



**West Hampton Baptist Church**

# Church Life

*Welcome  
Home!*

**September 2023**

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Matthew 14:22-25 - *Immediately after this, Jesus insisted that his disciples get back into the boat and cross to the other side of the lake, while he sent the people home. After sending them home, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. Night fell while he was there alone. Meanwhile, the disciples were in trouble far away from land, for a strong wind had risen, and they were fighting heavy waves. About three o'clock in the morning Jesus came toward them, walking on the water.*

The disciples had just spent the evening feeding 5000 men plus women and children... they had done all that Jesus had asked. They had left their homes, their families, and their careers. They had just set out across the sea because Jesus Insisted that they do so. They had been as faithful and obedient as they could possibly have been?

That night must have been exhausting. They had paddled the boat for about 9 hours, in the storm of their lives. The disciples found themselves in the dark, all alone, exhausted, and in the middle of a ferocious storm. Where was Jesus? And why did they have to go through this storm?

They may have found themselves asking a couple questions like... doesn't being obedient make us, at least, somewhat worthy of a peaceful ride across the sea? We might expect a rough road when we have done wrong... but should we struggle when we have tried to do things right? But the truth of the matter is this... the sun pours down on the just and the unjust, but so does the rain.

Jesus told us in John 16:33 - *"Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows."*

No one is exempt from the hurt and pains of life.

Maybe, you too find yourself exhausted, hurting, or in the middle of the storm. If so, I have something you need to see about where Jesus was during the storm... He was praying.

I believe that during our toughest moments Jesus has placed Himself before the throne of God interceding on our behalf. He hasn't left us to do it on our own. Instead, He always knows where we are, how we feel, and what situations we find ourselves in.

Rest assured; He has not abandoned us during the hardships of life. And, at just the right time, we will find that He is preparing to come to us walking on the water of whatever storm you may be enduring as well.

In Christ,  
Pastor Phil

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17:**

**WHBC  
DEACONS MEETING  
FELLOWSHIP HALL  
@ 8:00AM**

**WHBC  
CHURCH MEMBER  
BUSINESS MEETING  
@ 11:30AM**

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September signifies the end of summer and the beginning of a new year in missions education. We will continue the emphasis "Hope in Christ." Our hope in Christ should fuel everything we do. The lost around us need to find their hope in Christ. This is the greatest gift we can share. How will God use us this year to bring Him glory and make His hope famous?

We will kick-off Mission Friends for preschoolers and Children in Action for elementary aged children on Wednesday, September 6 at 6:00. Our adult groups will kick-off with a covered dish dinner on Monday, September 11 at 5:30 in the fellowship hall. Our emphasis for September is on state and associational missions. Our Annie Armstrong offering goal is \$3500.

Margaret Langley  
WMU Director



**"HOPE IN CHRIST"**  
**Ladies Covered dish dinner.**  
**Monday, September 11,**  
**5:30pm**  
**Church Fellowship Hall**

All Ladies, you are invited to a fun night of **Food, Games** and **Fellowship**. Bring a covered dish of food to share and invite a friend. Contact the church office if you should need a ride.



**TOGETHER** **Week of**  
**ON** **Prayer for**  
**MISSION** **VA Missions**

**(State & Association)**

**September 10—17, 2023**

**ALMA HUNT OFFERING**  
*for Virginia Missions*

**Goal \$3,500.**

**ATTENTION ALL KIDS!!!**  
**PRESCHOOL—GRADE 5**  
*Join us as we start back*  
*classes in September.*

Sundays: 9:00am  
Sunday School/Bible Study  
Wednesdays: 6:00pm  
Music, Missions & More  
(2nd floor Kids Hall)



**RHYTHMS OF GRACE**

EAGLE EYRIE | LYNCHBURG, VA

A 24-Hour Get Away for Women

Cost \$90 (Total amount due by Sunday, Oct. 1)  
Sign up or See Margaret Langley for details  
*Pick your Date to Attend...*

**WOMEN'S GETAWAY** **NOVEMBER**  
**3-4 OR 4-5**  
**2023**

**WORSHIP | BREAKOUTS | CRAFTS**  
COMMUNITY | RETREAT | & MUCH MORE



# September



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>September 10–17,</b> <b>Week of Prayer for</b> <b>Virginia Missions</b> (Associational & State) <b>Goal \$3,500</b>			<i>In Remembrance of</i> <b>September 11, 2001</b> <b>Patriot Day</b> 		<b>1</b> Church Office Hours 8am-12 <b>TODAY</b> Scrapbook Ministry 2pm	<b>2</b> Scrapbook Ministry 9am
<b>3</b> Hearts & Hands Ministry 11:45am	<b>4</b>  <b>LABOR DAY</b> CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	<b>5</b> CHURCH COUNCIL MTG. 6PM	<b>6</b> <i>Wednesday</i> <i>Night Schedule</i> <i>Resumes</i> DINNER Spaghetti, Salad, Bread & Dessert	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Deaf men's Fellowship
<b>10</b> Grandparents Day	<b>11</b> <i>Ladies</i> <i>Covered Dish</i> <i>Dinner</i> <i>&amp; Fun Night</i> <i>5:30pm</i>	<b>12</b> Quilting Ministry 9am	<b>13</b> DINNER Chicken Pot Pie, Fruit, & Dessert Finance Committee Mtg. 7pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <b>GOLF TOURN.</b> <b>8:00am</b> Deaf Group Fellowship 2pm FH
<b>17</b> <b>DEACONS</b> <b>MEETING 8AM</b> Church Members Business mtg. 11:30am	<b>18</b> Sew & Serve ministry 1pm	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> DINNER Taco Salad and Dessert	<b>21</b> Autumn Begins	<b>22</b> CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <i>Café Chocolat Ladies Retreat</i>  <i>at "The Edge" Sept. 22-24</i> </div>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> <b>Turn in all</b> <b>Shoebboxes</b> <b>TODAY!</b>	<b>25</b> Sew & Serve ministry 1pm Knitting Class FH 1:30pm	<b>26</b> Quilting Ministry 9am	<b>27</b> DINNER Baked Chicken, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Green beans, Bread & Dessert	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> WMU Council Meeting 9am at Lisa Allred's Home

**WHBC Worship Choir**  
WE ARE SAVING YOU A SEAT.  
 Wednesdays at 7:15pm



## Fall Golf Tournament

Supporting WHBC Youth  
 Saturday, September 16th

**4 Person Teams**

(Cost \$65.00 per person)

**Includes:**

**18 Holes, Cart, Food & Prizes**

Sign up at Church in brick hallway, make checks to WHBC

Contact Ron Kohlman  
 cell = 907-3459



### Sunday Schedule

9:00 am Sunday School  
 10:00-10:30am Transition Time & Fellowship  
 10:30 am Worship Service  
 Deaf Worship

### Wednesday Schedule

5:00 pm Family Dinner  
 6:00 pm Preschool Choir & Mission Friends  
 (Preschool Hall)  
 Kids on Missions (2nd Floor D233)  
 Youth Group B207 (Youth Hall)  
 Pastor's Adult Class & Time of Prayer (Fellowship Hall)  
 Deaf Bible Study (Deaf Chapel)  
 7:15 pm WHBC Worship Choir Rehearsal

Welcome to the WHBC Family!  
 Mr. Ronnie Vaillancourt  
 Mr. Eric Diaz



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023**

**11:45AM-2PM**

**TICKETS -\$10**

**KIDS 5 & UNDER FREE**

(Funds are to support WHBC Youth)

**Bidding on the Silent Auction will close at 1:30pm, to announce highest bid on each item.**

**Ticket on Sales Now Through Event!**

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