NEW HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH PROFILE

**Our Mission**

At New Hebron Baptist Church (NHBC), we exist to bring glory to God by making disciples. By His grace we seek to accomplish this through treasuring Christ, teaching Christ, and taking the message of Christ to our community, to our nation, and to the ends of the earth.

**Our Church**

Despite our Waskom, Texas address, we are located on FM 451 next to the Elysian Fields schools. NHBC is a member of Soda Lake Baptist Association, aligned with the Baptist General Convention of Texas and the Southern Baptist Convention, and adheres to the Baptist Faith and Message 2000. The church was founded in 1955 and has had 11 senior pastors since its inception. We currently operate on an estimated annual budget of $250,000. Our church property and parsonage are on approximately 4.3 acres. The church property has a 300-seat sanctuary, 10 classrooms, a fellowship hall with kitchen, a multipurpose room, and a secure nursery area with 5 additional rooms. The recently remodeled parsonage is 2000 ft2, 3 bed, 2 bath with carport and 2 storage sheds.

**Our Members and Leadership**

The current membership of our church is 643 with an average Sunday worship attendance of 60. Our Sunday school enrollment is between 25-30 adults, and our Wednesday night bible studies average 30 adults and 30-40 children and youth.

Our staff includes:

* Dr. Cecil Taylor, Interim Pastor (July 2022)
* Pat Richardson, Worship Pastor (November 2017)
* Wyatt Harris, Student Pastor (April 2018)
* Amber Baker, Harvest Kids Director (September 2019)
* Melanie Woodley, Nursery Coordinator (February 2022)
* Christine Crisp, Church Secretary (August 2010)

**Our Organizational Structure**

Our church decisions are made mostly by traditions and by the influence of the pastor, the deacon body, and church committees. The church committees are listed below.

* Nominating
* Buildings and Grounds
* Baptism
* Flowers
* Kitchen
* Personnel
* Missions
* Stewardship
* Bus

**Our Ministries**

Our all-age ministries include Sunday worship services and Sunday School classes. We have a Wednesday night community meal followed by adult bible studies, youth and children bible studies and activities, and praise band rehearsal. Twice a week we offer a Mother’s Day Out program called Harvest Kids. In the summer we have Vacation Bible School, and throughout the year we have seasonal outreach programs.

**Our Community**

Elysian Fields is a rural community that revolves around its schools and churches. It is 23 miles west of Shreveport, Louisiana and 18 miles south of Marshall, Texas. There are approximately 900 students enrolled in the Elysian Fields school district, classified as 3A in the state of Texas. Based on the school district demographics, the community consists approximately of 76% white, 14% African American, and 5% Hispanic. The median age is 35, and the median income for a household is $54,500, with 1,340 households. About 79% has a high school diploma or higher, and 16% has a bachelor’s degree or higher.

**Our Core Beliefs**

***We believe...***

* The Scriptures are true, authoritative, and infallible (Psalm 19:7-11; 2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21).
* There is one and only one living and true God (Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 46:9-10; John 17:3, 1 Corinthians 8:4-6; 1 Timothy 2:5).
* The Father is God. The Son is God. The Holy Spirit is God. The eternal triune God reveals Himself to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being. (Genesis 1:26; Psalm 110:1; Matthew 3:13-17; Matthew 28:17-20; 1 Corinthians 12:4-6).
* I am, along with all humanity (Christ excluded), by birth and action a sinner (Genesis 6:5; Psalm 51:5; Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 3:23; 5:8, 7:18; Ephesians 2:1-3).
* The deserved penalty for sin is death, both physical and spiritual (Genesis 2:15-17; Genesis 3:19, Romans 5:12; 6:23, James 1:14-15).
* Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God, was born of a virgin, and is both fully God and fully human (Matthew 1:20; Luke 2:52; John 1:1-4, 14; Colossians 1:15-20; Hebrews 1:1-3).
* Jesus Christ died as my substitute to pay the penalty for my sin (John 1:29; 10:1-18, Romans 5:8, 1 Corinthians 15:1-4; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Galatians 1:4; 1 Peter 3:18).
* Jesus Christ physically rose from the dead (Matthew 28:1-20; Mark 16:1-8; Luke 24:1-53; John 20:1-21:25; 1 Corinthians 15:12-34).
* Jesus Christ physically ascended into heaven and will one day physically return (John 14:3; Acts 1:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16; Hebrews 9:28; 1 John 3:2; Revelation 1:7).
* There will be a future physical resurrection of the dead. Those who trust in Jesus Christ alone will be raised to eternal reward. Those who have not trusted in Jesus Christ will be raised to eternal punishment (Matthew 25:31-46; John 5:28-29; Acts 24:15).
* Only by trusting in the person and work of Jesus Christ alone can I be reconciled to God and experience true life and joy (John 3:18, 14:6; Acts 4:12; Romans 3:21-26; 1 Timothy 2:5-6).

For more information about New Hebron Baptist Church, please visit our website at newhebronbaptistchurch.com.