WHITESBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

WEEKLY UPDATE

MARCH 7, 2024

Weekly Schedule: March 10-16

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

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

Sunday evening activities (Kids Choirs, Student Choir, and Bible Drill) will not meet due to Spring Break

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

Wednesday activities will not meet due to Spring Break.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

College Worship will not meet due to Spring Break.

REGISTER NOW FOR E4



April 12 | 5:30-9 pm Main and South Campuses

The E4 Conference is a onenight showcase to deploy and engage members of Whitesburg into the work of the church. Our conference is based upon Ephesians 4:12 that shares the fact that we are given gifts "for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ." It's

because of this that E4 will have something for those who have yet to serve and those who have served for years, no matter if you serve in Life Groups, First Impressions, Preschool, Kids, Students, College, Young Adults, or Media ministries. Led by speakers from around the country who are the best and brightest in their fields, the night will include three breakout sessions. Participants will have the ability to choose from a variety of topics to best fit their needs. Our hope is that E4 will inspire people to say yes to God's calling to use their gifts, with the aim of developing authentic followers of Christ and building up His Church!

Space is limited. Register here by March 31 to reserve your spot at E4.

Not yet serving at Whitesburg? Find serve opportunities here.



Volunteer Worker Spotlight Alison Creel WB Kids

What is your role? I teach the 11 am 2nd grade Life Group.

What is your favorite part of your job? I love to see the light bulb come on when kids learn Bible truths for the first time. They get so excited! It's like they've discovered a treasure. I also love when kids ask questions. They have such a practical,

uncomplicated way of viewing Scripture. I learn a lot from them.

Why do you invest time in children? Most Christians testify to having made a profession of faith during their childhood. What better time to invest in the gospel ministry than to pour into young, moldable hearts? Kids are receptive to hearing and responding to the gospel. They have their whole lives ahead of them to live for Jesus and impact the world with the gospel.

What would you tell someone considering serving in WB Kids?

We teach kids at every stage of the Christian walk. Some kids are little Bible scholars, while other kids have no knowledge of the Bible at all. Teaching to every age and stage is a fantastic way to make and grow disciples.

Click <u>here</u> to apply to serve in Whitesburg Kids, or click <u>here</u> to learn about other serve opportunities!

CONNECT & GROW

Wednesdays: Spring Break and Block 2 Equip Groups

No Wednesday activites on March 13.

Block 2 Equip Groups begin and Wednesday activites resume March

Please click **here** to view the schedule and register for a group!

High School Choir Homecoming Sunday

March 17 | 9:30 and 11 am

Worship Center

The High School Choir is heading to Washington, D.C. for their Mission Tour March 9-16. Please keep these students and leaders in prayer. They'll end their tour leading Whitesburg in a powerful time of worship at Homecoming Sunday, held during both morning services.



Good Friday Service

March 29 | 6 pm

Main Campus Worship Center

Begin your Easter weekend by gathering to remember and reflect on the crucifixion. The Lord's Supper will be taken during this meaningful service. Childcare available for birth through age 3. Livestream will also be available.

Easter Sunday

March 31 | 9:30 and 11 am

Main Campus Worship Center

Gather and celebrate the hope-filled truth of the Resurrection! To allow families to worship together, Life Groups for Kids, Students, and Adults will not meet this day. Life Groups will be available for birth through Pre-K during Worship, and older children are welcome to join their families in the service. Livestream will be available for both services. We encourage everyone to take an invite card and bring a friend to Easter!

Ladies' Night: Living in Light

Friday, April 5 | 5:30-8 pm

South Campus

Ladies, mark your calendars and plan to join the Women's Ministry for a night of dinner and dessert around gorgeous tables, hosted and decorated by Whitesburg women. The evening will also include fellowship and testimonies, encouraging women to remain steadfast because of the Lord's faithfulness and grace. Table hostesses are needed, and registration for attendees is now also open. You can register for either option here.

Student Camp 2024

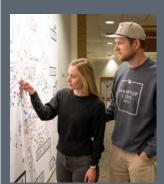
July 16-20

Ocoee, TN

Summer Camp '24 for students who have completed grades 6-12 is a week full of worship, Bible Study, white water rafting, games and competitions, water slides, ropes course, and so much more! Students will experience a combination of God's beautiful creation and unforgettable time in Christian community. Register by April 17 to take advantage of the early-bird discount. Sign up online here.

GNIF

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.



Gospel Conversations Map

We want to hear how you are spreading the good news to reach 1,000 people with the gospel! Stop by the map outside the Worship Center and place a sticker where your conversation happened. You'll also find how to share your story with our staff.



The Master Campus Plan is our facility resource tool for reaching 1,000 and equipping and releasing 200 leaders.

Main Campus

Grading work for the new Phase 1 parking near Entrance 5 is well underway. The large "swimming pool" hole at the former Student Center is part of an underground storm water detention system. Storm water pipes are being placed, and electric utilities are being relocated and installed for new parking lighting. Phase 1 completion is estimated for the end of May 2024.

Drawings are complete for the Phase 2 Student and Senior Adult Multipurpose building near Entrance 9. Our general contractor is currently bidding all subcontract elements. Contracts are anticipated in April to May with construction expected to begin in June 2024.

South Campus

Renovations are underway for the Chapel to make it more functional for worship, weddings, and funerals. Electrical work is currently underway. The Chapel will be closed through the month of May while work continues.

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

RECREATION OUTREACH CENTER (ROC)

The ROC is located at our South Campus, 7300 Whitesburg Drive. They offer a gym and a variety of fitness classes, ballet classes, workshops, senior days, and more. Learn more about the ROC and their offerings here.

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.

Ladies Pickleball Tournament

Saturday, March 16 | 9-11 am South Campus 7300 Whitesburg Drive

This is a fun event for church and Life Group members. Cost is \$5 per person. Deadline to register is March 13. Click **here** to register.

Upcoming ROC Closings

Closing at noon on Wednesday, March 13.

Closed Saturday, March 30 due to Easter Weekend.

SERVE

March On

Continuing through March 31

We will be serving the Salvation Army as they serve people in need in our city. Specifically, we will be collecting items and putting together hygiene kits for the homeless as well as sending a team to serve at the Salvation Army. We are collecting **travel size** items for The Salvation Army. **Please do not bring large bottles or hand sanitizer of any kind.** Check with your Life Group leader for the specific item assigned to your class. Items can be dropped off in any of the barrels located in the North or South Lobbies, Children's Atrium, or ROC entrance. Click **this link** to learn more.

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Continuing through March 31

Pray for how God will lead you to give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions, March 3-31. Help us reach our goal of giving \$150,000. Gifts can be made in the offering boxes or online.

Churchwide Work Day

This Saturday, March 9 | 8 am-Noon Main Campus

Prepare the church for Easter by helping with mulching and pressure washing. Volunteers should meet at Entrance 3 and can bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, and pressure washers. Water, coffee, and donuts provided. For more information, contact James Winn: James.Winn@WhitesburgBaptist.org.

New England Go Team Interest Meeting

Wednesday, March 27 | 5:15 pm Main Campus Café 246

Find information about this Go Team <u>here</u>, and learn more details at the interest meeting.

Volunteer for VBS

Save the dates to serve June 3-7!

VBS 2024 planning has begun! Breaker Rock Beach volunteer registration is now open. Register **here** to catch the wave!

Noteworthy Ministry

A note-writing ministry to widows, widowers, and homebound

How does it work? At the beginning of each month, Noteworthy Ministry Volunteers receive a packet in the mail with 5 - 10 postcards, postage stamps, and pre-addressed labels.

What's my part? All you have to do is write some words of encouragement or a favorite Bible verse reminding them that they are loved and important to the life of the church.

That's easy! How do I sign up? Contact Beverly Dishman at Beverly.Dishman@WhitesburgBaptist.org or 256-881-0952, ext. 211.

Shuttle Drivers Needed

Shuttle drivers provide transportation between our South Campus Parking Lot (7300 Whitesburg Dr.) and our Main Campus on Sunday mornings and are active across all three service hours. Volunteers must be WBC members over 18 and have a valid drivers license. Click here to let us know you're interested in serving. For more information, please contact the Missions Office: 256-881-0952, ext. 279 or Chrissy.Curtis@WhitesburgBaptist.org.

Meals for College Community Groups

Would you consider supporting Whitesburg College Ministry through providing a Community Group meal? Each week of fall and spring semesters, over 50 students are involved in small groups that meet in host homes. These groups are meant to foster Christ-centered community over the course of 13 weeks and allow church members to open their lives and their homes to students. Providing a meal enables hosts and participants to focus on connecting with each other in Christ and allows you to be a part of reaching and caring for the next generation. Details:

- Each of the four groups needs 13 weeks of meals
- Volunteers might make a meal, team up with a friend or Life Group, deliver take-out, or even donate to the cause.
- Meals are requested to be dropped off by 6:15 pm.

Click these links to learn more, donate, or schedule to take a meal:

- Monday | Huntsville 35803 | Click here.
- Tuesday | Huntsville 35806 | Click here.
- Wednesday | Huntsville 35806 | Click here.
- Wednesday | Madison 35758 | Click here.

Questions? Please contact Karen Kelley at 256-541-5823.

SYMPATHY & APPRECIATION

Sympathy

Whitesburg Baptist Church expresses sympathy to the following:

- Debbie and Mark Schmitz in the death of Debbie's father, Max Sommer.
- Mary Lou Boswell in the death of her husband, Bill Boswell.
- Ann Smith in the death of her husband, Steve Smith.
- Donald Ellis, Tricia and Doug Hart, and Rachel Hart in the death of their wife, mother, and grandmother, Sonia Ellis.
- Jane Holley and family in the death of her father, Joe Holley.

Appreciation

The following express appreciation to Whitesburg Baptist Church:

- Rick and Rosemary Stone are SO thankful for the prayers, the cards, the gifts, and the overwhelming demonstration of love as they embark on their next ministry assignments during retirement. They believe their Whitesburg family are the greatest people this side of heaven and send their love.
- Anne Boyett and Gayle Powers are thankful to the church family for the beautiful flowers sent at the death of Anne's mother and Gayle's sister, Nancy Osburn.
- Joyce Mayes is thankful for the prayers, calls, flowers, wreath, and cards in the loss of her sister, Dorothy Fudge.

PASTOR ON CALL

Each weekend, 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, March 8-10: David Dye.

SUNDAY SHUTTLE



As we approach Easter and prepare for many visitors, we ask abled members to park at the South Campus (7300 Whitesburg Drive) on Sunday mornings. Our shuttles run continuously from 7:30 am-12:30 pm and provide convenient service to the door of the South Lobby Entrance and then back to the South Campus Parking Lot. Your help is very much needed, as this ensures we have adequate parking at our Main Campus for senior adults, guests, and people needing accessible parking.

INTERNATIONAL WORKER PRAYER REQUESTS

A.B. | Middle East

- Pray that A.B. will grow in love and knowledge of Him.
- Pray for the students in the school where A.B. teaches to have stamina in their work and to know the Truth.



WHITESBURG JOB OPENINGS

Custodial Position

Job duties would include cleaning of facilities, vacuuming, mopping, stocking paper goods, emptying trash, and cleaning restrooms. 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.

WHITESBURG CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Warrior Window

Stay up-to-date on the Academy through their newsletter 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.

Academy Open Positions

Whitesburg Christian Academy is accepting applications for the following positions:

- Business Administrator (WBC membership required)
- Office Administrative Assistant
- Middle School English Teacher
- High School English Teacher
- High School World Language Teacher
- High School Science Teacher

To see details and qualifications, please click <u>here</u>.

Tennis Coaches

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