FROM THE PASTOR

Response to God of Heritage Bible Church

We, Heritage Bible Church, will strive to be a people who live under the Lordship of Christ. Therefore, we affirm the following Biblical truth.

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" And He (Jesus) said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the great and foremost commandment. The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 22:36-40

Heritage Bible Church, by God's grace and power of the Holy Spirit, hereby responds to Christ by being accountable before God to strive to walk faithfully and obediently in the following categories:

Yielding to the Lordship of Christ as the Head of the Church

- Seeking His vision for the church. (Proverbs 19:21)
- Seeking the Lord's will for every decision. (Jeremiah 29:11, Matthew 6:33)
- Submitting to the Spirit's leading of power, love, and self-discipline. (2 Timothy 1:7)
- Demonstrating humility in yielding to God's values instead of our own. (Micah 6:8)

Committed to Prayer

- Seeking the Lord's face before acting. (2 Chronicles 7:14)
- Embracing prayer as a tool in spiritual warfare. (Ephesians 6:18)
- Being in a continual attitude of prayer. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-19)

Loving One Another As Family

- Walking in the love of Christ. (Ephesians 5:2)
- Obeying the "one another" commands. (e.g. John 13:35, James 5:16)
- Treating each other with humility. (Colossians 3:12-14)
- Considering others above ourselves (Philippians 2:3)
- Honoring and respecting those who are over us in the Lord. (1 Thessalonians 5:12-14)
- Being transparent, upright, and accountable with one another. (1 John 1:7, Ephesians 5:13-14)
- Caring for each other as Jesus loves us: sacrificially, realistically, purposefully, and absolutely (Luke 17:2, Matthew 18:1-17)
- Being quick to listen and slow to speak. (James 1:19)
- Speaking the truth in love. (Ephesians 4:16)
- Earnestly pursuing unity in the bonds of peace. (Ephesians 4:3)

Seeking Reconciliation with One Another

- Overlooking and forgetting minor offenses (Proverbs 17:14, 19:11)
- Seeking reconciliation when someone sins against you. (Matthew 18:15-22)
- Seeking reconciliation when you sin against someone. (Matthew 5:23-26)

Faithfully Stewarding our Resources

• We are accountable for what we have and that everything we have is God's. (Matthew 25:14-30)

Intentionally Making Disciples

- Following the Great Commission. (Matthew 28:19-20)
- Seeking out reliable disciples who will also teach others. (2 Timothy 2:2)
- Caring for the people God entrusts to us. (Ephesians 4:1-16)
- Engaging in authentic relationships. (1 Thessalonians 5:14-15) Equipping the entire body for the work of ministry. (Ephesians 4:11-12)

Seeking to Reach the Lost with the Gospel of Jesus Christ

- Seeking to reach and save the lost in Bay county. (Acts 1:8)
- Seeking to reach and save the lost worldwide. (Matthew 28:19)
- Sharing the gospel with love. (Luke 10:25-37)

EVENTS

There will be no evening service on Mother's Day
Men's Dinner and Great Commission Women - Tuesday, May
15, 6:30 PM

Young at Heart - May 18, 11:30 AM at PoFolks on 15th Street Bay County Christian Youth Choir Concert - May 20, 6:00 PM Ladies Crafty Gathering - May 26, 10 AM - 1 PM

Graduation Recognition - May 27 during the morning service

Great Commission Sunday - May 27

Memorial Day Fellowship - Sunday, May 27, 5:00 PM

Kingdom Kids - May 13th and 27th

Southern District Summer Camps - Registration is online only this year. See poplarpointcamp.net for more information.

Kids Camp (Grades1-5) – June 10-14 – \$200 Teen Camp (Grades 6-12) – June 3-8 – \$210

Peru Missions Trip Supplies - The southern district is in need of supplies to take to Peru on their missions trip this summer including:

Toothbrushes – especially children's toothbrushes Multi-vitamins – especially children's multi-vitamins Children's clothes – preferably not baby clothes Eyeglasses Bars of Soap

C&MA Great Commission Sunday

Just wanted to post an update in this May newsletter and will mention in a number of follow up announcements that May is the annual C&MA Great Commission Month. Heritage Bible Church has been blessed in its ability to support the C&MA Great Commission and we earnestly pray will be able to continue to do so. With your help, we pray the year 2018 will be another supportive effort from HBC as in the past. Pray for those overseers and missionaries supported through C&MA that collectively the gifts will glorify Him who makes everything possible. Let's plan our giving and prayer around Sunday May 20th to make this a joyful C&MA Great Commission Day. Further announcement reminders to follow. Thanks. Joseph Ashbrook



But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.
Galatians 5:16 (ESV)

1,735.00

FACTS & FIGURES

Finances for April For Apr 1 to Apr 30

Bridge Fund Balance:

General Operating Fund (GOF) Monthly Budget Revised: \$ 19,175.00 GOF Tithes and Offerings Received (5 Sundays): \$ 21,739.75 General Operating Fund Weekly Budget Revised: \$ 4,425.00 GOF Avg. Weekly Tithes and Offerings (5 Sundays): \$ 4,344.95

For Year to Date 2018 (based on 4 months and 17 Sundays):

GOF Year to Date (YTD) Tithes and Offerings Budget Revised (monthly basis):	\$ 7	76,700.00
GOF (YTD) Tithes and Offerings Budget Revised (weekly basis):	\$ 7	75,255.00
GOF Year to Date Tithes and Offerings Received:	\$ 7	78,770.67
GOF Year to Date Budgeted Disbursements and Transfers: to Other Funds:	\$(8	32,999.06)
GOF Receipts vs GOF Disbursements and Transfers to Other Funds:	\$	(4,216.39)
GOF Balance as of Apr 30 (246% of monthly budget revised):	\$ 4	17,178.78
Average Weekly Tithes and Offerings Received (17 Sundays):	\$	4,633.57
YTD Avg Weekly GOF Budgeted & Non Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers:	\$	(4,882.30)
Missions YTD Income: Receipts (\$2,743.00); 24% of Tithes & Offerings (\$18,904.96);		
And Mission Peru Trip Receipts: (\$ 2,110.00) Total Missions Receipts:	\$	23,757.96
Missions YTD Disbursements: (Including Peru Trip of \$1,800)	\$ (21,374.45)
Missions Fund Balance:	\$	9,541.84
Building Fund YTD Receipts:	\$	199.57
Building Fund Disbursements:	\$	0.00
Building Fund Balance:	\$	5,659.25