

Palm Sunday

Good Friday

Easter Sunday

Hallelujah! He is Risen Indeed.

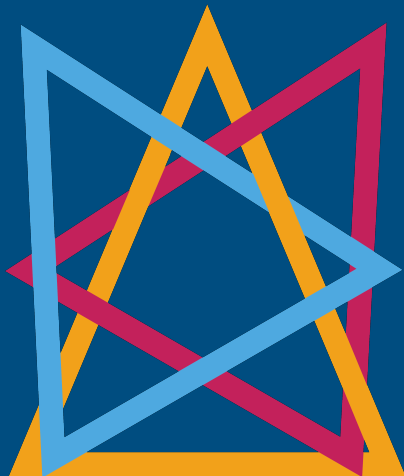
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NHM FINE ARTS

March 29th • 9am

Harvest Church

1601 W 4th St. Sand Springs, OK 74063

Registration Forms & Guidelines can be found at nhmiphc.com/forms

All registration forms must be received at the New Horizons Conference Office no later than March 3rd. The fee for an individual entry is \$20 per category. The fee for a group is \$40 per category entered.

IPHC FINE ARTS



RUAH Conference

Thank you to everyone who attended the Prophecy School presented by Matt Helland

MONDAY MEALS⁴MISSIONS

2025 Great Commission Meals • 6:30 pm

March 3

Licking Pentecostal Holiness Church

310 Walnut Street,
Licking, MO 65542

Pastor Erin & Isobel McConnell
James McConnell (Missions Director)

March 10

Grandview Tabernacle

405 E. Peak Blvd,
Muskogee, OK 74403

Pastor Gabriel & Ginger Beady

March 17

Kiowa Praise Fellowship

18682 S. US Highway 69,
Kiowa, OK 74553

Pastor Linda and Kenneth Snider

March 24

True Life Church

501 West 8th Street,
Stratford, OK 74872

Pastor Randy & Megan Hinkle

March 31

Faith Alive Church

668 S. Oak Highway 59
Siloam Springs, AR 72761

Pastor Elvin & Frances Still

2025 NHM Calendar

JANUARY

13-15 - EVUSA Leadership Gathering - SC

FEBRUARY

7-8 - Ruah Prophetic Summit - Tulsa, OK

MARCH (Ministers' Wives Month)

3 - Monday Meals4Missions - Licking, MO

8 - SOM Classes - NHM Offices

9 - Women's Ministry Virtual Event

10 - Monday Meals4Missions - Muskogee, OK

13-14 - National Pastor's Conference - Timberlake, VA

17 - Monday Meals4Missions - Kiowa, OK

24 - Monday Meals4Missions - Stratford, OK

29 - Fine Arts Festival

31 - Monday Meals4Missions - Siloam Springs, AR

APRIL

4-5 - Women's Regional Gathering - Oasis Church, TX

11-12 - Men's Retreat

13 - Palm Sunday

18 - Good Friday

20 - Easter Sunday

26 - EQUIP Training - Tulsa, OK

MAY

2-3 - SCU Commencement

11 - Mother's Day

26 - Memorial Day

JUNE

5-6 - DESTINY Summit - Sand Springs, OK

7 - Annual Conference Session - Sand Springs, OK

9-13 - Senior High Camp - Heartland OKC

15 - Father's Day

16-20 - Middle School Camp - Heartland OKC

23-27 - Elementary School Camp - Heartland

JULY

4 - Independence Day

16-20 - YouthQuest - Emmanuel College

AUGUST

14-16 - Arise in Prayer Conference

23 - SOM Classes - NHM Offices

SEPTEMBER

1 - Labor Day

11-13 - Ministers and Spouse Retreat

22 - gather2GO

29 - gather2GO

OCTOBER (Minister Appreciation Month)

6 - gather2GO

12 - Pastor Appreciation Sunday

13 - gather2GO

20 - gather2GO

24-25 - Women's Ministry Retreat

NOVEMBER

3-9 - Global Assembly - Turkey

11 - Veterans Day

27 - Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER

25 - Christmas Day

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| Blue | NHM |
| Pink | IPHC |
| Green | WWM |
| Red | SOM |
| Purple | WM |
| Orange | STUDENT |
| Black | Holidays |

2025 NHM MEN'S RETREAT

“Out of Bondage and Onto the Mountain Top”

April 11-12 at Tiger Mountain Conference Center

Registration form will be available soon at nhmiphc.com

Contact Rocky Garrison (rgarrison1966@gmail.com) for more information.

EQUIP TRAINING SUMMIT 2025

SpiritLife Church in Tulsa, OK on April 26

Registration Form will be available soon

FROM THE BISHOP'S DESK:

Is Your Church an ABC Church or a DRS Church?



While reading Lee Grady's excellent book "Follow Me (Make Disciples the Way Jesus Did)," I was reminded that in our time of Church Growth, Mega-Churches, and Internet Services, a personal approach to witnessing, evangelism, and discipleship is still important. Now, before you take that opening sentence wrong, I am not opposed to Church Growth, Mega Churches or Internet Services; I believe each of these has its place in the Church, the Body of Christ, and the IPHC. I just found myself prompted to re-evaluate the emphasis the Church is currently placing on each other to perform like others.

What is an **ABC Church**? According to Grady's conversation with a minister who complained that his denomination had reduced ministry to the "**ABCs of Attendance, Building and Cash.**" While we do have reporting for our churches that includes tithing and attendance counts, we also have reporting areas showing church membership, spiritual experiences, and discipleship enrollment. If our churches only focus on **Attendance** (those coming to services), **Buildings** (the physical location of our church meetings) and **Cash** (tithes & offering totals), it can be discouraging if we don't measure up to other churches in our communities, districts and conference. While statistics are important, they can't be the only measurement for the effectiveness of our local churches.

What is a **DRS Church**? This is the Church that focuses more on the personal approach to ministry: **Discipleship, Relationships, and Stewardship.** **Discipleship** is best one-on-one. Jesus had 12 close friends/disciples that he poured his teaching and life into; he had 3 that received even more as His Inner Circle. **Relationships** do not happen pulpit-to-congregation; they happen one-on-one or in small groups: getting to know each other, praying together, and bearing each others' burdens. **Stewardship** is how resources are developed, distributed, and deployed; not just the amount of money received but how the funds are used, consumed, and invested.

Do we have to choose to be only an **ABC Church** or a **DRS Church**? NO! Can we be both? **YES!** Our goal should be to be both statistical by keeping good records so we can measure our efforts numerically and spiritual by placing emphasis on personal time with each other. With increased attendance, better buildings, and sufficient cash, we can provide opportunities for discipleship, relationships, and stewardship in our churches with programs, ministries, and services to connect people to each other. **Let us gather2GO!**

PERSPECTIVES FROM THE FIRST LADY:

All in a Name #2: Irenaeus



One time, I had a fellow teacher ask me to pray over a family situation. It seemed strange to me considering she was a Hindu. Upon further discussions, I learned her situation was so dire that she was reaching out to ALL the gods in hopes of a miracle. That was when I knew our world was rapidly changing. Greek Bishop Irenaeus lived in such a world, too. Irenaeus...what a name! I recently heard an IPHC Bishop sharing his doctoral work about this Bishop, Irenaeus. I was quite intrigued. A bishop sharing about a bishop! Upon further research, I

found that Bishop Irenaeus was known for his role in guiding and expanding Christian communities in the southern regions of Greece on the subject of gnostic interpretations of Scripture as heresy and defining proto-orthodoxy. Originating from Smyrna, he had seen and heard the preaching of Polycarp (who was said to have been tutored by John the Apostle). Thus, Polycarp was the last known living connection with the Apostles.

I found the comparisons between Bishop Irenaeus' challenges to our current day challenges to be quite the same, given the 130 AD to 2025 AD time difference. Family battles and issues, pagan areas, and heretics all seem to be surrounding our 2025 culture just as in Irenaeus' time.

Now, I'm no expert Bible scholar so, I did have to look up a few things to get their exact meaning. What is a **heretic**? *A person whose opinion is contrary to religious doctrine, especially Christian doctrine.* What is a **pagan**? *A person who holds religious beliefs other than those of the main or recognized religions.* Doesn't this sound like our world every day? Even in our workplaces today, we can't just assume we are surrounded by people of the Christian Faith. I'm pretty sure those days are over. So, how do we defend our faith?

Redemption Ministries IPHC Bishop Hans Hess shared these **Guiding Forces** in defending our faith and dealing with heretics: **1. Recognize Apostolic Authority;** **2. Use the Apostles' Creed as a Guide;** **3. Be confident the Bible is the Holy Word of God;** **4. Look for Miracles (true miracles last).**

2 Peter 1:16 states, "For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty." The Apostle Paul shares this encouragement to the chosen pilgrims in Asia Minor suffering religious persecution. Just as Peter was an eyewitness, we too are eyewitnesses. We use what we know and have seen to make a difference in our ever-changing world. You, too, can be a Peter, Paul, or an Irenaeus!

*So, here is what I want you to do, God helping you, take your everyday, ordinary life, your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, walking around life, and place it before God as an offering. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out in you, and develops well-formed maturity in you. **Message Bible, Romans 12:1-2***

Michelle