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It's that time of year again when we begin to retool and refocus for another season of ministry here at WHBC. My hope for this year is that everyone who participates here at WHBC will realize their importance. You all have a role and a place, and are valuable to the Kingdoms' work. My challenge for WHBC over the next year is that we work hard to really and truly love one another.

I Corinthians 13 reminds us that if we accomplish all the tasks of ministry but don't love one another, then, we are truly wasting our time. I want to challenge you over the next year to take the time to love the people around you. We often times talk about the need to love our community and to serve them and that is certainly true. However, we will never be able to accomplish that task if we don't love one another. Love is patient and kind. Love hopes all things and bears all things. The reality is that all of us will struggle in some of the different areas of love. We may have a hard time being patient and enduring when things don't go our way. We may have a hard time bearing with our brothers and sisters when they fail. We may even struggle with our hope and believing the best about one another from time to time. However, love is key to the mission of WHBC. Without it, the Word says we are just making noise and accomplishing nothing. So, this year as we attempt to be that dynamic spiritual organism focused on reaching as many people as possible with the gospel of Christ, let's take time to examine our love and be sure our mission doesn't neglect our calling. I challenge you to

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take the time this week to encourage and love on your brothers and sisters in Christ. This morning, I received a phone call around 7:30 a.m. Normally, I am a little concerned because these calls aren't always enjoyable, but this morning it was a dear brother and sister calling to encourage and love their pastor! What a joy to be loved! What a wonderful thing to experience the bond that Christ has given us as brothers and sisters in Him. So, as you plan for this year, leave room for random acts of kindness, and make sure that whatever your plans are, that they include love.

"And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love. I Corinthians 13:13"

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

Welcome New Members

Praise the Lord! WHBC had three people who have requested membership by statement and letters of transfer. They are Tammy Luck, accepts Christ as her personal savior and Lord and requests membership by statement, Bonnie & Taylor Perkinson, request membership to WHBC by transfer from the formerly Harrowgate Baptist and turned into Harrowgate Christian Fellowship. Please pray for Tammy, Bonnie and Taylor as they continue their journey with the Lord.

October Birthday List

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|----|--|----|--|
| 1 | Teresa Harrison
Lea Mitchell | 16 | Karen Ventimiglia
Phillip Morini, Jr. |
| 2 | Kimberly Price
Ronald Goodwin | 17 | Ricky Fallin
Shirley Underhill |
| 3 | Susan Loden | | Chad Underhill |
| 4 | Rose Dooley
Neil Maitland
Wanda Motley | 18 | Layla Berry
Craig Norris
Rebecca R. Wilkerson |
| 5 | Anne Cizek | 19 | Chris Underhill |
| 6 | Kenneth Young | 20 | Brandy Finch |
| 7 | Heath Lane | 22 | Rick Brockwell |
| 8 | Sherry Clemens
Patty Dudley
Susan Goodwin
Brookeneil Hounshell
Austin Mostoller
Michael Rickman | | Joanna L. Dundalow
David Spain
Ashley B. Boyce |
| 9 | Rebecca R. Haase
Tim Price | 24 | Candice Lane |
| 10 | Judith Wolfrey
Ricky Allen | 26 | Howard Burnette, Sr.
Williard Nunnally |
| 11 | Connie Robertson
John A. Eubank
George Dooley | 27 | Cathy Branch
Crystal Ford
Pam Fogel |
| 12 | Helen Heller
Judy Branch
Nathan Daniels | 28 | Nicki Adkins
William Cogle |
| 14 | Laura Dunn
Hudson Lane | 30 | Mitzi Branham |
| 15 | Judy McGregor
Dana Gibbs | 31 | Patti Sowers
Amanda Whirley |



Happy Birthday!!

September Birthday List

1	Heather Hughes Jackie Wells	17	Billy Spain Cannan Mills
2	Elizabeth Branch Judy Pierce	18	Bryan McFarland Jerald Stallings
3	Eva Petree Doolittle Jody Driggers Tori Sanders	20	Jonathan Flack Jennifer Lail
4	Paul Leslie Reda Demaline	21	Allen Marshall Betty Barnes Danielle Dickenson
5	Pam Munford Jamie Morini Cheryl Strawmyer	22	Wyatt Lail Corey Grant
8	Michele Fee Patsy Westmoreland	23	Dawn Twombly
9	Kenny Ezzell Karla Baird Wayne Boyd Nathan Kissner	24	Marty Burks Tim Reish Berkley Simmons
11	Phyllis Chobanian Martin Dorgan Caitlin Neddo Blayne Tucker	26	Lynda Slade Barbara Huddleston Alma McMillion
12	Chris Price Jeff Christian	28	Jeffrey Lail Cody Mills
13	Jordan Lafoon Michelle Joyce Reed Marie Lively	29	Patricia Crance Amy Underhill
15	Anna Heller Clark Donna Temple	30	Janelle Brown Mark Gower Kevin Kissner Scott Wynn
16	Doris Harrison Becky Harris		

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 at 733-8172 of any additions, or corrections. Thank you



A Note from the Children's Director

Hello all and welcome fall! The summer has flown by and the children are getting ready to go back to school. Please pray for them and their families. Please pray that the children will have a great year and that the Lord will protect them from harms that they may face. Pray for the hearts of parents to be softened to the word and the voice of the Lord. Pray that many will hear the message and come to saving knowledge. I praise God for the opportunities He has given WHBC to minister to this community. Pray for not only our Good News school, Sutherland, but, for all the schools in the county. Pray for Good News Clubs and FCA Clubs as the new school year begins. Ask the Father for great leaders and willing children in the clubs. I ask you to seek God and question where He wants you to serve.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 1st – No evening services – Labor Day Weekend

Sept 3rd – School begins

Sept. 7th - Good News Club Kickoff Meeting – 9 AM – 1 PM – Immanuel Baptist

Sept. 8th – FasCar Event @ 5 PM

Sept. 13 – Parent's Night Out, 6 – 10 PM

Oct. 1st – Good News Club at Sutherland Elementary begins

God gives us so much! He renews our strength daily for Him. Be encouraged to step outside the box and serve Him. Where are your spiritual gifts and how will you use them this year to serve? As always, we are in need of workers for the harvest. Consider Good News Club, Word of Life, Nursery, VBS, Children's Church...it take all of us to raise up children in the way they should go.

His Servant, April Norris

Events Coming Up at WHBC

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
September 2	Labor Day – Church Offices Closed
September 3	Deacon’s Meeting, 7 PM
September 7	Good News Club Kickoff Mtg., @ Immanuel Baptist, 9 AM-1 PM
September 8	Brotherhood Breakfast, 8 AM FasCar Event @ 5 PM
September 13	Parents Night Out, 6-10 PM
September 15	Bread Loaves for Hunger given out
September 17	Super Seniors Meet at Ocran UMC, Guest Speaker, Author, Billie Hughes Locke & Covered Dish, 12 PM
September 22-29	Week of Prayer & Offering for Missions
September 28	Laundry Mat Ministry
October 1	Good News Club @ Sutherland Ele. begins
October 4-5	Extraordinary Women’s Conference
October 6	Baby Shower for Eric and Heather Schmidt, 2 PM
October 7	Deacon’s Meeting, 7 PM
October 11	World Hunger Spaghetti Dinner, 6:30 – 8:00 PM

September Nursery Schedule

Wednesday, September 25 th	Combined	Judi Tucker
Sunday AM September 29 th	Birth	Janelle Brown & Susan Goodwin
	Cruisers	Christine Croarkin & Amanda Whirley
	Toddlers	Ray & Lisa Witt
	3 yr old & Youth Floater	Ashley McFarland & Donna Temple, Anna Schmidt
September 29 th Sunday, 5 PM	Combined	Donna Temple & Rachel Wynn

September 2013 Children’s Church Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Volunteers</u>
September 1 st	Pam Burton, Amanda Whirley, Tori Sanders & April Norris
September 8 th	Richard, Kim & Hope Lane & April Norris
September 15 th	Craig & April Norris, Heather Mills
September 22 nd	Karla Baird, Linda Sullivan, Katherine Loden & April Norris
September 29 th	No Children’s Church

Church-wide Baby Shower for Eric & Heather Schmidt

When: October 6 @ 2 PM

Where: Church Fellowship Hall

Eric & Heather are registered at Babies R Us
& Target



September Nursery Workers

<u>Date</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Volunteer</u>
Sunday AM, September 1 st	Birth	Melissa Connelly & Patty Dudley
	Cruisers	Jarrett & Johanna Munford
	Toddlers	Lola Holley & Michelle Stech
	3 Yr Olds & Youth Floater	Jennifer Beville & Anna Keeney, Karmin Mitchell
Sunday 5 PM, September 1 st	Combined	No Evening Service
Wednesday, 7 PM September 4 th	Combined	Donna Temple
Sunday, September 8 th AM	Birth	Andrea Beville & Heather Gibbs
	Cruisers	Lea & Rachel Mitchell
	Toddlers	Marty & Karla Baird
	3 Yr. Olds & Youth Floater	Becky & Judy Pierce, Sarah Mitchell
Sunday, September 8 th 5 PM	Combined	WOL FasCar Event
Wednesday, September 11 th 7 PM	Combined	Melissa Dear
Sunday AM, September 15 th	Birth	Levi & Vera Mitchell
	Cruisers	Chelsi Holderfield & Kathy Tarleton
	Toddlers	Christie Leggett & Diane Reish
	3 Yr. Olds & Youth Floater	Richard & Kim Lane & Katie Leggett
Sunday 5 PM, September 15 th	Combined	Janelle Brown & Donna Temple
Wednesday, September 18 th 7 PM	Combined	April Johnson
Sunday AM, September 22 nd	Birth	Donnie & Leslie Bostic
	Cruisers	John & Heather Mills
	Toddlers	Keith & April Johnson
	3 Yr Olds & Youth Floater	Tim & Jamie Morini, Mark Gower
Sunday 5 PM, September 22 nd	Combined	Donna Temple & Paid Worker



WHBC 50th Anniversary Celebration 1963 – 2013

Western Heights Baptist Church members will commemorate their 50th year of Ministry on Sunday, October 13th, starting during the Sunday School hour.

Following the morning worship service, there will be a luncheon, followed by family fellowship.

Mark your calendar & please plan to attend!

11th Annual Block Party

October 19th, 10 AM -2 PM

Our Community Block Party is fast approaching. Please be in prayer where God can use you. If you have any suggestions about the Block Party, please let Kathy Whirley or Becky Thomas know. Sign-up sheets for volunteers will be available around the church.

Get ready for some fall fun with neighbors and friends. Lots of goodies to eat, games to play, gospel music, and classic cars.

There will be activities for the children. Cake walks, hayrides, etc. Please make your favorite cake and donate to the Block Party!!

Mark your calendar!!

GA's Mailbox Ministry Coming Back!!

We are pleased to announce the "GA Mailbox" is making a comeback!! Do you have birthday, anniversary, thinking of you, or just hello note cards? We accept all in-house mail for a .25 cents donation per card. The Mailbox is located in the downstairs children's hall just outside of the GA classroom. The mail will be delivered to the appropriate Sunday School classroom by the GA girls and be placed in a "GA Mail Basket".

All donations will go to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. Thanking you in advance to all who participate.

Girls in Action

Thought for the Month

The diamond cannot be polished without friction, nor the man perfected without trials. (Chinese proverb)

Softball Champs!!

**Congratulations to the WHBC AAA
team on their 2013 Colonial Heights
Church Softball Division 2**

Championship victory!

**The team played four games on
August 13th, beating Calvary Baptist
twice in the tournament to bring home
the trophy. Way to go AAA on a fun
year of fellowship that culminated in a
great finale.**

“All glory must be to the Lord!”

Philippians 4:13



***Congratulations Jake & Kalah
Wood for Their New Addition to
Their Family and Our
Church Family!***

*Harper, born Friday, August 16th.
She weighed at 7 lbs., 12 oz, and
20.5 inches long. Her big brother is
Thane Cox.*



Bible Study

Ladies Fall Bible Study

CONTENTMENT – Why I Don't Have It?

This Bible study is a 8-week study for women prepared by Becky Sowers and leads us to look into why we are discontent, what cause it, symptoms of discontent and the cures is the topic. The study will meet weekly beginning Thursday, September 19th in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 PM. (We will not meet Thursday, October 24th due to the annual meeting of the PBA). There will be not cost for materials, but, weekly assignments for delving into God's Word will be given.

Please sign up on the flyers located in the entrance ways to the church and be sure to note if a nursery will be needed. If a nursery is needed, please note the ages and number of children beside your name. See you at the Bible Study!!

School Days Return

September 3rd

Let us pray for all our students as they return back to the classrooms.

We hope all of our WHBC students will have a great & enjoyable academic year.

Remember students, let others see Jesus in you in all you do and say.

Be in prayer about volunteering for the

"Good News Club"

Notes of Gratitude

I would like to thank Western Heights for allowing me to serve the Lord as Sunday School Director. Many people have assisted me and made the task a joy. I know if I start to thank individuals, I will leave someone out. So many of you have given so freely of your time and talents and for that I say "Thank You!" Without you, the Sunday morning hour would not happen.

**In His service,
Robert Tucker**

Thanks to my Christian family at Western Heights for your prayers, cards, phone calls and visitation during my operation and recovery.

A special thanks to Donald Schmidt for keeping my grass cut. What a blessing that was! Thanks again to my church family for all you have done.

Frank Rowland

Dear Church Family,

I want to express my deepest thanks for all the well wishes and prayers that were given to me and my family in the passing of my grandmother. It warms my heart so much to know that I have such a loving church family. My grandmother is in a better place now beside our Lord.

Keith Johnson

"Labor Day- A Little History"

Labor Day, How it Came about and What it Means

Labor Day the 1st Monday in September, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.

The First Labor Day

The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union. The Central Labor Union held its second Labor Day holiday just a year later, on September 5, 1883.

In 1884 the first Monday in September was selected as the holiday, as originally proposed, and the Central Labor Union urged similar organizations in other cities to follow the example of New York & celebrate a "workingmen's holiday" on that date. The idea spread with the growth of labor organizations, and in 1885 Labor Day was celebrated in many industrial centers of the country. In 1885 & 1886 the first governmental recognition came through municipal ordinances passed. Then state legislation and Oregon in 1887 was first state to make Labor Day law. Other states followed and on June 28, 1894, Congress passed an act making the first Monday in September of each year a legal holiday. "Wherever you labor, honor God in all you do."