

Financial Snapshot

Year to Date:
2/25/2018

Budget Required to Date:
\$64,536.00

Budget Received to Date:
\$73,740.84

Over Budget
\$9,204.84

Nursery Volunteers

3/4 Michaela Ferrero & Brittany Franco
3/11 Chad & Jennifer White
3/18 Sharon Rodgers & Carolyn Baird

Annie Armstrong

Annie Armstrong week of prayer is March 4th -
March 11th.

March 2018 Newsletter

March Birthdays

11 Cutter Martin
15 Ashley Carreon
16 Tricia Cooper
Michael Sowell
17 Winnie Rodgers
Allison Johnson
20 Joye Mayo
22 Blake Oliver
Rusty Sowell
23 Daurice Steele
30 Gerald Barnett

Bring A Friend Day

Bring a friend day! March 4th we are
encouraging everyone to bring a friend to
Sunday School. Let's get our attendance to
150.

Sunday Evenings

Join us for a Farewell Fellowship for the
Routons, Sunday, March 4th at 6:00 pm.

Daylight Savings



Choir Special

Our Adult Choir will be
doing an Easter Musical on
Palm Sunday, March 25th at
10:40 am.

Revelation Study

March 11th we will begin a chapter by
chapter study over Revelation, Sunday
Evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship
Hall.

Visitation

March 11th at 4:30 pm we will
break off into groups and do
some door step visitation to
follow up with any visitors from
Friend Day! Please mark your
calendars.

Easter Activities

Details for our Easter
Activities will be out soon!

Youth Meal Schedule

3/7 Nichole Franco, Karen Parsons, Katy Sepeda
3/21 Sandra McCoy, Alicia Smith, Jamie Woods, Carole Ratliff
3/28 Ashley Carreon, Lisa Oliver, Monti Green

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Change Service Requested



“Show hospitality to one another without grumbling.”
1 Peter 4:9 (ESV)

There are many words that could be used to describe Taylor Routon, character, integrity, loyal, faithful, but the one that I choose to use for this article is hospitable. From the moment that Taylor and Grace arrived in Hamlin, they both displayed a spirit of hospitality. Taylor displayed hospitality on a regular basis not just with the gifts that he gave members of the staff on a regular basis but the way that he opened up his home to guests and the way that he viewed his personal belongings as a gift from God that could be used by others in need. There are countless reasons that I am grateful for Taylor and Grace but one of the main reasons I am grateful for them is they displayed to me what it means to live a life of hospitality. I can personally say that I will miss him deeply but I can also say with excitement that I look forward to seeing how the Lord is going to use him/them in the advancement of the Kingdom.

Summer is quickly approaching and you may be wondering about our summer schedule, so here it is.

- ¥ VBS: June 4th-7th
- ¥ Preteen Camp (4th-5th grade completed): June 14-17, \$187 per student, Plains Baptist Camp, Floydada, TX
- ¥ Youth Mission Trip: July 7-14, Puerto Rico
- ¥ Lad & Lassie Camp (1st-3rd grade completed): July 13-14, \$68 per student, BCBA, Lueders, TX
- ¥ Youth Camp (6th-12th grade completed): July 20-24, \$235 per student, Glorieta, NM

Please be in prayer for these summer activities.

In Christ
Brandon Carreon

Greetings Church Family!

I just wanted to let know you know how much Grace and I appreciate y'all and love y'all. I'm so thankful that the Lord has had us in Hamlin for the last several years. During these years y'all have become family to us. We've worshipped, studied, prayed, fellowshiped, grieved, rejoiced, and ministered along side of each other. We've grown, you've grown, and I appreciate so much the grace, mercy and love, you've extended to us during this time. As we follow the Lord away from Hamlin I'd like to share with you one of my favorite Scripture passages that has become so challenging and encouraging to me over this last year:

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:15-17

So many times I have had to fight against my preferences, what I wanted, how I thought things should be or shouldn't be done and to be honest.... It's extremely hard! But as this passage reflects and as Colossians 3 is pointing us to, we are new

creations. Our old SELF is passed away and the new has come. And this new self that is here is all about Christ. So let the peace of CHRIST rule in your hearts. Be thankful in all things because of CHRIST. Let the Word of CHRIST saturate everything you do, in your teaching, in your encouraging and sharing of wisdom, in your singing, with all thankfulness to God for all that He has done. And be a people that does everything, not in the name of FBC Hamlin, not in your own personal name, but in the name of our Lord Jesus.

This is my prayer for you here in Hamlin TX and for my family as we depart. Let us be a people that is all about the business of Christ, of conforming to His Word, of the proclaiming of His name to all that would hear, and a people who worships Him in all aspects of our life.

May the Grace and Mercy of our great God be ever with you,
Taylor Routon

TIME WITH JESUS EVERY DAY!

A rich, but simple Bible verse, John 11:54 "Jesus remained with His disciples". Nothing else is known of these 3 months of the life of Jesus except that He was with His disciples. What a wonderful snapshot of what Jesus valued. He valued time with His followers. He values time with you, too! I wonder what He did with them and what He taught them? I wonder what

He did with them and what He taught them? I wonder what Jesus will teach you and I, if we choose to spend time with Him? Don't miss your time with our King, Jesus. He is looking forward to time with you, each day!

I value my quiet time. It is not me-time but instead Jesus-time. The world can have all there is of me. They can have my talents, my treasures, my dreams, and abilities... but they cannot have my quiet time with Jesus. My quiet time with Jesus is where I grow spiritually the most. So, what does a quality quiet time with God look like?

First - Make The Time!

The first priority to spending time with Jesus every day is to master the time that has been given to you. In other words, blocking off and making time for God every day. For many years I neglected this discipline and thus my spiritual life suffered greatly. The more that I age, the more I value my time daily with King Jesus. Block off time every day to spend time alone with God.

Second - Read The Bible!

The Hebrew word for Bible is Mikra = that which is read or the calling of God. The root word is kara = to bow, to revere, to consider. Put those meanings together and we get the calling of God (that is read) and to bow, revere and consider...that's what the Bible is all about. Reading the Bible is not the only way that God speaks to us, but it is a primary manner in which God talks to us. Make time daily to read the Word of the Most Holy God!

Just a hint here... be sure to read 1 chapter in Proverbs and 1 chapter in Psalms daily. Coincidentally, I go on to read in the Old Testament and then in the New Testament. So, as I am reading through the Bible, I am reading through the Old and New Testaments at the same time. However you choose to read the Bible, do not neglect reading the Bible daily. **Third – Pray!**

Make the time to pray on a daily basis. Prayer is not magic. Its primary purposes are to praise and worship God to help us know Him and discover His will. Ephesians 3:16-19. Carve out time with Him each day. The Bible says to pray without ceasing! Be in constant prayer and yet consistent prayer. I encourage you to make a prayer journal. Keep a record of your prayer request and at the same time journal prayer request for others. Be sure to go back to that prayer journal often to see how God answers your prayers! What a wonderful God we serve!

On a side note, I want to say how much Sharon and I love you all! You are a tremendous blessing in our lives. I know that God has called us here and that He has a purpose for His church. The great apostle Paul said, "Follow me as I follow Christ!" (Kenny translation of I Corinthians 11:1)

Onward and Upward!
Pastor Kenny

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
						10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Care Station
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Friend Day! 6:00 pm - Farewell Fellowship for the Routons			5:00 pm - Youth 5:30 pm - Awana			
.....Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer.....						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
4:30 pm - Door Step Visitations 6:00 pm Kick-off for our weekly study on Revelation			No Wednesday Night Activities			10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Care Station
.....Spring Break.....						
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
6:00 pm - Evening Study			5:00 pm - Youth 5:30 pm - Awana			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
6:00 pm - Evening Study			5:00 pm - Youth 5:30 pm - Awana			