

# West Hampton Baptist Church $Church\ Life$ $\mathcal{L}ife$ $\mathcal{L}ife$ $\mathcal{L}ife$ $\mathcal{L}ife$

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In Jeremiah 10, the people of Judah had just been told, by God, that impending judgment was on the way. Why? Because, once again, they had been doing things their own way, worshiping their man made gods; in essence planning out their own course.

As we look to our own lives it is too easy to find times that we have set out on our own, with our own plans and for our own purposes. We want to do what God desires that is until it doesn't match up to our desires then we set out on a course that ultimately takes us out of God's will for our lives.

But what if we decided, as the prophet Jeremiah, that God's ways are so much better than ours; that we are not even able to plan our own course.

In **Jeremiah 10:23** he states, "I know, Lord, that our lives are not our own. We are not able to plan our own course."

We tend to have many plans, we have even set many of them into motion but... our plans will not bring forth any good thing when they come into conflict with His plans for us.

Proverbs 19:21 tells us, "You can make many plans, but the Lord's purpose will prevail."

Jesus invites us to follow Him and He wants us to start right now; right where we are. Our lives can be messed up and our direction may have been skewed in the past but God, through His great mercy, knows right where we are and can still get us to the perfect destination.

He truly is the ultimate GPS. The great thing is that when we find ourselves needing direction, from one place in our lives to another, He always gets us where we are needing to go and He always gets us there on time... that is, as long as we stay on the road He has mapped out before us.

But even when we get off the path, even if we mess up... He still can get us where He has for us to go with a little redirection. Maybe it's time for some "recalculating..." in life, because His ways are perfect.

In Christ, Pastor Phil



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CHURCH MEMBERS
BUSINESS MEETING
SUNDAY, MARCH 17
@ 11:30AM
FOLLOWING
THE MORNING
SERVICE



with Ricotta Sundraiser

Sunday, March 17th

(following the morning service)



Purchase Your Tickets in Front of the Café.

Now through March 10th.

Tickets: \$10 each. Kids 5 & below eat free!

### Easter Celebrations in March

March 24 - Palm Sunday, Special Music, Children palm procession

March 31 - Easter Sunday

8:30am - SONrise Service (in the grove)

9:15am - Breakfast

10:30am - Easter Worship



Please donate candy and tiny toys small enough to fit in Easter eggs for our kids Easter Egg hunt.

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING!

Mark your calendar August 5—9, 2024

Volunteers are needed!
Crafts, Music, Group leaders,
Games, Design & Construction.

#### 2024 GIVING BACK TO GOD

Date	Worship	Sunday Budget		Heart for	
		School Received		the House	
				Received	
Jan 21	151	118	\$3,990.00	375.37	
Jan 28	116	110	\$7,836.00	\$230.38	
Feb 4	134	108	\$12,699.50	\$706.87	
Feb 11	132	112	\$5,113.00	\$489.37	

YTD 2024 Received (Budget): \$45,280.25 2024 Budgeted to Date \$58,144.98 YTD 2024 Received (Heart for the House): \$2,693.51

# March 2024 %

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK OF PRA	YER FOR N. AM	IERICAN MISSIC	ONS & ANNIE AR	MSTRONG EAS	1 Scrapbook Ministry 2:00pm	2 Scrapbook Ministry 9:00am
3 Heart & Hands Knitting Class 11:45am	4 Sew & Serve Ministry Ipm	5 Sr. Adult Choir Resumes 11:00 am  6pm Church Council Mtg.	6 Dinner: Taco Salad Dessert	7 Adult Bible study 10am Clothes give away 11am	8 Ignite Men's Co	9 nf. in Lynchburg
10 Skill Form Saving Saving	11 Sew & Serve Ministry Ipm Hearts & Hands Yarn Ministry 1:30pm	12 Quilting Ministry 9am	Dinner: Baked Ham, Potatoes, Green beans Bread & Dessert Finance Comm. Mtg. 7:15pm	14 Adult Bible study 10am Clothes give away 11am	15	16  Deaf Members Fellowship In the Fellowship Hall 2:00pm
St. Patrick's Day  17  Deacon's mtg. 8am  WHBC members business mtg. 11:30am  YOUTH LUNCH FUNDRAISER	18 Sew & Serve Ministry Ipm	19 "A Nights Welcome" Dinner	Dinner: Chicken Pot pie, Fruit cup, Dessert	21Eula Parks 13 years Staff Anniv.  Adult Bible study 10am  Clothes give away 11am	22	WMU Council Breakfast & Meeting 9:00am Margaret Langley's
24 Palm Sunday  31  Laster	25 Sew & Serve Ministry Ipm Hearts & Hands Yarn Ministry 1:30pm	26 Quilting Ministry 9am	27  Dinner: Chili and Baked Potato Bar, Bread & Dessert	Adult Bible study 10am Clothes give away 11am	29 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  GOOD FRIDAY	30



The Week of Prayer for North American Missions is annually observed by SBC churches to specifically pray for missionaries on the field, the needs of their ministries and the needs of their families. Prayer is the fuel enabling God to spiritually and emotionally sustain missionaries in places where the gospel is greatly needed, but often opposed.

In 1895, an offering was first collected for the work of the Home Missions Board. In 1934, this offering was renamed the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions to honor the work of Annie Armstrong as a tireless advocate for giving, praying and going to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with those who did not know him.

Today, the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering goes to train, resource, and send more than 2,400 missionary families across the United States and Canada. **One hundred percent of gifts** given to this offering goes directly to the missionaries for their use in the field. None goes to administration. West Hampton's goal is \$4000. How will you answer the call to pray, give, and go?

Margaret Langley

WMU COUNCIL: Breakfast & Meeting March 23 @ 9:00am at Margaret Langley's

# MAKE

## **Annie Armstrong**Easter Offering<sup>®</sup>

FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

Week of Prayer for N. American Missions March 3 -10, 2024 WHBC Offering Goal \$4,000.00



### Churchwide Sunday,

Hot dog lunch, Inflatables.

Fun for all.

#### Wednesday evening book study begins in April.



"Why I Believe" is a series designed to equip you with a simple approach to comprehending and explaining why you believe what you believe about issues like: Jesus' resurrection, the truth of the Bible, life after death. the reality of heaven and hell, the validity of creation vs. evolution, and the God of the Bible,

being the one and only, true God.

There's solid evidence to satisfy the heart and mind of anyone honestly seeking answers. "Why I Believe" is an excellent resource.

If interested in the book study, please sign up at the welcome desk or during Wednesday night Bible study.

Book cost (if you need us to order it) - \$12.69

For more information see Pastor Phil