



Mount Hermon Baptist Church

Enewsletter – March 14, 2019

Welcome New Members!



Shawnee Hansen, Camille Hansen, Lucy, Emmanuel, and Bob Hansen

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The Hansens have had a happy association with our church a long time. **Shawnee** founded *Richmond Friends of the Homeless* and operates at the feeding program at Broomfield CME Church location in the Blackwell/Bainbridge/Hillside area. -- **Camille** manages the Greater Mount Moriah location of RFH in the Jackson Ward/Gilpin Court/Mosby Court area. You have heard about RFH through the years and been great supporters through contributions of funds through the *Souper Bowl of Caring* each February as well as through donations of clothing items for the needy. – **Lucy**, Camille's daughter, is in 3rd grade at Grange Hall Elementary; she is a talented singer and has sung at Mount Hermon on numerous occasions. She wants to be baptized. Emmanuel, Camille's son, is 4. – Camille's father, **Bob** is a Certified Public Accountant specializing in bankruptcy. – We welcome the Hansens as they make MHBC their church home!



Mount Hermon Mission Offering 2019

Goal: \$15,000.00

A great way we support mission international, national, state, and local mission work going on today. Look for a special email about this soon. -- The MHMO will be received March 24 through May 19. Special envelopes are available at church, or you can contribute online at www.mt-hermon.org on the ONLINE GIVING tab



**Road Trip to see...
at the **Sight and Sound Theater, Lancaster, PA**
May 15-16, 2019**

Departure from Winfree Memorial Baptist Church parking lot May 15, 8:00 am.

Return May 16: between 5:00 & 6:00 pm. -- If interested, each spot is reserved with \$100 deposit (which goes towards the \$350 total cost of the trip). Cost includes hotel accommodations; one breakfast, two lunches, one dinner, a ticket to see Jesus and ticket to Longwood Gardens. The bus has restroom on it, but there will be no room for motorized or regular wheelchairs. However, at Longwood Gardens there will be some wheelchairs available. It's a morning walking tour of the spring flowers and dancing waters.

If anyone prefers a single room, it will be an extra \$40; otherwise each person will choose their own roommates (with two to a room).

If interested, please make check payable to Mount Hermon Baptist Church for \$100 and give to Susan Prather or Linda Meyerhoeffler as soon as possible. We will let you know when the balance is due. **As of March 7, there were 18 seats available but we're not sure how quickly they may fill up.**

<https://www.sight-sound.com/shows/lancaster/jesus/2019>

**Miss Anne's Music & Movement
for preschoolers** This Saturday, March 16
9:30 am or 10:30 am at church



Perhaps you or someone you know has a musical talent (instrumental or vocal) which could be a blessing to Mount Hermon's music ministry. Maybe you used to play the violin, or bass, or another instrument but have not touched it for a number of years but would be open to reviving your skills with assistance. If so, would you consider being a part of our growing number of musicians who participate in the worship services? I would LOVE to help you develop and integrate your talent and therefore bless the people of our church as we worship the Lord through our music. Please give me a call or text: 804-502-9521; email dbthomps1@yahoo.com. -- Debbie Thompson

Men's Weekend at Kerr Lake - April 5-7

Spiritual enrichment, boating, fishing, and other stuff. – Two spaces left. Get \$45.00 to Lee Thompson (make checks payable to the church). Food costs to be added later.

Virginia Beach Women's Retreat - June 21-23

Contact Gina Thompson: GinaRX1227@verizon.net or 814-6794

When I go to bed at night, I ask God to give me another day; I ask him to keep me strong and make me a good teacher and to keep spreading this right word. -- Richard Simmons

Dale Scott, Tom Critelli's son-in-law, in hospital with foot infection
Sympathies to the family of Linda Pettus. Memorial service – Saturday, March 23, 3:00 pm in the worship center of MHBC.

Note of appreciation...

I thank all of you for the prayers for me and my family. It is a real blessing to have people like all of you doing this wonderful thing for us. God bless all of you. – **Arlean Howie**

Happy Birthday! **March**

17 Pat Smith	20 Larry Rowland
18 McKinley Whitlock	20 Carrie Wesley
20 Brian Prather	23 Sandra Payne
20 Kim Bradbury	23 Bruce Boyajian

Sunday, March 10, 2019

9:30 groups – 31 Worship – 79
Children & Nursery – 10 Youth – 4
Contributions – \$3,335.00
Avg. weekly need – 4,504.00
Average needs to date: \$45,040.00
Contributions to date: 49,331.00

MHBC Financial Summary 2018

Ministry Budget	\$ 216,743.00
General Offerings	213,372.00
General Expenses	222,235.85
Undesignated funds	268,964.84
Designated funds	70,229.83

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And click on the ONLINE GIVING tab



From the Pastor...

Do You Mean That?

Adapt yourself to the things among which your lot has been cast and love sincerely the fellow creatures with whom destiny has ordained that you shall live. -- Marcus Aurelius

There's an old saying... "An important part of this line of work is sincerity; if you can fake that, you've got it made." – I find that to be funny. But can one truly fake sincerity?

Recently, actor Jussie Smollett tearfully told the world that he had been viciously attacked... but in reality, he had faked the whole thing for selfish purposes. Soon after, singer R. Kelly stridently claimed through tears and cursing that he is innocent of charges against him. Was he sincere about that? – One can ACT sincere and yet be completely faking it.

In Romans 12:9, Paul wrote: **Love must be sincere.** Yes, it should. Sincerity is a valuable commodity for any human relationship, whether it is in expressing love, forgiveness, an apology, or interest in another's well-being. The more consistently sincere we are, the less people have to ask: *Do you really mean that?* – If someone tells me that I impress them as sincere, I take that as a *high* compliment; one that I want to be worthy of receiving.

In the end, people can spot a phony, and they highly value true sincerity. Christ calls us to such every day. And each of us can offer it to others, can't we?

God's best to you today,

Lee

March 17, 2019 – 10:30 am

Why Do I Sing About Jesus/Jesus is the Song piano
Scripture & Prayer Becky Dix

Psalm 85:4-7

- * Praise Songs
 - 74 O God, Our Help In Ages Past, vv.1-2,6
 - 70 How Great Our God's Majestic Name, vv.1,3
 - 12 Great Is the Lord
- * Greeting Each Other
 - Church Highlights
 - God's Word Luke 13:31-35
 - Prayer
- * Offering Hymn 66 Day By Day
- * Offering Statement & Prayer Becky Dix
 - Great I Am* Choir
 - From Jerusalem to You** Lee Ellison
- * Commitment Song 64 God Will Take Care of You
- * Parting Blessing
- * Parting Song Grace, Love, and Fellowship Choir