



Church Life

Welcome
Home!

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DREAMS

On the heels of an unprecedented year in 2020 and looking ahead in 2021, it would be easy to settle in to a defeated mentality. We've been told what we can and cannot do, which has hindered our plans and disrupted our hopes and dreams. The constant up and down of restrictions and lockdowns have left us with a sense that at any moment our current and future plans could be in jeopardy. We have been forced to question everything to see if it fits within current governmental guidelines and restrictions.

I do not believe that there is any doubt as to the fact that the enemy of the church and our souls is hard at work to disrupt God's kingdom work through His church. In many ways it may appear that the enemy is winning this battle. However, we must remember that our God, who is sovereign over all, has allowed all of this to happen for some glorious reason. That reason may be out of the reach of our understanding, but our God is not out of reach. In the midst of all that has and is currently happening, our God is still seated on His throne as the conquering king and the enemy still operates as a defeated foe.

So what does that mean for us and how should it affect the way in which we operate? First of all, we must remember that, "Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world (1 John 4:4)." The same conquering King who defeated the enemy has come to indwell His Church and has made us more than overcomers. Second, this knowledge ought to set us free from the sense of foreboding which has been a natural result of all that 2020 brought our way and set us free to a sense of continued victory which is the supernatural result of trusting our sovereign God.

Therefore, as we move further into this new year, we ought to be free to dream "Big Dreams" for our present and future. This is the question that I want each of us to wrestle with in the coming days, weeks and months, "what could we (WHBC) attempt for God and His kingdom that would leave no doubt to ourselves and our community that God is real and at work in us and in our community?" I want to challenge each of us to dream dreams, which would require God to do something beyond what we can produce in the natural, that changes our lives and the lives of those within our community in a supernatural way.

As we begin to allow ourselves the freedom to dream big dreams the enemy will seek to derail us and to rob us of our hope. Let us remember that our God said, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope (Jeremiah 29:11)." If we truly believe this declaration, then we must begin to act as if we do. Let us begin to operate in the promised power of the Holy Spirit and expect God to do what only He can do! Let us push beyond the boundaries of our capabilities and operate in the realm of God's infinite ability! Let us push back the gates of hell in our community as the conquering army we are!

Let us be the church which shows the world that our God lives and He loves!

Pastor Bryan

Easter Cometh!

Make a *Joyful* noise unto the *Lord*
Psalm 94

We aren't sure what the Covid situation will be this Easter, April 4, but we know we will we certainly celebrate our risen Savior! We have been dealing with the pandemic for about a year (our first service to be canceled due to the Coronavirus was March 15 of 2020) but God has been faithful the entire time.

Along with some obviously negative things due to Covid, HE has given us a fresh, renewed focus on worship and church life. I believe all of us realize that our lives will never be the same in the post Covid days. And for a person like me who is resistant to change, that is a tough reality to accept! We serve a creative God who delights in blessing His children in new ways. Though His plan for salvation remains absolutely the same through faith in His Son, Jesus Christ, He speaks and moves in fresh ways. Consider His words in Isaiah 43:19...

***Behold, I am doing a new thing;
 now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?***

He is busy about doing new things. So...what is He doing in YOUR life? Let me encourage you to watch for any adjustments He wants to make in and around you. Yield to Him and see the marvelous blessings that come your way!

In Him,
 Craig Hughes



Sign up for 2021 Sunday Flowers



- Are you celebrating a Birthday, Anniversary or Special Occasion?
- Are you wanting to recognize a Family or Church member?
- Are you wanting to remember a loved one that you have lost?

A Great way to do that is to place an order of beautiful flowers for Sunday mornings that will be admired as church members enter for worship.

Simply sign up on the flower sheet bulletin board located in the brick hallway, or you may call the church office 826-5772.

The Flowers are then ordered for you from a local Florist and delivered to the church.

February was a busy month for the WMU at West Hampton Baptist Church. We had our WMU Focus Week February 7-14 and kicked off a month long "Food Drive" collecting food all month long to donate to the Peninsula Food Bank. Thank you to everyone who brought in bags filled with Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner enough to feed a family for more than a day. As you can tell, we are a busy group of people who are working at being the hands and feet of Christ as we attempt to minister to those around us.

Yours in Christ,

Nicki Jarrard



WMU COUNCIL: Breakfast & Meeting
March 27 @ 9:00am at Nicki Jarrard's

WMU CALENDAR:

March 7 - 14 Week of Prayer for North American Missions & Annie Armstrong Offering
(Sunday, March 14, Guest Speaker Mr. Curt Breland at 10:30am service)

WOMEN ON MISSION — MEETINGS FOR MARCH:

<u>Group</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Group Leader</u>
Quilting	Tuesday	Mar. 9	@ Church	9:00 am	Lisa Allred
Sisters by Heart	Monday	Mar. 15	@ Church	6:00 pm	Eula Parks
Scrapbook	Friday	Mar. 19	@ Church	5:00 pm	Carla Franklin
Scrapbook	Saturday	Mar. 20	@ Church	9:00 am	Carla Franklin
Quilting	Saturday	Mar. 27	@ Church	9:00 am	Lisa Allred

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 EASTER OFFERING®
 FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

It's all
 about the
gospel

March 7 -14
WHBC Offering
Goal \$2,000.



March 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Church Council meeting 12:00 pm	8	9 <i>Quilting Ministry 9:00am</i>	10	11	12	13
WEEK OF PRAYER FOR N. AMERICAN MISSIONS & ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING, GOAL \$2,000						
14 Church members business mtg. 11:30am	15	16 "A Nights Welcome" Dinner	17 "A Nights Welcome" Breakfast <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> <i>Finance Committee Meeting 6pm</i>	18	19 Scrapbook Ministry 2:00pm	20 Scrapbook Ministry 9:00am  SPRING BEGINS
21 <i>Eula Parks 10 year Staff Anniversary</i>	22	23	24	25	26	27 WMU Council 9am Nicki Jarrard's <i>Quilting Ministry 9am</i>
28	29	30	31			

HELP US, HELP YOU...

Stay connected with updates of your information and contacts.

1. Update your contact information, full name, new phone, address, email.
2. Share names & phone numbers of family or people to contact in the event of an emergency.
3. Let us know how we can better ministry to you

Ricky Newman	Pastor to the Deaf	deafpastor@whbcnow.org
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Debbie Ford	Financial Secretary	financial@whbcnow.org

Church Phone 826-5772

Mon.—Thurs. 8am—5pm

Friday 8am—2:30pm

Sunday Schedule

9:00am	Sunday School Adults (Fellowship Hall)
10:00am	Time of Prayer Adults, (Fellowship Hall)
10:30am	Worship Service (Sanctuary) Deaf Worship (Chapel)

Weekly Schedule

HANDS ON MINISTRIES

Every 2nd Tuesday & 4th Saturday

9:00 am Quilting Ministry

Every 3rd Friday & Saturday

2:00pm Scrapbooking Ministry

9:00 am Scrapbooking Ministry

Join us in person or online



**CHURCH
ONLINE**

9:00am Sunday School
10:30am Morning Worship

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

CHURCH

MEMBERS

BUSINESS

MEETING @ 11:30AM



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2021 GIVING BACK TO GOD

Date	Worship	Sunday School	Budget Received	Heart for the House Received
Jan 17	87	57	\$5,669.00	\$442.37
Jan 24	82	63	\$6,583.23	\$462.37
Jan 31	74	43	\$6,436.20	\$439.87
Feb 7	93	50	\$11,015.23	\$1,071.37
Feb 14	87	56	\$6,763.06	\$575.37

See
 I am doing a new thing!
 Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?
 I am making a way in the wilderness
 and streams in the wasteland.
 — Isaiah 43:19 —



YTD 2021 Received (Budget): \$48,013.28
 2021 Budgeted to date \$69,106.45
 YTD 2021 Received (Heart for the House): \$4,757.59