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*“The harvest
is plentiful but
the workers
are few. Ask
the Lord of
the harvest,
therefore,
to send out
workers into his
harvest field.”
Matthew 9:36-38*



FROM PASTOR RALPH...



Everybody wants their life to count, and God wants your life to count. Here are three ways it can:

1 It's great to come to church on Sunday to experience God's presence and be encouraged and refreshed. God also wants to use each of us on Sundays, and we actually receive more when we give! As more and more of us are letting the Holy Spirit use us, we will see greater a outpouring of His Holy Spirit and more ministry happening all over the building resulting in more freedom, breakthroughs, salvations, and transformation! In addition to the suggestions on page 7, ask the Lord to show you someone to pray for during the service. See if He leads you to speak to them during the break or after the service. See if the Lord puts a "word of encouragement" on your mind to share with them, and consider praying with them. Any of these steps can open the door for God to move in their life.

2 Now is the time to invite people to Harvest! The "back to school season" is one of the times people are most open. Carry some of the invitation cards with you and invite people in restaurants, businesses, medical offices, the gym, etc.

3 Prepare for our Fall Conference, September 24-26. As God transforms you, your life will make a greater impact! This is also a great event to invite people to, including people who go to other churches that don't offer these spiritual growth opportunities.

God is moving! He will use you as you make yourself available to Him.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



MEN'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 8:30PM, YOUTH ROOM

See page 4 for details.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 5:45-8:45PM, OFFICE BLDG

This one-time class taught by Pastor Ralph focuses on the vision and history of Harvest and what it means to be a member. If you are interested in joining or just want to learn more about Harvest, we invite you to attend! A light supper will be served. To request childcare, email preschool@harvestdothan.com.

WHY YOU CAN TRUST THE BIBLE

SEPTEMBER 10 & 17, 6:30PM, WORSHIP CENTER

Join us for this special 2-week teaching by Keith Taylor as we learn about the history of the Bible and unpack truths to show us why it is reliable.

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FALL RENEWAL CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 24-26, 2017

SPEAKER: DR. CHRIS BOUNDS

Four services: Sunday morning (8:45 or 10:45) and Sunday-Tuesday evenings at 7pm. Pre-service Prayer: 6:15pm, Office Bldg. Our guest speaker, Dr. Chris Bounds, teaches theology at Asbury University. He is an outstanding teacher, preacher, and minister. This is our main event of the fall at Harvest, so clear Sunday-Tuesday nights on your calendars and ask the Lord to meet us and move in us during these three days!

ATTENDANCE

JULY 30	1,494
8:45	717
10:45	777
<i>LiveStream</i>	<i>107</i>
AUGUST 6	1,600
8:45	759
10:45	841
<i>LiveStream</i>	<i>117</i>
AUGUST 13	1,644
8:45	790
10:45	854
<i>LiveStream</i>	<i>114</i>

“God wants to set us free from the guilt, the power, and the nature of sin; and set free to love God, love our neighbor, and walk in obedience.” - Chris Bounds, Fall Conference Speaker

GROUP LIFE

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CONNECT. GROW. SERVE.

Our Small Group Kickoff was a great success! What an incredible way to kickoff a new season! Thank you to everyone who is praying, supporting, and participating in countless ways to encourage the Small Group Ministry here at Harvest.

We are committed to encouraging and equipping people of all ages and in every season to grow ever forward in a life-giving, life-long adventure as Jesus' disciples. If you are currently not part of a group, please do not miss this exciting opportunity to get plugged into the community at Harvest. It is exciting to be a part of what God is doing in and through Harvest Church. I can't wait to see what God has in store as we venture forward with yet another NEW season!

- Brandi Coleman, Group Life Coordinator

OPEN SMALL GROUP

Are you held captive by bitterness, anger, or resentment because someone has offended you? We invite you to join us on Wednesdays at 6:45pm in the Worship Center for our new study “The Bait of Satan.” During this time we will look at how we can escape Satan's grip, practice forgiveness, and experience reconciliation.

MOPS

Join us every 1st and 3rd Tuesday beginning September 5 at 9:30am in the Youth Room for MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers). MOPS groups are rallying women to be more honest, to feel more equipped, and to find our identity by journeying alongside one another.

SINGLE MOMS OF HARVEST

We meet for support, encouragement, and fellowship on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in room 104. Childcare is available during this time. Next month's meeting dates: September 6 & 20.

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm in room 101. Meetings are open to parents and primary care providers of children with special needs. Childcare is available.

DIVORCE CARE FOR WOMEN

Wednesdays at 6:30pm in room 145. This support group will walk with you as you find help and healing from the hurt of separation and divorce.

DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Harvest's Discipleship Series is a five-phase program designed to equip believers to confidently live as disciples and to make disciples of Christ. We have several new groups meeting throughout the week at different times. If you're interested in joining or want more info, email the word “Discipleship” to grouplife@harvestdothan.com. We encourage everyone to participate in this life-changing study!

MINISTRY TEAMS

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

All Harvest men ages 12 and up are invited to join us on Saturday, August 26, at 8:30pm in the Youth Room. Please RSVP to men@harvestdothan.com.

FLOWERBED WORK DAY

Saturday, September 16, 8am. Flowerbed Team members of all ages will be replenishing the pine straw, trimming bushes, and planting flowers. We invite you to join in! Bring your gardening tools, trimmers, shovels, rakes, gloves, etc.

USHERS

Usher team members cheerfully help guests and attendees find a seat during the worship service. We invite you to join the team! Servant hearts are needed for both the 8:45 and 10:45 services.

LIVE4LOVE

Shut-in visitation team members are needed to partner with shut-ins from our church to visit with and encourage them on a weekly or monthly basis. Applications, background check, and safe sanctuary training are all required to serve on this ministry team. Contact Stephanie Wilson at wilsonfive@sw.rr.com for more information.

DAVID JEREMIAH: A LIFE BEYOND AMAZING TOUR

October 5 in Tallahassee, FL. Save the date! Tickets are \$5. This will be a fun-filled evening with encouragement, inspiration, Christ-centered worship, and powerful teaching. For registration and more info, visit www.HarvestDothan.com.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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NEW MEMBERS

The following people joined Harvest on Sunday, July 30:

- Emily & Jarrod Blumberg (children: Brannon, Cameron & Savannah)
- Leanne Bond
- Kadidra Davis (child: Kristian Mike)
- Zach Evon
- Jerry, Charlotte, & Caleb Hartley
- Rodney & Audra Kerns (child: Noah)
- Willie McKinney
- Dion & Heather Robinson (children: Keyli & Kyra Robinson & Nicholas Moat)
- Brandi Roth (children: Anna

Claire & William Speigner)

- Hans & Stacy Schindler
- Cinthya Viquez-Thomas
- Jade Wilson

BAPTISMS

The following people were baptized on Sunday, August 6:

- Addyson Carter
- Jaiden Coleman
- Jared Davis
- Kadidra Davis
- Zach Evon
- Rodney Kerns
- AJ Montgomery
- Anna Speigner
- William Speigner
- Jade Wilson

BEREAVEMENTS

Please be in prayer for the following people:

- Ed Lancaster and family during the loss of his father, Ralph Edward Lancaster.
- Joan Hart Mitchell and family during the loss of her mother, Florine Hart.
- Anna Long and family during the loss of her sister-in-law, Jerri Lynn Lesser.
- Willam Hughes and family during the loss of his mother, Sylvia Hughes (Harvest member).
- Tori Harrison and family during the loss of her mother, Sara Bottoms Creamer.

HARVEST KIDS

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KIDS FALL CONFERENCE: GLOW IN THE DARK

Join us for our kids conference, *Glow in the Dark: Trusting God When You're Scared*, during the churchwide Fall Renewal Conference, September 24-26. Check-in begins each night at 6:40pm in KZ. Email kids@harvestdothan.com for more information.

TRANSFORMATION

Parents of 5th and 6th graders, we are starting a class to help your children transition to an understanding of how God wants to move in them through the Sunday morning worship service. The class is called Transformation and will be starting soon. Register your child by emailing kids@harvestdothan.com. More details to come!



SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

God calls us to serve one another in love. Matthew 20 says, "And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." The first become last and the last get a crown. Interested in serving sweet children? YOU might be exactly what a child needs. Come love on some kids and help them establish a strong foundation for many years to come! Saying "yes" means... questions, hugs, games, imagination, listening, fun, and being silly. Interested in volunteering on Sunday mornings in KZ? Contact us at kids@harvestdothan.com.



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text "@site56" to 81010 for 5th/8th grade info



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NOAH'S PARK

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We've just had class promotions in Noah's Park. Several of our classes gained many new children. We want all of our little ones to experience a very special time of growth and connection with Jesus Christ and to each other. The beginning of a new school year is a great time for you to jump in and play a role in serving this generation. Please contact preschool@harvestdothan.com if you would like to help make this a very successful year in the Lord for our children.

HARVEST YOUTH

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT HY SERVICES

6:45-8:15pm in the Worship Center | worship & teaching

This past Wednesday we had more students at youth than ever before! Praise God for all He is doing in our teenagers. As the youth group has been growing, there is an ever-increasing need for adults to give their time to help disciple the next generation. Teenagers are the future church and the church of today. If God is moving your heart to be involved here at Harvest in seeing this generation grow in the knowledge of Him, we want to hear from you. Call or email us and we can talk about the ways you can serve in Harvest Youth.

SIX FLAGS TRIP

On Saturday, September 9, we will be taking a trip to Six Flags (Atlanta, GA). Cost: \$40. Pay and fill out your release form online at www.HarvestDothan.com/SixFlags.

FALL RETREAT

October 15-17 at Laguna Beach Christian Retreat Center in Panama City Beach, FL. Total cost: \$100; \$50 deposit and HY release form due September 1. Balance due October 1.



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YOUTH GROUP MEETING
Wednesdays at 6:45pm

HARVEST YOUNG ADULTS

YOUNGADULTS@HARVESTDOTHAN.COM

TUESDAY NIGHTS

Join us on Tuesday nights at 7pm for worship, teaching, discussion, and fellowship at the home of Katrina and Toby Seay.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Contact us for details about any of the following events: August 26 - canoe trip, September 19 - cookout, October 7 - galaxy bowling.

HARVEST WORSHIP & PERFORMING ARTS

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GOING FOR THE GOLD

Saturday, August 26, 5pm, Westgate soccer fields. The goal for this community-wide event hosted by the Dothan Fire Department is to raise money for childhood cancer research. There will be music, food, and activities for kids. The Harvest Worship Team will be playing from 6-6:45pm.

HARVEST CHOIR

We love welcoming new members! If you would like being part of a friendly, ambitious, and fun-loving choir, then we invite you to join us. We meet every Sunday from 4:30-5:30pm in room 106 located in the Education Building.

SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS

HOW YOUR GIVING IS CHANGING THE WORLD

Part of your offerings and gifts go to Bruce and Becky McDonald, missionaries with **Regions Beyond International** (RBI) who have spent more than twenty-five years circling the globe fulfilling the great commission. The McDonalds have lived and ministered in the USSR, Latvia, Russia, Congo, Sudan, and Rwanda, and more. Their vision is to go where few have dared to go and where the gospel is virtually unknown, into some of the most difficult places on earth torn by war, famine (spiritual and natural), political unrest, severe climate, and economic instability; and to reach as many people groups as they can with the good news of Jesus Christ. One of their main jobs is to establish churches by building a Christian foundation and training nationals in pastoral leadership.

One example is the Gedeo tribe (population over a million), whose history of slavery (and being prevented from attending church) made them one of the most repressed peoples in Ethiopia. Region Beyond's work there has developed leaders who are now starting an average of one new church each month, and seventy-five percent of the tribe are now Christians! The government of Ethiopia recognized the work of Regions Beyond and the local RBI church leaders, honoring them for their contribution to the development of the tribe in culture and society. Another important tool in proclaiming the gospel is the television outreach. Bruce records many hours of Bible teachings each year, which is telecast to every area of North Africa and is the primary teaching source for new Christians in Islamic Africa.

God is using Bruce and Becky's obedience to advance His kingdom, and when you give to Harvest Church, you are part of this exciting outreach in the world. *Jesus said, "I tell you... look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest."* John 4:35

SOME WAYS YOU CAN PREPARE FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

1. Prepare your heart and mind. Pray. Listen to worship songs before you come.
2. Be aware that God wants to speak to you. Ask Him, "What are You saying to me today?" "What are you showing me?" Then meditate on it and respond.
3. Take care of the needs around you. If you see someone that needs help, offer to help; if you see something that needs to be done, step in.
4. When you choose your seat, move to the center of the row because it can be difficult for others to find and get to the seats in the middle during worship.
5. Pray for and expect God's presence and that His Spirit will move and people will respond to the truth. Prayers matter, desperate prayers even more.
6. Worship with earnest. Give greater glory to God.
7. Be aware of others around you. During the service, pray for someone near you to respond. Ask God to show you someone you can encourage. Let us be vessels of God's grace.

This is a summary from Pastor Ralph's Vision Meeting on August 13, 2017. To hear more, visit www.HarvestDothan.com and click on *Messages & Media Archive > Small Group Videos > Vision Meeting*.



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