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AWANA and ABC Wednesdays

Our AWANA program meets Sunday evenings from 6:15 to 7:45. We're always looking for new workers, so please see Becky Harris if you'd like to help out.

ABC Wednesdays is our own way of ministering to the children of our community on Wednesday evenings.

Pray for Our Van Ministry

God has blessed us to the point of overflow in our children's ministries. As many of these children's parents lack transportation or are unchurched, they depend on our van ministry to attend. Please pray that God will provide more drivers for our weekly activities, and consider how you can support this ministry.

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Upward Soccer



Upward Soccer

One of the unique things about Hillsdale is that we are the only church on Dixie Highway offering an Upward Soccer program.

Each spring, between 80 and 100 children in our community participate, and the program is staffed by volunteers from our own church. To help pay for uniforms, trophies, and equipment, there is a low registration cost. Children do not need prior experience in soccer and are simply evaluated in order to ensure a balance of teams.

This year's evaluations are the mornings of February 28 and March 7. Practice will begin March 16, and the games will be on Saturdays from March 28 to May 16, followed by an award ceremony May 19.

Upward is an excellent opportunity for our church to connect with the surrounding community and reach out to families with the gospel. The program includes weekly devotions and keeps the focus on character rather than competition. If you would like to help out, please contact Steve Embry.

Lottie Moon Report

This year we have raised \$2,712 for the Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions, placing us just short of our goal of \$3,000. We are still accepting donations.

Upcoming Events and Meetings

Feb. 7—Youth Scavenger Hunt
 Meet at the church at 6:30 PM.

Feb. 8-14—WMU Focus Week

Feb. 8—Winter Bible Conference
 "Revive Us Again," 6:00-7:45 PM.

Feb. 10—WMU Meeting
 10:00 AM in the fellowship hall.

Feb. 15—Finance Meeting
 After the evening service.

Feb. 16—Deacons Meeting
 6:30 PM.

Feb. 18—Business Meeting
 6:30 PM, before prayer meeting.

Feb. 21—Youth Pancake Breakfast
 9:00-11:00 AM.

Feb. 23—Building & Grounds Meeting
 After the evening service.

Feb. 26—Joyful Seniors
 Entertainment followed by lunch.

Feb. 28—Upward Evaluation
 Volunteers needed!

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Revive Us Again!



The topic of our thirteenth Bible conference will be revival—how it comes about and what it involves according to Scripture.

We often hear talk of revival meetings, and Kentucky churches of several denominations (including our own) have traditions we call “revivalistic.” The Bible leads us away from a focus on revival meetings and revival culture, to the spiritual revitalization that happens when God revives a church.

To revive is to restore life that has been lost. Churches (and individual Christian lives) often begin with eagerness, excited activity, and wonder at God and His Word. But eventually, they are subject to the ups-and-downs of “business as usual.” To be sure, God’s Spirit is still at work, in some measure, in all true churches. But our prayer is for an extraordinary outpouring of the Spirit on our congregation.

In our past 12 Bible conferences we’ve explored many issues of doctrine and Christian life, but this one is perhaps the most directly relevant to our life together as a church. On February 8, we will see what the Bible has to say about revival and its connection to repentance, prayer, and blessing. This time of learning and devotion begins at 6:30 PM and will dismiss about the same time as AWANA.

G.R.O.W.

Inclement weather forced us to postpone the beginning of our new outreach program. Our orientation has been rescheduled for the week of February 8.

Thanks to all who have signed up, and there is still plenty of room for more. Monday and Thursday night currently have the most slots available.



WMU Focus Week

The Woman’s Missionary Union was founded in 1888 by women from twelve states, to provide missions education and support among Baptist women and children. As an auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, the WMU is the world’s largest self-governing Protestant missions organization.

Programs associated with WMU include Mission Friends, Girls in Action, Ac-teens, and Women on Mission. WMU also offers short-term missions opportunities and provides ways for women to pray for missionaries and support the work of their local churches.

At Hillsdale, our WMU is led by Charlotte Barnett and meets at 10:00 on the first Tuesday of each month.

Please pray for WMU and its work during the week of February 8-14.

Pancake Breakfasts for M-Fuge



To help pay for summer mission project, our youth are providing the church with a pancake breakfast the third Saturday of each month, from 9:00 to 11:00. Members and guests are

welcome, and the cost is only \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

This year’s mission trip will be the week of June 29. The youth will be attending M-Fuge at the University of Mobile in Alabama. The cost is \$299; the church will pay \$114, leaving a balance of \$185 per child. A \$50 deposit is due by February 27.

Joyful Seniors Lunch

The Joyful Seniors will meet in the fellowship hall on February 26 for food, fun, and fellowship. There will be entertainment followed by a covered dish lunch.

Welcome Our Newest Members

This January, Karen Schmidt joined our church by letter, and Autumn Flener accepted Christ and is awaiting baptism.

Stories of the Kingdom

February 8
"What Do You Mean by That?"
- Matthew 13:10-17

February 15
"The Real Graceland"
- Matthew 13:3-23

February 22
"Leaving Your Tares Behind"
- Matthew 13:24-29

March 1
"Surprised by Joy"
- Matthew 13:44-46

Bro. Tim's February Sermon Series

Operation Christmas Child



Once again, we are collecting items year-round for OCC shoeboxes. These gifts, distributed by Samaritan’s Purse, touch children’s lives around the world and are one of the primary ways our church makes a worldwide impact for the gospel.

This month we will be collecting washcloths and bars of soap. We can still use more of last month’s items (toothpaste and toothbrushes). See Andrea Downing for more details.

Hillsdale 101

For new members or anyone else who is interested, we will be offering our church orientation class from noon to 2 PM on March 21. The class will include a spiritual gifts inventory. This seminar is also ideal for long-time members who would like to plug in to our various ministries.

Greeters for February

February 1—Team C
 February 8—Team D
 February 15—Team E
 February 22—Team A

Sunday Morning Nursery for February

February 1—Jean Shelton, Terra Taylor
 February 8—Jeanette Cheatham, Emily Harris
 February 15—Wanda Smith
 February 22—Sarah Dean, Felicia Wilder
 March 1—Amy Colson, Kelsi Embry
 If you are unable to work your scheduled week please contact Ruby Widmer.

Celebration Choir

Our adult choir is up and running again. We invite all interested members to join us on Sundays from 4:50 to 5:50 to rehearse special music for our morning services. Please see Becky Harris if you have any questions.

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