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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...



Part of LIVING A WISE LIFE is recognizing opportunities and taking advantage of them. I am sure there were people in Israel in Jesus' day who were too busy or distracted to even go hear Him. **April 1 is Easter**, and it is a great opportunity to do what God put us on earth to do — to bring glory to God and to help people be transformed for this life and for eternity!

All followers of Christ are called to be witnesses. Jesus commanded us to proclaim the gospel to all the world, starting in our hometown (Acts 1:8). We are told to go out to the people. But on Easter, *more than any other day*, they will come to us if we invite them. One study shows that if people are invited to church for Easter by someone they know, 89% of those will come. Don't miss this opportunity!

I encourage you to pray, make a list of people you can invite, and think of ways you can invite people you don't know. Call them or go to them. Invite the five you're praying for. Invite family, friends, co-workers, and classmates. Knock on the door of your neighbors' houses and say, *"Hi. I just wanted to invite you to join us at Harvest Church for Easter. It's really going to be good, and I'd love for you to come."* Invite your doctor and dentist and lawyer (who might really need to be there). Some of us will invite nurses and other employees on the hospital floors, go into bars to invite people, or into the stores to invite others.

I'd like to challenge each of you to invite at least 10 people. **If we can just get them to Jesus, He can change everything.** Pray for each person you invite to come, then pray for God to reveal himself powerfully to each one, and change their lives.

God is giving us a great opportunity. In wisdom, set every distraction aside and invest fully in this outreach!

# IN THE SPOTLIGHT



**DAVID BEATY**  
Congregational Care  
Assistant Pastor

**KEITH FRITH**  
Small Groups Pastor

**RUSTY FRITH**  
Director of Worship &  
Performing Arts Academy

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Assistant Pastor

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Congregational Care  
Pastor

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Children's Director

**JOEL SIGLER**  
Youth Pastor

**RALPH SIGLER**  
Founding and Lead  
Pastor

**SANDY UHLER**  
Ministry Teams Director

**LIFE**  
**OVERFLOWING**  
**LIFE**

*Easter at Harvest Church*

**SUNDAY, APRIL 1**

MORNING SERVICE TIMES:  
7:45 | 9:20 | 11:00

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**EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA**  
Saturday, March 24, 10am-noon  
Houston County Farm Center  
*See page 5 for details.*

**TENEBRAE SERVICE**  
Thursday, March 29, 7pm  
Harvest Worship Center  
*See page 3 for details.*

## ATTENDANCE

<b>FEBRUARY 25</b>	<b>1,551</b>
8:45	783
10:45	768
<i>LiveStream</i>	<i>192</i>
<b>MARCH 4</b>	<b>1,517</b>
8:45	722
10:45	795
<i>LiveStream</i>	<i>194</i>
<b>MARCH 11</b>	<b>1,427</b>
8:45	624
10:45	803
<i>LiveStream</i>	<i>133</i>

## SPIRITUAL LIFE CONFERENCE APRIL 29 - MAY 2

**SPEAKER: BRAD MCCLAIN**

Our main event of the year begins in 5 short weeks! Main services: Sunday morning and Sunday-Wednesday nights at 7pm. Lunch sessions: Monday-Wednesday at 11:50am. This is a very important time for Harvest, so pray, invite people, and be ready to let God use you to make an eternal difference!

## GROUP LIFE

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### OPEN SMALL GROUP

Do you have a threatening giant in your life? An adversary or stronghold that's diminishing your ability to live a full and free life? God has a better plan for you — a plan for you to live in victory! Join us on Wednesdays at 6:45pm in the Worship Center as we look at the keys to living a life free from our giants and keeping our eyes on the one and only giant-slayer: JESUS.

### DISCIPLESHIP 1

The Discipleship series of Harvest Church is an original five-phase program written by our founding Pastor, Ralph Sigler. This life-changing small group study is designed to

equip believers to confidently live as disciples and to make disciples of Christ. Join us for *Discipleship 1: Life as a Disciple* beginning Sunday, April 8, at 6:30pm in Room 101. Child-care available.

### KINGDOM WARFARE

Sundays, 6:30pm, Room 105, beginning April 8. This study, recommended for those who have completed Discipleship phases 1-5, offers an in-depth look at practical living in God's kingdom and challenges users to examine their daily lives in light of God's Word.

### LIFE BEYOND AMAZING

Tuesdays, 6:30pm, Worship Center, beginning April 10.

This small group study answers the questions that keep us up at night and shows that the way forward is in knowing who we are in Christ and why living in that knowledge matters. God has given us all we need for godly character, but we must diligently build it by adding one virtue upon another in partnership with Him.

### FATHERHOOD

Tuesdays, 7pm, Room 105. Being a dad is one of the most important and influential roles a man could ever play in his life. But being a good dad doesn't always come naturally. That's what this study is all about — setting you up to win as a dad.

## NEED HELP FINDING A SMALL GROUP? LET US HELP!

Email the word "Connect" to [grouplife@harvestdothan.com](mailto:grouplife@harvestdothan.com) and our Small Groups department will be in contact with you.

## HARVEST WORSHIP & PERFORMING ARTS

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### TENEBRAE SERVICE

Thursday, March 29, 7pm, Worship Center. This service is very meaningful for all ages in preparation for Easter as a time to reflect on the last hours of Jesus' life on earth. The word Tenebrae means "shadows" or "darkness" in Latin. The gradual extinguishing of the lights and candles will be symbolic of the flight of the disciples and friends of Jesus and the resentment of the world leading to the final isolation of Jesus on the cross. Childcare will be available for preschool and nursery only.

### ADULT CHOIR

If you would like to be a part of a friendly, ambitious, and fun-loving choir, then we invite you to join us for practice on Sundays from 4:30-5:30pm in Room 106 (Education Building).

## MINISTRY TEAMS



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### EASTER VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

Easter is the perfect time to connect to a ministry team here at Harvest! You can sign up online at [www.HarvestDothan.com/ServeThisEaster](http://www.HarvestDothan.com/ServeThisEaster) or call 334-702-6555 x231. Regular servers: see your team leader for specific team needs.

### EASTER WORK DAY

Calling all office volunteers! On Thursday, March 22, at 10am in the Office Bldg, we will need your help stuffing first-time-visitor bags for Easter Sunday and preparing/sorting our annual city-wide Easter mailout. Lunch will be provided.

### EASTER SUNDAY SETUP

Saturday, March 31, 9am, Worship Center. Join us as we get ready for Easter Sunday (April 1)! Teams will be serving together to prepare the Cafe, coffee bars, Guest Info desk, honey table, first-time visitor tent, refreshment tables, Resource Center, restrooms, and Worship Center. Many servant hearts are needed. For more info, email [ministryteams@harvestdothan.com](mailto:ministryteams@harvestdothan.com).



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*A BIG thanks to the approximately 200 people who participated in our first SERVE Day on March 10! It was wonderful to hear reports of all the ways that God moved in our community. So many contributed by serving, donating, and praying. Our next SERVE Day will be this summer, so stay tuned! If you'd like to join our SERVE Team, sign up at [www.HarvestDothan.com/SERVEDay](http://www.HarvestDothan.com/SERVEDay). You can also connect on our Facebook page, "Outreach Ministry SERVE Team - Harvest Church." Thanks again for being a blessing!*

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE



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### BEREAVEMENTS

*Please be in prayer for the following people:*

- Ellison Rambo and family during the loss of his grandfather.
- Marie Derosier and family during the loss of her mother.
- Larry Weaver and family during the loss of his wife,

Debbi Weaver.

- Melissa and Emily Bowman and family during the loss of Melissa's mother (Emily's grandmother), Phillis Smith.

### BIRTHS

- Victoria Rose Borland, daughter of Aris and Adrienne Borland, was born on March 13.

### PASTORAL COUNSELING

Our pastors are committed to providing you confidential counseling on a short-term basis. Contact Congregational Care at 334-702-6555 x234 or email [ccare@harvestdothan.com](mailto:ccare@harvestdothan.com) to make an appointment with a pastor for counseling.

## HARVEST KIDS

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### EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA

Join us for our annual Easter Extravaganza on Saturday, March 24, from 10am-noon at the Houston County Farm Center. Come enjoy face painting, inflatables, egg hunts for different age groups, Dothan Ice Cream, the story of Easter, balloon creations, concessions, and more! Admission is free. Bring your friends and family! *We need many volunteers to make this event a success, so if you are able to help out, please sign up online at [www.HarvestDothan.com/EasterExtravaganza](http://www.HarvestDothan.com/EasterExtravaganza).*

### SAY YES TO THE NEXT GENERATION!

Want to get out of your comfort zone and sacrifice just a little time to make a HUGE impact? These kids are our future! Come play a part in shaping this generation of young believers. Saying "yes" means... games, imagination, listening, questions, hugs, and fun. Interested in volunteering on Sunday mornings in KZ? Contact us at [kids@harvestdothan.com](mailto:kids@harvestdothan.com).



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## NOAH'S PARK

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### SERVING IN NOAH'S PARK

#### EASTER

Easter is a great time of joy and celebration! Many will come to church to hear the wonderful news about our risen Savior. We will need many more people to partner with our team on Easter Sunday (April 1). Please be in prayer about serving with us for one of our three services (7:45, 9:20, and 11:00). Information is available at the registration desk in Noah's Park.

#### SPIRITUAL LIFE CONFERENCE

Our Spiritual Life Conference is right around the corner (April 29 - May 2). Noah's Park will need many extra helpers to serve on our team as we usually have as many children in attendance during the evening services as on Sunday mornings. We will also need help with the childcare we provide during the lunch sessions. Please pray about serving for at least one of these services. If you can help, email [preschool@harvestdothan.com](mailto:preschool@harvestdothan.com). Thank you!

# HARVEST YOUTH

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## WEDNESDAY NIGHT HY SERVICES

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

### EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA FUNDRAISER

Saturday, March 24, 9:15am-12:30pm, Houston County Farm Center. Come be a part of the HY concession stand and raise funds to help pay for retreats and summer activities!

### AFTERGLOW

Stick around after our service on Wednesday, March 28, for soccer and kickball at Westgate! Parents, pick up at Optimist Field at 9pm.

### EASTER SERVING OPPORTUNITY

Traditionally, HY has served on Easter Sunday at the First Time Visitor Tent. Come help

us welcome in first time guests! Service times for April 1 are 7:45, 9:20, and 11am (be there 15 minutes before service starts).

### SPRING RETREAT

Friday, April 13 - Sunday, April 15 at Camp Anderson in Old Town, FL. Our annual Spring Retreat is only 3 weeks away! Save the date and make plans to join us! This is a great time to get away and focus on building relationships, having fun, and growing in the Lord. Transportation provided. The total cost is \$100; \$25 nonrefundable deposit is due by Wednesday, March 28. Follow us on social media for sign-up details!



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## HARVEST YOUNG ADULTS

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### TUESDAY NIGHT YA MEETINGS

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

### NEWSBOYS CONCERT

March 24 at 6pm at the Dothan Civic Center! If you've purchased your ticket and plan to attend the concert with us, make sure you arrive early so we can get seats together.

### LOVE IN ACTION SERVICE PROJECT

We will be serving meals at the Love in Action medical clinic on Thursday, April 12, and praying for people as they leave. Join us in blessing the homeless in our community! More details to come.



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# SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS

## *HOW YOUR GIVING IS CHANGING THE WORLD*

Through Harvest you are helping support **Jamie and Bethany Sexton**, missionaries in China. Jamie grew up in the youth group at Harvest. He was always faithful in his commitment to God, the church, school, and in serving others. He met Bethany and after college they both spent several years living and working in China and acquired knowledge about the Chinese culture and language.

When a Chinese Christian non-profit extended an invitation to them to use their work skills in Taiyuan, they were excited about the possibilities. Accepting that call, they temporarily returned to the U.S. in order to raise support and locate additional partners to support their ministry.

Now they have committed the next three years of their lives to serving with the local government and local church in Taiyuan. Working with the local organization, Evergreen, they will help with community development to train the people in various fields. This is a unique opportunity because it is authorized by China and is not underground work. Therefore, they will have the privilege of sharing legally for the benefit of both the government and the people. They will be able to walk alongside Chinese brothers and sisters in God's active work of reconciliation and restoration. They will also be working to bolster youth leadership and share hope through the community camp ministry, which is the only recognized Christian camp that the Sextons have ever seen sanctioned in China.

Jamie and Bethany request prayer for connections with future financial and prayer partners and for protection and good health as they pursue God's will and work in China.

What a privilege we have as a church to help send one of our own to minister the good news on the other side of the world in a place that is desperate for hope, life, and truth!

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### **HARVEST ON FACEBOOK LIVE**

We are now streaming our Sunday morning services LIVE on Facebook! Like us (search "Harvest Church Dothan") so you will get notified about posts, page updates, and when we go live. We encourage you to SHARE the live feed so others who are not able to make it to church on Sunday will have a chance to watch our service. This past Sunday we had nearly 2,000 who had viewed part of the service on Facebook by evening!

### **WEEKLY PRAYER MEETINGS**

Join us for prayer in the Worship Center on Tuesday and Friday mornings from 6-7am.  
*"Then if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14*



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### **Guest Wi-Fi at Harvest**

Network name: Harvest Public Password: praisehim!



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Easter *at* Harvest Church

SUNDAY, APRIL 1 7:45 | 9:20 | 11:00

SEE PAGE 2 FOR DETAILS

WORSHIPING ON SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 8:45 & 10:45AM

**SPIRITUAL LIFE CONFERENCE | APRIL 29 - MAY 2 WITH BRAD MCCLAIN**