



# HIGHLAND COLONY HOME CONNECTION

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*From the*  
Pastor

Easter and the Spring season go together so well. In the same season that we celebrate the most significant event in our faith, The Resurrection, we see it happening all around us. The deadness of winter is coming alive! I love this time of year.

Nature is not the only place where I see new life. I'm also seeing it in our church. The eternal optimist, I always believe that God is preparing us for a powerful movement of the Spirit just over the horizon. The exciting thing is I'm hearing this more and more from our members. There is a sense of expectancy in the air.

Renewal is a great theme of Easter. It's a great time to begin anew. God is all about forgiveness and restoration. I pray for all of us a renewed spirit of what it really means to be followers of Jesus. Folks, let's not play games any longer. Let's follow him!

Welcome Scott, Cassie, Cooper and baby girl Wilson to Highland Colony! God has sent us a leader who is going to help us get to the next level. Pray for the Wilsons as they finish their work in Texas and plan to be a part of us in a couple of months. Also continue to pray for your Personnel Committee and me as we seek God's leadership in finding our next Worship and Music Pastor. That process continues to be in full swing.

Take this time of year in. Jesus is alive!

Your pastor,

JR

## Scott Wilson accepts call as HCBC Students and Missions Pastor

When recently presented to the congregation by our Personnel Committee, Scott's face was immediately recognized by many. Last year he served for four months as our interim Student Minister. When he joins our staff full time, not only will he give leadership in our Student Ministry program, but he will also be using his gifts, passion, and experience to give leadership in our overall missions efforts.

Scott will assume his new Highland Colony responsibilities soon after he and his wife, Cassie, welcome their baby daughter in May. She will join 'almost' 4-year-old Cooper in the Wilson family, and hopefully they will be moving to Mississippi in early June.

In responding to God's call, Scott Wilson declares "It is my conviction and passion that God has placed me in ministry to challenge people to know Him personally, to minister to people's needs and the needs of their families, to develop teams for more effective ministry, and to lead people to change their culture and world for the name of Christ."



### SUMMER CAMP UPDATES

**CHILDREN**- Deadline for total payment of \$315 is April 18. If your child has not registered and is interested in attending, contact Kathy Flowers ASAP; we may be able to reserve a space!

**STUDENTS** - 'Early Bird' discount has expired, but you can still sign up! \$50 reserves your spot. Total cost for late registration is \$339.

### PARENT - CHILD DEDICATION

If you are interested in dedicating your child, the event is scheduled for Mother's Day: Sunday, May 9. Please send an e-mail to Kathy.Flowers@hcbc.net or call her office: 601.856.4031 ext 30.

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Highland Colony Goal: \$11,000

KIDSTUF  
Highland Colony Baptist Church

Sunday, April 11 @ 5:30 P.M.

LIVE IT OUT!

Virtue: FRIENDSHIP

spending time with someone you trust and enjoy

Join us to see how AJ and Sam show just how much their friendship with Cammie means to them!

## Welcome! Recent additions to our HCBC Family ...



Tina Gainer and Katherine Allen



The Silas Family  
Carey, Jordan, Thomas, Gene



Brad  
Williamson



**1200 Highland Colony Parkway  
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**Jay Richardson**  
*Pastor*

**Bill Hawks**  
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**COMING EVENTS**

- April 11      Deacons Meeting
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- April 12      Leadership Council
- April 26      L.A.M.P.S. monthly meeting
- April 28      Quarterly Ministry Conference
- May 9      Parent - Child Dedication (Mother's Day)
- May 16      Senior Recognition for our High School Graduates
- May 26-30      Lake Forest Ranch Summer Camp for Children
- June 13-16      Highland Colony Family Vacation
- June 21-24      Students: Wayfarer Summer Camp -Anderson S.C.

	April 7	Mesquite Grilled Chicken <i>Kids: Chicken Nuggets</i>
	April 14	Country Fried Steak <i>Kids: Hot Dog</i>
	April 21	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce <i>Kids: Chicken Nuggets</i>
	April 28	Baked Potato & Chili <i>Kids: Hot Dog</i>

*Wedding Shower*

*Honoring*

*Michelle Pendleton and Andrew Gay*

*Sunday, April 11      1:30 - 3:00*

*HCBC Worship Center Foyer*

**LOST and FOUND**

We have accumulated a lot of misplaced items...please check coat rack just inside drive through in two-story building. Also, if you have borrowed our silver punch bowl or know where it has been 'stashed', please return or notify Kathy.

**Adults 50+**

**L.A.M.P.S.**

**Monday, April 26 6:30 pm**  
Covered Dish Supper and program by  
**Odyssey Health Care**



(This will be the last meeting until after summer 'break'.)

**Ladies! You're invited!**

**So Long, Insecurity**

Beth Moore Simulcast  
(Live via Satellite)

**Saturday, April 24**  
**9 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Pinelake Church in Brandon  
*Learn to conquer fear and doubt and discover the liberating confidence and security that can only be found in Christ.*

Tickets are available at  
Pinelake or online:  
pinelake.org/bethmoore

*Bill says ...*

Have you been in Sunday School lately? If not, you are missed. We are averaging about 3% more each Sunday this year compared to last year. It's good to see an increase in attendance, but the attendance is not keeping up with our membership.

Let me encourage you to make Sunday School a priority as we stroll into Spring time. I know there are some attractive outdoor activities that vie for our time as the weather gets nice outside, but none of them are more important than getting together with a group of friends to study God's word and grow together.

Tithes and Offerings		
Projected March Budget Needs	\$	120,353.60
March Receipts	\$	94,099.62
March Difference	\$	-26,253.98
Projected Oct-March Budget Needs	\$	806,052.40
Receipts Oct-March	\$	688,655.37
Fiscal Year-to-Date Difference	\$	-117,397.03
2009-2010 Budget	\$	1,583,600.00
Projected April Budget Needs	\$	121,937.20
"The Vision" Commitments	\$	2,519,844.48
"The Vision" Receipts	\$	1,809,146.35