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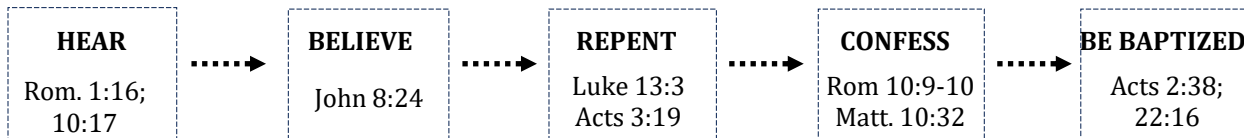
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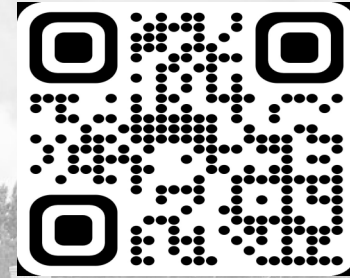
ORDER OF SERVICE

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?



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

Sundays

- Children's Sunday School10 a.m.
Sis. LaDonna Carter (lower level)
- Young People's Class10 a.m.
Bro. Ej. Taylor (upper level)
- New Christians' Class10 a.m.
Bro. Webster (upper level)
- Sun. Adult Bible Class.....10 a.m.
Bro. Lightfoot (main auditorium)
- Sunday A.M. Service11 a.m.
- Sunday P.M. Service6 p.m.

Wednesdays

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

Thursdays

- Men's & Ladies Classes6:30 p.m.

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 when it is being passed around.

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Set Apart for the Gospel

Galatians 1:15-16 *"But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son to me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood..."*

In his letter to the churches in Galatia, Paul directs their minds to the powerful truth of being set apart for the gospel. In Galatians 1:15, the Apostle Paul shares his testimony of how God uniquely called him, even before his birth, to fulfill a divine purpose. This calling was not based on Paul's merit but on God's grace. Like Paul, each of us has been set apart by God for a specific purpose—to live for His glory and share the good news of Jesus Christ. This message is conveyed by Paul a few verses later when he declared *"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me"* (Gal. 2:20).

Being set apart means recognizing that our lives are not our own. In 1 Cor. 6:19-20 Paul says, *"Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's."* Paul's question to the Lord on the road to Damascus, tells us how willing he was in dedicating his life for the cause of his Savior, Jesus Christ in Acts 9:6 *"So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" Then the Lord said to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."* We are chosen by God, not to live for ourselves, but to serve Him and proclaim His gospel. This calling is not reserved for preachers, elders or deacons alone; it is for every Christian. Whether in our homes, workplaces, or communities, we are called to reflect Christ's love and truth.

So, let us ask ourselves: Am I living out the purpose God has for me? God's grace empowers us to fulfill this calling, just as it empowered Paul. We may face challenges, doubts, or even opposition, but we can trust that God, who sets us apart, will equip us for every task He assigns. Let us also remember that being set apart is not about isolation but about transformation. It is about being in the world but not of the world (John 17:14-16), shining as lights in the darkness.

~Bro. R. Webster

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDERS

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

NEW BATHROOM FACILITIES

The bathrooms are just about completed except for the installation of the partitions. They can be used one person at a time.

New guests please complete A **Welcome Card**. **Returning guest**, upon *each* visit, 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.

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.

Send request for **year-end contribution statements**, send an email request to whcocsecretary@gmail.com- text to 219-742-9520.

NEW CHRISTIANS' CLASS

Bro. Webster is teaching this class for all new Christians dating back to 2022.

OUR CONGREGATION'S EVANGELISM PROGRAM

Every member is encouraged to get involved in the evangelistic mission of the church. Following Jesus' example and teachings we, too, are expected to seek and save the lost. Luke 19:10

The **Men's Class** and **Ladies' Class** are on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Sunday evening worship service needs the support of our members. It starts at 6:00pm, and we endeavor to abide by Hebrews 10:25 *"not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together."* Invite friends and families to attend.

NEW BIRTHS & MEMBERSHIP PLACEMENT

Continue to pray for and encourage all our new additions to the body of Christians who meet here at West Hammond Church of Christ.

PRAYERS

The Washington family, friends of Sis. Bell, Sis. Lennon's mother, Sis. Mack & family are all sick, Bro. Carter, Sis. Thigpen, the Brantfords, Sis. Simmons, Sis. Payne & son, Malachi, Bro. & Sis. Goldman, Bro. Hardy,

Mendenhall family, Sis. Brooke Gamble, Sis. Lightfoot and Jabari Ware, the brother of Bro. Ken Ware III. Sis. Ellis, Sis. Angelice Cunningham and her daughter, Shaniyah, Sis. Doris Davis and her brother, Norman Hamilton, Sis. Woodard's mother and Carla King, the niece of Sis. Webster. Denise Day, the sister of Sis. Conner, Quince Dixon and Johnny Bailey, relatives of the Cunningham family are both battling cancer diagnosis.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Bro. Mendenhall, Jr	Sun.	2/16
Sis. Donna Hardy	Tues.	2/18
Sis. Andria Mendenhall	Fri	2/21
Sis. Carrie Ricks	Sat.	2/22



NO ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

Contact Bro. Mendenhall if you, or anyone you invite to church, will need a ride to get here.

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

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
See Sis. Webster for group information

Information about scholarships, awards and registration is on the notice board in the foyer.

Last Week's Record

Sunday AM Worship	73
Sunday PM Worship	16
Wednesday Bible Class	47
Last Sunday's Offering	\$3,926.00
Weekly Budget	\$4,069.13