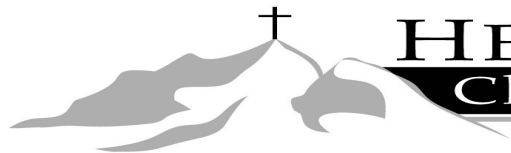


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HELDERBERG Christian School

April 2021 Newsletter

Our theme this year is
"Discovering God"

Memory verses:

Genesis 1:1

Genesis 2:4

John 1:1-5

Isaiah 33:22

Genesis 22:13-14

Exodus 15:26

Philippians 4:6-7

Isaiah 9:6-7

Psalms 23:1-6

John 10:11

Psalm 68:20

Psalm 27:1

Genesis 16:13

John 6:35

Exodus 3:13-14

Psalm 14:16-18

Revelation 1:8

School Verse "All Scripture is God breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Mission Statement:

The mission of Helderberg Christian School is to provide a program of academic excellence integrated with a view of the world from a Christian perspective. The school shall serve as an extension of the Christian home, established to train each student in the knowledge of God and the Christian way of life based upon the Bible.

Spiritual Emphasis Week

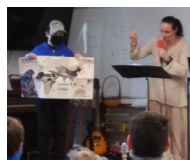
Every year Helderberg Christian School has an entire week of special speakers. Usually they are pastors, missionaries, or other spiritual heavy weights, that come to speak to the students and broaden their spiritual worldview. This year we were honored to have two missionary families speak plus our very own Mike Collins. We are always honored to welcome God's servants to bring His Word and His plan before our students.



Our first speaker was Paul Barner. He brought his children PJ and Abby with him. His wife Elvie was not able to make it. The Barner's have been missionaries to the Philippines for 25 years. PJ and Abby started off their time by singing a song and showing a slide show of the work done in the Philippines. Paul taught us the word Mabuhay a greeting in Filipino. As missionaries they have started a school that over 4000 children have come through.



These children need to be sponsored in order to attend. As with the rest of the world COVID had the building shut down and they had to find creative ways to teach their students. They are getting ready to open a second school and reopen the original school building. There have been 26 churches planted in the Philippines. We discovered that Paul has a good sense of humor as he told little jokes and stories mixed in with his tales of the miracles they have seen. He encouraged the students to pray for the children and that they can ask God to help them reach the whole world with the Gospel. You can find out more by visiting their Facebook group Barner Christian Academy.



Our other missionary speakers were the Hodges. They have been missionaries in Uganda and Kenya for the past 10 years. Mrs. Hodges and Mr. Hodges each took separate days. On Mrs. Hodges day, she started out by encouraging all the students that they are all already missionaries if they love Jesus.



She shared stories and pictures from their time in Africa. She brought traditional African jewelry that they had made, some of which is similar to what they handed out to street children. She spoke about their work with the orphans and street children there. Our students were enlightened by the revelation that in Uganda and Kenya the school day is 7am-7pm and the students there are not taught to reason and questions are discouraged. This opened the door to remind our students to always be grateful and thankful for what they have here in America. She wrapped up her time by talking about how trustworthy Jesus is. He is our seat and we can rest in Him. We can give Him everything in our life and He is trustworthy with it. We need to trust Him with every room in our heart; He already knows what's hidden in every room. Her ending point is that while trusting Jesus, He wants to use every part of you and the worst situation brings the best testimony.



Ways to Give

- Box tops app on your phone.
- We are also participating with the Clynk program, collecting bottles and cans with a \$.05 deposit on them throughout the year. *Bags available from school to drop off at Hannaford
- If you have a Price Chopper card, please sign up to support HCS by going to the Price Chopper website and registering your Price Chopper Card number with our School Code (24736).
- **Hannaford Helps** which runs **March-May**– turn your slips in at **Delanson Hannaford** or **HCS**.
- Amazon Smile donates to non-profits, simply choose us and keep on ordering!



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Spiritual Emphasis Week Continued



Mr. Hodges had the chance to speak as well. He brought their oldest daughter Melodie up with

him and had her translate everything he said into Swahili. He told the story of the rich man who came to Jesus, and the wise man, and the thief. All these people heard the gospel, and they all responded differently. He read Luke 19:10 and Romans 15:20. Jesus always sought the lost, hungry, and thirsty. He made the point that to have eternal life is not having money or wisdom but to have faith. Faith is something they needed in abundance in Africa. He shared stories from the mission field. One of the stories that stood out was that of Witchcraft Island, and island completely dedicated to the study and practice of witchcraft. He spoke about how he was called to go where no one else wanted to go. Many people were saved, and there is even a church on the island now. He read Malachi 1:11 and referenced Revelation 5 and talked about how a multitude of every tribe and nation would come to know Christ. He also brought pictures from their time in Uganda and Kenya.

Our very own Mike Collins also had a chance to speak during the week. He took the time to break Psalm 23 (our current memory verse) down piece by piece for the students.



We always appreciate those willing to come to the school and speak to the students about their lives and experiences with Christ, especially in the mission field. Please keep these missionaries in your prayers as they go forward back into the field to spread the Gospel.



Fundraisers

Our main fundraisers are wrapping up as is the school year. We are looking at what we will be able to do over the summer so please watch our website and Facebook page

Chapel



April's chapel speaker was Pastor Jay Francis from Rock Road Chapel. His message was about Jesus coming back, us going to heaven, and what we should be doing in the meantime. Preaching the Gospel to all the world was the directive

that Jesus left for His disciples. Pastor Jay has been fortunate enough to have traveled to 6 out of 7 continents preaching the Gospel. He shared some stories with us about some of those travels and the things that have happened along the way. He has had some unique foods like cows hoof and Ackee. Israel was a highlight of all his 73 times around the world. He reminded the students that following God is a great adventure and we should be thankful for how much God has blessed us. He also brought with him a beautiful tie from Israel for Mr. Collins and 4 Nicaraguan pillow cases that he gave out. Once again we come and share with our students the word of God.

Spirit Days

This month's spirit days were professional/career day, PJ's/comfy clothes day, and Decades day. Students and staff sported a variety of different styles for each of the days.



Spring Concert

Coming up is our spring concert/talent show. Due to COVID restrictions this event is not open to the public this year. We have a limited amount of seating available. Please pray for our students to have confidence as they perform.

Community Events

Great news! Some community events are happening. There obviously are some changes that have had to take place to make it COVID safe, but with many people working together things are opening back up. Alcove day (April 24th) and Altamont Garage Sale Day (May 1st) are just two of the events happening this year. HCS will try to have a presence wherever we are able to, God willing.



How can you help Helderberg Christian School?

Prayer Partner: Someone who makes a commitment to regularly pray for the ministry of Helderberg Christian School. This is the most important part of what we need, without God's help through prayer we can do nothing.

Ministry Partner: Someone who makes a financial commitment to come alongside Helderberg Christian School with regular monthly donations.

Faith Promise Partner: A person, who, as the Lord blesses, commits to send a routine donation to Helderberg Christian School, above and beyond any current giving.

Volunteer Partner: A person who has a skill or ability or just a willingness to help HCS. Be it by cutting the grass, snow plowing the parking lot, being a driver on a field trip, assisting a teacher, or helping out in the office, we have a place for you.

Special Project Volunteer: Someone who is able to meet an occasional special need of the school. Perhaps it is hanging drywall, speaking in a chapel service, or updating and maintaining the school's website. If you would be willing to donate some time, we could use your help.

Fundraising Partner: A person who could take point on a fundraising event. Making calls to organize work crews for the overall running of the event.

Promotion Partner: A person who could help communicate to the community about events and promoting the school in general. Contacts to newspapers, area churches, radio stations.

How can Helderberg Christian School partner with you?

Prayer (partner): Please send us your prayer request and praises and we will pray for your requests in our daily opening and monthly chapel services.

Service (partner): Do you have a service project we can assist you or your ministry with? If we can, we would be happy to help and fulfill Christ's mission to reach a lost world for Him.

Promotion (partner): If you have an event happening at your church or ministry we would be happy to let others know.

Here is a list of items we could use/need at HCS. If you would like to partner with us in the purchase or acquisition of one of these, please let us know.

- Telescoping flag pole
- Solar light for flagpole
- Clorox wipes (Due to a sensitivity in the building this is a brand specific request)
- Purell brand hand sanitizer *Pump bottles and refills for dispensers* (Due to a sensitivity in the building this is a brand specific request)
- Paper Products—PAPER BOWLS (MICROWAVABLE), Toilet paper, tissues
- New (or repaired) playground fence
- Boxes of white copy paper

