

WORSHIP GOD IN
spirit & truth

August 3, 2025

welcome
TO WORSHIP

9 AM // Bible
FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Sunday school classes for all ages

10 AM // Morning
WORSHIP

All Glory, Laud, and Honor Congregation
Scripture Reading & Prayer Jesse Randolph
Almost Home Congregation
Announcements Michael Otazu
He Is Exalted/Praise Him Christa Pelton
How Great Is Our God Congregation
Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me) ... Congregation*
Message Jesse Randolph
"Excel Still More, Part 1: Excelling in Exaltation"
Passage: 2 Timothy 2:8
How Great Thou Art Congregation
* Children dismissed to Children's Church

6 PM // Evening
WORSHIP

Michael Otazu Preaching
"Hearts Aflame, Part 3: David's Confession"
Passage: Psalm 51
Summer Music Camp // Sonshine Kids

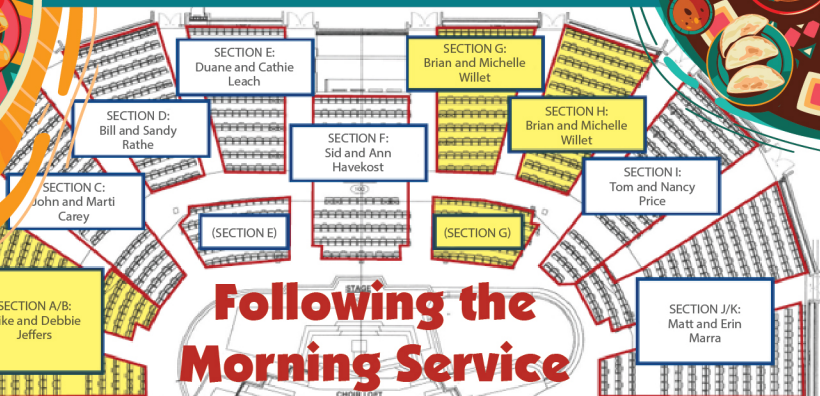
NEW HERE?

If you are new to The Hills or are visiting us today, we encourage you to fill out an information card located on a seatback in front of you. Also, be sure to stop by the south Welcome Center to receive your gift bag containing some materials and chocolate.

POTLUCK

Sunday, August 17

Sections A,B,G,H
(Highlighted Below)



**Following the
Morning Service**



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AND THE THINGS
WHICH YOU HAVE
HEARD FROM ME IN
THE PRESENCE OF
MANY WITNESSES,
ENTRUST

THESE TO FAITHFUL MEN
WHO WILL BE ABLE
TO TEACH OTHERS ALSO.

2 TIMOTHY 2:2

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Featured Speakers



DR. RICHARD BARGAS



DR. CORY MARSH



DR. MARK SNOEBERGER



DR. JACK HUGHES



PASTOR JESSE RANDOLPH

SUMMER PRAYER NIGHTS

Wednesdays, August 6, 13, 20, 27

Meet in the Chapel // 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome

This Week's Bible Reading Plan:

Categories:

- Old Test. History
- O.T. Prophecy/Poetry
- New Test. Narrative
- New Test. Epistles

Mon // August 4

- 1 Samuel 28 & 29
- Ezekiel 20:1-26
- Matthew 26:1-35
- 1 Corinthians 4

Tue // August 5

- 1 Samuel 30 & 31
- Ezekiel 20:27-49
- Matthew 26:36-68
- 1 Corinthians 5

Wed // August 6

- 2 Samuel 1
- Psalms 98 - 101
- Matthew 26:69-27:26
- 1 Corinthians 6

Thur // August 7

- 2 Samuel 2
- Psalms 102
- Matthew 27:27-66
- 1 Corinthians 7:1-16

Fri // August 8

- 2 Samuel 3
- Psalms 103
- Matthew 28
- 1 Corinthians 7:17-40

Sat // August 9

- 2 Samuel 4 & 5
- Ezekiel 21
- Revelation 1
- 1 Corinthians 8

Sun // August 10

- 2 Samuel 6
- Ezekiel 22
- Revelation 2
- 1 Corinthians 9

Sunday School Helper Needed

An adult helper is needed to assist in a Children's Sunday School class on Sunday mornings. Those willing to help can contact Austin Rugh at austin.rugh@ihcc.org.

Fall Kickoff Help Needed

Fall Kickoff is right around the corner on Sunday, September 7, and we need help manning the various games and activities. Please scan the QR code below to sign up if you are willing to help serve during Fall Kickoff. Each helper will be assigned one 30-minute shift. You may contact Jeff and Denise Harford at 402-540-6073 if you have any questions.



Boys of Faith, Girls of Grace, Girls' Choir and Adventure Club

Registration for our youth programs is now open. Scan the QR code or go to ihcc.org to register online.



Entrusted Conference Choir

Choir will be singing on Friday, August 22 for the Entrusted Conference. If you are interested in joining us, we will be rehearsing in the auditorium on Wednesday, August 13 at 7:00pm and Wednesday, August 20 at 6:30pm. Contact Andrew Thomas if you would like more information and to receive the music ahead of time.

Family News

THANK YOU

Dear children and adults at Indian Hills, Thank you for the amazing blessing of your VBS offering gift. Your generous and gracious provision helps make it possible for us, together, to touch lives of all ages for God's glory on three continents as I train and build up ministry leaders. Together for Christ—Myron Drent

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGES

AM | *The Trustworthy Saying*
2 Timothy 2:11-13 | Michael Otazu | MO 24

PM | *Hearts Aflame, Part 2: Paul's Petition*
Ephesians 1:15-23 | Michael Otazu | MO 25

Go to www.ihcc.org to listen to, view, or download all messages!



This Week

SUNDAY

- 9:00 a.m. Bible Fellowship Hour
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service
Nursery & Children's Church
6:00 p.m. Evening Service

MONDAY

- 6:00 p.m. Door-to-Door Evangelism
7:00 p.m. S.I.S.T.E.R.S.

TUESDAY

- 9:00 a.m. Mothers' Encouragement Group

WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 p.m. Summer Prayer Night

WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY

- Junior High Camp

THURSDAY

- 7:00 p.m. Alpha Omega Bible Study

THURSDAY-SATURDAY

- Ignite Senior Trip

A Look Ahead...

August 6, 13, 20, 27

Summer Prayer Nights

August 10

Communion (AM)

August 17

Sections A,B,G,H Potluck
Food Truck Fellowship

August 22-23

Entrusted Conference

August 24

Big Red Welcome

September 1

Labor Day - Building Closed

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BAPTISM

TESTIMONIES OF GRACE



*Drew Bonnie was baptized
on July 27, 2025.*

"I was born in Lincoln and have been going to Indian Hills my whole life. I remember learning about many Bible stories growing up, but I never truly understood what the Gospel message meant for my salvation. I believed that Jesus died on the cross for my sins, but I didn't act like a disciple for Christ. I tried to do good works as best as I could, but I never repented when I sinned. I never read the Bible and I would rarely pray. I thought I was saved just because I believed the Bible to be true.

"While growing up, I had doubts about my salvation. I wasn't completely confident about how to become saved, but I always brushed it off and reassured myself that I was. In my junior year of high school, I had a long conversation about the Bible with a friend, and it quickly turned into trying to prove the Bible to be true. I couldn't cite Scripture, and I had no defense for my faith. After that conversation, I realized that I knew almost nothing about what the Bible teaches. Even though I had been going to church my whole life, I still didn't

understand how to become saved. At that point, I asked God for forgiveness. I began to read the Bible, find answers for any questions I had, and started to pray and repent of my sins. I now know to take my sin seriously, and I have confidence that I am saved through Jesus' death as payment for my sins." ♦



*Ava Morten was baptized
on July 27, 2025.*

"I am the daughter of Tyler and Lynsi Morten and I have 5 siblings, Alexa, Andrew, Addisyn, Aubri and Alaya. I will soon be married to Drew Bonnie in August.

"I grew up going to the Hills all my life. I was taught the Bible and was memorizing verses from a young age. I remember when I was 7 years of age my parents came into my room to tuck my sister Lexi and me into bed and would pray every night before we went to sleep. I remember them talking to me and my sister about salvation. I remember being a very stubborn child and stubborn in my responses to that as well. I remember them telling me Jesus was the only one who could save me if I



believed. They left the room, and I lay in bed and thought about what they said. I don't know if it was the feeling of guilt, but that night I prayed and asked Jesus to save me.

"After that I continued to live my life. I don't think I truly knew what it meant to be saved at that point in time. Even though I would always do my best to be obedient to my parents and follow rules, I knew deep down that was all to get their approval, and not God's. I constantly wrestled with my assurance of salvation. I don't have an exact date when it clicked with me, but around my sophomore or junior year I finally realized what it meant to live for Jesus. I knew I needed to start doing things for Him and not for myself. I started to gain better discernment and would feel guilty and repent every time I sinned.

"I know I am not perfect, and I still have a lot of areas I need to grow in. I

know that my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ died and saved me from eternal judgement. He died to pay for my wretched sin. He deserves all the praise and glory for saving a person like me, and it gives me more reason to praise His name. I want to grow to be more like Him in everything I do and say. I want to grow to be a godly wife for my husband, and Lord willing a mother someday. I found my favorite verse flipping through the pages in my new Bible I had gotten in the 5th Grade. It's Psalm 40:1-3: "I hoped earnestly for Yahweh; And He inclined me and heard my cry for help. He brought me up out of the pit of destruction, out of the miry clay, And He set my feet upon a high rock, He established my steps. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; Many will see and fear And will trust in Yahweh." A verse that will always remind me that God came to save us. He is an awesome God indeed." ♦



*Ethan Free was baptized
on July 27, 2025.*

"I grew up in a faithful Christian household; my father's strong convictions meant we bounced around from church to church at times when their preaching didn't line up with the Bible quite right, but he always made sure I was in Sunday School, rain or shine. I was a good little Christian boy, excelling in Awana and racing to be the best at sword drills. At thirteen, I made

a confession of faith and was baptized at Omaha Bible Church. But I wasn't saved. It was all about pride. All about me.

"I carried on through high school, putting on a good mask but not showing any fruit of the Spirit inside. When I went off to college, I didn't have to wear that mask anymore. I quickly fell into alcohol abuse and a horrific pornography addiction. To top it off, I found myself in the grips of depression. My life was a worthless lie and it didn't seem to be worth living.

"One day things came to a head. I got in my car and hit the road, looking for a bridge or a nice big tree to drive into. By the grace of God, I hadn't filled up the tank that week, and I ran out of gas on the side of the road. Finally, God melted my granite heart. I was the



prodigal son, giving up the pig slop and going home to the spiritual family that had never stopped loving me.

"After talking with Mike Otazu here at Indian Hills, I've come to realize that

my earlier baptism wasn't a baptism at all—it was just a short swim. So here I stand to declare my faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, my Rock and my Salvation." ♦



Aleisha Free was baptized on July 27, 2025.

"I was born to Layne and Sheila Stanford, preceding two more sisters, Aleyna and Aleea. We were raised in Plattsmouth, Nebraska and stayed until after graduation.

"I went on to enlist in the Air National Guard as an Emergency Action Controller, a career field also known as Command and Control operations. I've been enlisted in the ANG for 11 years this April. I don't know if it's a vocation, but I am proud of my success and commitment to the job.

"I've attended Indian Hills Community Church for nearly 8 months. My work has me scheduled to work shifts every other weekend, so I don't attend twice a month. I'm glad Indian Hills posts their sermons online. I attend a few SISTERS classes, and have been participating in Titus Tuesday as my schedule allows. During Titus Tuesday I served in the nursery as needed.

"My father is the start of my journey to trust Christ for my salvation. He became more active in religion in 2010 and being obedient to God and Scripture, he began teaching his family

about Christ and how He died on the cross and what that meant for us. I was an obedient child who listened to my father, but ultimately was unconcerned. I attended church with my family until I moved out and began to live independently. The knowledge that Christ was my Savior had been planted, but the faith and belief was slow to grow.

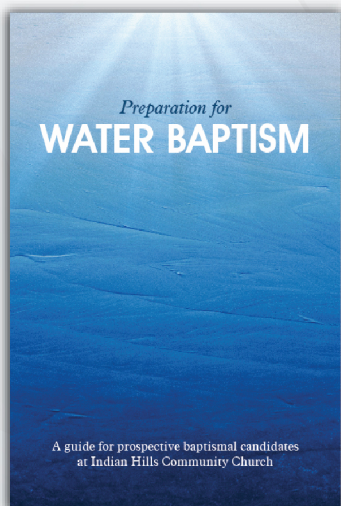
"By the mid 2010s, I was uninterested in attending church or reading my Bible. My parents encouraged me to attend church in Lincoln and I would create excuses as not to go. One year, while I was house sitting for my co-worker, a church caught my attention and I decided to attend. The next step in my journey. My curiosity about Jesus and the Bible had been stoked.

"Attending church and learning and reading from my Bible helped me. It grew the knowledge that Christ was my Savior into a firm foundation of faith and my salvation.

"I've found myself living a more sinless life. It's been challenging. Old attitudes about sin were corrected and realigned to Scripture. I attended church more for my desire to be among fellow Christians and to learn from them. They were examples of living godly lives. Change continued to happen as I applied Scripture to my life, now through marriage and child-raising. Now I am finally being obedient to Christ's command to be baptized." ♦

What Is Water Baptism?

In Matthew 28:18-20, we find the command from our Lord Jesus Christ for all believers to be baptized. Baptism is not required for salvation since passages like Ephesians 2:8-9 make it clear that salvation from sin is by God's grace through faith alone in Jesus Christ. Water baptism is simply the outward testimony of an inward spiritual transformation. Baptism publicly identifies a believer with Jesus Christ and with the body of Christ, the Church.



If you are a believer in Jesus Christ and have not been baptized, pick up a copy of "*Preparation for Water Baptism*" from the lobby book racks and go to the church website (ihcc.org) or call the church for more information about getting baptized.

Watch These Baptisms on Youtube

If you missed them, you can watch all four of these baptisms on Youtube by scanning the QR code on the right.

