

BECOME HIS VESSEL IN 2020

// Join us and see God transform your life from the inside out!

Would you like to experience more of God's power and presence in 2020? God works through our missional programming to transform hearts and lives from the inside out! Here's what we have planned for the first part of 2020:

21 Days of Fasting and Prayer

begins January 5, 2020

Receive prayer points, scriptures, and encouragement to help you focus on this year's theme, **Purify the Heart: Repent and Be Restored to God.**

Becoming His Vessel: Small Group Discipleship

begins January 28 & meets the 2nd/4th Tuesday through November

Experience heart transformation as you commit every aspect of your life to God's purposes and ways in this 10-month program.

Becoming His Vessel: Online Discipleship

begins January 20 & meets for seven weeks (registration required)

Move from knowing about God to cultivating a more intimate relationship with God and living a life of meaning in this NEW 7-lesson program.

God of Order: The Blueprint for Bringing Peace to the Home Discipleship

Group 1 begins January 23 & meets the 2nd/4th Thursday (evening) through November

Group 2 begins January 28 & meets the 2nd/4th Tuesday (daytime) through November

See God transform your home into a sanctuary for your family and beacon of hope for your community in this 10-month program.

Deeper Discipleship 3

begins January 21 & meets the 3rd Tuesday through November

Open to individuals who have completed Becoming His Vessel Small Group Discipleship and who desire to grow deeper in their relationship with God while leaving a FOOTPRINT for the next generations to follow.

The Gathering: Becoming His Vessel for LIFE Retreat

February 28–29, The Lodge at Gulf State Park

A gathering for women to relax, refresh, and remember what LIFE is really all about.

Montgomery Prayer Breakfast

May 7, 2020

Join us to pray for those in authority over the county and city of Montgomery, Alabama.

Bible Reading Marathon

May 7–9, 2020, Alabama State Capitol

Area Christians of all ages and denominations come together in speaking the living Word of God over our city.

Find additional group and registration details on our website at www.hisvessel.org.

His *Willing* Vessel

DECEMBER 2019

Hello, Friends!

What an exciting year 2019 has been at His Vessel Ministries! From small group discipleship to prayer walks to retreats—we've seen God faithfully transform His people into His pure vessels. God has also been working within our ministry to expand and refine our work and vision. Most notably, we've launched an online discipleship program! We cannot wait to see all God will do in the year ahead.

Our vision is for every Christian to become God's vessel. Presently, 70% of the U.S. population identifies as Christian, but their faith is having an ever-decreasing impact upon society. Many Christians feel disconnected from their faith, unable to sense God's power and presence in their own lives.

His Vessel Ministries is changing this current reality by transforming Christians into holy vessels—people who are formed by God's Word, filled with His power, and poured out for His world. The result? A faith that is real, relevant, and lived out every day, bringing light into a dark world. As God changes hearts and homes, peace and unity spills out into our communities.

And so, we invite you to join us in this work. If you made it to the banquet in October, you heard how your gifts, participation, and prayers make our missional programming possible. **When you give, hearts, homes, and communities will be transformed so that God's glory shines bright. Thank you for partnering with His Vessel Ministries in this mission!**

Keith & Jo Hancock

Founders of His Vessel Ministries

Give

**by December 31 to
transform hearts,
homes, and communities!**

Your year-end gift will enable us to begin 2020 on solid financial footing.

Give online at (hisvessel.org) or by mail to (300 Water Street, Suite 100, Montgomery, Alabama 36104).



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**The Vessel Room will be closed for
the Christmas holidays
on December 21, 2019
through January 1, 2020.**

IT ALL STARTS WITH ORDERING THE HEART

// *God is transforming hearts through our discipleship groups!*



As 2019 winds down, many people are looking ahead to a new year. Resolutions are often made in the hope that January 1 will mark a new beginning with new habits for a "new you." Research shows that resolutions rarely last—and that stat doesn't change just because you know Jesus! In fact, God doesn't expect us to work harder to change ourselves. Heart transformation happens only when God changes us from the inside out, making us His pure vessels. This is what our Transforming Hearts Program is all about!

God has graciously met us this past year, with 100 participants finding true life change by God's transforming love. Each week we sought God's power to live according to His principles and ways. Terri was part of our group and explains:

I don't think that I would have grown more intimate with Father God if we had not been given assignments, memory verses, and challenges. These were integral because I realize it's what happens between me and God one-on-one that makes the biggest impact. I finally get it—it's not what I do, but it's my relationship with God that matters; then out of that love, I serve Him.

That's one awesome testimony! What God has done in Terri is multiplied over and over again in the heart and life of each participant. We are grateful for the opportunity to walk with friends like Terri and see God move so dramatically. And your partnership through His Vessel Ministries makes it possible! Thanks for joining us in this work!

HOPE FOR OUR WORLD

// *We're taking God's love to a world in need!*

Every day we hear discouraging news that is evidence of our world's sin-sick state. How God's heart must break! Despite the news reports, God is still at work and still redeems! And He chooses to work through His people, who are His hands and feet to carry His love wherever they go.

Our Transforming Community Program inspires and compels God's people to be actively involved in reaching the community with His love. Here's just a snapshot of all God has done in 2019:

Seventeen counties in Alabama have an organized Watchmen Over the City group. Small groups met each week, tallying over 500 hours of prayer for our communities. And intercessors spent over 3,000 hours of prayer as they walked city streets and neighborhoods.

In May, we hosted 72 continuous hours of reading God's Word aloud at the State Capitol. This year's Bible Reading Marathon drew over 400 participants from more than 60 churches!



Over 1,000 people attended this year's Montgomery Prayer Breakfast where pastors from area churches led us in praying for families, youth, commerce, and government.

God has moved in these events and many others to transform our community. As God's people are faithful to represent and invite God's transforming power into the public sphere, He is faithful to meet us there and use us to effect cultural change. We couldn't do this without the gifts of friends like you! Your support makes our missional programming possible. Thank you!

GOD'S POWER AT HOME

// *God is transforming homes when we go deeper with Him!*

The place we call home is vital to our emotional and spiritual well-being. A home that reflects God's love and ways will empower all who enter there, family and friends alike! Here at His Vessel Ministries, we believe the home plays a vital role in discipleship—first for the family and then for those the family can reach.

Participants in our Transforming Homes Program have captured this vision. This past year, participants from diverse age groups and family backgrounds have sought God's principles and ways for their homes, with astounding results! Just listen to how God has moved this year:

"Through this discipleship, I learned my role as a mother and a wife that enables me to make my home a place of peace and rest for my family."

"If it wasn't for His Vessel Ministries, I can't imagine where my teenage daughter would be today! It has literally transformed her heart and life. Now she is prepared to live out her purpose as she yields to the voice of God."

God has transformed these women. And that transformation is felt by the whole family. Peace, rest, living on purpose, obedience—that's God's power at work in the home of His people! Your gifts support this work and expand God's power into every heart and every home. Thank you!

