

# West Hampton Baptist Church Church Life

Welcome Home!

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We seem to live in a society that tells us we have all the time in the world to live our lives. As we see from the words of Paul, in Romans that time is something we are not promised.

Romans 13:11a - "This is all the more urgent, for you know how late it is; time is running out."

We have all seemed to learn to live in the "I can do it tomorrow" mentality. Since life tends to be crazy with the busyness of life, we tend to put off things that are truly important... in hopes that our yesterday's aren't our only days.

We say things like; "When life slows down, I will visit my mom and dad more"... "When I find more time, I will spend it with my children"... "When I make all the money, I want I will spend more time with God"... "When I retire, I will begin telling others about God; serving God fully."

But, as we have seen over the past couple years, our tomorrows are never assured. God has only given each of us an unknown portion of time to spend on earth. I believe that if we really understood this fully, we would live our lives with more urgency... we would truly live our lives like there were no tomorrow.

In the wake of the turmoil and struggles of this life, let us make a decision to begin living life with urgency and purpose. Let us live, from here on, realizing the time indeed is short and precious. Let us live our lives, making the most of them, in the light of understanding that it might just be our last.

In Christ, Pastor Phil



### WHBC 80th Anniversary Sunday, July 9, 2023

Full Worship service & Covered dish meal.

In the Hebrew alphabet, the number eighty corresponds to the letter pey (or fey). *It is thought the symbol represents the divine spark of God* ...

In 1943 Dr. Herman Stevens, pastor of Orcutt Baptist Church, felt the divine spark of God to begin a ministry to the Copeland Park housing project. By July Copeland Park Baptist church was organized and dedicated with around 112 charter members. The Reverend Joseph B. Flowers, son-in-law of Dr. Stevens, accepted a call to become the first pastor.

On July 12, 1959 the name of the Copeland Park Baptist Church was changed to West Hampton Baptist Church since the church was serving a much larger area than Copeland Park.

For eighty years we have continued to reach the Hampton Roads area and beyond with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Please join us as we celebrate our 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### Anniversary Schedule:

9:00am: Sunday School / Bible Study 10:30am: Anniversary Worship Service 12noon: Covered dish meal in the grove. Bring enough food for your family & guest (meat, side, dessert) Drinks, paper products will be provided (Sign up to volunteer with the meal & clean up)



The school year is winding down, and all of the hustle and bustle around homework and extracurricular activities will soon be set aside for lazy mornings and long days full of play.

This summer, take advantage of your extra time together to be on mission for the kingdom. Here are some ideas to help you make missions a priority this summer.

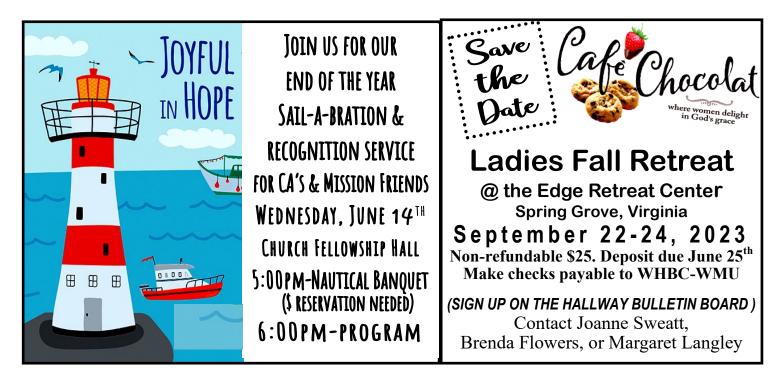
Honor first responders by making thank you cards and taking them some snacks or a meal. Create sidewalk chalk art messages in your neighborhood, the local park, or anywhere that might have foot traffic. Write out a bible verse or poem that gives thanks to God. Pray for the people that will read the words.

Prayer bike ride your neighborhood. Pray as you ride for the people in the houses and apartments on each street. Pray that Jesus will meet their needs and help them to live in safety. Pray that your family will be able to minister to them if they need help. Pray that each one will know how much Jesus loves them.

Gift home-baked cookies to neighbors. Bake your favorite cookies for several of your neighbors. While the cookies are cooling, make a card for each family that says, *God loves me, and He loves you, too!* Pray by name for each neighbor before delivering the cookies.

These are just a few ideas for families to use this summer as they practice living on mission together. I hope you have an awesome summer for Jesus!

Margaret Langley WMU Director



## **Church-wide Mission Involvement: May & June**

**Standing Rock Reservation Mission Trip** 

\$25.00 Walmart, Amazon,Target, Gift cards

Please give to Joanne Sweatt or Margaret Langley by June 25







Covered Dish Lunch For ALL Senior Adults 50+



JUNE 27 AT 12 NOON

Come and bring your favorite RED, WHITE & BLUE dish to share , enjoying fellowship with friends.



### 2023 GIVING BACK TO GOD

Date Worsh		Sunday School	Budget Received	Heart for the House Received	
April 16	160	99	\$7,400.00	\$483.37	
April 23	123	105 \$4,528.00		\$256.37	
April 30	125	90	\$7,279.50	\$449.87	
May 7	133	104	\$8,722.00	\$933.37	
May 14	180	115	\$7,657.00	\$444.38	

YTD 2023 Received (Budget):	\$155,967.50
2023 Budgeted to Date	\$186,620.00
YTD 2023 Received (Heart for the House):	\$10,126.53

Pastor lead Church wide Discipleship Group Training Wednesday, June 7, 21 4 28

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4 Beginners Knitting class Room D117 @ 1pm	5	6 Sr. Adult Choir resumes 11:00am	7 Dinner Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Green beans, Bread & Dessert	8	9 Deaf Movie Night (FH)	10 Deaf Women in the Chapel 1:00pm
11Deaf Church 51st Annív. PARENTS DAY OUT 11:30AM- 3:00PM	12 Sew & Serve ministry 1pm Hearts & Hands Mgt. 1:30pm	13 Quilting Ministry 9:00am Sr. Adult Choir 11:00am	14 <u>Dinner</u> Seafood meal, Bread & Dessert (Hot Dogs for Kids) <i>KIDS PROGRAM</i> 6:00PM FH	15	16	17 2:00pm Deaf Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall
18 Happy, Fathers	19	20 Sr. Adult Choir 11:00am	21 <u>Dinner</u> "Make Your Own" Submarine Sandwiches, chips & Dessert	22	23	24 WMU Council Breakfast & Meeting 9am @ Brenda Flowers
25 Yowith pool parity 12—4pm Food & FonI	26 Sew & Serve ministry 1pm Hearts & Hands Mgt. 1:30pm	27 Quilting Ministry 9:00am Sr. Adult Choir Ilam Senior Lunch I2noon	28 <u>Dinner</u> Taco Salad Bar & Dessert	29	30 Scrapbook Ministry 2:00pm	