

THE BRIARWOOD WEEKLY

• OCTOBER 9, 2020 •

FAITHFUL STEWARDS

NATIONAL MINISTRIES CONFERENCE 2020

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 18

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. — Morning Worship with speaker, Dr. Tom Hawkes

6:00 p.m. — *Conversations with Harry and Bruce* joined by Dr. Tom Hawkes

6:45 p.m. — Sunday Night Glimpses (Seven interactive Zooms with Q&A)

Our Sunday Communities will meet with Ministry Partners at their regularly-scheduled meeting times.

Monday, October 19

6:45 p.m. — Monday Night Glimpses (Seven interactive Zooms with Q&A)

CONFERENCE MINISTRY PARTNERS

Linwood Bragen

Crosswinds Foundation
for Faith and Culture

Mark & Raylene Casson

Metanoia Prison Ministry

William & Judy Castro

Emmanuel Upstate
Presbyterian Church

Tom & Sylvia Dickson

French Camp Academy

Tom & Connie Edwards

Hope Health Center

John & Penny Freeman

Harvest USA

John & Cindy Gibbons

Fellowship of Christian
Athletes

Alton & Sandra Hardy

Urban Hope Community
Church

Kyle & Maggie Hooper

Navigators Military Ministry

Alonza & Vanessa Jones

Biblical Marriage Institute

Byrle & Mary Jo Kynerd

Foundations Early Learning
& Family Center

Steve & Eva Long

Sports Outreach

Sedrick & Ann Elizabeth Moore

Urban Young Life

Matt & Naomi Owens

Christ the Redeemer Quincy

Katie Trundt

Life On Wheels Iron City

Ben & Leah Weber

Campus Outreach

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CONVERSATIONS

WITH HARRY AND BRUCE

Pastor Reeder and Bruce Stallings
answer questions submitted to
askthepastor@briarwood.org
this Sunday night at 6:00 p.m.

Available on briarwood.org, Facebook,
Roku, AppleTV and the Briarwood App.



EMC 2021

LIFESTYLE STEWARDSHIP: FOUND FAITHFUL

Even in this current world where everything seems a bit off kilter, life is still full of rhythms—from the rising and setting of the sun, to the changing weather, to the famous list that the Byrds ripped off from The Preacher in Ecclesiastes 3. These natural life rhythms are a gift from God and help orient our lives from dust to dust.

If you've been around Briarwood for at least a couple of years, you've probably noticed that our church also has a yearly rhythm. Every Fall, we enter into the Every Member Commitment (EMC) season, which is a time for each member and family to think and pray about how God would have us utilize the time, talents, and treasures He's given us.

This year's theme is Lifestyle Stewardship: Found Faithful. As I've reflected upon the theme, my mind and heart is drawn to the passage in Matthew 25:14–30. As in the parable, each one of us has been given talents by our Master—albeit some more, some less than others. I confess that it's easy for me to get caught up envying the talents of those around me and sitting on the talents the Lord has given to me; rather than humbly taking what the Master has blessed me with and working hard to utilize them for His glory. Knowing that our Master and Lord, Jesus, will return one day and call us to give account, let each of us strive to be found faithful and good stewards of all aspects of our lives.

I challenge you, in this important EMC season for our church, to spend time not only thinking and praying how you can serve the Lord with your time, talents, and treasures, but acting on a plan to prevent being caught “burying” your talents. So, on that glorious future day, you'll hear these wonderful words: “Well done, good and faithful servant...Enter into the joy of your Master.”

Chase Crawford
Stewardship Committee



Celebration of Worship

MORNING SERVICES OF DIVINE WORSHIP – October 11, 2020

Worship Leaders

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher

Mr. Bruce Stallings, Executive Pastor

Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

Mr. Hunter Goff, Organist

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*"I will tell of Your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation
I will sing Your praise." Hebrews 2:12*

The Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 32:5

[All:] I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said,
"I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and You forgave the
iniquity of my sin.

The Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession

*O my Savior, I thank You from the depths of my being for Your wondrous grace and love
in bearing my sin in Your body on the tree. By Your cross, crucify my every sin; use it to
increase my intimacy with You; make it the ground of all my comfort, the liveliness of all
my duties, the sum of all Your gospel promises, the comfort of all my afflictions, the vigor
of my love, thankfulness, graces, the very essence of my religion; and by it give me that rest
without rest, the rest of ceaseless praise.* adapted from *The Valley of Vision*

The Invocation

The Gospel Word of Salvation

*The Greeting of Grace and Peace

*The Hymn of Ascents

"Holy, Holy, Holy" Hymn 262

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy!
All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert and art and evermore shall be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy—there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

***The Confession of Truth**

Romans 3:23; 6:23

[All:] For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

I call upon You, for You will answer me, O God; incline Your ear to me; hear my words. Psalm 17:6

The Pastoral Prayer of Intercession

THE ADORATION OF GOD'S GLORY

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation! Psalm 95:1

The Presentation and Consecration of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. Proverbs 3:9-10

The Musical Offering of Worship

"His Mercy is More" (Boswell)

What love could remember no wrongs we have done;
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore;
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

[Chorus]:

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more.
Stronger than darkness, new every morn;
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us;
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford;
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. (Chorus)

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

***The Singing of Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs**

"Living Hope" (Wicham)

How great the chasm that lay between us;
How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night.
Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written;
Jesus Christ, my Living Hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken: I am forgiven,
The King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever;
Jesus Christ, my Living Hope.

[Refrain:]

Hallelujah! Praise the One who set me free!
Hallelujah! Death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken every chain,
There's salvation in Your name;
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Then came the morning that sealed the promise.
Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me.
Jesus, Yours is the victory. (Refrain)

Jesus Christ, my living hope;
God, You are my living hope.

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

*All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof,
for correction, and for training in righteousness... II Timothy 3:16*

*The Prayer of Illumination

*The New Testament Reading

I John 1:5-10

The Exposition of God's Word

Pastor Reeder

XVII. The Apostles' Creed in Biblical Perspective

"I Believe..."

"The Forgiveness of Sins"

I John 1:5-10

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit be with you all. II Corinthians 13:14*

*The Pastoral Benediction

*The Congregational Affirmation *"Hallelujah, What a Savior"* Hymn 175 vv. 1, 5
"Man of Sorrows!" what a name For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim! Hallelujah, what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King, All His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah, what a Savior!

The Postlude

* The congregation is requested to stand, if able.

The 8:00 and 10:55 Sunday morning services are broadcast live on WLJR 88.5 FM, and are also available online at briarwood.org/livetv. Watch the recording anytime at briarwood.org/archivetv.

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EVENING SERVICE – 6:00 P.M.

"Conversations with Harry and Bruce"

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