



HYLAND HEIGHTS *baptist church*

Southern Baptist Convention of Virginia | Rustburg, VA

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: Make disciples who make disciples

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Hyland Heights Baptist Church (HHBC) is located in Campbell County, Virginia adjacent to the City of Lynchburg. Lynchburg is located in Virginia's south central Piedmont region in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Campbell County is part of a 4-county region including the city hub of Lynchburg. This Metropolitan Statistical Area has an approximate population of 250,000. Campbell County has a population of approximately 55,000. Today Lynchburg is home to a vibrant mixed business community with concentrations in telecommunications, medicine, nuclear engineering, insurance, manufacturing, retail and services. Lynchburg is also home to 5 colleges/universities including, the largest Christian university in the world, Liberty University. In 2019 Lynchburg was recognized as the "Best place for millennials to move to" in the United States by "Reviews.org" Lynchburg is a two hour drive from the state capital, Richmond, and a 3-hour drive from Washington D.C.

CHURCH HISTORY

The first meeting of Hyland Heights Baptist Mission was held on October 10, 1965 in the Lyn-Dan Heights Ruritan Center with 86 persons in attendance. Four acres of land were acquired in April 1966 on which the building now stands. Sixty-eight persons were declared to be charter members as the organizational service was conducted by the Lynchburg Baptist Association on June 26, 1966. The chairman of the Steering Committee made the following statement:

"The Hyland Heights Baptist Church was organized to honor God through the Lord Jesus Christ according to the dictates of our hearts, witnessing to and endeavoring to win the lost and by ministering to the needy in Jesus' name."

Beginning in the late 1990's major facility expansions were made to accommodate church growth, including the building of a gym, kitchen and education space, expanded nursery space, and a 4,000 square ft Student Ministry facility on adjacent property. In 2009 a new worship center was built that holds 1,400. In 2015, the old auditorium was converted to two floors of Children's ministry space.

CHURCH STAFF

HHBC has seven pastors and ten directors (full and part-time) representing the various ministries and areas of service. We employ eight administrative assistants and/or ministry assistants. We also employ a full time building and maintenance supervisor who oversees the custodial staff.

The church has 23 deacons. These men serve the church according to 1 Timothy 3 and Acts 6. They have a committed focus to serve our widows, families with needs, new members, and the pastoral staff.

Under the leadership of the senior pastor, the Leadership Team, consisting of the pastors, and ministry directors, come together to implement the mission and vision of the church. Hyland Height Baptist Church is a congregationally ruled church.

WORSHIP MINISTRY

Two worship services are held on Sundays with an average 900 in attendance. In each "adult" service there is an orchestra, praise band and worship choir to engage the congregation in worship. The Youth and Children's ministries also provide worship opportunities in age appropriate contexts.

LIFE GROUPS

Fourteen different weekly classes for adults are offered during both the 9:30 and 10:50 hours. Life Groups exist to help people create meaningful relationships and do life together. This allows the opportunity to grow in our walk with the Lord and impact our community for Christ.

COUNSELING MINISTRY

Counseling services are available to church members and the community at no cost. The goal of our counseling service is to provide a confidential and nurturing environment for individuals, couples, and families to resolve interpersonal, career, and spiritual problems.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (Kidz Rock)

Kidz Rock is the Children's Ministry of Hyland Heights Baptist Church, reaching Nursery through 6th Grade students. The vision of the ministry is to help kids surrender their lives to Christ and to raise them up to share Christ with other children in the community.

The average attendance on Sunday mornings in our nursery (ages 0-2) is 34. Average attendance for Preschool (ages 3-5) is 36. Average attendance for 1st-6th grade is 83.

Our Wednesday night Awana program helps children from ages 2 through the 6th grade learn God's Word in a deeper manner. We also offer a number of outside activities such as monthly outings for our 5th and 6th graders, summer camp for 2nd-6th grade, and VBS for all ages.

STUDENT MINISTRY (The Vine)

Student Ministries for 7th through 12th grade meet in a separate facility adjacent to the church campus. As middle school students enter our ministry we want to help them understand the foundation of God's nature and plan for their life by providing an overview of the entire Bible and God's story of redemption. Moving into and throughout High School, it is important to understand who God designed us to be and how we can be genuine Christ followers in a world filled with distractions and temptation. As they graduate into their college years we desire to help them maintain their faith in a world of contradicting views and beliefs and stand firm in their faith and the fact that God's Word is sufficient for their lives.

Sunday morning attendance averages 45-50 students in the middle school and 50-60 in the high school. Wednesday attendance averages 90-110 students.

MEN'S MINISTRY

The Men's ministry at HHBC provides men of all walks of life with opportunities to connect through various events, fellowships and Bible studies. We want men to be encouraged to meet other men in the church and our community. Throughout the year we host multiple events hoping to engage men in community with other men, to connect families together and to provide a foundation for spiritual growth.

We host golf fellowships, chili cook-offs, adult co-ed volleyball, corn hole tournaments, Family Fun Day (outdoor ministry) and prayer breakfast to name a few. In addition, we also offer Wednesday night Bible studies for men looking to draw closer to Jesus Christ.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The women's ministry at HHBC is comprised of a group of ladies ranging in age from 20s to 70s who proclaim Christ and find their true identity in Him. We seek to build spiritual mentorship through Bible studies and different outlets.

We reach out to the community through creative outlets such as paint night events, coffee house talent shows, and game nights. This provides a comfortable outreach opportunity to some people who never come to church. We share the gospel at these events and show them the love of Christ. Our largest event, Traction, is a free, full-day conference for the women in our community.

CONNECT & NEXT STEPS CLASSES

Anyone interested in Hyland Heights is invited to participate in our two-week Connect class as we share our biblical beliefs and what it means to be a covenant church member here. The class shares the foundation of who we are at Hyland Heights and it is our hope to see those interested in our church have the opportunity to further understand and enter into church membership so deep and personal connection with the body can take place.

Upon completion of the class, and hopefully joining the church in membership, we encourage everyone to take the next step in their discipleship journey through the Next Steps class. Participants will learn the discipleship process, grow through spiritual disciplines, identify their uniqueness in Christ and learn how to engage and impact others as a member of Hyland Heights Baptist Church.

MISSIONS

HHBC has a strong missions emphasis with over \$123,000 dedicated to the Southern Baptist Cooperative Program. We also support several independent missionaries and provide opportunities for national and international short-term mission trips.

BENEVOLENT MINISTRIES

The church body serves the community through three outreach ministries. These include the Food Pantry, which is a weekly distribution of USDA and donated foods to about 400 needy families each month. Our Clothes Pantry distributes donated clothes to needy families on a monthly basis. Take My Hand Ministry helps families in need obtain donated furniture and household goods.

SENIOR ADULTS (Young at Heart)

Any given Sunday senior adults comprise about a quarter of the worshipers at HHBC. Approximately 400 members are over 60. There are over 100 retirees, many of whom are active in the different programs of the church.

A monthly luncheon usually has 70-80 people in attendance. Our Pickleball group meets four times a week and has become a great outreach tool to surrounding communities. Many senior ladies actively minister to the widows and widowers of our church.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Christ-centered Preschool for children 2-5 years of age. The preschool is used as outreach to families through teaching young children biblical principles. We currently have 84 children enrolled in this half-day program.

MOMS 2 MOMS (M2M)

A ministry of HHBC that hopes to reach out to the moms of young children in our area and walk with them through the journey of early motherhood. We are a group for moms, created and organized by moms. M2M is designed for mothers of children ages 0-5, and provides an opportunity to relax, fellowship, and be challenged to grow as a woman of God and as a mother.

GRIEF SHARE

Grief Share is a 13-week video series for those who've lost loved ones or a significant other. It is a program to make friends with others who are in the grieving process as they become a support group.

UNITED MOMS AND TEENS UNDIVIDED (U2U)

Support for moms as they raise their preteen/teens in the faith and help them face today's culture to serve Christ with a unified foundation.