

### October Events:

October 9th-25th--Guyana Mission Trip.

October 15th: Tuesday Bible Study due to the BHS Homecoming Parade on Wednesday.

October 24th: Ladies Dinner at Twin Oaks Restaurant.

### Today's Announcements:

- ◆ As of yesterday, Joyce Wright is hospitalized at UHC waiting transport to the Cleveland Clinic for surgery. Please keep Joyce, Gene, Terri, and the family in your prayers.
- ◆ Tonight is Singing Emphasis followed by our Dessert Fellowship. Theme is fall favorites and chili.
- ◆ "Thank you" to everyone who helped make our gospel meeting a success, and "Thank you" to everyone who helped with our luncheon at the Civic Center last Sunday.
- ◆ Meals are needed for the Wilmoths over the next few weeks. See the sign-up sheet on the table in the back if you can help.
- ◆ A Mean Train has been created to help with meals for Hannah and the family: [www.mealtrain.com](http://www.mealtrain.com) and add this link <https://mealtrain.com/ql4yy5> to access Hannah's page. See Natalie Seyler for assistance with accessing the site. Meals slots are open for October 13th - 20th.
- ◆ There is a sign-up sheet on back bulletin board for anyone interested with teaching or assisting with teaching.

### Notes of Interest:

- ◆ *Check out the back bulletin board for upcoming meetings/events from other local congregations.*
- ◆ *Remember the mission trip to Guyana starting tomorrow--October 9th-25th.*
- ◆ *Look who is turning One on October 12th: Ambrose West.*
- ◆ *Remember those affected by Hurricane Helene. The CoC Disaster Relief Effort, <https://www.disasterrelieffort.org/>, is taking donations to help those affected.*
- ◆ *New House to House & Heart to Heart pamphlets on the tables in foyers.*

**Elders:** Raymond Anderson, Don Riffle, & Wayne Hartman

**Deacons:** Gene Wright & Robbie Buffington

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## The Power of Hope

Have you been struggling with some feelings of hopelessness lately? Whenever we have a hard time seeing the end in sight or we face uncertainty or are exposed to fears and anxieties, it can undermine our determination to have hope. Yet, over a hundred times in Scripture, God points us to the hope His children have through Him and His promises. We have such a resource because of the rock-solid expectation He provides.

Whatever may happen to us this week, this month, or this year, the Christian can look forward with confidence at the fulfillment of what God through Christ promises us. And Scripture says it so many ways:

- Hope does not disappoint (Romans 5:5)
- Hope helps us persevere with eagerness (Romans 8:24-25)
- Hope causes rejoicing (Romans 12:12)
- Hope fills you with all joy and peace in believing (Romans 15:13)
- Hope is an abiding quality, alongside such elite qualities as faith and love (1 Cor. 13:13)
- Hope enables deliverance (2 Corinthians 1:10)
- There is one, unconquerable hope (Ephesians 1:18; 4:4)
- Hope is tied to earnest expectation and boldness (2 Corinthians 3:12; Philippians 1:20)
- Hope is connected to steadfastness (Colossians 1:23; 1 Thessalonians 1:3)
- Hope offsets grief (1 Thessalonians 4:13)
- Hope tunes our hearts to look for Jesus' appearing (1 Timothy 4:10; Titus 2:13)
- Hope encourages the pursuit of our eternal life (Titus 1:2; 3:7)
- Hope anchors the soul (Hebrews 6:19)
- Hope helps us draw near to God (Hebrews 7:19)
- Hope is tied to endurance (Hebrews 10:23)
- Hope is instrumental to faith (Hebrews 11:1)
- Hope prepares for eternity (Colossians 1:5; 1 Peter 1:3,13)



## Times of Service

### Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6pm

- Hope helps give a defense (1 Peter 3:15)
- Hope purifies (1 John 3:3)

Remember this:

“How blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, Whose hope is in the Lord his God” (Psalm 146:5).

“The hope of the righteous is gladness...” (Proverbs 10:28).

“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “Therefore I have hope in Him” (Lamentations 3:24).

“Christ Jesus...is our hope” (1 Timothy 1:1).

You will face nothing today or ever that is too destructive, terrifying, or powerful to offset this hope! That doesn't mean be rash, reckless, or rebellious. It does mean be faith-filled, optimistic, and courageous! Are your faith and hope in God (1 Peter 1:21)?

*Neal Pollard*

*Lehman Avenue church of Christ, Bowling Green, KY*

**October Card Distributor: Cindy Moore**

**October Greeters: 20th-Cindy Moore;**

**27th-Natalie Seyler**

**October Baptismal Garments: Kristina Riffle**

### **Bible Class Locations**

**Adults– Main Auditorium**

**Young Adults (20s-30s)- Mark's Office**

**Children & Teens– Downstairs**

**Cradle Roll– Downstairs**

## **Upcoming Events/Dates**

### **to Remember**

**October 9th-25th: Mission Trip to Guyana**

**October 11th: Area Wide Sing at North End CoC**

**October 15th: Tuesday Bible Study**

**October 16th: BHS Homecoming Parade**

**October 24th: Ladies Dinner at Twin Oaks Restaurant**

**October 25th -27th: Beauty and the Beast at BHS--Millie Cate Currey will be performing.**

**November 3rd: End of Daylight Saving Time (Fall Back)**

**November 3rd: Singing Emphasis & Dessert Fellowship.**

**November 16th: Lubeck Youth Rally, Washington, WV.**

**December 5th: Light Up Bridgeport Night**

**December 14th: Christmas Coffee at Cindy Moore's**

**December 15th: Pleasant Acres Worship Service**

**January 19th: One Day Lecture-ship**

**March 21-22: Congregational Retreat at Jackson's Mill**

**May 18th: Friends and Family Day**

**June (TBA): VBS**

### **Our Record:**

#### **Sunday Morning Assembly**

94

#### **Sunday Bible Class**

67

#### **Sunday Evening**

41

#### **Wednesday Bible Study**

45

#### **Contribution (Budget \$4,000)**

\$3990

## **October Birthday/Anniversary**

### **List:**

1-Lydia Jones; 2-Rex Kelch; 4-Sharon Loy & Kathy Currey; 6-Terry Southall & April Black; 7-Gary & Dianna Pastorial (A); 10-Christopher Kolar; 12-Ambrose West & 12-Dennis & Kathy Currey (A); 16-Larry & Karen Seyler (A); 23-Jessica Judy; 24-Cindy Moore; 25-Leah Sleeth; and 27-Miguel Black.

## **Prayer Requests:**

### **For Our Congregation:**

*Shut-in Members: Helen Potts, Ken Fortney, Judy Gardner, and Becky Britton*

- Adam, Hannah, & Baby Judah Epler.
- Jim Tucker.
- Barry Buffington: Got a good report and out at services last week.
- Allen & RuthEllen Wilmoth: RuthEllen had a set back with her knee and PT.

### **For Our Family & Friends:**

- Karson Elrod (Cathy Hart's nephew and counselor at WVCYC): In a car accident and recovering at Ruby Memorial, and making good progress.
- Marilyn Blizzard (Gary's mother and Heather's mother-in-law): Is home for the hospital.
- Jennifer Lee (Dale and Ramola's daughter-in-

- Wayne Hartman: Upcoming surgery scheduled for November 12th.
- Jerry Maxwell: Had tests done last week.
- Gene & Joyce Wright: Health issues.
- Megan Jones.
- Lois Jenkins.
- Becky Britton.
- Alice Rollyson (Leah Sleeth's Mother).
- Ken Fortney: Health related issues.

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- Cody Skinner (Adam's friend): Liver Transplant.
- Teresa Kipp (Kathy Cross's friend).
- Conda (BCoC neighbor): Having cancer treatments; not feeling so well.
- Tammy Wise: Having Chemo treatments.
- Shirley, Jerry's neighbor: Having breathing issues.

*If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin– Please email it to [bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com](mailto:bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com) or write it down and give it to Karen Seyler before Thursday.*