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Happy Thanksgiving
November 28

*O give thanks unto the Lord, call upon His name;
make known His deeds among the people. Sing unto
Him, sing psalms unto Him; talk ye of all His
wondrous works.
Psalms 105: 1-2*

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This past month was pastor appreciation month and I was so very thankful for all of the kind words and gestures during this time. However, this recognition got me thinking about the effort that we put in to show those around us that we love them. On our anniversaries, birthdays, and Christmas, we put thoughtful effort into selecting a gift that will show our love and recognize the unique nature of the ones we love. I think this should give us some perspective on our worship of The Almighty God. He has revealed to us His Heart and told us about His Unique attributes through His Word. We know how to bring good gifts to Him through our worship. Many times we come to church to see people and to be ministered to through the Word. However, we should be seeking to make each and every day of our lives a special gift that is pleasing to our King. Our lives are made for worship and we are meant to worship and to commune on a daily basis with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Our thoughts and our actions should be consumed with our worship of the One True Living God. So, I challenge you today to consider your actions, your thoughts, and your relationships, and determine if they are pleasing gifts to the King of Kings. Do they reflect His love for humanity and His undeniable Holiness? Have you considered the words on your lips as to whether or not they are a fragrant offering to Him or rather a disappointment to the One we claim to love above all others? It is my prayer that we will live like we are dead to ourselves and alive for one purpose. That purpose would be to bring Honor and Glory to our King whatever the cost and no matter what the sacrifice!

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is your reasonable service.* Rom 12:1

**Until Jesus Comes,
Jonathan Dundalow, Galatians 6:9**

December Birthday List

1	Rhianna Mathias	18	Andrew Chappell
2	James Burnett		Kalah Wood
	Cheri Owens	19	Gwen Dunn
3	A.J. Ricci		Chip Pletcher
	Rena Leslie		Heather Rote
4	Pam Burton	20	Stephen Beasley
	Paul Hoylman		Ashton Mellott
5	Nancy Holthouser		Christine Ramsey
	Jamie Lafoon		Loretta Smith
6	Brian Price	21	Ellen Massengale
8	Drew Berry		Joshua Kollman
	Linda Sullivan		Adam Wells
	Edith Vaughan	22	Heather Summers
9	Alexandra Via		Faye Veazey
10	Kenneth Debose	23	Harvey Tarleton
11	Jade Cook		Jessica Allred
12	Sarah Breeden	24	Kendall Walker
13	Edward Cunningham	25	Debbie Banner
	Raleigh Norris		Ray Gooch
14	Flora Ainsley	26	Patricia LaPlante
	Beverly Mathias		Marty Baird
15	Betty Edgerton		Ernest Harrison
	Jonathan Neddo		Judy Schmidt
17	Debbie Chappell		Phillip Vollhardt
	Cameron Lewis	27	Cassandra Sullivan
	Dennis Sullivan	29	Bryce Witt
	Kayleigh Whirley	31	Tammy Luck

These are the names of individuals who are either church members of WHBC or are enrolled in our Sunday School. Please advise the church office (733-8172) of any additions or corrections. Thank you!

November Birthday List

1	Hershel Carter	19	Steven Conley
	Maggie Rickman		Frances Farrish
2	Jackson Baird		Jackie Maitland
3	Mildred Randolph		Lisa Witt
4	Patty Fallin	20	Charles Poole
5	David Russell		Scott Porter
	Joyce Wallace		Kathy Whirley
6	Christine Croarkin		Caitlyn Danels
	Dennis Lipford, Jr.	21	Melissa D. Connelly
8	Christopher Chappell	22	Daryl Chappell
	Nelson T. Crance	23	James Breeden
9	Jessika Lester		Eva Meredith
10	Cameron J. Key		Tammy Croft
	Lewis Munford	24	Kali Boyce
12	Robert Thomas II		Harry Simmons
14	Jerome Brown	25	Mallory Wynn
15	Charity Burnett	26	Ellis Green, Jr.
	Carrie Martin		Debra Thomas
	Jack Mayes		Sam Comer
	Charles Roberts	28	Eric Schmidt
16	Katherine Loden		Christine Kollman
	Debbie Schmidt	29	Richard Lane
17	Judi Tucker		Marishka Langston
	Rebekah Lovin		Jacob Piotrowski
	Gabriele Gibbs	30	Gregory Conley
	Ashton Zaharek		



Children's Committee News

The cooler weather is upon us and the excitement is in air for all the beautiful things that happen with the changes of seasons. Remember to take time to look at God's amazing creation as the days shorten, the leaves change and God gives us beautiful colors to enjoy that only come in Autumn.

The Children's Committee has some exciting things planned for this month. Mark your calendar.

November 3 Word of Life Target date, verse quizzes and buck store

November 16 Children's Thanksgiving Dinner – 5 pm
(Children are asked to bring items to help pack Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes)

ATTENTION: The King Is Coming!

The children are working hard on the Christmas play they will perform on December 8th. During the month of November, the children will practice for an hour each Wednesday night starting at 7 pm. If your child would like to be part of this program, please see Bonnie Perkinson.



Happy Birthday!

Extra, Extra, READ ALL ABOUT IT....

WHBC choirs are busy preparing for the Christmas Music and we encourage you that if you would like to join us, it is not too late.

Choir practice for Adult Choir is Tuesday from 6-7 PM and a listening CD can be available to help you learn the musical "Love has Hands" to be performed December 15th.

Children/Youth Choir is Wednesday night from 7-8 PM and we are having a great time learning "A King is Coming" musical being performed on December 8th.

God has blessed this church with such a support system and I thank everyone who IS helping and WILL BE helping me to make these musicals amazing! We ask that you support us with your attendance, but, especially your prayers as we prepare each week.

In closing, Psalm 150:6 (ESV) "Let everything that has breath, praise the Lord. PRAISE THE LORD."

Events Coming Up at WHBC

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
November 3	Word of Life Target date, verse quizzes and buck store
November 4	Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer Deacon's Meeting, 7 PM
November 10	Brotherhood Breakfast, 8 AM
November 16	Children's Thanksgiving Dinner, 5 PM
November 17	New Members' Classes start, 9:45 AM Collection of Samaritans' Shoeboxes
November 19	Super Seniors meet with lunch and guest speaker, 12 PM
November 27	Thanksgiving Eve Service, 6 PM
December 1-8	Week of Prayer and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
December 2	Deacon's Meeting, 7 PM
December 4	Church Council Meeting, 8 PM
December 2-6	Operation Appalachian Christmas Gift Wrapping
December 6	Parent's Night Out, 6-10 PM
December 8	Brotherhood Breakfast, 8 AM Children's Christmas Play

November 2013 Children's Church Schedule

Date	Volunteers
November 3rd	Ray & Lisa Witt, Bryce & Christine Croarkin
November 10th	Heather Mills, Ashley McFarland & Donna Temple
November 17th	V. J. & Sarah Slade, Colby Slade & April Norris
November 24th	Tim & Jamie Morini, Timothy & Melissa D. Connelly

Super Seniors to Meet at WHBC, Tuesday, November 19th @ 12:00 PM

The Super Seniors will meet on Tuesday, November 19 at 12 PM. This meeting includes covered dish lunch and a Guest Speaker, Selicia Kelsey, from the Alzheimers/Dementia Association. She will be speaking on an array of information, programs, and services geared towards caregivers and seniors that are available at no charge. Three churches participate at the Super Seniors' meetings, Ocran, Kenwood and WHBC. New members are always welcome and we meet from September-June at 12:00 PM every 3rd Tuesday. Come and join us!

Brotherhood News

Our praise to God for the donations amounting to \$921.50 that was given during our World Hunger Spaghetti Dinner. What a blessing!

Just a reminder our next Brotherhood Breakfast will be November 10th at 8:00 AM. We will be honoring all of our veterans, so if you are a veteran, please come out and allow us to honor you for your service to our Country and community.

During the month of November, we celebrate a time of Thanksgiving. Also, this is a very fast and hectic month of planning, shopping and other responsibilities. Let's not get so busy that we forget how blessed we are, and take time to be thankful to our God, showing Him love and gratefulness.

I Thessalonians 5: 18

In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Welcome New Member

Western Heights Baptist welcomes Mark Shaylor, requesting membership by letter from Killian Baptist, Columbia, SC. Please pray for Mark as he continues his walk with Christ.

Notes of Gratitude

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your gracious financial help in allowing me to go to Uruguay on this mission trip.

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19

**Thank you in Christ,
Joe Keeney**

Dear Western Heights Family,

I just want to thank you for continuing to welcome and encourage us along. I really enjoyed fellowshiping with you this past week during the homecoming and revival services. You honestly could not have hoped for a better homecoming service. It really honored our Lord. We also trust that you were all encouraged and chastened by our Lord if that was needed during the revival services. Our God is so, so, so good and He promises to discipline and mold us into His image. Also, we thank you very much for the very generous offering that you gave us. We love you and thank our Lord Jesus for you!

Jeff, Kim, Mary Ellen, Rebekah, Anna, and Joseph



Dear Western Heights Baptist Church Family,

Thank you very much for feeding the Dinwiddie JV and Varsity football players many times this season. The dinners have all been great, and, we appreciate the many people who cooked, served, and supported in other ways to make the dinners happen. A big thank you to our Team Chaplain, Victor Slade, for organizing the Thursday night dinners at churches in our area, and always giving us an encouraging message from God's Word. We appreciate the support of our community more than you know. Thank you again.

Go Generals! Bleed NAVY!

Sincerely,

***Bryce Witt #19, Canaan Mills #59, Jordan Hudson #45,
Michael Kidwell #48 & Cody Mills***

November Nursery Workers

Date	Age	Volunteer
Sunday, November 3rd AM	Birth	Donnie & Leslie Bostic
	Cruisers	Lea & Rachel Mitchell
	Toddlers	Shawn & Rachel Wynn
	3 Yr Olds	Jennifer Beville & Chelsi Holderfeld
Sunday, 5 PM, November 3rd	Combined	Donna Temple & Paid Worker
Wednesday, 7 PM November 6th	Combined	April Johnson & Ashley McFarland
Sunday, November 10th AM	Birth	Melissa Connelly & Patty Dudley
	Cruisers	Chelsi Holderfield & Kathy Tarleton
	Toddlers	Christine Leggett & Diane Reish
	3 Yr. Olds	Richard & Kim Lane
Sunday, November 10th 5 PM	Combined	Donna Temple & Judi Tucker
Wednesday, November 13th	Combined	Chelsi Holderfield & Lisa Witt
Sunday, November 17th AM	Birth	Michael & Amanda Spencer
	Cruisers	John & Heather Mills
	Toddlers	Lisa & Ray Witt
	3 Yr. Olds	Tim & Jamie Morini
Sunday, 5 PM, November 17th	Combined	Donna Temple & Paid Worker
Wednesday, November 20th 7 PM	Combined	April Johnson & Trisha Johnson
Sunday AM, November 24th	Birth	Janelle Brown & Susan Goodwin
	Cruisers	Christine Croarkin & Amanda Whirley
	Toddlers	Keith & April Johnson
	3 Yr Olds & Youth	Ashley McFarland & Donna Temple
Sunday 5 PM, November 24th	Combined	Janelle Brown & Donna Temple
Wednesday, November 27th Thanksgiving Eve, 6 PM	Combined	Committee Members

Dear Church Family & Friends,

Bobby and I express our appreciation for all the prayers, cards, calls and food sent during my recent recovery from total knee replacement operation. We thank the Lord for such a wonderful, loving church family.

Bobby & Brenda Olgers

Fall Back Saturday Night, Nov 2nd

*November 3rd starts Daylight Savings Time
so turn your clocks back 1 hr on Saturday
night!*

Thought for the Month

Is God's Love showing in your actions and deeds?

October 14th Blood Drive A Success!

Our blood drive on Monday, October 14th was awesome!! We had 42 people come to donate and because of nine men who gave doubles, we collected 44 good units. This will save the lives of 132 people. The dates for 2014 are February 24, May 19, July 21 and October 13. Put these dates on your calendars soon and plan to give. Thank you again.



WHBC Clothes Closet

Thank you so very much for the recent donations to the clothes closet. We were able to assist 45 individuals during our block party!

I have received several calls in the past few weeks for those in need. We were able to assist a family of 4 that had been living in their car. Because of your generosity we were able to supply them with dishes, blankets, sheets, silverware and clothes!

We are in need of children's clothing once again. We need girl's sizes 2 – 14.

Thank you for supporting this mission and God bless you!

Matthew 25:40

Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.