



Hayes Barton
Baptist Church

JULY 05, 2026

HAPPENINGS

TOGETHER IN MISSIONS, MINISTRY, AND FELLOWSHIP



As this country celebrates its 250th birthday this weekend, it is interesting to look back at what HBBC's publications say regarding earlier Independence Day observances. Only a few days after the 1976 Bicentennial, part of Dr. T. L. Cashwell's weekly Newsletter column read, "Could it be that our cherished freedom has become for most of us little more than some two-hundred-year-old artifact? When we were struggling for it two hundred years ago, it was essential to us. Now that we have it, let's not hang it on the wall like a quaint decoration. ... In concluding this bicentennial afterthought, ... read for your own enlightenment the Declaration of Independence. Then ask yourself the question: Would you have signed it 200 years ago?"

LEDFORD APPLICATIONS

If you would like to request funding for a 2027 mission project through the Ledford Missions Endowment Fund, please submit your proposal to the Ledford Missions Fund Council by July 31, 2026. The Council will review requests in August and bring recommendations for the distribution of available funds at the congregation's September business meeting. Application forms are available at hbhc.org/missions. Completed forms must be submitted by July 31. If you have any questions about the application process, please contact Kristen Muse (kmuse@hbhc.org) or Kate Hall, chair of the Ledford Council.

HBBC SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

The Hayes Barton Scholarship Committee has awarded scholarships for the 2026-2027 school year to 42 outstanding applicants. Due to the generosity of our congregation, we were able to award each applicant a significant amount more than in previous years. We appreciate your recognition in supporting our young people as they continue their educational endeavors.

ENTRANCE CLOSING JULY 20

There will be a lot of work in the FLC this summer. In an effort to minimize traffic in that area, we will be closing the Welcome Center entrance during the week of July 20. The entrance will remain closed until Friday, August 7. The Whitaker Mill door (outside the office) will be the main entrance during this time. The Welcome Center will be open on Sundays as usual.

FLC SECOND FLOOR CLOSED

The second floor of the FLC will be closed through August 15. The floors are being "replaced" during this time. All activities that usually take place in this area have been relocated during the summer months. Please check the calendar or ask the person at the Welcome Center desk if you are unsure where your group is meeting.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

During July, the church will close at 5:00 PM on Wednesdays. If you need to schedule a meeting after the office has closed, please contact the office at least one week prior so that we can make sure to work with you on cooling the room and entry into the building.

FAITH STORIES WRITING WORKSHOP

HYBRID | Sunday, August 16 from 12:00-1:30 PM in Hailey Hall

Do you need a little help putting your faith story together? Or maybe you just need some time to write? Join us for a time of inspiration, conversation, and writing as we continue to collect 100 faith stories. Lunch will be served for those who will be in person. Sign up by Wednesday, August 12 at hbhc.org/registration or on the church app.

We hope you will join us for lunch and an inspirational dialogue around ways to share our faith stories. All ages are invited. For those who are unable to attend in person contact Kristen Muse (kmuse@hbhc.org or 919-645-6722) for the Zoom link.

FAITH STORIES NEEDED

As we continue to celebrate our 100th year of ministry and missions at Hayes Barton Baptist Church, our stories are a testament to all that God has done among us.

Whether your journey has been one of confidence and hope or more of struggle and searching, God's Love has been ever present. Think of the brightest period of faith, hope, and love in your life and start writing from there. Or, recall the deepest, darkest passage through a valley of shadows, and recall what got you through. You will find God's guiding hand in all of it. Record it and report it to encourage others. What may seem insignificant to you may be a life changer for someone who reads your story.

OWN A PIECE OF HBBC HISTORY



Pre-order your slate keepsake at hbhc.org or purchase on Sunday mornings from June 21-July 19.

OWN A PIECE OF HAYES BARTON HISTORY

For nearly 60 years, the slate on our church roof has sheltered this congregation through worship, celebration, grief, and growth. When we replaced our roof, we saved some pieces to offer to members the chance to take a piece of that history home. The slate is available in three sizes. Each slate has one of four meaningful designs: the Church Logo, the Centennial Logo, the Image of the Church, or Dr. Hailey's Benediction. The slate can be pre-ordered at hbhc.org. Payment is due at the time of purchase. There are additional fees if you want your piece mailed to you. We will also have them available for purchase on Sunday mornings outside the church office.

CENTENNIAL TIMELINE

As you use the Cashwell Corridor, stop and take a look at the display cases in the hallway. Artifacts throughout the church's history can be found in these cases, creating a timeline of various events. The archives committee changes the case regularly, but today you can learn about the church through the 1960s.

NEWCOMERS' MEET AND GREET

IN-PERSON | Every First Sunday of each month following worship in the Parlor

Are you new to HBBC? Are you looking for a church? Would you like to meet our ministers and some of our members? Members of the Membership Growth Committee will serve as your host, and our ministers will stop by for this informal time. There is no need to register; just show up.

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. During 2026, we are inviting our members to follow in their footsteps by signing our Centennial Charter.

The charter will be available to sign on the second Sunday of each month following worship in Hailey Hall. We encourage member families to have their names listed together. Families can also 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.

ADULT MINISTRIES 55+ SUMMER GATHERING

IN-PERSON | Tuesday, July 21 in Hailey Hall

Make plans to come in from the heat and enjoy a time of fellowship and ice cream. We'll gather in Hailey Hall to enjoy Howling Cow ice cream and catch up with one another. Let us know that you'll be coming by signing up on the app, at hbhc.org/registration, or by contacting Cathy Eller (celler@hbhc.org or 919-833-4617).

GET THE HBBC APP

You can now download the Hayes Barton Baptist Church app from both the Apple App Store and Google Play Store. Just search for "Hayes Barton Baptist Church" and look for our church logo to download. Stay connected with sermons, events, and more—right at your fingertips!



WE NEED YOUR GUITAR

Do you have a dusty guitar in your closet? The School of Music is offering a Beginning Guitar class this fall, and we are in need of 4-6 acoustic guitars to loan to students without one. Guitars must be in proper working order and have fresh strings. Contact Lisa Moxley (lmoxley@hbhc.org) for more information.

SUMMER SAFETY CLASSES

HYBRID | Wednesday, July 22 or Wednesday, August 5 from 5:30-8:00 PM in the Well Classroom

These classes will be for an American Red Cross Adult and Pediatric First Aid, CPR, and AED certification. Classes will also be "Blended Learning" classes, meaning there will be both an online and in-person component. Online course material will cover the lecture portion of the class and can be done at your own pace, leading up to the in-person class. The in-person practical portion of the class will teach, practice, and certify the hands-on skills. Cost is \$55. Sign up at hbhc.org/registration. Please contact Garrett Ferguson (gferguson@hbhc.org) with any questions.

BASKETBALL FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Tuesday Evening Group (Men) | Tuesdays from 7:00-9:00 PM (ongoing)

Wednesday Evening Group (Men) | Wednesdays from 7:30-9:00 PM (ongoing)

Basketball Fellowships are open for church members and the community. These groups only pay \$15 for three months if they participate in a service project. Many choose to help with our semi-annual consignment sale. It is a great way to give back at the same time. Contact Garrett Ferguson (gferguson@hbhc.org). Register at hbhc.org/registration.

WOMEN'S STRENGTH CLASS

IN-PERSON | Saturdays from 8:30-9:30 AM in the Gym

Women's Strength Class is designed for all fitness levels and ages! All you need to bring is a towel and a water bottle; the church has the rest! Please register ahead of time. The cost is \$60 for the three-month class or a \$10 drop-in fee. Sign up at hbhc.org/registration.

BIBLES for Prison Alliance Ministry COLLECTION

Collection bins are in the Welcome Center for new or gently used Bibles and devotionals through Wednesday, July 8.

Learn more or donate money for the purchase of new Bibles at hbhc.org/give.

ITEMS FOR CUBA

Be a part of our Cuba Mission team by helping them pack their suitcases with needed items. A team of six will partner with Baptist on Mission July 31-August 7. They need your help in carrying with them some much-needed food items. Please bring your items to the Welcome Center by Sunday, July 19.

Items needed are:

- Red/Black Beans
- Chicken Bullion
- Cumin
- Black Pepper
- Cinnamon
- Garlic Salt
- Garlic Powder
- Onion Powder
- Bay Leaves
- Oregano
- Coriander
- Powdered Milk
- Canned Ham
- Spam
- Canned Chicken
- Peanut Butter

PRISON ALLIANCE BIBLE AND DEVOTIONAL CAMPAIGN

The Yost Men's Bible Study Group is sponsoring a Bible Campaign on behalf of Prison Alliance by collecting gently used and new devotional books and Bibles through Wednesday, July 8. In 2024, you helped us provide over 200 Bibles and devotional books for incarcerated men and women across the United States. Books can be dropped off in the bin in the Family Life Center. A gift of \$40 allows the purchase of 12 Life Recovery Bibles. You can donate at hbhc.org/give by choosing the Bible Campaign fund or turning in a check/cash designated to Bible Campaign.

SEWING OPPORTUNITY

The Green Chair needs people to sew placemats, table runners, and accent pillow covers for those making a fresh start in stable housing. They will deliver pre-cut material and instructions for the project. To learn more, contact Sherry (919-524-4169) or go to thegreenchair.org.

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 186 through 192. We also have the daily Scriptures on the HBBC App.



OPERATION INASMUCH PLANNING TEAM

Mark your calendar for OIAM 2027 on Saturday, April 24. What is OIAM, you might ask? OIAM is an all-church effort to spread out into the community and share the love of Christ. We will be partnering with several organizations and providing opportunities for all ages and abilities to serve together. As we plan for the day, we are forming the planning team that will help organize, recruit, and plan these projects. Contact Kristen Muse (kmuse@hbhc.org or 919-645-6722) for more information. There will be a half-day training for the planning team on Saturday, January 23.

VOLUNTEER AS AN ADVOCACY AMBASSADOR

In Wake and Johnston counties, one in four families lacks affordable housing. Spending too much of one's housing income can leave little for other necessities such as groceries, health care, or reliable transportation.

- Support Habitat Wake's local campaign work on property tax relief, funding for affordable housing, and much more!
- Learn how to organize your community to act on affordable housing
- Build relationships with local elected officials
- Connect with local advocates and get more involved in your community

Sign up to receive advocacy alerts at habitatwake.org/advocacyambassadors.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS A VISIT?

We are working to identify those members who would like to stay connected with a member of our home visitation team. If you know someone who might be interested, please contact Mike King (mike.x.king@gsk.com).

HELEN WRIGHT MEALS

Once a month, HBBC is committed to providing dinner to the women staying at the Helen Wright Center. This is a wonderful mission project for a small group, Sunday School classes, family, or a group of friends. We can help with funding, but we need the people to prepare or pick up the food, serve it, and share in fellowship with the women. You will be blessed by this opportunity to serve those in our community working to get back on their feet.

The following dates are needed in 2026: Saturday, September 19, Sunday, October 18, Saturday, November 21, and Saturday, December 12.

If you want to know more or sign up for a date, please contact Jennifer Haigwood (jennifer.haigwood@gmail.com). Jennifer can also give you ideas about what has worked well in the past.

PRAYER SHAWL OR LAP BLANKET

Do you know someone who is going through a difficult time and needs to feel God's arms wrapping around them? Would you like to share a prayer shawl or lap blanket made by those in our church family? These are available for you to take and share with those who are in need. To arrange a time to pick one up, contact Jeff Pethel (jpethel@hbhc.org) in the church office.

EXTENDED SESSION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sign up to serve as a volunteer in Extended Session, the childcare provided for infants-kindergarteners during the 11:00 AM worship service. Volunteers serve just six Sundays a year and provide an invaluable gift to our preschool families. Opportunities are available in every age group. Contact Sarah Mears for more information or sign up at hbhc.org/hbbc-kids.

Ledford Missions Endowment Fund Requests

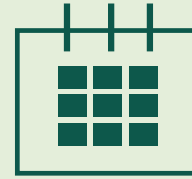
Request funding for a 2027 mission project by July 31.

Application forms are available at hbhc.org/missions or in the church office.





HBBC SUMMER ARTS CAMP



THIS WEEK AT HBBC

SUNDAY, JULY 5

- 10:00 AM Breakfast Fellowship
- 11:00 AM Morning Worship
- 12:00 PM Newcomers' Meet and Greet
- 12:30 PM Grace Church for All Nations

MONDAY, JULY 6

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

TUESDAY, JULY 7

- 10:00 AM Coffee, Talk, and Paint
- 10:00 AM Ministers' Meeting
- 10:00 AM Senior Game Day
- 12:00 PM AA: 12&12@12
- 3:00 PM Prayer in Community Planning Meeting
- 7:30 PM Basketball Fellowship

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

- 10:30 AM Al Anon Meeting
- 10:30 AM AA Early Risers Meeting
- 1:30 PM Fit Over Fifty
- 7:30 PM Basketball Fellowship

THURSDAY, JULY 9

- 10:00 AM Bridge
- 10:30 AM AA Early Risers Meeting

FRIDAY, JULY 10

- ALL DAY Arkansas Mission Trip
- 9:00 AM Bridge

SATURDAY, JULY 11

- ALL DAY Arkansas Mission Trip
- 8:30 AM AA Meditation Group
- 8:30 AM Women's Strength Class
- 10:30 AM Free Spirit Al Anon

SUNDAY, JULY 12

- ALL DAY Arkansas Mission Trip
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Morning Worship
- 12:00 PM Centennial Charter Signing
- 12:00 PM Grade School Lunch and Movie Outing
- 12:30 PM Grace Church for All Nations