

School Supplies

If you would like to adopt a child or family who attends our ESL ministry to help purchase school supplies for them, please contact Tish at tishbarber@bellsouth.net. Some children are asked to bring a TI-83 calculator. If you have a used one in good working condition that you no longer need, please let Tish know. Thank You!

China Mission Trip

If you are interested in learning more about the October China trip with the Edge Institute, please join us for an informational meeting immediately following the church service on August 14. Contact Jerry Swisshelm at jerry.swisshelm@gmail.com for more information.

FAM JAM

Our final Fam Jam of the summer will be held Friday, August 12 at 6 p.m.

We will be praying for our students as they prepare to go back to school, enjoying a delicious meal, fellowship and games. Lynette Niemand is seeking three people to assist with food prep that Friday. If you can serve in this way, please contact her at lynette.niemand@yahoo.com or (980) 428-4950.

Please RSVP at the welcome desk or to amy@harvestcharlotte.com by Tuesday, August 9.



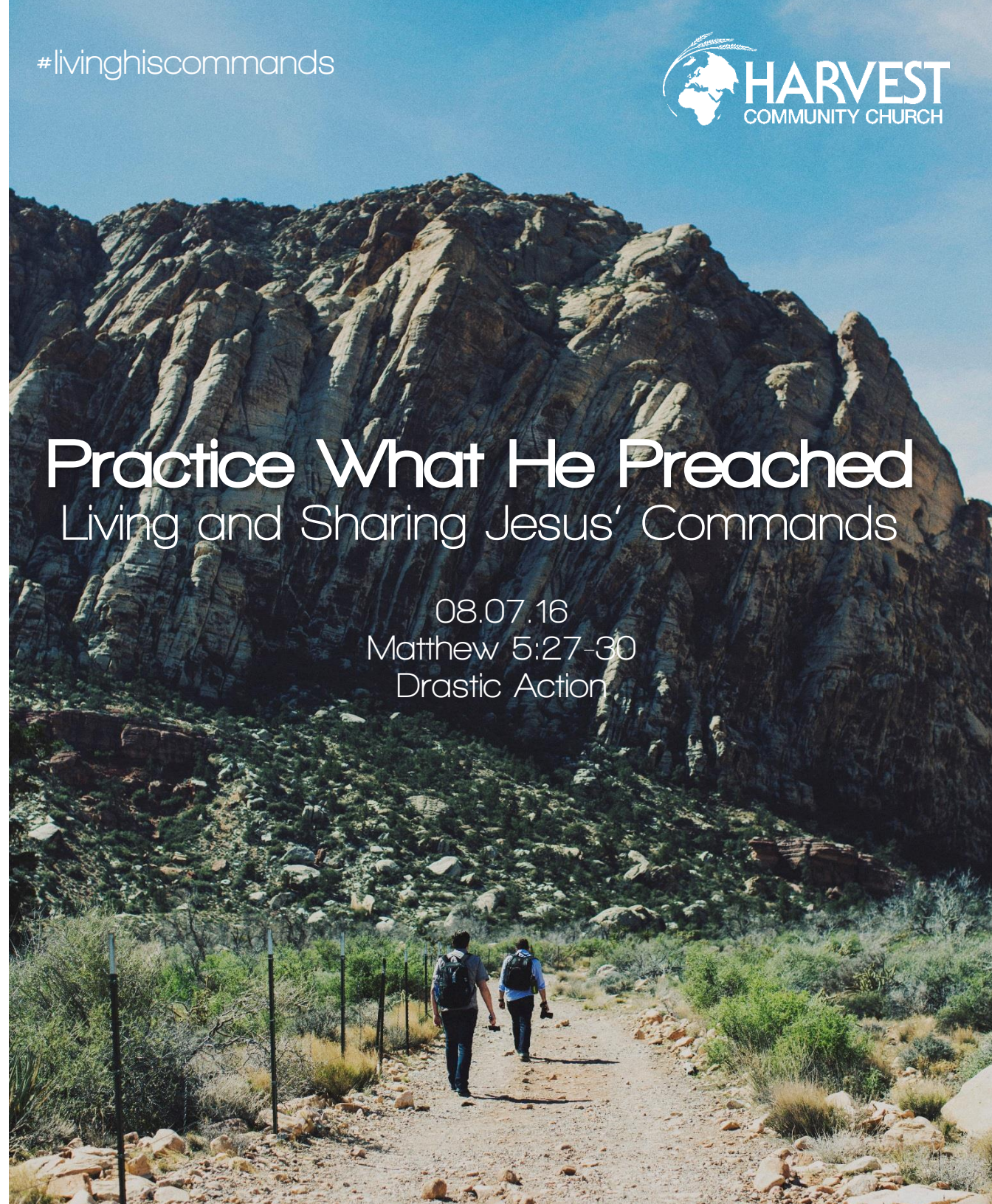
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Living and Sharing Jesus' Commands

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Matthew 5:27-30
Drastic Action



WELCOME!

Our vision

Is to develop people into followers of Jesus Christ with a passion to worship God well and communicate his love to others.

If you are our guest today

Please complete the guest card located in the chair pocket in front of you. After the service, everyone is invited to join us coffee and connection time in the back of the Worship Center. Guests, we would love to meet you and introduce ourselves.

Churchwide Prayer

Sundays from 9:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Each week an important part of our church life is gathering as a family to pray. Please join us next Sunday as we seek God together.

Baptism

If you are interested in being baptized, we plan to hold a baptism some time in the next few months. Registration forms are available at the welcome desk. Please complete the form and return it to a staff member if you are interested in participating.

Our six pillars

- Giving worship to God, not entertainment
- Basing everything on the Bible
- Disciple-making
- Prayer as our first option rather than last
- Being grace-oriented, not legalistic
- Community (developing Biblical relationships)

Harvest Kids classes

Nursery, toddler and preschool classes are available during the worship service. Elementary students join their families for the first half of the service, and then are dismissed to their classes. We are working through "A Sure Foundation" curriculum with the babies and toddlers and "The Gospel Project for Kids" curriculum with the preschool and elementary aged kids.

Discipleship Notebooks

are available at the welcome desk for \$2. Materials from previous weeks are also available.

Stewardship

General Fund w/e 7/31 = \$13,858
Giving to Missions = \$2,425
Total Income F/Y 2015-2016 = \$442,200
Total Expenses F/Y 2015-2016 = \$435,940

CHURCH LIFE:

Opportunities to Serve

- Stan Reckard is seeking volunteers to join the **Scripture reading team**. Please contact him at stan.reckard@gmail.com or (704) 661--8778 for more information.
- Cory Granata is seeking volunteers to join the **usher team**. Please contact him at corygranata@live.com for more information.
- Volunteers who are interested in running **projection** once per month can contact Henry at henry@harvestcharlotte.com for more information.
- Opportunities are available to serve our **Harvest Kids!** No experience necessary. We provide training for all of our classes – babies, toddlers, preschool and elementary. Contact amygranata@gmail.com for more information.

Harvest Ladies

Join us August 9 and 16 at 7:00 pm for an introduction to a Bible study this fall on Hebrews. Led by Jen Jolly and Heidi Reckard, we will begin our study mid-September. Contact heidi.reckard@gmail.com for more information.

If you are interested in joining our leadership team, contact Paula Grande.

Community Groups

If you are interested in joining a community group this fall, please plan to attend one of two investigative meetings: Sunday, August 14 or 21 immediately following the service. Pastor Scott will provide an update about potential new groups that will begin this fall.

Joy Paulsen – Missionary to China will visit Sept. 13 – 29

If you can assist Joy while she is in the US in any of the following ways, please contact Barb Seidel at (704) 502-7200 or seidelblg@gmail.com.

- Transportation
- Lodging
- Storing bags to return to East Asia
- Use of a car

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Followers of Jesus Christ must deal drastically with lust because

- Attraction to the opposite sex is _____.
- Sex within marriage is _____.
- There is a difference between _____.

Why followers of Jesus Christ must forcibly remove lust from our lives:

1. It is the _____ of adultery (27-28).

2. As sin, it leads to _____ (29-30).

Does God want you to literally poke out your eye and cut off your hand?

Point: forcibly remove the _____!

10 Tools

1. Use the same weapons Jesus did (Matthew 4:1-11):
 - a. _____.
 - b. _____.
2. Depend on the power Jesus gives you: _____ (Galatians 5:16-17).
3. Take sin _____.
4. _____ sources of temptation (including media).
5. Establish _____.
6. Think _____, not short-term.
7. Use this phrase: _____
8. (Men) Focus on her _____, not her body.
9. (Women) _____ to be attractive but not seductive.
10. (Wives) If married, help your husband through _____.

How I can put the Word into practice this week:

Share how you're living out this material during the week by using #livinghiscommands on social media.