



Heflin Baptist Church Messenger

*Heflin Baptist Church exists to:
Share God's Word, Show God's Love,
Send God's People.*

January 16, 2020



Dear Church Family,

One of my favorite verses in Scripture is Psalm 19:14. The psalmist David wrote, "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer." This is a verse I repeat to the Lord from my heart just before I walk the steps to the pulpit each Sunday. It reminds me that the words I speak begin with the thoughts that are in my heart. Throughout the pages of Scripture we are reminded of the importance of keeping watch over the things that we allow into our hearts. Notice what we learn from the Book of James.....

James 4:7-10 (NKJV)

⁷ Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

⁸ Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹ Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰ Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.

As we begin a new year, there are some things from God's Word I pray you will take to heart.

- 1- God calls us to fully submit to Him so that we will be able to resist the devil. Too often, we attempt to resist the devil without full submission to the Lord. Placing ourselves voluntarily under the Lordship of Jesus Christ is essential to resisting the attacks of Satan.
- 2- God desires to have a close and personal relationship with all of His children. When we draw closer to Him and His Word, we can be confident in His promise to draw near to us.
- 3- We must repent of all outward acts of sin as well as the inward attitudes of our heart. A pure heart leads to pure life.
- 4- Living a humble life is your personal responsibility. God's Word declares that His children should regularly humble ourselves as we faithfully walk with Him.

My prayer for you and your family is that you will make every moment count in 2020! Let's pray hard and seek God's will for our future together! Don't forget I love you ALL and there's not a thing you can do about it!

Pastor Brent

Proverbs 30:5



AWAKEN CITY TRIP JUNE 2020

The next mission trip to Awaken City Church in Herriman, Utah is planned for June 27 – July 5. Deposits are due now for those planning to go. The next meeting for participants will be Sunday, January 19 at 4:00 PM.

BAPTIST ACTIVE WOMEN'S MEETING

BAW will meet Monday, January 20 at 6:30 PM at the home of Sonja Adams. Jennifer Davis Rash, editor of The Alabama Baptist, will have the program.



DORCAS CIRCLE MEETING

Dorcas Circle meets the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall. This month's meeting will be January 21.

5TH WEDNESDAY NIGHT COVERED DISH

We will have a covered dish fellowship meal before our Wednesday night activities on January 29. Please bring a dish to share and join us!



DIAMOND SET

The next Diamond Set covered dish luncheon will be held Tuesday, February 4 at 11:30 AM in the fellowship hall. Guest speaker will be Dennis Green.

FEBRUARY FUNTASTIC

Word of Life children (grades 1-6) will be attending February Funtastic on Saturday, February 8. They will be traveling to Sky Zone Trampoline Park for 2 hours of fun, then to XL Sports for a devotional, games, and some excellent prizes!!



VBS FUNSHOP

VBS dates have been set for May 31 – June 4!! The theme is Group's Rocky Railway. Volunteers are encouraged to attend the FunShop on Saturday, March 7 in Birmingham. There will be no cost to you, but you must sign up by Sunday, February 16 if you would like to attend!



*Oh, how I love Your law!
It is my meditation all the day.
-Psalm 119:97*

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