

HISTORY

While preaching the Gospel outside of the Kill Mill (Abortion Clinic) in Kettering, Ohio, Andrew Tunney felt a great burden to plant a local Independent Baptist Church. The dark, depressed City of Dayton was a strong-hold of drugs, poverty, crime and false religion. Dayton was a city that lost hope and was in desperate need to hear the Good News of the Gospel.

In 2016 the Tunney Family started a Bible study at 119 Valley Street. The property was a store front that was owned by a Christian. The Landlord was charging 750.00 a month but by God's Grace, he agreed to allow the Tunney's to pay 300.00 for the first 6 months.

During this time of having a weekly Bible study, the Tunney's were members of Chappelow Ridge Baptist Church, in Harrison, IN. After much prayer, training, and counsel from Pastor E.C. Fowler, they were sent with Church authority to plant a local New Testament Church in Dayton Ohio.

Hallelujah Side Baptist Mission had their first service January 8, 2017. Our name of the church mission came from a Bluegrass Song. One day while driving and listening to the Bluegrass song "The Hallelujah Side" Jayla Tunney said to her husband, "That would be a good name for a church!" And so, the name stuck.

God's Working

While meeting for weekly Bible study in the building God gave us on Wednesday evenings the Holy Spirit was working on Jayla Tunney's heart. She grew up going to church as a Pastor's daughter and always assumed that she was a Christian. She always viewed herself as a "good girl" attending church, being a people pleaser and even being baptized at the age of 8. On August 16, 2017 while at home by herself she had a meeting with God. As she sat on the couch reading the Bible the Holy Spirit revealed to her that she was lost, still in her sin. He showed her how vile her sin was and even as a "good girl" without Jesus she was filthy as a harlot before God. She cried out to God to save her and was born again, forgiven! The filth of her sin was gone! Instead of being a "good girl" to please people, she now has a joyful servant of Jesus Christ because He loves her and gave Himself for her. On February

12, 2017 Jayla Tunney was baptized by her husband as the first soul saved and Baptized through the work in Dayton, Ohio. God is so amazing!

Before our opening day as a church plant/ mission, without asking for any money nor going on deputation for support a \$10,000 dollar check was sent to help support the new work. God has since tremendously blessed the work of HSBC. The Pastor has never asked for money, but the Lord has always supplied through His people.

The building that the Lord gave was located in Old North Dayton. While door knocking in Old North Dayton (taking the gospel door-to-door), Pastor Andrew discovered there was a large Turkish population in the area. Before discovering this, Andrew had already planned a mission Trip to Turkey months before. The trip to Turkey was to help the Reinhardt Family with the Church Plant in Eskisehir, Turkey. God's reviled providence continued to confirm the calling to plant a New Testament Baptist Church in Dayton.

After Andrew returned from Turkey, he was in need of some Turkish Gospel Tracts. Justin Reinhardt (Missionary in Turkey) pointed him to Vandalia Baptist Temple for Turkish Gospel literature. Andrew contacted the Pastor of V.B.T. and he informed him that they were out of Turkish literature, but that Andrew should contact one of the Deacons of the Church because he was doing out reach ministry in Old North Dayton as well. Andrew and the Deacon from Vandalia met to see if they could work together to bring the gospel to Old North Dayton. After their first meeting it was evident that God brought their families together to help start a work for His glory. Brother Scott Chadwick and his wife Robin attended the first Sunday morning service and Brother Scott taught the first Adult Sunday school lesson. He became the adult Sunday School Teacher, Deacon and later voted in as associate Pastor of Hallelujah Side Baptist Church.

On January 8th, 2017, HSBC's first service, there was over 40 in attendance. Among those attending the first service was: The Barela Family (Nick and Karla, and their 4 children: Cole, Jack, Sophia, and Judah). Unknown to Pastor Andrew, the week before the First Service Jack Barela (age 10) was under great conviction. His dad read Psalm 23 and John 10 many times comparing Jesus as the Good Shepherd of his sheep. God saved Jack the week before opening day service using those

scriptures. The first message by Pastor Andrew was titled “I Am the Door; I Am the Good Shepherd” from John 10 and Psalm 23. The Barela’s soon joined and were faithful members. Jack was baptized in the Mad River in Dayton, Ohio, along with his brother Cole and Brother Nick became Deacon of the Church. Deacon Nick soon took over the YouTube ministry and made outstanding improvements.

There have been so many miracles that God has done through HSBCM. One more, worth noting: The second service the Tunney Family was in prayer at the church building, praying that he would send at least one visitor. While in prayer they heard the front door open, it was not one, but two first-time visitors. Bo McIntosh and Rebecca Bonham. They saw an Ad for the church in the local paper and came the second Sunday service! They have been attending ever since.

One year later, on Jan 17, 2018, HSBCM was organized as an Independent Baptist Church. The Charter Members are as follows:

Andrew Tunney, Jayla Tunney, Scott Chadwick, Robin Chadwick

Nick Barela, Karla Barela, Cole Barela, Jack Barela

James Cornett and Jerry Maiden

God is building his church in Old North Dayton, and has added and will continue to add to his Church. The gates of Hell shall not prevail as we remain faithful and obedient to our Lord, Savior, God and King—Jesus Christ!

.... Holding forth the Word of Life...

Philippians 2:16