

ON THE HORIZON

Spring NEWSLETTER

A Letter From The Pastor

Spring is here, and I'm grateful for the way God continues to steady and grow our church. February through April will be a strong season for us in the Word and in our life together.

In our Gospel series, we're coming to the close of the Sermon on the Mount and then stepping into a stretch where Jesus' authority and compassion are on full display. You'll see Him heal, restore, confront unbelief, and call people into real discipleship. My prayer is simple: that you won't just learn more about Jesus, but that you'll follow Him more closely. Let this be a season where obedience becomes normal for you, not occasional.

We also have some meaningful moments as a church family.

Stan is getting married the weekend of February 21st, and we're thankful for God's grace in his life as he begins that new chapter.

On February 22nd, Danny Mendoza will be with us to preach, and he'll also help us highlight state missions during our giving time that weekend.

Then we move toward Easter on April 5th. Easter is always a chance to reset your heart and to invite someone who needs hope. Start praying now for one person you can bring with you. A simple invitation can be the beginning of a changed life.

Thank you for being a church that loves people, serves faithfully, and keeps showing up. Let's walk into this spring with eyes on Jesus and hands ready to help.

With love and gratitude,
PASTOR JOHN STRADER



DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE A CHURCH CALENDAR?

For the most updated information on events, use this QR code to view our church calendar!
If you would like to add something on the calendar to share with everyone, contact Rose Bess.



SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday School 9:30 | Worship Service 10:45

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We have childcare for all kids, infant to 5th grade, through Sunday School and Children's Church. Sunday School is at 9:30AM and Children's Church at 10:45AM.



Fifth Sunday Family Fusion

The Children's Ministry is hosting Family Fusion on Sunday, March 29th, so come and join us for a Palm Sunday celebration!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Junior High and High School students are invited to join us for Sunday School at 9:30AM as we study books of the Bible and discuss together. Be sure to come back Sunday evening to learn more about living for Christ and loving our neighbor.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Strong Families

Meeting Room 103

This class is led by Chad Bishop. The goal is for each individual to be the best follower of Christ they can be. The group is working through books of the Bible, and their application to each person's role within the family, workplace, and community.

Ladies Sunday School

Meeting Room 114

This class is led by Veronica George and is for women, single, widowed, never married, or married now divorced. Ms. Lela shares "There is a lot that single women can and will do for the cause of Christ and a lot of it comes from being 'single' women. Our experiences are unique but we have a lot to offer to God and to others."

Living Long & Loving It Spiritual Growth

Meets in the Sanctuary

This is a fun-loving Sunday School Class that believes in spiritual growth with a hint of laughter along the way. It is led by Mr. Charles Graham. Everyone is welcome and will definitely be made to feel like part of the family!

GET CONNECTED

Sprightly Stroll and Supplication

Walk and Pray

The next stroll will be Wednesday, February 11th from 8:30-10AM at Lost Creek Park. It is held weekly through the Spring, unless otherwise decided due to weather, holidays, or other conflicts. There is a group message on Facebook for anyone interested in joining--invite your friends to come too! Please contact Pastor Jodie to get connected with updates.

Sprightly Stroll and Supplication is a group that gathers to pray out loud and walk together on the park trails. The prayer is focused on needs in the community and church, as well as any personal prayer requests from the group.

Single Ladies Bible Study

All Single Ladies

The Single Ladies home group will begin Wednesday, February 28th, and will meet on Wednesdays weekly from 6:30-8:30PM. They are continuing to study the "Women of the Bible". This is a group for all single women, including widows and divorcees, for spiritual growth and fellowship together. If you are interested in joining, contact Rose Bess.



Family Home Group

All Adults Welcome

The Family Home Group meets on a Friday each month at 7PM and we welcome kids to join in the evening! Our Spring gatherings will be:

February 27th

March 27th

April 24th

FAMILY HOME GROUP: GROWING TOGETHER THROUGH THE BATTLE

Our Family Home Group has been a real blessing. We've got a solid group showing up each month, building friendships, praying for one another, and going deeper than surface-level conversation.

If you've been looking for a place to belong, this is a great way to get connected. We meet on the last Friday of the month. Come ready for a relaxed evening with meaningful discussion, encouragement, and time in God's Word. Kids are welcome, and you don't need to feel like you have everything together to come. Just show up. If you're new to Horizon, or you've been here a while but haven't found your people yet, we'd love to have you join us. Reach out to Pastor John for location details and what to bring.

Senior Ladies Book Study

Senior Ladies (50+)

The Senior Ladies Bible study is every Tuesday at 10AM, and started again on February 3rd with the study "Common Ground" by Amberly Neese, discussing how to love others despite our differences. They meet at the church for fellowship, which typically lasts until 11:30AM. Those who are available to gather for lunch then go to a restaurant of choice together--an optional time for additional visiting! If you have any questions or are interested in joining, contact Lela Burgess.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

VBS is Coming--And We Need Your Help!

Monday, July 20th to Friday, July 24th















Vacation Bible School is around the corner, with a theme of "Kingdom Quest" as our children will go on an epic journey to discover God's kingdom! We are currently in need of volunteers who can serve as a lead or assistant teachers.

VBS will provide programming for children all day, from July 20th to 24th. Volunteers who are 6th grade and older are welcome to take part! If you are interested or would like to join in, contact Gabby Vesely.



Sunday Evenings | 5-6:30PM

AWANA THEME NIGHTS

FEBRUARY				
Crazy Socks Night February 1 st 	Hugs and Kisses Night February 8 th 	Regular Night February 15 th 	AWANA Store Night February 22 nd 	
MARCH				
Go Western March 1 st 	Fruit of the Spirit March 8 th 	NO AWANA March 15 th <i>Spring Break</i>	Regular Night March 22 nd 	Triple Points Night March 29 th 
APRIL				
NO AWANA April 5 th <i>Easter</i>	Missions Night April 12 th 	Leader Appreciation Night April 19 th 	Super Scooper Night April 26 th 	
MAY				
Moving Up Night May 3 rd 	NO AWANA May 10 th <i>Mother's Day</i>	Awards Night and AWANA Fair May 17 th 	Summertime! 	



YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday Evenings | 5-6:30PM

Upcoming Events

Volunteer Night: Isaiah 117 Bags

Saturday, February 15th

During the regular weekly students gathering on February 15th, there will be an opportunity to stuff bags for Isaiah 117 House. Isaiah 117 House is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing a safe and loving environment for children awaiting foster care placement.

Nerf Battle Night

Saturday, March 21st

There is an open invitation for kids and youth to have the ultimate nerf battle at the church from 6:30-9PM! There will be obstacles, barriers, and eye protection as our families battle it out in an evening of fun.

Bowling Night

Sunday, April 26th

There will be a night of bowling on April 26th during the typical gathering time at an off site location.

Dates of Note

There will be no evening gatherings on the following days, due to the holidays!

March 15th
April 5th
May 10th

I.M.P.A.C.T. 2026

Lake Jackson, TX | June 15th - 19th

Horizon Baptist is going BIG for I.M.P.A.C.T. 2026 – June 15–19 in Lake Jackson, Texas! This will be an incredible week of serving alongside Coastal Way Baptist Church and Missionary Greg Devine, growing in Christ, and worshipping together every evening.

Please mark your calendars and start praying! Registration opens soon, and space is limited – let's make sure Horizon is represented strong! More info: www.impact-missions.org

MISSION POSSIBLE DINNER

Saturday, February 28th

This will be a youth dinner and dessert auction here at the church to help with the cost of their upcoming IMPACT mission trip! It is a night about more than fundraising, but rather about coming together to support our youth, celebrate what God is doing through them, and send them out well.

The youth will provide entertainment for the evening by sharing personal testimonies, as well as skits and music. There will be an Italian dinner and a dessert auction. The desserts will be homemade donations from the youth and church members. Bidding for the desserts will be available and generosity is encouraged. We will be playing Bingo after dinner. We will have Bingo for all ages, including kids, and prizes will be awarded

Youth will be selling tickets to the event to friends, family, and church members. All money raised will go to the costs of lodging, meals, and other trips related costs. Adult tickets will be \$25, kids \$15, with a family maximum of \$75. Contact Jodie Vesely for more questions or tickets.

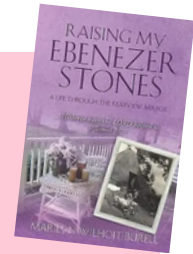


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WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Monthly Book Club

For February, the monthly book club will be reading *Raising My Ebenezer Stones*, a life in the rearview mirror by Marilyn Burell. If you would like to participate, the book is available for purchase on Amazon. There will be an opportunity to discuss the book together, details coming soon! For more information, reach out to Ellen Bishop.



Galentines Day Event

Friday, February 13th



Come enjoy a night of Bingo and fellowship, Friday, February 13th from 7-9PM. There will be a sign up sheet available to contribute a sweet or salty snack. There is also an optional White Elephant gift exchange (maximum cost of \$20). All ladies are welcome!

Women's Quarterly Meeting

Saturday, April 25th

The next quarterly meeting will be Saturday, April 25th at 10AM. All women are welcome to attend, and bring their ideas for upcoming events and service projects. We encourage everyone to bring brunch items to share!



DISCIPLES OF GOD

MEN'S MINISTRY

Men, our church needs you. Not just your attendance, but your spiritual leadership. God has placed you in your home, your work, and this church for a reason. You don't have to be perfect to lead. You have to be present, growing, and willing. We will have gatherings for prayer, put these on your calendar now and come ready to pray, be encouraged, and strengthen other men.

Men's Prayer Lunch

Saturday, April 11th

Men's Prayer Lunch will be held at 12PM. We will meet at Micheaux's Southern Cuisine (6850 Hwy 6, Missouri City, TX 77459). Join us for a great meal, meaningful conversation, and a time of prayer and encouragement.

Men's Prayer Breakfasts

Saturday, February 28th

Saturday, March 28th

Saturday, April 25th

Men's Prayer Breakfast is a gathering that will continue to meet monthly at 8AM. We will gather at Denny's (6131 Hwy 6, Missouri City, TX 77459). Start your day with prayer, good food, and connection with other men seeking to grow in faith.

We also want to invite men who are willing to help lead. If you can host, organize, invite other men, or help shape what these gatherings become, we need you. If God is stirring your heart, don't ignore it. Reach out to me or Jodie and let's talk about where you can step in and make a real difference.

THANK YOU!

BUILDING AND GROUNDS UPDATE

The Building and Grounds Committee is working to ensure our building is ready for a fire inspection to obtain a newly required license by the city. Thank you to all those who helped to power wash and paint of our fire lanes. A special "Thank You" to Richard Deramo, who has been working on diagnosing and fixing our church LED sign.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

ORDINATION CELEBRATION

Saturday, March 14th

Join us to celebrate the ordination of our church members: Charles Graham and Chad Bishop. There will be a sign up sheet for a pot luck brunch from 10-11AM as we gather together.



EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 5th

Easter Sunday will include special opportunities to fellowship and worship together! There will be a sunrise service, with outdoor acoustic worship starting at 7AM. Following the sunrise worship, there will be an opportunity to gather to share a breakfast together, as well as activities for the children. There will also be a special place to take Easter pictures with your loved ones in the lobby as well!

There will be a book walk for the children to explore and learn more about the miracle of Easter.

FAMILY MEETING

Sunday, April 19th

All members of the church are encouraged to gather for observance of the Lord's Supper at 3PM. It will be a time to remember the sacrifice and look forward to the hope found in our Savior. Our Family Meeting will follow at 3:30PM to discuss updates from our church ministries.

