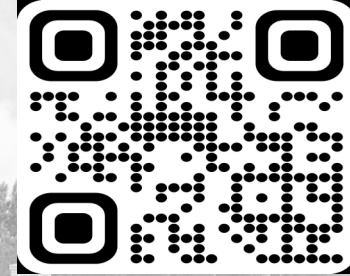


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THE MESSENGER





*"This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all." **1John 1:5***

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WELCOME VISITING FRIENDS

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

- Children's Sunday School10 a.m.
Sis. Carter (lower level)
- Young Christians' Class10 a.m.
Bro. Taylor. (upper level)
- Sun. Adult Bible Class.....10 a.m.
Bro. Webster (main auditorium)
- Fortifying the Christian Class.. 10 a.m.
Bro. Ed. Davis (lower level)
- Worship Service 11 a.m.

Wednesday

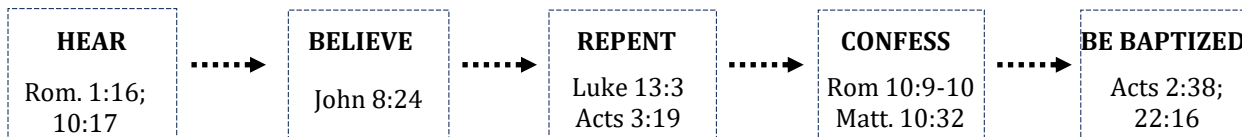
- Bible Study (on Zoom)...7:00 p.m.
Access through the website

If you are one of our visitors today, please know that we are indeed honored to have you. If you are a member of the Lord's body, thanks for choosing to worship with us today. If you are not a member of the Lord's church, we will be happy to meet with you and discuss how one becomes a member of the church which we read about in the New Testament. We aim to speak as they spoke and do as they did. We also offer a free Bible Correspondence Course which can be mailed to you. Or, someone will be glad to meet with you for a one-on-one Bible study. You can indicate your desire on a visitor's card and place it in the collection tray located at the front on the communion table.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Song ~ Announcements ~ Song ~ Opening Prayer ~ Song ~ Scripture Reading ~ Song ~ Sermon ~ Song ~ Lord's Supper ~ Offering ~ Song ~ Closing Prayer

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?



*I rejoiced with those who said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."
Psalms 122:1*

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Are You Ready to Evangelize?

There are so many places in the world where the truth of the New Testament is not being taught. False teachers are twisting and corrupting the Scriptures. They are blind leaders of the blind and as Jesus warned, "if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a ditch" (Matthew 15:14). Teaching the truth of the Scriptures is desperately needed!

Please consider that you may be the one God will use to evangelize your family, community or even your whole country. The opportunity you have to study God's word in the WVBS Online Bible School is of the highest value to you and your future service to the Lord. However, before you can teach others you need to first learn the truth yourself. Many religious people in our world today are teaching error, following false religions and thus will be lost. We are not surprised by this because Jesus said this would happen. In Matthew 7:13-14 Jesus said, "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it."

Later in this same chapter He said, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'" (Matthew 7:21-23).


The world is full of false teachers and false doctrines. Therefore, you have probably been taught error at some point in your life and may even be teaching false doctrine now without even realizing it. That is why it is of vital importance that you learn, accept and obey the truth when you see it in the Scriptures. James 3:1 warns, "My brethren, let not many of you become teachers, knowing that we shall receive a stricter judgment." There are those religious groups who teach things which are not true to the Scriptures. You must not put your trust in the words of men. Men can be wrong, but God's word is always right. You must stay true to what the Bible teaches and dedicate yourself to believing and teaching only those things which can be proven to be true from the Scriptures. I encourage you to study God's word carefully and thoroughly before trying to teach others. Don't be a blind leader of the blind. The Bible desperately needs to be taught, but it must be taught correctly.

Russell Haffner

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDERS

~Please silence your *phones*. 
~No *eating nor drinking* inside the auditorium.

New guests please complete a Welcome Card.
Returning guest please **print** your name in the Returning Guest Log in the foyer.

A *Suggestion Box* and *Prayer Request* cards are located in the foyer.

Contributions can be made electronically via [Zelle \(recommended\)](#) using the church's email-westhammondcc@gmail.com.

****PLEASE NOTE****

Children are not allowed in the kitchen without adult supervision.

Contact the church's secretary at 219-742-9520 for any of the following:

- ◆ *Requests* or *announcements* to be made or to be included in the bulletin.
- ◆ *Corrections* or *updates* to your information in the church's online directory.

OUR CONGREGATION'S EVANGELISM PROGRAM

We implore every member to pray for the successful implementation of this program, which will allow each and every member to play an integral role.

The *Men's Class* and *Ladies' Class* meet *every* Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

ANNUAL LADIES LECTURESHIP RETREAT

Next year's retreat will be April 10th-13th in Chicago, IL. The theme is

Christian Women: Surrendering All

Website: www.ladieslectureshipretreat.org

*****Online registration is now open.****

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Congratulations to Bro. Tyler Mack, Emmanuel Cossom, Bryce Bell and Sis. Brooke Gamble who all graduated from the 8th grade, and will be entering high school this Fall.

Please inform Sis. Gamble if there are any other 2024 graduates.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to the Bro. & Sis. Arthur Davis's on the

birth of their new great-grandchild, Amari Neal.

TRAVELING

Sis. McKnight, Bro. Cunningham, Sis. Laurene Cunningham and Sis Chaff.

FOR ENCOURAGEMENT

Continue to pray for and encourage our new members: Sis. Jesseann Taylor, Sis. Joy Washington Sis. Fannie Salazar, Sis. Alexis McLaurin, Bro. & Sis. Cavitt, Bro. Darrell Hicks, Sisters Paige & Ahmaya Richardson, Sis. Brooke Gamble and Bro. Tyler Mack.

FOR PRAYERS

Sis. Conner had a successful surgery this past Thursday. Tristan Neal, the grandson of Bro. & Sis. Arthur Davis. Sis. Simpson, Sis. Chambers & family, Sis. Janiece Carter who suffers from migraines. Linda Williams, niece of the Youngs, is having problems walking. Bro. Hardy is experiencing some back issues. Andriana Mendenhall and Bro. Mendenhall Jr. Bro. Oddman and family, Sharon Mason, friend of Bro. Conner, Sis. Lightfoot, Sis. Hardy and her mother, Vladis Reynolds. Quince Dixon, family member of the Cunninghams, Sis. Angelice Cunningham, Sis. Ellis, and Sis. Brantford.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

SIS. DEBRA WOODARD



MON. 7/1

NO ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK



Instead of a physical membership directory, we are inviting members to download the "Online Member Directory" from the App or Google Play store. This makes it easier for each member to have the most updated information as our directory is constantly changing.. For those who need help, please see Sis. Ruthie Gamble or Bro. Webster.

Last Week's Record

Sunday AM Worship & Zoom	94
Wednesday Bible Class (Zoom)	52
Last Sunday's offering	\$5,501.51
Weekly Budget	\$4,069.13