

# CHURCH LIFE

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

Join us Sundays  
9:00AM

## LEARNING TO WALK SERMON SERIES WITH PASTOR PHIL RICHARDS

Hearing & Deaf Worship  
Service  
10:30AM

## WEDNESDAY DINNER & BIBLE STUDY AUGUST 27

The Book of Exodus  
Dinner starts at 5:00PM  
Mission Friends, Children in  
Action, Youth Group, Pastor's  
Bible Study at 6:00PM

*How many of us have been in the middle of something tough, prayed for God to show you a way out, and heard... absolutely nothing... only to find ourselves frustrated and questioning if God cares for us at all?*

*I believe that God sometimes allows trouble and pain to train us, to mold us, and to ultimately make us more reliable conduits of his love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.*

*Many times, we see trouble and pain as unnecessary, to be avoided at all costs. These times are seen as hindrances to how we want our lives to be. During these times we feel weak and conquered. But God hasn't saved us to be destroyed. On the contrary, He has saved us to be victorious.*

*Revelation 3:21 - "Those who are victorious will sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat with my Father on his throne."*

*We haven't been given new life so that we might avoid opposition and hardships. We were never meant to run from hardships or to hide and to let others fight for us. As believers, we are built for opposition. God doesn't always take our oppositions away because He's built us to conquer. And he's given us everything we need.*

*So, what way has God given us to be strong in the face of hardship? Paul tells us in Ephesians 6:10-18 - (we do so by daily walking in the whole armor of God and continually praying in the Spirit.)*

*So, when you face a battle that feels insurmountable, put on your armor... Don't run and hide... and step forth into the middle of the battle and remember the battle you are facing is the Lord's to win. By the way, He never loses. That means that in Christ we don't either.*

In Christ,  
*Pastor Phil*

# AUGUST

WEST HAMPTON BAPTIST CHURCH

## Charcuterie Extravaganza

Come join us as we learn the history behind the charcuterie board and try our hands at setting up one!  
Open to ages 21+.  
All materials provided.



Picture for reference\*

### Charcuterie Board

Delicious spread of meats, cheeses, and fruits.

**\$10 per person due by August 9**

\*cash or check accepted, please make checks payable to Christina Young and drop them in the offering basket, place in the church office door, or give them to Victoria Banton.



**August 23  
12-2PM**

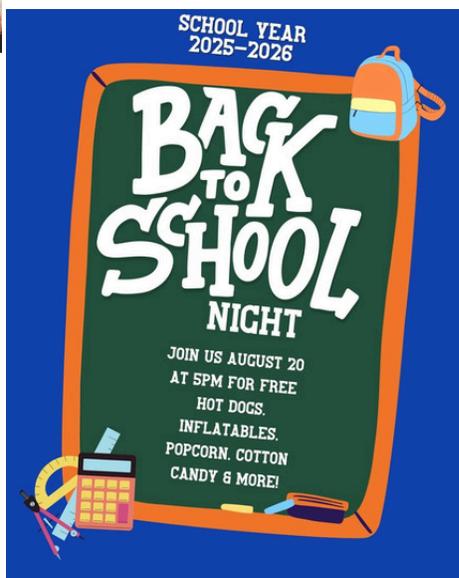
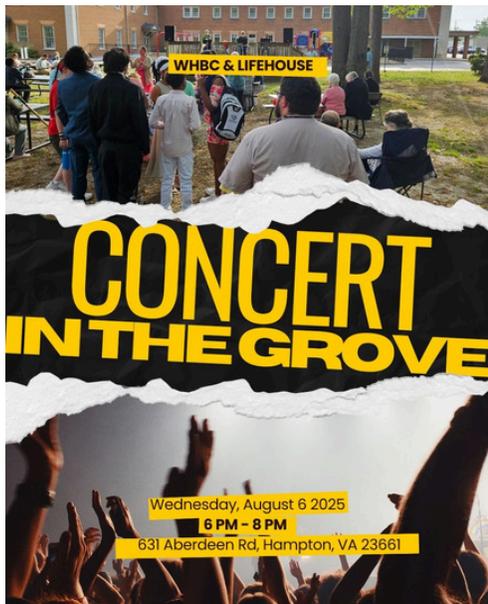
For more information, contact Christina Young (757)208-4555

## Upcoming events:

- Every Tuesday: Quilting Ministry 9AM
- Every Thursday: Adult Bible Study 10AM  
Clothes Closet 11AM
- Shoebox Ministry 8/3-8/31
- 8/1-2: Scrapbooking 2Pm & 9AM
- 8/3: Hearts & Hands Yarn Ministry D117
- 8/6: Concert in the Grove
- 8/10 Golden Lifers Lunch
- 8/13: Spry V Seasoned Game Night  
Finance Committee Meeting 7:15PM
- 8/20: Back to School Night
- 8/23: Charcuterie Extravaganza 12-2PM
- 8/24: Global Hunger Sunday
- 8/27: Resume Wednesday Night Bible Study
- 8/31: Promotion Sunday

## Wednesday Night Dinner

- August 6: Taco Salad
- August 13: Wraps & Pasta Salad
- August 20: Free Hot Dogs & Chips dinner
- August 27: Chicken Pot Pie & Fruit



Date	Worship	Budget Received	Heart for the house received
June 22	136	\$9,875.00	\$330.37
June 29	182	\$7,728.00	\$110.36
July 6	141	\$15,007.50	\$987.87
July 13	137	\$3,978.00	\$295.37

YTD 2025 Received (Budget) \$250,978.55  
 2025 Budgeted to Date \$271,825.68  
 YTD 2025 Received (Heart for the House): \$ 11,581.86

2025  
 Giving  
 Back  
 to  
 God

What prepares us for serving God? God can use any of our interests for His glory. David had learned to play a lyre, a kind of handheld harp, and his skill likely developed as he passed time watching his dad's sheep. This mundane time wasn't wasted. It resulted in David's closeness to the Lord as he used music to magnify God. It also led to his service to King Saul, a step God took in moving David toward his kingly role.

We often don't count day-to-day activities as service to God. Helping with choir, meals, or Sunday School can seem like simple acts, not grandiose matters of importance. But the point of service is not how profound it is or even the degree of sacrifice it costs; true service points others to Christ and draws us closer to Him too. Childhood hobbies can prepare us for that as much as a PhD. Your job is to exalt Him right where you are with what you have. Pray the Lord would open doors of service great and small as you strive to live on mission.

Margaret Langley  
WMU Director

Churchwide Mission Support  
We are supporting the Shoe Box  
Ministry.



**GOLDEN LIFERS.**  
SENIOR ADULTS  
50+

**COVERED DISH LUNCH**

**BRING A SIDE DISH OR  
DESSERT TO SHARE**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 10TH, 11:45AM  
CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL**

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