



Hayes Barton
Baptist Church

MARCH 1, 2026

HAPPENINGS

TOGETHER IN MISSIONS, MINISTRY, AND FELLOWSHIP



World War II, like so many other world events, had a significant impact on the membership at Hayes Barton. One effect was a positive one. At a special business meeting on November 22, 1944, the church granted church member and Army Chaplain Lt. Col. George L. Simmons's request to baptize soldiers where he served in Europe into the church's fellowship. Chaplain Simmons advised the church that one such soldier who wished to join Hayes Barton had been a student at North Carolina State College [now University].

SIGN THE CENTENNIAL CHARTER

In 1926, there were 173 members who declared their commitment to Christ by becoming charter members of Hayes Barton Baptist Church. In 2026 we are inviting our members to follow in their footsteps by signing our Centennial Charter. Many were able to sign on Celebration Sunday. For those who have yet to sign, there will be upcoming opportunities in the months ahead. We encourage member families to have their names listed together. Families can come during the week to Carla's office and sign together. For members who need us to come to you, please contact Jeff Pethel (919-645-6731). We hope that all current members have the opportunity to add their name to the Centennial Charter.

CBFNC ANNUAL GATHERING

IN-PERSON | March 19-20 at Hayes Barton Baptist Church

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina's 2026 Annual Gathering is scheduled at HBBC. Come experience the joy of connection and belonging as we worship, learn, share stories, and celebrate together about how God is at work in our churches and communities across the state. You are welcome to participate for the entire two days or for only the sessions that fit your schedule. Register online by Wednesday, March 4 at cbfnc.org/annualgathering.

Donate - We are collecting the following items through early March: individual packs of sweet and salty items (peanuts, crackers, Cheez-its, chips, bars, etc.) and mini cans/bottles of drinks. Items can be left in the bin in the Welcome Center.

STEWARDSHIP 2026

We are so grateful to those who have already returned their Estimate of Giving cards for 2026. We have received 246 cards so far, but there is still time for you to return your card. These estimates give our financial office direction in developing the budget for the year. Help us finish up our stewardship emphasis by returning your Estimate of Giving card to the finance office or completing your card online at hbbc.org/estimate-of-giving-form.

NEW MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

HYBRID | Sundays at 9:45 AM in Room 106 starting today

If you are new to Hayes Barton or are interested in learning more about the church, Membership Matters is the place for you. Offered in-person and virtually, Membership Matters is a 5-week session where we talk about what it means to follow Christ, what it means to be a member of a church, what it means to be a member of a Baptist Church, and what makes Hayes Barton its unique style of Baptist. Led by Susan Hailey, this class is a great way to get to know the Hayes Barton community and meet other newcomers. It is also a time for us to get to know you as we encourage group participation. The class is limited in size, so please sign up at hbbc.org/registration to reserve your spot. If you have any questions, contact Sandee Harris at (sharris@hbbc.org or 919-645-6742).

BUSINESS MEETING

HYBRID | Wednesday, March 11 at 6:05 PM in Hailey Hall

Make plans to join us for our regular church business meeting. Several important items are on the agenda, including approving the 2026 budget. We will also hear an update from the Stewardship Committee. A Zoom link will be sent to members on Monday, March 9. Please contact the church office by Wednesday if you do not receive the link.

LENTEN PRAYER SERVICES

HYBRID | Wednesdays during Lent at 4:30 PM in the Hailey classroom

As we enter the Lenten season of the Christian year, you are invited to participate in prayer in community on Wednesdays during Lent. We will meet on the following dates: February 25, March 4, March 11, and March 25. We will offer a worshipful space and a brief service of guided meditation and prayer, prior to Family Night. Come to rest your soul for this brief respite of sacred sharing. If you would like to join via zoom, please email Kristen Muse (kmuse@hbbc.org) to get the Zoom link. It will be the same for all sessions.

WALK WITH ME: A LENT STUDY FOR CHILDREN

IN-PERSON | Sundays, March 1, 8, 15, and 22 at 4:00 PM in Room 11

Children in grades 3-5 are invited to participate in a special Lent study during March. Through the exploration of spiritual practices such as stillness, prayer, lament, and rejoicing, we'll learn that we can walk more closely with Jesus as we incorporate these disciplines into our regular rhythm of living. Please email Sarah (smears@hbbc.org) if your child would like to participate.

PRESCHOOL EASTER EVENT

IN-PERSON | Saturday, March 28 at 9:30 AM in Hailey Hall

All preschoolers and their families are invited to join us for a morning of fun and fellowship to celebrate Easter! We'll have breakfast, crafts, and games. Bring your Easter basket and invite a friend! Contact Sarah Mears (smears@hbhc.org) for more information or sign up at hbhc.org/hbhc-kids.

BAPTISM ON EASTER

IN-PERSON | Sunday, April 5 during worship in the Sanctuary

One of the most beautiful moments in the life of a Christ follower is their baptism. A tradition throughout the ages is for new believers to be baptized on Easter. As part of our celebration of Easter, we would love to celebrate with anyone ready to declare their faith in Christ through baptism on Easter Sunday. If you are interested in exploring this, please contact Carla Murray in the church office at (919) 645-6733. She can help you schedule a time to talk with one of the ministers.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

Hayes Barton Baptist Church is fortunate to have several educational endowments that support the youth in our community, not limited to HBBC members, concerning higher education. Scholarship applications for 2026 are now available. We encourage any interested students to visit our website at hbhc.org/scholarship to fill out the online forms. All completed applications with references and pictures must be submitted online no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, March 23. Incomplete applications will be returned to be resubmitted by Monday, March 30. All applicants will be notified by Thursday, April 30.

We encourage any individual or Sunday School class wishing to contribute to the educational fund to give online at hbhc.org/give. Choose HBBC Scholarship Fund in the drop-down menu.

REGISTER FOR PASSPORT KIDS

IN-PERSON | June 29-July 2 at Lees-McRae College in Banner Elk, NC

Children in grades 3-5 (2025/2026 school year) are invited to participate in Passport Kids Camp this summer. Passport Kids is a 4-day, 3-night children's camp filled with fun, faith-building programming and hands-on missions education. Kids will participate in Bible Study, recreation, and worship, all while deepening their relationships with God and one another. The cost is \$410/participant. Register at hbhc.org/registration. Contact Sarah Mears (smears@hbhc.org) for more information.

SUMMER ARTS CAMP

IN-PERSON | June 22-26

Registration is now open for the best week of summer! You are invited to join us for another fun week of learning, playing, and exploring the arts together at Summer Arts Camp. Through Bible Study, play, and art, we will discover that God made each of us unique with gifts to share to make the world a better and brighter place. Grade School camp is open to children who have completed kindergarten through fifth grade and will take place daily (Monday-Friday) from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM. The cost is \$150/child. Preschool camp is open to children ages three (at the time of camp) through completed pre-k. Children must be potty-trained to attend camp. Camp will take place daily (Monday-Thursday) from 9:10 AM until 1:00 PM. The cost is \$75/child. Register at hbhc.org/registration. Contact Sarah Mears (smears@hbhc.org) for more information.

KIDZSTUFF - TIME TO CONSIGN

The 2026 Spring/Summer Kidz Stuff Consignment Sale will be from March 12-14 in the Family Life Center Gym. You can register to consign and start entering inventory now at hbhc.org/kidz-stuff-consignment.

Volunteer - Volunteers are a vital part of each sale. As a thank you, volunteers are given a Preview Pass to shop the sale early (Thursday, March 12 from 5:30-6:30 PM). You can sign up to volunteer at hbhc.org/kidz-stuff-consignment.

Order Your Easter Lilies



Each Easter we beautify our Sanctuary with Easter lilies. You and your family may give one of these lilies in memory or honor of a loved one or of someone who is meaningful to you. Your donation is tax-deductible as the lilies are gifts to the church and to the Home Visitation Ministry.

The lilies cost \$15 each, and a list of donors will be published on Easter Sunday. Please turn in your form with cash or check (made out to HBBC with lily in the memo line). **The deadline for submitting orders is Monday, March 23.**

*Please fill out a form
for **each** Easter lily that
you would like to donate.*

(Please choose per order):

In honor of or In memory of

Name _____

Donor Name: _____

*Write the names as you want them
to appear in the Easter Lily Book.*

You can place your Easter lily order
online at hbhc.org/lent.



WOMEN'S MONTHLY MISSIONS

BIBLE STUDY - HYBRID | Tuesday, March 10 at 10:45 AM in Room 200

We will gather for a time of Bible study and conversation. Marsha Hutzler leads the group each month. If you have any questions or need the Zoom link, contact Kristen Muse (kmuse@hbhc.org or 919-645-6722).

LUNCHEON - IN-PERSON | Tuesday, March 10 at 12:00 PM in Hailey Hall

Each month, our women gather to learn or actively participate in missions. The HBBC Baptist Women's Missions Group will be making bags for StepUp kids. The cost for lunch from Chicken Salad Chick is \$8 per person. Reserve your space today at hbhc.org/registration by Friday, March 6. If you have any questions, contact Cathy Eller (celler@hbhc.org or 919-833-4617).

DONATE TO CHILDREN'S SERVICE PROJECTS

As part of their Family Night missions classes this spring, our grade school children have chosen service projects to work on throughout the semester. They were tasked with identifying a need in our community and working together to decide how to meet that need and show love to our neighbors.

The boys group will be collecting blankets to share with people in need in our community. The girls group will be collecting supplies to make busy bags for children at Wake Med Children's Hospital.

Items needed for the busy bags include markers, crayons, stickers, small puzzles or games, notebooks, small stuffed animals, and other art supplies. They need your help! Donations of blankets and items for the busy bags can be dropped off in the Welcome Center through Sunday, March 8. Thank you for your support of our grade school missionaries!

MEN'S OUTING

IN-PERSON | Tuesday, March 17 at the Airborne and Special Ops Museum - Leaving from the church at 7:45 AM

The Yost Men's Bible Study and the HBBC Baptist Men are hosting a Men's October outing to the Airborne and Special Ops Museum in Fayetteville. After our tour, we will stop at Angie's in Garner for lunch. We should arrive back at HBBC around 3:00 PM. The cost is \$10 per person along with money for lunch. Register at hbhc.org/registration. If you have any questions, contact Bob Hellwig (rhell10295@hotmail.com or 919-798-1598).

MEN'S MINISTRY OYSTER ROAST

IN-PERSON | Thursday, March 26 at 5:00 PM in the courtyard

Join our men's ministry for an old-fashioned oyster roast. We will gather in the courtyard (Hailey Hall if the weather isn't good) for a time of food and fellowship. Men of all ages are invited. Sign up at hbhc.org/registration. The cost is \$8 per person. Invite a friend to join you!

HBBC HABITAT DAY

IN-PERSON | Saturday, April 11 from 8:00 AM-3:30 PM at Old Poole Place (925 Ridge Rock Rd.)

HBBC has committed to providing a team of at least eight during the Spring 2026 Beloved Build. Register at hbhc.org/missions by March 27. If you have any questions, please contact Kristen Muse (919-645-6722 or kmuse@hbhc.org).

BATHROOM RENOVATIONS

The main bathrooms on the ground floor, the bathroom outside the Danielson/Scout room, and the bathrooms on the second floor will be closed through February. Please plan to use the FLC, new entrance, chapel wing, and main floor facilities during this time.

ADULT MINISTRIES

Ages 55 & Up

activities & events

RBA SPRING SENIOR ADULT RALLY

IN-PERSON | Tuesday, March 17 at 10:00 AM at Hayes Barton Baptist Church in the Sanctuary

Join us as we gather with other churches in our community for the RBA Senior Adult Rally. The Social Security Boys, a Southern Gospel quartet reminiscent of The Mills Brothers, will provide entertainment and our own HBBC worship leaders (Tyler and Dr. Hailey) will be leading us in worship. Rev. David Melber, CEO of Baptist Children's Homes of NC will also share about the work of the BCH. The day will conclude with a lunch of Pork Loin with Gravy, Rice, Baked Apples, Green Peas, Corn Muffins, Desserts. The cost is \$20 per person and reservations must be made with Cathy Eller (919-833-4617 or celler@hbhc.org) by Monday, March 2.

ADULTS 55+ MONTHLY LUNCHEON

IN-PERSON | Tuesday, March 24 at 12:00 PM in Hailey Hall

Join us as Nixon, Williams, and Gage bring their musical talents to Hailey Hall. Before the program, we will enjoy a meal of chicken pastry, sweet potatoes, black-eyed peas, and apple cobbler. The cost is \$8 per person, and it is open to those ages 55 and up. Register online at hbhc.org/registration or contact Cathy Eller (919-833-4617) by Friday, March 20, to sign up.

SUMMERFEST

IN-PERSON | May 11-15

Remember summer camp and youth retreats? Well, Summerfest is an experience like no other as it combines all those great memories from summer camp with new friends, lots of options, and even the ability to rest. Join the HBBC group as they gather with others at Fort Caswell. The cost is \$356 per person. This includes all meals and lodging. The theme is Unshakable Promises, and "Three on a String", a bluegrass band from Alabama will provide special entertainment. If you have any questions, contact Carolyn Edwards. Register at hbhc.org/registration. A \$100 deposit is due upon registration. A limited number of rooms are available.

52-WEEK JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE

One of our goals during the centennial year is for it to be a season of spiritual growth for all of our members and friends. So we are challenging everyone to join us in reading through the entire Bible in 2026. This week's readings are days 60 through 66.

It's not too late to join us on this journey! Guidebooks and Bibles are available outside the church office. The Bibles are \$12, and the Guidebooks are \$15. You can get both for \$25. We also have the daily Scriptures on the HBBC App.



FAMILY NIGHT

FAMILY NIGHT PROGRAMS

We encourage you to consider making this a part of your weekly schedule as family night allows fellowship, music, study, prayer, and community

- 5:00 PM - Dinner is served (reservations required)
- 5:30 PM - Family Gym Time; Late Meal Registrations or Walk-ins
- 6:00 PM - Youth Midweek Gathering and Bible Study
- 6:00 PM - Preschool Missions
- 6:00 PM - Children's Music and Missions
- 6:05 PM - The Gathering for Adults
- 7:05 PM - Chancel Choir

FAMILY NIGHT MEALS

IN-PERSON | Wednesdays at 5:00 PM in Hailey Hall

Join us on Wednesday evenings as we share food and fellowship. Make your reservation starting Thursday, the week prior at hbhc.org/registration or call Cathy Eller at (919) 833-4617. Reservations close on the Monday before at noon for the upcoming Wednesday. The cost is \$8 (adults), \$5 (children ages 12 and under), and 2 and under are free, with a \$25 family maximum cost. Gluten-free meals are available upon reservation. You can pay in person via credit cards, checks, or cash.

Menu for Wednesday, March 4:

Adults: Fried Chicken, Mac n Cheese, Sautéed Spinach, Bread, and Dessert

Children: Fried Chicken and Mac n Cheese

Reservations are due Monday, March 2 by 12:00 PM.

THE GATHERING: BRITT FOUNDATION GIFT UPDATE

Hybrid | March 4 at 6:05 PM in Hailey Hall

In the Fall of 2025, we were blessed with a sizable gift from the Britt Foundation, a portion of which is to be used for our Affordable Housing and Women's & Children's Ministries. Since that time, many investigations under the direction of the Affordable Housing Ministry Subcommittee have been conducted with respect to potential projects.

One exciting proposal has been identified that would have us collaborate with our current affordable housing partner, CASA, and The Hope Center at Pullen, for the provision of housing and support services for young people transitioning out of foster care in Wake County. The proposed location for the project is Sunrise Avenue in Five Points and will be modeled after The Hope Village at Method, a successful, similar venture recently developed by CASA and The Hope Center on Method Road in Raleigh. Please join us for a special presentation concerning this special ministry opportunity.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

IN-PERSON | Wednesdays at 6:00 PM

During missions, our two-year-olds through fifth graders learn about God's love and how to share it within their family, church, community, and the world. Older children also participate in choir and learn about worshiping God through song, instruments, and movement. Contact Sarah Mears (smears@hbhc.org) for more information.

CHOIR REHEARSAL

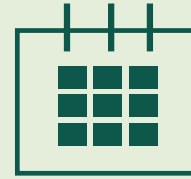
IN-PERSON | Wednesdays at 7:05 PM in the Choir Room

The Chancel Choir leads our worship service each Sunday. The choir meets weekly to prepare for worship and special experiences together. For more information about joining, contact Tyler Ingram (tingram@hbhc.org).

YOUTH WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

IN-PERSON | Wednesdays at 6:00 PM in the Youth Lounge (FLC-200)

Youth are invited to our midweek gathering to experience the presence of Christ in new and creative ways. Share a meal, play games, and join in Bible Study.



THIS WEEK
AT HBHC

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

- ALL DAY Women's Retreat
- 9:30 AM Membership Matters
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Morning Worship
- 11:15 AM Children's Church
- 12:30 PM Grace Church for All Nations
- 4:00 PM Children's Lent Study
- 4:15 PM Youth Bells
- 5:00 PM Youth Choir
- 5:00 PM Alphabells
- 6:00 PM Sunday Night Youth

MONDAY, MARCH 2

- 10:00 AM Navigating GriefLand
- 10:30 AM AA Early Risers
- 12:00 PM AA-By the Book
- 2:30 PM Fit Over Fifty

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

- 7:00 AM Yost Men's Bible Study
Breakfast
- 10:00 AM Senior Games
- 10:00 AM Coffee, Talk, and Paint
- 10:00 AM Ministers' Meeting
- 12:00 PM AA: 12&12@12
- 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl
- 7:30 PM Basketball Fellowship

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

- 10:30 AM Al Anon Meeting
- 10:30 AM AA Early Risers Meeting
- 1:30 PM Fit Over Fifty
- 4:00 PM Chrismons
- 4:00 PM Pastoral Care Ad HOC Committee
- 4:30 PM Lenten Prayer Service
- 5:00 PM Family Night Meal
- 5:30 PM Open Gym for Families
- 6:00 PM Preschool and Children's Music/Missions
- 6:00 PM Youth Midweek Gathering and Bible Study
- 6:05 PM Adult Gathering
- 7:05 PM Chancel Choir/Choir Express
- 7:30 PM Basketball Fellowship

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

- 9:00 AM Bridge
- 10:30 AM Women's Bible Study
- 10:30 AM AA Early Risers
- 6:30 PM Pickleball
- 7:00 PM Youth Council Meeting