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## Grace and Peace to you

"The Heart of Being Disciple" In This Issue

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Being a disciple was modeled by Jesus when he
prayed, "Not my will but yours be done." Discipleship is abandoning
our self-willfulness and accepting God's will for our lives. The
surrender of our hearts to God's control is central to following

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Jesus Christ.

Jesus was, is, and always will be God, yet he submitted to the Father's will. Jesus accomplished our salvation for us and modeled a life of perfect faith. As disciples of Jesus, we are his pupils, who learn all that he commanded. Also, we are followers of Jesus. We follow his example. Being a disciple requires surrendering our wills to God. Disciples of Jesus don't try to be self-made "kings" of their own little kingdoms asserting our right to rule. That would put us at odds with the true sovereign King of the universe. That is a war we couldn't possibly win. Instead, disciples of Jesus bow to God's kingship. We acknowledge his kingdom as supreme. We surrender to his wise and loving control. We yield to his plan for our lives.

Disciples of Jesus must constantly surrender to God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The great preacher, theologian, and pastor Jonathan Edwards understood discipleship well. After meeting the God of heaven and earth, he said, "I have been before God, and have given myself, all that I am and have, to God; so that I am not, in any respect, my own...I have given myself clear away, and have not retained anything as my own." West Hills Presbyterian Church, trust God with a self-abandoning surrender. Yield to God's will for our lives and our congregation. Then, we will understand what Jesus meant when he told the early disciples, "Come and follow

me."

Rev. John E. McKenzie

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## Get involved in the Mission of Hope Christmas Outreach

West Hills Presbyterian will be visiting its "adopted school": Stinnett Elementary School, in Leslie County, KY., for our 14<sup>th</sup> annual MOH Christmas outreach program. We will be delivering toys, clothes, and health/hygiene items to 370 students on Monday, December 18th. We will also be sharing a Gospel message with the students during an assembly. The items we deliver will be collected by Mission of Hope. We will, however, need to provide 90 pairs of shoes for students and also gift bags for the teachers.

How you can help:

- 1. Pray for this Christmas Outreach
- 2. Volunteer to go on the trip.
- 3. Buy shoes for a student via our Sunday School Shoe Collection

Look for a Mission of Hope display in the foyer for more information.



## Shoes for Stinnett School Children in Stinnett, KY.

Christmas is coming and once again we have been asked to supply shoes, and socks for 90 of the neediest children. We are excited to see how God is going to supply their needs through your generosity. More information will be made available in each Circle and Adult Sunday School Class. A sign up will also be in the Narthex November 12<sup>th</sup>, 19th and 26<sup>th</sup>.

Bring your purchased shoes and socks to room 107. A table will be set up for that purpose. There is no need to wrap your item. Put the socks in the shoebox and tape the supplied label to the box. The deadline is **December 10<sup>th</sup>. All shoes must be in room 107 so that they can be taken to Kentucky on the Mission of Hope truck.** If you would rather donate money to buy shoes, the suggested cost per pair is \$30. Please make a check out to WHPC with the memo of "Stinnett Shoes" and bring to the church office or put in the collection plate.



### WHPC "Stinnett Trip Team" now being assembled.

If you would like to be one of the 16 people who have the blessing of delivering the toys, shoes and Gospel message to the Students at Stinnett Elementary School on December 17 -18, please contact Mitch Townley as soon as possible.

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			Women's Bible 1 Study 10:00 a.m. Children Programs 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m. Tavia Hofferbert	2 Good News Club 1:45 p.m. Night Circle 6:45 p.m. Ruble Smith	3	<b>4</b> Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.
5 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Harriott Mitchell	6 Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m.	<b>7</b> Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m.	8 Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Children Programs 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m. Diane McNeil	<b>9</b> Good News Club 1:45 p.m.	10	<b>11</b> Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.
12 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. *Communion/ Worship 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 Ethan Bailey	13 Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m. Session/Deacon Mtg.7:00 p.m. Rhonda Acree Henry Hurst	14 Day Circle 10:00 a.m. Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m. Everett Allender	15 Children Programs 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m. Barbara Eldridge	16 Good News Club 1:45 p.m. Shirlee Anderson	17 Grandmothers at Prayer 11:00 a.m. Jama Antol	<b>18</b> Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.
19 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Robert Genung	20 Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m. Blue Star Moms 6:30 p.m.	21 Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m.	<b>22</b> No Wednesday Evening Programs	23 Church Office Closed Thanksgiving	24 Church Office Closed Fay Hontz	25 Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m. Zachary Gonzalez

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# West Hills Presbyterian Church, PCA 2017

## **Announcements & Prayer Needs:**

**Please remember** that the church office needs to approve all note cards, articles, pamphlets, flyers, announcements, etc. before they are put on the foyer table, church bulletin board, or wall/door signs holders.

**The 2017 Flower Calendar** is available on the bulletin board across from the elevator. If you would like to provide flowers for the sanctuary, please sign your name on the designated date and note if you are giving the flowers "in honor" or "in memory" of a loved one. The cost is \$50. Please make your payment to the church marked "Flowers".

**Many Thanks!!!**On Saturday, October 7 our Deacons and men and women from our congregation gathered at WHPC for a work day. Much what they did we can not see but guys and gals were on ladders, others digging out dead shrubs and annuals in front of the church. Others were cutting down a tree and trimming.They did all this work for us. We are grateful for our faithful workers and just want to say "**THANKS**"!!!!!

**Our deepest sympathy** goes out to *Judy Booth and family* upon the passing of her husband, *Ray Booth* on October 15, 2017. Receiving of friends was held at West Hills Presbyterian Church, Thursday, October 19th. Graveside services were held at Highland Memorial Cemetery, Friday, October 20th.

**Our sincere sympathy** goes out the *Margaret Duggan and family* upon the death of her sister, *Normal Lindsey* on October 17, 2017. Funeral service was held at Click's Funeral Home in Lenoir City.



### COMMUNION

Communion is normally served during worship hour on the second Sunday of each month. This month Communion will be served on November 12th.

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Please Prav For: **WHPC Family & Friends** Clara Abercrombie Charlotte Anderton Judy Booth Margaret Duggan Betty Emery Al & Beth Grant Shirley Hedrick Fav Hontz Bob & Betty Mills Bill & Mimi Morrison Linda Mowles Tammy Owsley Irene Price Alice Redman Claudette Starr Robert Thio Mary Zitzman Our Elders & Deacons Our Church Our Missionaries Our nation/President

WHPC Active Duty Military Personnel Eric Abercrombie Jamie Morris wife of Rob Morris Kevin Bell Gabe Green





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# Christmas Brunch Saturday, December 2, 10:00a.m. – Noon FAC

Ladies, please join us for our annual Christmas Brunch. We will enjoy delicious food, fellowship with one another and a Christmas message.

We are delighted that our very own Dannell Harb will be our speaker. As many of you know Dannell was the Bible Study Fellowship teacher f

20 years. She has taught children's Sunday School as well. Four years ago Dannell felt the Lord tugging at her heart to start a weekly Bible Study on Wednesdays, not only have ladies from our church been blessed, but ladies have come from churches all over Knoxville. She also has a GAP group. Be sure to ask her what GAP is.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

PAGE 5 West Hills Presbyterian Church, PCA November 2017 In mid-November, we will have envelopes on the foyer table for those who would like to give to the Ministerial Relief Fund

Offering. You can also give online at: www.pcarbi.org or

Mail a check to: Ministerial Relief PCA Foundation 1700 N. Brown Rd., Ste 106 Lawrenceville, GA 30043

### DO NOT SEND ENVELOPE TO WHPC!

Gifts to the PCA Ministerial Relief Fund (administered by PCA Retirement & Benefits, Inc.) are tax deductible for federal income tax purposes.

### September 2017 Financial Report

### Income

Actual Income for September: \$27,793.00 Actual Income for Year-to date: \$321,669.68

### Expense

Actual Expense for September: \$36,713.03 Actual Expense Year-to-date: \$336,462.77

### Summary

Current Month Income Exceeds Expenses by: (\$ 8,920.03) Year-to-date Income Exceeds Year-to-date Expenses by: (\$14,793.09)





## **Mission to the World** 30 Days of Prayer for World Missions

We at MTW covet your prayers for world missions. Your prayers are critical for the growth of the Church. We are thankful for your commitment to pray for our missionaries and ministries throughout the month of November, particularly for those in restricted-access countries where believers are often persecuted for their faith. The calendar also highlights the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church on November 5, giving you the opportunity to join the worldwide body of Christ in prayer for the persecuted Church. We at MTW covet your prayers for world missions. Your prayers are critical for the growth of the Church. Calendars are available on the foyer table.

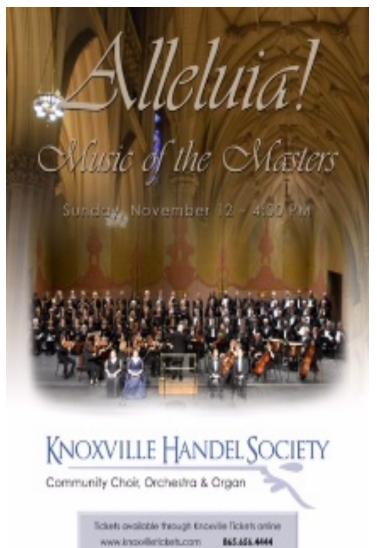


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**Knoxville Handel Society** 

Community Choir, Orchestra

& Hall Pipe Organ

Sunday, November 12th

4:00 p.m.

James R. Cox Auditorium Alumni Memorial Building 1408 Middle Dr.,

### Knoxville, 37996

(located on the UT campus near the North end zone of Neyland Stadium with parking across from the stadium)

> Tickets are available through Knoxville Tickets online: www.knoxvilletickets.com or 865-656-4444

Adults \$25 – Group discounts 20% (10 or more) College Students \$15 Students K-12 No Charge.

We have several of West Hills Presbyterian Sanctuary Choir Members preforming in this program: Marcia Bartlett, Barbara Eldridge, and Diane McNeil. Come enjoy beautiful music and support our choir members.

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# Women's Fall Retreat Was a Great Time For All



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