

# Heartland Baptist Church



## Alex Melton, Senior Pastor

"...and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 1:8b

The final words of Jesus before His ascension were the charge to make disciples among our neighbors and nations. It is because of Acts 1:8 that one of our family values at Heartland is "Neighbors & Nations".

This month we are seeing the church mobilized to make disciples among our neighbors and nations in an incredible way. From October 12-22, Matt & Ronda Jolly will be joining me in South Asia to work alongside our mission partners there to make disciples and see churches planted. I am asking you to commit to praying Colossians 4:2-6 for us and Luke 10:2 that God would call more to the nations.

We all have the opportunity to be on mission here in the Alton/Godfrey area this month. We can help make disciples by serving at the Trunk or Treat on October 30 from 3-5pm. We will have hundreds of people come to Heartland who don't know the love of Jesus. There is a way for every person to serve and help make disciples that day. We need people to have a trunk, help out with registration, and walk around the event connecting with our neighbors as they are here on campus.

Lastly on November 5, we are going to the Community Hope Center. This will be an opportunity for people of all ages to serve as we work with this beloved mission partner. I want to encourage you to take your "Next Step" by serving at these two events.

## John Collins, Pastor of Families & Discipleship

Inviting all men and boys to our annual bonfire and axe throwing fellowship on Saturday, October 8 from 6-10pm. We will have campfire foods starting at 6pm and trailer from Riverbend Axe Throwing from 7-9pm. It's a free event, but there is a suggested donation of \$15/person to the Men's Ministry Fund. It's going to be a fun night, so come out and see if you can beat the pastors in axe throwing or cornhole. Also, we hope to see men at our Impact Men study on Sunday nights from 5:30-7. We've been studying through the character qualities in 1 Timothy 3:1-13. It's our goal to see every man have spiritual maturity, spiritual stewardship, and spiritual leadership.

## Logan Staley, Pastor of Worship & Students

Fall is in full swing, and we have a lot of exciting activities in store for this month. Students will want to make sure to be at Trunk or Treat on October 30 as there will be plenty of ways to serve.

Make sure to grab an orange card at the welcome table that has all the songs that we sing at Heartland including some new songs that we will introduce this fall! As always you can go to the website and find our YouTube and Spotify playlist to listen to the songs. This is a great way to learn the songs that we sing in worship and practice the discipline of worship during the week!

## SOUTH ASIA PRAYER REQUESTS

- Praise God, we have seen an uptick in Gospel sharing over the last couple of weeks. Pray that we will find fertile soil.
- Please pray for 2 new churches, one in Hetu and one in Barkatoli, that have asked for us to train their people in the CMT. May they receive the teaching well and apply it even though it is counter-cultural in many ways.
- Pray for the SD card ministry as we continue to build the card at break-neck speed. May God be glorified as we get His Word into the hearts of more people.
- Pray for the kids and Krupa as they organize the school day and manage work. Dealing with less free time has been a challenge.

## CHURCH PROPERTIES

Here is a list of projects around the church. If you're able to help with any of these, please contact Pastor John.



- Replace ceiling tiles around the church.
- Electrical: Replace fluorescent light fixtures with LED fixtures.
- Electrical: Label breaker boxes by tracing various circuits.
- Paint classrooms.

## Volunteer Schedule

### Greeters

**October 2:** Jo Joyce, Minnie Johnson, Lucy Jacoby, Gary Parish

**October 9:** Ed & Susie Kreitner, Lowell and Betty Porter

**October 16:** Pat Farley, Bill & Ethna Joyce,

**October 23:** Miranda & Brandon Rendleman, Jacque Peipert, Lonnie & Bev Vatole

**October 30:** Kendra Collins, Karen Harris, Robin Shawback

### Nursery & Kid's Church

**October 2:**

**Nursery 9:15am:** Hannah Barnes, Jacque Peipert

**Nursery 10:30am:** LeAnn Parish, Karol Hazelwonder, Karen Harris, Karen Burleson, Evie Vatole

**Kid's Church:** Jackie Parish

**October 9:**

**Nursery 9:15am:** Hannah Barnes, Megan Hart

**Nursery 10:30am:** Carole Fredrick, Anna Drury, Kendra Collins, Marsha Anderson, Alliy Huggins

**Kid's Church:** Sandy Stolze

**October 16:**

**Nursery 9:15am:** Hannah Barnes, Miranda Rendleman

**Nursery 10:30am:** Susie Kreitner, Bobbi Drotos, Lisa Pimentel, Kyrsten Essy, Rylee Hart

**Kid's Church:** Kendra Collins

**October 23:**

**Nursery 9:15am:** Hannah Barnes, Kelli Melton

**Nursery 10:30am:** Ronda Jolly, Nate Hart, Stephanie Warren, Lisa Pimentel, Cammie Crane

**Kid's Church:** Pam Barry

**October 30:**

**Nursery 9:15am:** Hannah Barnes, Kendra Collins

**Nursery 10:30am:** Deacons & Men

**Kid's Church:** Sandy Stolze

**For more information or if you would like to volunteer please contact:**

**Nursery & Greeters:** Pastor John

**Kid's Church:** Jackie Parish at 618-789-2974

## Deacon Ministry

If you have a need or know of someone who needs assistance, has become ill, hospitalized, or is in need of a ride to church please contact the church office at 618-462-1276 or Ted Burleson at 618-462-3032.

## This Month at Heartland

**SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE:** Please join us for our Coffee/Donut Fellowship at 8:45am followed by Small Groups at 9:15am and our Worship Gathering at 10:30am. Sunday sermons are available online at <https://vimeo.com/hbcalton>. Our Worship Gathering is livestreamed on our Facebook page.

**IMPACT GROUPS:** Sundays from 5:30-7pm. We have groups for all ages. Our men meet in Room 39 and are studying 1 Timothy 3. Our women meet in Room 48 and are doing a Bible study on Jude by Jackie Hill Perry. Heartland Students (6th—12th grade) meet in Room 31 and our kids (PreK—5th grade) meet in the Children's Wing. Childcare is available in our Children's Wing for babies (age 0-2). Please enter the church through Door "A" (the office door) on Sunday nights. Impact Groups will not meet on October 2 or 30.

**LUNCH & PRAYER WITH THE PASTORS:** Wednesdays at 11:30am. Bring a lunch and spend some time with our pastors as we eat, pray, and share from the Word.

**COMMUNITY HOPE CENTER FOOD DRIVE:** The ladies of the WMU are sponsoring a food drive for the Community Hope Center during the month of October. A blue barrel can be found in the foyer along with a list of their most needed items. Thank you for helping feed those in need in our community!

**BAPTISM SUNDAY:** October 2—If you would like to learn more about salvation, or if you have made the decision to follow Jesus and would like to be baptized, please see one of our pastors.

**PASTOR APPRECIATION, CHILI COOK-OFF & DESSERT COMPETITION:** Sunday, October 2. Please stay after our Worship Gathering to have chili and honor Pastor Alex, Pastor John, and Pastor Logan with cards, letters and gifts. The chili cook-off is a men only competition. Ladies will be asked to judge. There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes. The chili will be judged on color, aroma, heat and taste. The dessert competition is a ladies only competition. Please sign up at the Next Steps table if you would like to participate in the chili cook-off or dessert competition. There is also a sign up sheet for those planning on attending so we are able to plan for drinks.

**CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS TEAM MEETING:** Monday, October 3 at 3:30pm.

**DEACONS' MEETING:** Tuesday, October 4 at 8:45am.

**HEARTLAND WOMEN'S CRAFT -N- REFRESH:** Saturday, October 8 at 10am - Ladies, we hope you can join us for a crafting getaway day. It is held on the second Saturday of each month to just hang out and craft. Bring your snack and/or lunch and the craft of your choice and we will set you up a table for your crafting supplies OR just come and hang out. Just a time to fellowship and relax while doing what we love.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP—BONFIRE & AXE THROWING:** Saturday, October 8 from 6-10pm here at Heartland. We will begin with campfire food at 6pm followed by axe throwing from 7-9pm. All men and boys are welcome. This is a free event, but there is a suggested donation of \$15/person to the Men's Ministry fund. Please sign up at the Next Steps table.

**DISCOVER HEARTLAND:** Sunday, October 9 from Noon—1:30pm. This is a free lunch for all interested in learning about Heartland and ways to be more involved. Please sign up at the Next Steps table.

**CHURCH COUNCIL:** Sunday, October 9 at 4pm.

**WMU:** Tuesday, October 11 at 9:30am in Room 38. Women's Missionary Union meetings are open to all ladies that want to come study God's Word and work on mission projects.

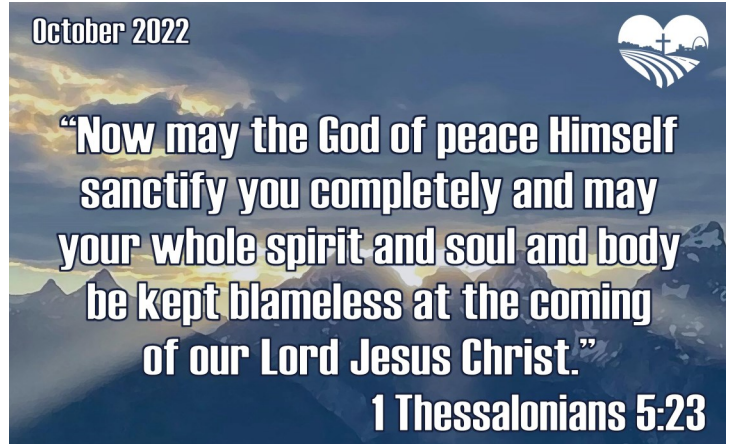
**NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** The November newsletter deadline is Thursday, October 13. Please email your announcements to [office@hbcalton.com](mailto:office@hbcalton.com).

**DEACONS' MEETING:** Tuesday, October 25 at 8:45am.

**QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING:** Wednesday, October 26 at 6:30pm.

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** Sunday, October 30 from 3-5pm. Come join us for our annual Trunk or Treat! We will have a hayride and food for purchase by AHG. Please sign up at the Next Steps table to host a trunk, to serve in registration, or to serve as a greeter. A bin for candy donations can be found next to the kid's check-in desk in the foyer.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday—Thursday: 8:30am—3:30pm. The office will be closed on Monday, October 10 in observance of Columbus Day.



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| 1  | Juan Lingow     | 19 | Jackie Parish   |
| 1  | Kelli Melton    | 20 | Merci Stutz     |
| 3  | Jonah Harper    | 24 | Brooke Wilson   |
| 6  | Maud Dean Ewing | 25 | Wilma Gee       |
| 8  | Ronda Jolly     | 26 | Charlie Livesay |
| 13 | Ethna Joyce     | 28 | Rylynn Wiles    |
| 14 | Jim Cassidy     | 29 | Alexander Troop |
| 14 | Herman Gansz    | 30 | Janice Ridder   |
| 14 | R.J. Hetge      | 31 | Graycen Barnes  |
| 18 | Debbie Montel   | 31 | Karen Hickerson |
| 19 | Isla Harper     | 31 | Nathan Shawback |

## COMING UP IN NOVEMBER

**SERVE: COMMUNITY HOPE CENTER**  
Saturday, November 5 at 9am

**LOVE MY CHURCH SUNDAY**  
November 6

**HEARTLAND STUDENT GAME NIGHT**  
Friday, November 18 from 6-9pm

**HEARTLAND SENIOR ADULT EVENT**  
Friday, November 18

**THANKSGIVING MEAL**  
Sunday, November 20 at Noon

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