in Calcutta little seemed to have changed. She replied, "No. God doesn't call me to be successful. God calls me to be faithful."

Make your life a mission-not an intermission. - Arnold H Glasgow

There's always room for improvement, you know—it's the biggest room in the house. - Louise Heath Leber

Sunday – September 27, 2009

Sunday School – 61	Contributions	\$ 3,354.00
Worship – 116	Avg. weekly needs	3,765.00
Building Fund - \$50.00		

Given to date:	\$ 141,248.00
Expenses to date:	141,415.80
Total budget needs:	146,835.00

From the Pastor

The Big Picture

Earlier this week, Susan Prather was talking about her seminary classes, and she said how much fun she was having seeing how the Bible goes together as a whole. I agreed and told her how much I enjoyed Systematic Theology courses when I was in seminary. Systematic theology is merely a technical term for viewing the total scope of scripture revelation and understanding how it all comes together.

During American Civil War engagements, generals sought the high ground on a battlefield so they could see and understand what was happening. Hot air balloons were sometimes employed to get the big picture. – You know, getting lost in the woods isn't hard when you literally “can't see the forest for the trees.” -- Been there, done that.

Perhaps you have experienced “aha moments” when you suddenly gained a flash of insight as to what was really going on (or not going on) in your life. Have you ever had such jolting realizations? If you have, it made you appreciate where you were, or what you were doing, or what you possessed at the moment.

Perhaps you need such a reality check today. Ask God: “Lord, where am I? What am I doing? Why? Am I where YOU want me to be?” – Ask God about the Big Picture. You need His view to get your bearings. It really, really helps.

In His love,

Lee

Worship – October 4, 2009

Scripture Call to Worship

John Meyerhoeffer

Joel 2:28-29

Invocation Prayer

Call to Worship *We Have Come Into His House* Choir

* Song of Praise 469 "Revive Us Again"

* *Praise the Lord Together* Psalm 34:1-3

* Greet each other...

Welcome and Church Highlights

Children's Time Kitty Snow

[children go to Children's Church, program practice]

God's Word Acts 4:23-31

* Offering Song 263 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

* Offertory Statement & Prayer John Meyerhoeffer

Special Music *Who Am I?* Choir

Monnie Kesler, soloist

Message **What Is "IT"?** Susan Prather

The Lord's Supper George Fleming

The Bread brings us the life of Christ

The Cup leads us to eternal life in Him

* Commitment Song 243 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

* Parting Song *Just a closer walk with Thee*

Grant it, Jesus, is my plea

Daily walking close to Thee

Let it be, dear Lord, let it be

Bible 101 – Genesis 1

God then speaks and creates **light**. God's thought was that the light was **good** ...Animals make the scene next, and then mankind, whom God created in His **image**. When God finished, He thought His work was **very good** (Gen.1 :31), and then He **rested**.