

Church Principles We Live By

(Or “What’s going on around here anyway?”)

WINTER 2010

Part I: Overview – Foundations about the Church

JAN. 3	1. God’s Definition of the Church Overview of course. What is the Church (and what it is not).	
JAN. 10	2. God’s Commission to His Church The purpose and goals of the church.	
JAN. 17	3. Imitating the New Testament Church Scriptural basis for church organization and its implementation at HBC.	
JAN 24	4. Shepherds of the Church: Elders Role of and the introduction of elders. How elders are chosen.	
JAN.31	5. Servants of the Church: Deacons Role of and introduction of Deacons. **Note Homework for the next week: Please attend the Breaking of Bread next Sunday, and afterwards be prepared to talk about your impressions and ask questions during class.	

Part II: In depth on the Four E’s:

FEB.7	6. Exalt: The Breaking of Bread and Prayer The Scriptural basis for the Breaking of Bread, and how it is practiced at HBC. The importance of corporate prayer in the church.	
FEB. 14	7. Edify: Teach the Word Learning and Teaching at HBC: Why, who, what, and when. The need to be willing to change.	
FEB. 21	8. Edify: Fellowship The importance of biblical fellowship among believers. What it is, and your opportunities for fellowship at HBC. The need to be willing to share our lives.	
FEB 28	9. Edify: Servanthood/Stewardship General concepts of service and stewardship, and a closer look at how spiritual gifts and financial giving relate to this topic. The need to serve one another.	
MARCH 7	10. Evangelism/Extension: Church Expansion & Reproduction HBC’s vision for growth and reproduction in the SC Valley. Ways Hillview is involved in individual and corporate evangelism. Hillview’s commended missionaries. The need for new churches.	

Part III: Special Topics

MARCH 14	11. Families in the Church Role and importance of the family. Hillview ministries to families.	
MARCH 21	12. Purity in the Church Need for purity in the church and the role discipline plays in maintaining purity. Biblical pattern for conflict resolution.	

Part IV: Conclusion (or “Beginning”)

MARCH 28	13. Review and Apply Review class content. “Declaration of Fellowship”.	
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