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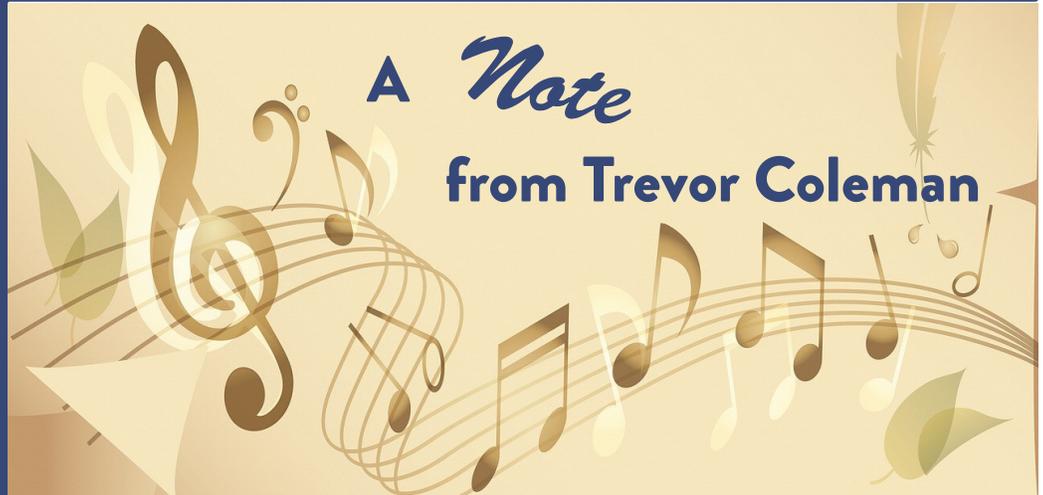
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A Note from Trevor Coleman

Greetings, Hurstbourne Baptist Church! Chelsey, Grant, and I are so excited to make our transition to Louisville in August as we become a part of the Hurstbourne church family! We were so blessed by our visit in June as we met so many wonderful people and were welcomed with such kindness and generosity. It was an honor to be able to lead the church in worship as we sang of our glorious Savior, Jesus, and of His profound work in our lives. It is evident that Hurstbourne Baptist Church is made up of Spirit-filled people who love the Lord, love the church, and love serving and worshipping there. During our visit to the church in June, I had the opportunity to share some of my background and testimony with the worship team, and I would love to be able to share that again here with the whole church.

I am originally from upstate New

York, where I lived until my early teen years. I was unchurched as a child so I didn't grow up learning Bible stories, Christian songs, or the gospel of Jesus. When I was 11 years old, my oldest brother began attending a Baptist church called North Country Fellowship, where his girlfriend sang in the praise team. My mother, other brother, and myself also began attending. This was the first place where I heard the gospel. A couple of years later, when I was 13, my family moved to Westerly, Rhode Island due to a transfer of my mother's job. I didn't cope with this life change well, having left behind all of my friends and the only place I had ever known. I felt incredibly lost and angry. A year later, my parents separated and eventually divorced. So, at the age of 14, I found myself in a new state, a new house, going to a new school, and having to make new friends; I was dealing with

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anxiety and depression, and now my family seemed to be imploding. I felt that I was at the end of myself.

It was through this experience that God revealed to me how I was clinging to my own earthly understanding of peace and security. He showed me that the only way I could have any true peace, hope, and joy in life was if I placed my trust in Jesus. One night, I was desperate for peace and sobbing because the world seemed to be shattering around me. God allowed me to realize that He was the answer to my struggles. I confessed my sins to God and cried out to Him to rescue me from my sins and from the pain that I was going through. I declared that Jesus Christ is Lord and I placed my faith in Him as the Lord of my life.

God has shown me His grace in so many ways in my life. Some of the most difficult circumstances that I've gone through have led to the best moments of my life. God is a redeeming God! (Romans 8:28) He has blessed me with an incredibly gifted woman in

my wife, Chelsey. We have been married for 8 years and we are thankful to be able to serve the Lord as a couple and in ministry together. We love being parents to our son, Grant, who was born after we struggled with infertility for four years, and we are thankful to God for growing us in how to be content in all circumstances, even when His plan and timing are different than ours.

Again, we are truly looking forward to being in Louisville and at Hurstbourne Baptist Church. We do ask for your prayers as we make our transition in the coming weeks. Please pray that the Lord will give us strength and wisdom as we head your way. We are praying for all of you as well, and we can't wait to worship the Lord with you again soon!

Blessings,

Trevor Coleman

*Minister of
Worship*

Upcoming Events



New Church Directory!

FINAL PICTURE APPOINTMENT DATE:

August 11

Sign up online at UCDIR.COM (login: ky359 / password: photos) or call the church office!

It won't be the same without you!



Thank-You Notes

Church Family, your prayers make a difference!

Sandra Petrey After the passing of Sandra's husband

Thank you for blessing us during the passing of John with your love, presence, cards, and prayers. The flower arrangement was beautiful. All of this will be a reminder to us of what God's love looks like in action.

Margaret Fain & Lori Sharp After the passing of Lori's father

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers sent for Dad's funeral, the cards, and visits. You have been such an encouragement and support to our family. God has blessed us with a wonderful church family. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus.

The Davis Family After the passing of Doug's father

I wish to thank you for the beautiful flowers that were provided for Dad's celebration service. Your gracious support, prayers, and friendship have been greatly appreciated by our family. May the Lord keep you all safe and healthy! Blessings to all.

The Olaolorun Family With gratitude

You have fed us spiritually and blessed us physically and financially. We are very grateful for your support. May Christ, the head of the church, reward you all exceedingly abundantly.

The Cooksey Family After Mel's passing

The family of Mellwood Cooksey, Jr., acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy at Mel's service and at the funeral.

Paul & Kim Boyd After the passing of Paul's mom

Kim and I can't thank you enough for the support we have felt since joining HBC and through the passing of my mother, Martha Boyd. As an only child it is special to have you as my large, extended family. The floral bouquet is beautiful and a reminder of God's blessings. Thank you for making a difficult time manageable. Anxious to see everyone at church.

Anita Thomason After the passing of Anita's sister

What would I do without you. Thank you for the beautiful flowers, and all the cards, calls, and wonderful prayers. Like I said, what would I do without you. My blessings are many.

Diane Sturgeon After the passing of Diane's son

The flowers you sent in honor of my son, Michael (Tony) Peak was one of my favorite arrangements. My gratitude to the Winsome Class for the years of support for my son Tony. He thought so much of these ladies.

The Family of Arlene Carman After Arlene's passing

Thank you for the lovely flowers and for your faithful visits to Aunt Arlene. She so much enjoyed the visits and gifts.

Joyce Allison After the passing of Joyce's sister

Thank you for your expression of loving care. The flowers are beautiful. I love you all so much. How blessed I am to belong to the family of Hurstbourne Baptist Church (God's family).

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort we ourselves are comforted by God." - 2 Corinthians 1:3-4



Upcoming Events



Recent Giving

June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
Budget \$24,442.13 Fred Tucker \$475.25 Media Ministry \$1,558.00 Memorial Gifts– Bud Bartley \$25.00 Benevolence COVID-19 Fund \$400.25	Budget \$23,358.27 Benevolence COVID-19 Fund \$1,000.00	Budget \$28,367.09 Fred Tucker \$50.00 Benevolence COVID-19 Fund \$200.00	Budget \$20,340.43 Fred Tucker \$300.00 Media Ministry \$920.00 Benevolence COVID-19 Fund \$75.10 World Hunger \$15.05
TOTAL: \$26,900.63	TOTAL: \$24,358.27	TOTAL: \$28,617.09	TOTAL: \$21,650.58
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August Birthdays



August 1

Sandra McCormack
Wendell Hawes

August 3

Jason Leverett
Katie Staggs

August 5

Ginny Donnell
Helen Heilmann
Jan Wilt
Marcia Littlefield
Sean Dreisbach

August 6

Jenny Barham
Julia Bippus
Kathryn Housley

August 7

Austin Linton

August 8

Dawn Campbell
Glen Laffoon
Penelope Head

August 10

Mac Maclin

August 11

Andrew Gowans

August 12

Olivia Edgar

August 15

Ron Arnold

August 16

LuAnn Thomas
Mike Jones

August 18

Ken Cooper

August 19

Charles Heuke
Noah Singleton
Sami Seavey
Vandana Aghamkar

August 20

Aimee Houvenagle
Bella Malatesta
Kim Boyd

August 21

Becky Wiley
Victoria Craig

August 22

Bob McCormack
Charlotte Nation
Ed Wiley
Melodie Oliver

August 23

Cary Donnell
Clarrice Campbell
Emma Clark

August 24

Carol Bennett Brown
Taylor Landgrave

August 25

Barbara Head

August 26

Rick Impens

August 27

Luxe Trivett

August 28

Bill Croley

August 29

Christopher Embry
David Taylor

August 30

Dolores Duggins
Doris Barriger

August 31

Allie Clark
Bob Carpenter
Johnnie Stewart
Olivia English



A Note from Hannah

On Peanut Butter Pie and Hope

The first dessert I ever made from scratch was peanut butter pie from my mom's brown rooster cookbook. This is one of those family cookbooks with the cover falling off and the pages stained from sticky, ingredient covered fingers (a cookbook you can trust).

To make this pie you must first prepare a filling on the stovetop for what seems like forever. Then you pour that filling over a homemade pie crust dusted with powdered sugar and peanut butter clusters. The pie is then topped with more of the sugar-peanut butter mixture and a half-foot tall cloud of merengue. Finally, the pie is broiled in the oven until the waves of merengue peaks brown to perfection.

Peanut butter pie is an art and, for so long, I just could not get the consistency of the filling right. I brought a runny pie to family Christmas for more years than I'd like to admit (I'm forever grateful to my uncle who ate a huge slice with a smile, year after year).

You're probably wondering why I'm sharing this. Well, I want to talk about those moments when I first mixed the filling ingredients in the saucepan, took the pan to the stove top, and began to stir. Those moments between stirring and boiling, between runny mixture and thick filling—the "in-between."

I want to talk about a four-letter word. Because what I did, as I whisked my filling almost angrily, was *hope*. I hoped against hope that, this time, my pie filling would thicken.

What is hope?

When you say, "I hope so," what do you mean? I think, generally, we mean that we wait for our desired outcome, knowing that what we desire may not come to pass. In other words, our hope is uncertain, moveable, malleable. The world "hopes" for things because there is no other option than to "hope," just like I hoped that my pie filling would thicken. Still, a bitter edge of doubt always clouded my hope because I recognized the possibility that my hope would not come to pass.

But Jesus has shown us a better way. The Greek word for hope in the New Testament, "Elpis," means "joyful and confident expectation of eternal salvation."¹ See the significant difference? When we hope biblically, we hope in Jesus, and we trust fully that His plans will come to pass. In other words, biblical hope is certain, immovable, indestructible. John Piper says, "Biblical hope is not a mere desire for something good to happen. It is a confident expectation and desire for something good in the future. Biblical hope has moral certainty in it."² There is no bitterness in this hope because it is grounded in the knowledge of who God is, not our circumstances.

In what/whom do we place our hope?

The world places hope in the hands of self, others, or circumstances. When we place our expectation for fulfilled hopes in the hands of broken people or situations, we should be prepared for disappointment.

Believers are called to place their hope in Jesus Christ. When we place our expectation for fulfilled hopes in the hands of the perfect Son of God, we can prepare ourselves to be filled with "fullness of joy" (Psalm 16:11), because whatever we are going through will pass and we will one day see the Father. We must get this right before we can ever "hope well" in this world.

What do we do when our hope is realized?

I want to be quick to mention that I am not negating the validity of hoping in "worldly" things. David hoped for safety, Abraham hoped for a child, Naomi hoped for a husband for Ruth, and Paul hoped to see the church in Philippi. As believers, we can hope for things in this world, but those hopes must be pinned against the backdrop of our steadfast hope of knowing and glorifying God.

Sometimes, our hopes are fulfilled. In Ezra, God "stirred up the spirit" of King Cyrus so that all of the Israelites were allowed to return home and rebuild the temple (Ezra 1:1). In chapter three, we find three things we can do



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when our hopes are fulfilled: (1) remember and praise God (Ezra 3:11); (2) continue in what the Lord has called you to do today (Ezra 3:10); and (3) recognize that this world is still broken, and weep over what has been lost (Ezra 3:12-13).

What do we do when our hope is not realized?

Sometimes our hopes are not fulfilled. In the book of Philippians, we read that Paul wanted to go visit Philippi, but the Lord took him to a jail cell instead. Paul models for us three things we can do when our hopes are not fulfilled: (1) pray joyfully (Phil. 1:3-4); (2) look for the ways that the gospel is advancing through your situation (Philippians 1:12); and (3) hope in the Lord (Philippians 2:19).

Who is our ultimate Hope?

I've had so many conversations lately that have been filled with "hopes" for COVID to go away, for life to get back to normal, for circumstances to change. I hope alongside you for all of those things. But I

want to remind you that we have a greater hope. And I want to encourage you to take every chance you get to remind those around you of the hope we have in Christ, who is "making all things new" (Revelation 21:5). Jesus is our sure and steady hope that always, always, makes things turn out for his glory and our good.

P.S. In case you're wondering, I did finally get the consistency of my peanut butter pie just right. The secret was adding just a bit of cornstarch. Voila!

- **Hannah Deaton**
*Communications
Coordinator*

¹ Inside BST et al., "Elpis Meaning In Bible - New Testament Greek Lexicon - New American Standard", Bible Study Tools, Last modified 2020, <https://www.biblestudytools.com/lexicons/greek/nas/elpis.html>.

² John Piper, "What Is Hope?", Desiring God, Last modified 2020, <https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/what-is-hope>.

Upcoming Events

**STUDENT
PARK
NIGHTS**

GAMES! BIBLE STUDY!

**TUESDAYS
6:30-8:30PM**

**CHECK TEAM APP OR
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