WHITESBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

WEEKLY UPDATE

JANUARY 4, 2024

Weekly Schedule: January 7-13

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

Sunday Life Groups: 8, 9:30, and 11 am

Worship Celebrations: 9:30 am Choir & Orchestra led Worship | 11 am Band led Worship

Livestream: 9:30 and 11 am | YouTube

Kids' Choirs | Children's Auditorium and Preschool Wing | 5:30 pm

Student Choir | Choir Room | 5:15 pm

Bible Drill | Children's Worship Room | 6:45 pm

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

Pastor's Daytime Bible Study | South Campus Chapel | 10:30 am

Wednesday Night Meal | Main Campus (Rooms 102-106) | 4:45-6 pm Menu for January 10: Chick-Fil-A sandwich, chips, and a cookie

Student Missions Discipleship: Acteens (girls, grades 6-12) and Challengers (boys, grades 6-12) South Campus | 5:15 pm

KidCare, Wiggle Worship, & E-Kids | Main Campus Children's Atrium | 6:15 pm

Student Ministry | South Campus The Zone | 6:15 pm

Adult Equip Groups | Main Campus | 6:15 pm

Choir & Orchestra | Adult Choir (Choir Room) and Orchestra (Room 158) | 6:15 pm

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

College Worship | Main Campus | Hangout 7 pm | Worship 8 pm

IGNITE

Our vision is to Ignite a movement of authentic followers of Christ by reaching 1,000 people with the gospel and releasing 200 equipped leaders from the next generation for Church leadership by 2028.

Master Campus Plan Update

Our Master Campus Plan is our facility resource tool for reaching 1,000 and equipping and releasing 200 leaders. Here's our current progress:



Work on the MCP continues in earnest behind the scenes. Engineers took soil borings to support civil and structural engineering details of both Phase 1 site work and Phase 2 design. The general contractor is finalizing bids on Phase 1 work to begin in early January.

Our electrical contractor has added temporary lighting to our west parking areas. The Building Committee is working closely with the design team as they work on detailed design of the Phase 2 Youth/Senior/Multipurpose building, with bidding anticipated in February. This image is a rendering of the future Commons Area.

Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support for our Ignite MCP!

To learn more about Ignite and our Master Campus Plan visit WhitesburgBaptist.org/Ignite

CONNECT & GROW

Church Bible Reading Plan (CBR)

One of the ways we follow Jesus is by spending time in the Bible. As a disciple-making church, it's important to us to give you resources to do that. You can find paper copies of our CBR 2024 on tables outside the Worship Center on Sunday. To read in our app, click the Bible icon in the bottom right corner of the Whitesburg App homescreen. You can also find a printable PDF on our website. Our emphasis isn't to get you to use our plan, but to help you connect with a systematic plan to be serious about digging into God's Word in 2024.



New Life Groups

Beginning this Sunday, January 7 | 9:30 and 11 am

Life Groups resume this Sunday, and we've got some exciting new groups launching if you're looking for community! Life Groups meet weekly on Sunday morning and are available for every age and life phase. Our new Life Groups include:

- Nearlywed/Newlywed: 9:30 am (Taught by Suk and Molli Fields and Ron and Alison Huskey, Room 208)
- Foundations: Biblical Truths for Believers: 9:30 am (Taught by Dara Wakefield, Room 255)
- Young Adult Ladies: 9:30 am (Taught by Val Rufe, Room 220)
- Median Age Adults Married: 9:30 am (Taught by Discipleship Pastor David Loyed, Room 213)
- Foundations: Biblical Truths for Believers: 11 am (Taught by Senior Associate Pastor Philip Slusher, Room 215)
- Young Adult Ladies: 11 am (Taught by Ramsey Williams, Room 148)

You can learn about our other Life Groups **here** or get your personalized Life Group recommendation by texting GROUP to 256-344-0023.

Bible Drill

Beginning this Sunday, January 7 | 6:45-8 pm Children's Worship Room

Children and students grades 4-12 are invited for a fun time of scripture memory and games!

- Children's Drill: Grades 4-6
- Youth Drill: Grades 7-9
- High School Drill: Grades 10-12
- Speaker's Tournament: Grades 10-12

Contact Heather Brock at hbrock@ardmore.net with any questions.



Discipleship Groups

Discipleship groups are gender-specific groups of 3-5 people who meet for 6-12 months to read God's Word, pray, hold one another accountable, and discuss what they are learning. These groups meet throughout the week at various times, deteremined by the group participants. We want to encourage you to utilize our campus for meeting. We can book a classroom for you if you reach out to our

Discipleship team by calling the church office at 255-881-0952, ext. 222. You can also learn more about D-Groups here.

Spring 2024 Equip Groups and Wednesdays

Begin This Wednesday, January 10

Equip Groups are short-term courses for adults, designed to help you in your walk with Christ. They meet Wednesday evenings at 6:15, as well as weekday mornings, and cover topics like grief, spiritual warfare, sexual purity, and more. You can view the Spring 2024 Equip Group Schedule and register online here.



We also offer activities for all ages on Wednesdays:

- Pastor's Morning Bible Study | 10:30 am
- Dinner | 4:45-6 pm
- Acteens and Challengers (Student Missions) | 5:15 pm
- Kids and Preschool | 6:15 pm
- Student Ministry | 6:15 pm
- Equip Groups | 6:15 pm
- Pastor's Evening Bible Study | 6:15 pm
- Adult Choir and Orchestra | 6:15 pm



Students grades 6-12 are invited to DNOW '24. The theme this year is AMBASSADORS, focusing on what it means to be reconciled to Christ and serving as His ambassador wherever He calls. Register here by Monday, January 22 for this awesome weekend. Cost is \$110. Students will not stay in host homes this year.

College students and young adults with a heart to disciple teens are also needed to serve as small group leaders. Applications can be submitted **here**.

Together in Prayer

Sunday, January 28 | 5:30 pm Worship Center

We meet on the fourth Sunday of every month for a time of intentional, Spirit-led, corporate prayer. Our January meeting will also include a Whitesburg Family Meeting, Deacon Ordination, and an Ignite Update from Pastor Darryl.

Early Bird Registration for Kids Camp

Save the date for Camp: July 16-19 Shocco Springs, Talladega, AL

Kids who have completed grades 3-5 by June 2024 are invited to an unbelievable week at Kids Camp! At camp, kids will experience worship, Bible study, and church group gatherings, as well as lots of outdoor activities. Register online by January 31 to receive the early-bird discount. Click here to register and learn more.

Women on Mission Tuesday, January 9, 11:30 am Join us to assemble bags for men and women coming through the Salvation Army. Project SHARE DOING THE MOST GOOD Scan for details!

Bring a lunch to the South Campus Hearthside Room and join Women on Mission for fellowship and service. Click **here** for details, including which items to bring for bags. For questions or additional information, contact Barbara Glenn, 256-508-6190, or Karen Brown, 256-651-0941.



Help us restock the food pantry in our Benevolence Center with non-perishable food items. Barrels will be located in the North and South Lobbies, Children's Atrium, and South Campus beginning Sunday, January 14. Specific items will be assigned to each Life Group. A full list of needed items and details may be found here.

INTERNATIONAL WORKER PRAYER REQUESTS

Gene & Lynn | Central AsiaPlease pray for Gene, Lynn, their family, and their ministry.

MLK HOLIDAY

Holiday Closing

The ROC and Church Office will be closed Monday, January 15 in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

RECREATION OUTREACH CENTER (ROC)

ROC Childcare

Childcare is offered at the ROC on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8-10 am. Reservation is required. Contact Jane Baker at 256-704-5678, ext. 715 or Jane.Baker@WhitesburgBaptist.org.

Woodworking Class

Monday, January 22, 29, and February 5 | 6:30 pm Whitesburg Woodshop

The Recreation Ministry will conduct a class to make an artistic inlay in a wood surface. The class will cover template layout, use of a plunge router to cut inlay pieces and indentations, use of a rotary tool for beveling, inlay mounting, and sanding. Some woodworking experience is a pre-requisite. The class will be held in the woodshop on three consecutive Monday nights, January 22 through February 5. Cost is \$35. Class size is limited.

Contact Jane Baker for information and registration at 256-704-5678, ext. 715 or by email: Jane.Baker@WhitesburgBaptist.org. For technical information, call Richard Brown: 256-527-5291.

WHITESBURG JOB OPENINGS

Custodial Position

Job duties would include cleaning of facilities, vacuuming, mopping, stocking paper goods, emptying trash, and cleaning bathrooms. Contact Facilities Manager James Winn at James.Winn@WhitesburgBaptist. org.

Set Up Position

Duties would include setting up/breaking down tables and chairs for events, vacuuming and mopping floors, and some general cleaning of facilities. Contact Facilities Manager James Winn at James.Winn@WhitesburgBaptist.org.

SYMPATHY & APPRECIATION

Sympathy

Whitesburg Baptist Church expresses sympathy to the following:

- Sara and Dick Stone in the death of Sara's sister, Elsie Rhodes.
- Janet and Jim Dailey, Deanna Dailey, and Danielle Dailey in the death of their mother and grandmother, Mary Hiatt.
- Ricky and Kathy Nelson in the death of Ricky's brother, Rusty Nelson.

Appreciation

The following express appreciation to Whitesburg Baptist Church:

- Marca Edwards is thankful to the church family for the visits, calls, and prayers during the illness and passing of her uncle, James Dupree.
- Mark Ledbetter is grateful for the many prayers during his recent seizure, car wreck, and hospital stay.

PASTOR ON CALL

Each weekend and holiday, one of our pastors serves as the Pastor on Call. If you experience hospitalization, a death in the family, or other emergencies, contact the Pastor on Call by calling 256-881-0952, ext. 811. Please leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

Pastor on call this weekend, January 5-7: Adam Creel.

WHITESBURG CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



Home of the Warriors Update

The Academy is making exciting progress on its gym project. The gym is slightly ahead of schedule due to good weather and the work of an excellent contractor and crew. They have a tentative completion date of mid-February, 2025. Above is a recent photo of the construction site.

Preview Day

January 25, 2024 | 9 am or 6:30 pm ROC Dining Room

Learn more about the mission and vision of WCA, review curriculum, and meet some of the students, staff, and faculty. Register <u>here</u>.

Admissions 2024-2025

The Academy has begun accepting 2024-2025 applications for prospective students who are children of Whitesburg Baptist Church members today, January 4. Applications for other prospective students will be received beginning January 26, 2024. Learn more about WCA Admissions **here**.

Bus Driver Positions

The Academy is in need of bus drivers to drive for athletic events and field trips. Applicants must hold CDL.

To apply or for questions, please contact AD Assistant Becky Keller: Becky.Keller@WhitesburgChristianAcademy.org or Stephanie.McGlathery@WhitesburgChristianAcademy.org.

Tennis Coaches

Whitesburg Christian Academy needs JV Tennis Coaches. For more information, please contact Michelle Tate: Michelle.Tate@WhitesburgChristianAcademy.org