

**Hickory Valley Baptist Church  
Announcements – October 3, 2026**

**Bible study**

**6:00 Sunday night**

**Pastor David will continue the study of Bible prophecy pertaining to the future. Sunday night's study will deal with the timing of the rapture.**

**Mid-week fellowship**

**Wednesday**

**Lunch will be served at 12 noon, followed by sharing of Scriptures, singing, a brief devotion, sharing prayer requests, and spending time individually in prayer.**

**Next men's prayer breakfast**

**October 10**

**The next men's prayer breakfast will be at Grace Baptist Church on Saturday, October 10. If you plan on attending, please notify Pastor Stephen.**

**Hamilton Country Fair training**

**October 12**

**HVBC will host training 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. for volunteers who will work at the booth sponsored by Tennessee Right to Life of Greater Chattanooga at the Hamilton County Fair on November 6-8. If you are interested in volunteering, please notify Pastor David. More details are available at the information center.**

**Trunk or Treat invitations**

**Available at the information center and at the doors to the auditorium.**

**Gospel tracts and invitations to HVBC**

**In the lobby, there is an assortment of gospel tracts, including some written in Spanish and some designed to reach Jewish people. There are also business card-sized invitations to HVBC. Consider making it your goal to give out at least one tract and one invitation each day.**

**30 days of prayer for America**

**Prayer guides are available at the information center.**

**Benevolence ministry**

**Donations to help those in need may be placed in the benevolence boxes in the lobby and in the fellowship hall. A special "Thank you!" to those who give to this ministry.**



## Trunk or Treat Gospel Outreach Sunday, October 25

**HVBC will host a gospel outreach from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. If you will commit to decorating a vehicle (or two) and providing candy for children, please sign up at the information center. If you would like to volunteer to help in other way, please contact Pastor Frank.**

### Financial Report

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| Last week's tithes & offerings  | \$2,760.00   |
| Weekly operating budget         | \$5,566.59   |
| Year to date tithes & offerings | \$251,621.64 |
| Year to date operating budget   | \$217,097.01 |

**sermon notes**

**The Atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ:  
His Substitutionary Death  
2 Corinthians 5:21 — October 2, 2026**

introduction: How can God forgive and save people as sinful as we are? A nonbeliever might say, “That’s not justice.”

1. \_\_\_\_\_ God \_\_\_\_\_ alone determines what must be done in order for sinful people to be restored to fellowship with Him. Being sorry for our sins is not enough. Sin cannot be removed without what the Bible calls an atonement.

The word “atonement” means something that is done to make up for wrong deeds in order to reconcile those who have been separated — specifically, a perfectly holy God and people who are very sinful.

supporting Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:21

2. Atonement for sin involves the \_\_\_\_\_ substitution \_\_\_\_\_ of one life for another.

supporting Scriptures: Leviticus 17:11

Hebrews 10:4

John 1:29

1 Peter 1:18-20

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ central \_\_\_\_\_ meaning of Jesus’ death on the cross is that He died as a substitute for sinners — not just for our benefit, but in our place.

supporting Scriptures: Isaiah 53:4-6

Romans 5:7-8

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

1 Peter 2:24

1 Peter 3:18

Matthew 20:28

Luke 22:19

4. The \_\_\_\_\_ only \_\_\_\_\_ qualified substitute to atone for people’s sins had to be both God and man.

1) Only one who was God, and completely \_\_\_\_\_ sinless \_\_\_\_\_, could qualify morally to atone for sinners.

supporting Scripture: Hebrews 4:15

2) Only one who was a man could physically \_\_\_\_\_ die \_\_\_\_\_ on the cross.

supporting Scriptures: Philippians 2:5-8

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personal applications:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Praise God \_\_\_\_\_ that He has provided a substitute — the Lord Jesus Christ — to atone for our sins.

supporting Scriptures: Hebrews 2:9  
Revelation 5:12

2. Put your trust in \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ alone for salvation if you have never done so.

supporting Scriptures: Hebrews 2:3  
John 14:6  
Hebrews 12:25

3. If you are saved, \_\_\_\_\_ tell others \_\_\_\_\_ that they can be saved through personal faith in Jesus, based on His substitutionary death on the cross by which He made atonement for their sins.

supporting Scriptures: Mark 5:19-20