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Building Relationships with Christ, One Another, and the World

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 23 Mt. Zion Baptist Church Block Party
10:00 AM-2:00 PM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

Growth Groups (Sunday School) 9:00 AM
Morning Worship 10:00 AM

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY ADULT EXERCISE AT 8:30 AM

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

- **Brunch and Bible Study at 10:00 AM**
- Adult Ministry Pot Luck Lunch in the Tea Room at noon
Guest Speaker, Greg Snowden (History of Meridian)
- Men's Bible Study at 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

- Men's Bible Study at Dr. Britt McCarty's office at 5:30 AM
- Precept Bible Study
- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM MENU: Smoked Ham, Baked Beans, Cheesy Twice Baked Potato Salad, Salad, Dessert
CHILDREN'S MENU: Chicken Nuggets or Hot Dogs
- Kidz WOW Large Group in the Choir Suite at 5:30 PM
- Youth Awakening at Northcrest. Doors open at 5:30 PM
- Kidz WOW at 6:00 PM
- College Bible Study at the Highland House at 6:00 PM
- Prayer Meeting at 6:00 PM
- Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30 Grilling Trailer/Clothing Trailer at HBC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31 Celebration Service (Morning Worship)

FROM OUR STUDENT AND CONNECTIONS PASTOR...

I'm about to list off a few items that, if I had to guess, without looking them up most of you would not be able to tell me what the connection is. These items are: **Roller Toaster, Rodger Dodger, Gotta Go, Glory Chaser, Veloci-Racer, GT Scorchers**, and the **Skull Crusher**. These are just a few of the names of the Hot Wheel Racecars. My son has been a big fan of Hot Wheel cars since he was old enough to hold them and has recently become completely infatuated with the Netflix show. It is basically just a show of a bunch of kids who race in the Hot Wheel cars trying to accomplish a bunch of tasks to become the greatest driver in Hot Wheel City. Over the past 4 months, we have watched all 40 mini episodes multiple times. When Blake gets home from daycare, he wants to eat dinner, play with cars, and watch Hot Wheels. When it's bedtime, he wants to get a bath, put on his pajamas, and watch Hot Wheels. His passion is Hot Wheels.

It's reached a point that we have had to begin to restrict his time with them. We're forcing him to play with different toys. We're forcing him to read different books. We're forcing him to watch different shows. He even wants to wear his "race car" shirt every day to daycare. In fact, as I sit here and write this, I'm pretty sure I dressed him in his race car shorts and shirt. If you were to ask Blake what a successful day looked like to him, he would say food, playing with cars, and watching Hot Wheels. His passions and desires, his goals in life center around Hot Wheels and that's what he wants in his life.

If I were to ask you, Highland Baptist Church member, what success looked like, and you were willing to be honest, I wonder what you would say? Honestly, for many of us, success would be the size of our house, the newness of our car, the amount of toys we have, or even the success our kids have in their extra curriculars. For some of us, our success is found in the righteousness we appear to portray to people around us. And for others, our success is found in the busyness we have. Moses and Micah give us incredible answers to this question that I encourage you to hear. Deuteronomy 10:12 says, ***"And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, and to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul."*** And Micah 6:8 says, ***"He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"*** Success is not based on our standards, but on God's. I encourage you as you go through this week, month, year, the rest of your life, don't settle for the standard of success we set or the world sets for us but strive to please God. Let Him be the One for which we strive!

"AND THE LORD ADDED UNTO HIS CHURCH..." SURRENDERED TO VOCATIONAL MINISTRY:

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