

LAKE HOUSTON CHURCH OF CHRIST

A Newsletter for Family and Friends

...and a warm welcome to our visitors!

Biting the Hand that Feeds You

by Kevin Hahn

While the kids were gone, I was responsible for feeding the rabbits. One of the rabbits is nursing babies, so she was especially eager to be fed. So eager, in fact, that she decided to have my finger for a snack.

It made me think of the old saying, "Don't bite the hand that feeds you." (I quoted it to the mother rabbit, but it didn't seem to make much difference.)

I was much less bothered by the rabbit biting my hand than I am when I hear people blaming God for the consequences of their own actions.

The Bible is full of declarations of all the *good* and *undeserved* things God has done for us such as, "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights..." (James 1:17a).

We wake up and happily accept the blessings God provides every day, but on occasion, Satan is able to convince us that God is *also* the source of all that is wrong in life.

We have to remember that the adversary is not God. Not only is he not our adversary, but he's the greatest ally we could ever ask for.

"What should we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?" (Rom. 8:31-32).

Don't bite the hand that feeds you. Instead, resist the devil who seeks to devour you.

ELDERS

JY Brown
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Larry Heasley
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Richard Ames—Building & Grounds
Joseph Barela – Youth
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Mike Degge – Foreign Missions
Mike Diaz – Benevolence
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Eric Johnson - Finance
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Our Record	3/13/16
Bible Study	225
AM	358
PM	169
Wednesday	182
Contribution	\$15,432.45
Budget	\$17,125.00

Prayer List

MEMBERS

- ✧ Cindy Bornsheuer – Pancreatic Cancer
- ✧ Jennifer Brooks–Recovering from surgery
- ✧ Genie Deister – Pain
- ✧ Folmsbees – Marriage
- ✧ Beth Lawrence – Medicine change & pain
- ✧ Maria Rodriquez – Pain
- ✧ Barbara Wurzinger – Recovering at home
- ✧ Mary Young – Chemo for colon cancer

MEMBERS WITH ONGOING CONCERNS

- ✧ Max Comer
- ✧ Jim Daniel
- ✧ Larry Fain
- ✧ Linda Haynes
- ✧ Darwin Trevena - Employment
- ✧ Sean Williams – Employment

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

- ✧ Dalys Parker – May 8, 2016

For a more detailed list, visit our website:

Lakehoustoncoc.org

Meeting Schedule

Sunday

Bible Class.....	9:00 a.m.
Worship.....	10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....	6:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Ladies' Bible Class.....	10:00 a.m.
(September – May)	

Wednesday

Bible class (all ages).....	7:00 p.m.
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Please visit us online at **Lakehoustoncoc.org**

where you will find:

- Our calendar
- A complete prayer list
- Sermon audio
- Involvement form
- And much more information



Ladies' Tea

The Ladies of Lake Houston Church of Christ are invited to tea on April 10th at 3:30 p.m. The purpose of this tea is to encourage connection among the women of Lake Houston and to offer concrete opportunities to participate in the work of the church. As we grow larger, we must be more intentional in our effort to work together. At our tea, we will enjoy refreshments prepared by some of our younger women and hear about opportunities to serve. We will have the opportunity to exchange information with each other about special talents/skills that we might like to share with each other.

Ladies who have placed membership with us in the last six months will be our guests of honor. We look forward to embracing our newest members and working side by side in the Kingdom! Please plan to join us.

Fellowship Groups

The **Nwogwugwu/Roane/Covington** and **Kennedy** groups are meeting today, March 20th, after morning services in the fellowship hall.

The **Hubbell/Johnson** fellowship group is meeting tomorrow, March 21st, at the home of Richard and Barbara Jimenez for dessert and singing. Hope to see you there!

Sympathy

Our sympathy is with the Jarvis family. Michael's 59 year old father, Paul, passed away Wednesday after suffering a massive heart attack. The funeral is today in Centerville, TX.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Aaron & Hillary Barnes at the birth of their daughter, Amelia Lee, who was born Tuesday, March 15th, at 8:28 p.m., 7lbs., 10oz. and 21" long. They are home doing well.



Camp Bandina June 5-11th

Camp Bandina's registration website is now open! You can register at their website: <https://campbandina.wordpress.com/full-registration/>. Spots are filling up fast, so be sure to register as soon as possible. Camp Bandina is for kids who have completed the 6th grade through the 12th grade. If you should have questions about camp, please don't hesitate to contact **Cason Pearce**.

South Texas Mission Trip

It's that time of year again! There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for the mission trip to South Texas the week of July 16th – 21st. Won't you join us!

Pantry Needs

Canned Fruit	Sunny Glen needs:
Canned Beans/Veggies	Toaster Pastries
Boxed Potatoes	Seasonings (salt, pepper, etc.)
Spam	
Canned Chicken	

Wednesday is the final day to bring items for Impact to room 101. If you have questions, please contact Jeannine Brown.

Church Picnic – April 16th

Mark your calendars for our picnic here at the building starting at 11:30 a.m. Plan on joining us for food, fun, fellowship and games. Please use the sign-up sheet located in the lobby and designate **yes** or **no** if you are interested in having crawfish. We encourage you to sign-up, so we can have a good idea of how many to prepare for. We hope you can join us for this event. See you there!

Craft Night

Craft night will be taught by **Kelly Webb**. She will be showing us how to make personalized invitations and rubber stamping. Plan to come this Tuesday, March 22nd, at 6pm.

High School Retreat

The High School Retreat is April 1st & 2nd at Trinity Pines. Teens, we hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity and plan on attending. Please use the sign-up sheet in the foyer. The deadline to sign up for the retreat is **today, March 20th**.

Food Drive for The Door

We will be providing a holiday meal for 35 people at The Door and are in need of items listed on the sign-up sheet in the foyer. If you can donate any of these items, please bring them no later than Wednesday services, March 23, 2016. However, if you had rather make a monetary donation toward the purchase of food that would also be appreciated. Any money left over will go toward purchasing items for our comfort bags for The Door and the bags for our homeless. Thank you for your help!



The topic of discussion for our fellowship groups this month is "forgiveness." I thought our group had a good discussion last week, and I think it's worth sharing what we talked about. We all agreed that forgiveness is not easy, especially when it comes to forgiving someone who has a pattern of creating conflict or someone who does something to hurt our loved ones. We also agreed that God's way, although not always the easiest way, is always the best way. Here are 3 things we discussed from God's word regarding forgiveness.

1. God expects us to have a forgiving attitude towards everyone.

Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times" (Matthew 18:21-22).

2. Forgiveness is not optional.

"For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses" (Matthew 6:14-15)

3. What is God's way of resolving a conflict? Go talk to the person.

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother" (Matthew 18:15).

My prayer for each of you is that you'll follow God's wisdom when it comes to resolving a conflict.

Those Privileged to Serve

Sunday, March 20, 2016		Sunday, March 27, 2016	
Speaker	Kevin Hahn	Speaker	Kevin Hahn
Song Leader	Terry Hunt	Song Leader	Jeff Boyles
Greetings/Call to Worship	John Doering	Greetings/Call to Worship	John Doering
Communion Talk	Jeff Boyles	Communion Talk	Don Caballero
Communion	Ron Schultz Delbert Long	Communion	L. Leatherman Alvin Logan
Scripture	Shad Allen	Scripture	Jason Wheeler
Closing Prayer	Doug Sessions	Closing Prayer	Doug Sessions
Greeters	S.Hicks/K.Lyerly	Greeters	S.Hicks/K.Lyerly
Communion Prep	Hubbell	Communion Prep	Hubbell
Cards	K. Harrison P. Parker	Cards	K. Harrison P. Parker
Building Lockup	Diaz	Building Lockup	Diaz
EVENING		EVENING	
Speaker	Kevin Hahn	Speaker	Kevin Hahn
Song Leader	Bert Esteban	Song Leader	Aaron Barnes
Opening Prayer	Dillon King	Opening Prayer	M. Nwogwugwu
Communion	Brett Kirk	Communion	Joseph Barela
Wednesday, March 23, 2016		Wednesday, March 30, 2016	
Greetings	Fred Fain	Greetings	Dick Arruda
Song Leader	Aaron Barnes	Song Leader	Cason Pearce