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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...



On Sunday, I really felt led to ask everyone to be “fully engaged” in preparing for our Fall Renewal Conference. Some of you think that conferences are for those who have been around longer and are more “advanced” in following Christ. But this conference is for you! God wants to teach you some new things during this conference, and nothing is more important than what He wants to do.

Pray this week and ask the Lord to prepare you for the Conference. Pray that people will meet Christ, be filled with the Holy Spirit, and be set free. Ask the Lord to break barriers and walls, to give each of us more love and devotion for Him than we have ever had. Ask Him for more fruit and more anointing on your life. Ask Him to fill you with His Holy Spirit so you can accomplish your purpose in life!

Why should we expect so much from this Conference?

1. Because we prepare.
2. We come into the Conference seeking Him. The Lord promises we will find Him when we seek Him with a whole heart (Jeremiah 29:13).
3. God honors time committed to Him. Give this time to Him.
4. The cumulative affect of God’s word and presence is able to build in us as we meet together several nights in row.
5. God moves in response to faith. There will be much faith, because we pray and prepare, and because we have seen Him work powerfully in our conferences before.
6. The speaker is anointed for this time and seeking God’s direction. Chris Bounds is anointed by God!
7. Worship together is fun!

I am writing this article on the day that Hurricane Irma, the strongest hurricane on record, makes landfall in Florida. We prayed that the Lord would disperse Irma and that His Spirit will come to this Conference in hurricane force that we can see and feel. The affects of the Spirit’s wind includes what He wants to do in YOU during this Conference. So be asking Him to prepare you. Fully engage in these services so you can receive all of God’s best for your life!

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



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!

CHURCHWIDE PRAYER MEETING:

Sunday, September 17, 5:15-6:15pm, Worship Center

CHURCHWIDE FAST:

Tuesday, September 19

“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

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ATTENDANCE

AUGUST 20	1,657
8:45	801
10:45	856
<i>LiveStream</i>	<i>146</i>
AUGUST 27	1,598
8:45	778
10:45	820
<i>LiveStream</i>	<i>117</i>
SEPTEMBER 3	1,582
8:45	714
10:45	868
<i>LiveStream</i>	<i>110</i>



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MY STORY

There are great testimony videos available on our website! On our home page, click on "Message & Media" and then "My Story." Using these is an easy way to share Jesus with your family and friends. Share one a week on Facebook or send the link to a friend in an email or text.

GROUP LIFE

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CONNECT. GROW. SERVE.

THERE IS POWER IN GROUP PRAYER!

As you and your group meet in the weeks leading up to the Fall Conference, make it a priority to set time aside to seek the Lord together as a group. During this time, be sure to ask the Lord to prepare our hearts and minds as a church and to seek Him for more during the Conference.

No small groups will meet during the Fall Renewal Conference (Sept. 24-26).

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.

DISCIPLESHIP 1 FOR WOMEN

Saturdays at 9am in the Café.

HARVEST WORSHIP & PERFORMING ARTS

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WHY DO WE WORSHIP GOD?

1. *God asks us to worship Him. The largest book of the Bible is Psalms - full of praises.*
2. *Praise is our purpose. (1 Peter 2:9)*
3. *Because of what God has done. (Psalm 145:3, 48:1, 96:4; Luke 19:37-40) He who has been forgiven much loves much.*
4. *Worship changes everything. (Psalm 18:3, 95:5; John 4:23)*

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.

MINISTRY TEAMS

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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.

CONFERENCE SERVING TEAMS

We have several open serving opportunities during the upcoming Fall Renewal Conference (September 24-26), including doorgreeters, parking team, ushers, and coffee bar team. If you are able to serve, please contact us at ministryteams@harvestdothan.com or 334-702-6555 x231.

THE CRAFTERS GUILD

Have you wanted to learn a skill such as sewing, crocheting, painting, etc.? Do you know these skills and want to put them to good use? Our group has started back, and we invite you to join us! We'll have an instructor come and demonstrate an easy-to-learn project, and we will sell what we

create to raise money for the benevolence fund. Meeting dates: September 23, October 7 & 21, and November 4. To join, contact Jessica Hicks at hicks.jess@gmail.com or Heather Frith at melissa_081@hotmail.com. Find us on Facebook: The Crafter's Guild.

DAVID JEREMIAH: A LIFE BEYOND AMAZING TOUR

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

FIRE & WORSHIP

All Women of Harvest are invited to join us October 13 from 6-8pm for an evening of food, fellowship, and fun under the stars. Tickets are \$5 (transferable but not refundable) and can be purchased online or at the Resource Center. The testimony will cover sensitive cultural issues, so please no children at the event. For more info, contact women@harvestdothan.com.



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CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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BAPTISMS

The following people were baptized on Sunday, August 20:

- Liora Abernathy
- Marcus Cotton Jr.
- Javius Dunn
- Caleb Johnson
- Alana Morris

BABY DEDICATIONS

Everleigh Harrison (daughter of Brock and Tori Harrison) was dedicated to the Lord on Sunday, August 27, 2017.

BIRTHS

Charlie Jane Morgan, daughter

of Chris and Lindsey Morgan, was born on August 18, 2017.

BEREAVEMENTS

Please be in prayer for the family of Kelli Trammel during their loss.

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.

APLIN FARMS TRIPS

K-1st grade: October 11 (6-8:30pm) // 2nd-4th grade: October 25 (6-8:30pm) // H56 (5th-6th grade): October 29 (5-8:15pm). Please contact us at kids@harvestdothan.com for more details.

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. Details coming soon.



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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NOAH'S PARK

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We want your little ones to join us for the Fall Renewal Conference (September 24-26). Our preschoolers will be learning more about God's Holy Word and what it means to be a follower of Jesus through the video series "What's in the Bible? with Buck Denver." There will be a time of teaching followed by questions, answers, and prayer. Children will also enjoy a time of crafts, snacks, and fellowship with friends. Be sure not to miss it! Check-in begins at 6:40pm each night.



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WEDNESDAY NIGHT HY SERVICES

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

MIDDLE SCHOOL BONFIRE

Friday, September 22, 6-8pm, location TBA. All 7th and 8th graders are invited to join us. Girls, bring a sweet snack, and guys, bring a salty snack.

SEE YOU AT THE POLE

Wednesday, September 27, at 6:30pm in the Worship Center. Speaker: Mike Bond.

FALL RETREAT

October 15-17 at Laguna Beach Christian Retreat Center in Panama City Beach, FL. Total cost: \$100 - due October 1 along with your HY release form. Sign up and pay online at www.HarvestDothan.com/fallretreat.



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TUESDAY NIGHT YA MEETINGS

7pm at the home of Katrina & Toby Seay | worship, teaching, discussion, & fellowship

COOKOUT

Tuesday, September 19, 7pm, Katrina and Toby Seay's house. Hamburgers, hotdogs, and drinks will be provided; bring your favorite side or dessert to share!

THE RIVER

Friday, September 22, time and location TBD. Join us for a night of worship and prayer as we

press into God and spend some time focused on praying for the upcoming churchwide Fall Renewal Conference (September 24-26 - no YA that week).

GALAXY BOWLING

Saturday, October 7, 9:30-11:30pm, Patricia Lanes. Cost: \$10. Plan to meet us there a little early so we can reserve enough lanes.



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SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS

HOW YOUR GIVING IS CHANGING THE WORLD

Because of your offerings to Harvest, we are able to give to **The Voice of the Martyrs (VOM)**, a ministry that serves persecuted Christians with practical and spiritual assistance. VOM puts priority on informing the world of the faith and courage of persecuted Christians and inspiring those of us who live in freedom to walk in a deeper level of commitment to Christ by sharing their stories. VOM works hard to equip persecuted believers to win those to Christ who are opposed to the gospel in their part of the world.

Right now VOM is calling for prayer for the Christians in India. *“As God’s kingdom expands in India, persecution of Christians also increases. When nationalistic Hindu extremists see that they are losing the hearts of the people, they push harder. More Christians are beaten in an attempt to force them to reconvert to Hinduism, more church services are interrupted, more church buildings are burned down, more pastors are imprisoned, and more believers must flee their homes.”* Our brothers and sisters suffering persecution need help and we can do that by supporting the ministry of the Voice of the Martyrs. In addition to continuing to give, please pray especially for the Church in India during this time of intensified attack.

Harvest gives 10% of all offerings to missions. You can give online at www.HarvestDothan.com, through our Harvest Church app, or by scanning the QR code located on our Sunday morning announcement sheet. If giving by cash, please always fill out an offering envelope with your name and address in order for your gift to be recorded for tax purposes. Thank you for giving!

Fall Renewal Conference

CHRIS BOUNDS ON SIN AND REDEMPTION:

The Scriptures describe human beings as slaves to sin. While it might appear we have some degree of control over sin in our lives, in the end we are slaves to it. So much so, the apostle Paul wrote that even when we know what we are called to do, and even when we want to walk in obedience to God, too often we lack the power to follow through with our good intentions (Romans 7:14-25). If we search our hearts, we find a bend or propensity toward rebellion, disobedience, and selfishness ruling our lives. A godly life of virtue, love of God, and love of neighbor do not come easily to us.

Christ not only forgives and reconciles, but He also cleanses us from sin. Christ actually makes us holy... When the Holy Spirit through Christ takes residence in our lives, He begins the process of transforming our attitudes, interests, and actions, while He confronts us with an internal principle of selfishness and sin that persists stubbornly in us. The Holy Spirit must give us faith to believe in Christ’s sanctifying (cleansing) work.

Come to the Fall Renewal Conference to hear more and to grow in faith for God’s transforming work in your life!



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