



West Hampton Baptist Church
Church Life

*Welcome
Home!*

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Philippians 3:14 - I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Many people spend their lives looking toward the things of the past; on past victories, past failures and even on past hurts but this is not God's plan for us. God desires that we press on. One can't move forward while looking back. God wants to do something fresh and new in our lives today, tomorrow, and this up and coming year.

Paul had a lot of things that he could have focused on, in his past, but instead we find him saying, "I can't look back, I've gotta press on."

I wish this would be true in the lives of more believers. What a difference it would make in this world around us if we had that kind of ambition, that kind of drive to serve God.

As Christians, God has filled this new year with great opportunities to make a difference in our world. There is so much to do. There is so much growth that needs to take place in our lives, and so much more to accomplish before we reach the goal and finish the race God has set before us.

So, this year, let's recommit ourselves to moving forward... especially in our study of God's Word and to prayer.

In Christ,

Pastor Phil Richards

Sunday Schedule

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00-10:30am Transition / Fellowship

10:30 am Worship Service
Deaf Worship

**NEW
OFFICE
HOURS**

M-F 8AM-4PM

Wednesday Schedule

5:00 pm Church Dinner

5:45 pm Deaf Bible Study

6:00 pm Pastor's Adult Bible Study & Prayer

Preschool Choir & Mission Friends

Children in Action (Music & Missions)

Youth Group B207

7:15pm WHBC Worship Choir Rehearsal

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January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>Staff 3 yr. Anniv. Pastor Phil Richards</i> Church Office Closed New Years Day!	2	3 Scrapbook Ministry 2:00 pm	4 WMU Council 9am At Church Scrapbook Ministry 2:00 pm
5 Hearts & Hands Yarn Ministry 11:45am	6	7 Church Council Mtg. 6pm	8 Dinner: Meat Loaf, Mashed potatoes, Green beans, Bread & dessert	9	10	11
12 Staff Anniv. Debbie Ford 21 yrs. "GOLDEN LIFER'S" Lunch 11:45am	13	14 Quilting Ministry 9am	15 Dinner: Turkey Pot pie, Bread & Dessert Finance Comm. Mtg. 7:15pm	16	17	18
19 Deacons Mtg. 8am SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY Church members business mtg. (after worship)	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	21 "A Nights Welcome"	22 Dinner: Pork Chops, Sweet Potato Casserole, Spinach, Bread & Dessert	23	24	25
26 W&M Baptist Collegiate Ministry dinner 5pm	27	28 Quilting Ministry 9am	29 Dinner: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread & Dessert	30	31 Last Day for Eula Parks in the Church office.	

Save
the
Date.

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, February 16, 2025 following the morning service, for a recognition reception for Office Manager Eula Parks.



Golden Lifer's

SENIOR ADULTS
Age 50+

**COVERED DISH
LUNCH**

Sunday, Jan 12th 11:45am
Church Fellowship Hall
Bring a side or dessert dish to share.



WHBC Inclement Weather Policy:

On Wednesdays:

If the Hampton Public Schools

Cancel or close early due to inclement weather, there will be NO dinner or activities.

On Sundays:

A decision will be made by 5am and the message put on the office answering machine and on Facebook.



"Golden Lifers"

Paint Party & Pizza Lunch

Saturday, January 25
11:00am - 2:00pm

Church Fellowship Hall

\$35 per person, sign up and pay by Sunday, January 19.

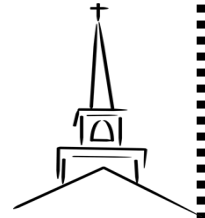


Sign up making checks out to Christina Young placing



DEACONS MEETING
SUNDAY, JAN. 19
@ 8:00AM,
FELLOWSHIP HALL

CHURCH MEMBERS BUSINESS MEETING
SUNDAY, JAN. 19
@ 11:30AM
SANCTUARY



Sign up for 2025 Sunday Flowers



If you would like to donate Sunday flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, or to recognize a time of celebration, reserve the date on the sign up sheet on the Welcome counter outside the Sanctuary. Or you may call the church office. 757-826-5772

2024 GIVING BACK TO GOD

Date	Worship	Sunday School	Budget Received	Heart for the House Received
Nov. 17	156	107	\$5,802.00	\$85.37
Nov. 24	147	121	\$9,664.76	\$439.37
Dec. 1	140	108	\$10,813.23	\$500.37
Dec. 8	129	106	\$14,930.50	\$817.87
Dec. 15	133	108	\$10,529.28	\$252.37

YTD 2024 Received (Budget): \$431,617.36
2024 Budgeted to Date \$484,541.50
YTD 2024 Received (Heart for the House): \$23,234.13

This year sing for the Lord!



Join our Worship Choir.
Rehearsal Wed. at 7:15pm

For many of us, January brings a new perspective, a time when we promise ourselves we are going to do more. What if we decided to do one thing-pray more-this year? What if we dedicated ourselves to intentional intercessory pray?

Let's pray for lost people.

Let's pray for our church, state, and denominational leaders.

Let's intercede for missionaries and the people they serve.

Let's follow our missionaries' examples and pray about those we have been sent to serve: those in offices, schools, and grocery stores, at sporting events, in our neighborhoods, and among the nations. Everywhere we go, we are on mission together for Jesus.

Let's pray that the Lord would show us where He is working and allow us to join Him there.

Serving Jesus is a wonderful, awesome privilege.

Margaret Langley

WMU Director



WMU COUNCIL: Breakfast & Meeting

Sat. January 9 @ 9:00am @ Church

Feed a Family for a Day... Food Drive February 2 - 23.

1. Fill a grocery bag with non-perishable food items for **BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND DINNER.**
2. Bring your grocery bag back to the Church on a Sunday or during the week. (during office hours)



Church-wide Mission Involvement:

Items for "A Nights Welcome" breakfast bags"

- *Individual packaged Cereal, Fruit bars, Muffins, *Pop tarts * Fruit cups
- * Boxed raisins *Pringles individual snack stacks, *Juice boxes or pouches



"Beautiful feet" A Women's Retreat Getaway!

This exciting event will be hosted by WHBC women.

Friday & Saturday, March 28 & 29, 2025 Church Fellowship Hall.

Cost \$50. \$10. Deposit due Sunday, January 12 Balance due Sunday, March 16.

Questions / Contact : Brenda Flowers or Joanne Sweatt