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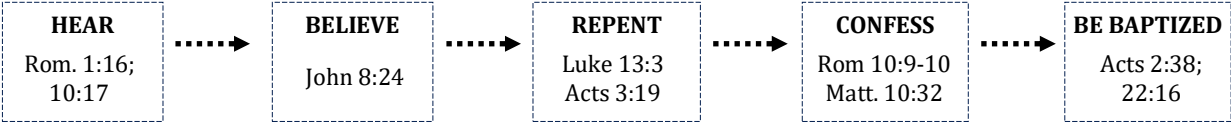
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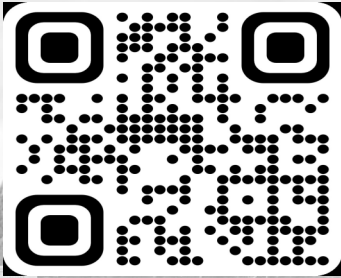
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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?



# 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." **1 John 1:5***

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**WELCOME VISITING FRIENDS**

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**Sundays**

Children's Sunday School .....10 a.m.  
*Sis. LaDonna Carter (lower level)*  
Young People's Class .....10 a.m.  
*Bro. Ej. Taylor (upper level)*  
New Christians' Class .....10 a.m.  
*Bro. Webster (upper level)*  
Sun. Adult Bible Class.....10 a.m.  
*Bro. Lightfoot (main auditorium)*  
Sunday A.M. Service .....11 a.m.  
*Access YouTube- West Hammond Church of Christ*  
Sunday P.M. Service .....6 p.m.

**Wednesdays**

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

**Thursdays**

Men's & Ladies' Classes .....6:30 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

## Our Mothers in the Church

Mothers hold a unique and God-ordained role within the family, and their presence in the church is nothing short of a divine blessing. From teaching Bible stories to children, to praying faithfully over their homes and walking in godly wisdom, mothers bring grace, nurture, and spiritual strength into the church family.

The Bible is filled with examples of godly mothers who served as instruments of God's will. One prominent example is Hannah, the mother of the prophet Samuel. In 1 Samuel 1:27-28, she says, ***“I asked the Lord to give me this boy, and he has granted my request. Now I am giving him to the Lord, and he will belong to the Lord his whole life.” And they worshiped the Lord there*** (NLT). Hannah's dedication not only shaped Samuel's life but also impacted the spiritual direction of Israel. Her faith and obedience remind us that mothers nurture not just children, but future generations of leaders. In the New Testament, we see the influence of Lois and Eunice, the grandmother and mother of Timothy. Paul wrote in 2 Timothy 1:5, ***“when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also.”*** The spiritual mentorship of these women helped shape Timothy into a strong leader in the early church. This legacy affirms the vital contribution of mothers who instill faith and courage in their children. Mothers in the church serve not only within their own households but also often step into roles such as teachers, counselors, and mentors. Proverbs 31:26 says, ***“She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.”*** Through their words and actions, mothers provide care and guidance that uphold the body of Christ.

Additionally, their endurance and sacrificial love reflect the very heart of the gospel. Just as Jesus laid down his life for others, mothers often abandon their own comfort for the well-being of their families and the church. Isaiah 66:13 captures this nurturing essence: ***“I will comfort you there in Jerusalem as a mother comforts her child”*** (NLT). This maternal image helps us understand aspects of God's character.

Our mothers here at West Hammond Church of Christ, play an integral role in the spiritual and emotional health of the church. Their faithfulness, prayer lives, and sacrificial service symbolize Christlike love, which will continue to inspire future mothers. Let us honor, support, and celebrate the women whom God has called to motherhood, both in the home and in the house of God.

~ Bro. R. Webster



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## REMINDERS

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

**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-  
**westhammondcoc@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.
- ◆ If you would like a list of the **absent members**.

## SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

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

## OUR CONGREGATION'S EVANGELISM PROGRAM

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

## PRAYERS

The O'Connor & Longstreet families who are relatives of Sis. Tene Mendenhall, Bro. Ken. Ware III, Bro. Oddman and the Willory family, the Mendenhall family, Sis. Carter, Bro & Sis. A. Davis, the Hamilton family and the McLaurin family, Zheng family, Sis. Brooke Gamble's friends, Sis. Martina Davis, Bro. & Sis. Eddie Taylor & family, Sis. Thigpen, Levell Chaff, brother of Sis. Chaff, Sis. Simpson, Bro. Darrell Hicks, Sis. Lennon's mother, the Brantfords, the Goldmans, Sis. Brooke Gamble, Sis. Ellis, Sis. Laurene Cunningham, Irene Herron, Quince Dixon, and Vera Johnson, sisters of Sis. Laurene Cunningham are all facing some serious health issues.

## TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

This position has become vacant and we are in need of volunteers. In the interim, let Bro. Webster know if you or anyone you invite to church needs a ride.

## NO BIRTHDAYS OR ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

## LADIES CLASS NEWS

This week the ladies will be examining the topic, **Am I My Sister's Keeper?** (Genesis 4:9) Please join us! Come with your questions and insights to add to the discussion.

The ladies are hosting a **“Paint and Snack”** at **Gratefully Painted**, located at 737 169th St. Hammond, IN on, June 7th from 10:30 am-1:30 pm. Sign-up by June 1st. Please reference the sign up sheet in the foyer or Sis. Jameka for further details.

## NEW CHRISTIANS' CLASS

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

## CONDOLENCES

Denise Hicks, the sister of Bro. Darrell Hicks, passed a few weeks ago. Information regarding funeral arrangements to come.

## SUPPORT FOR RISING TALENT

Sis. Deneé Webster is now a professional oil painter and specializes in figurative painting. You may commission her to get a painting done by visiting her website at **dwpaints.com**.



## Last Week's Record

Sunday AM Worship	72
Sunday PM Worship	30
Wednesday Bible Class	47
Last Sunday's Offering	\$4,367.00
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$4,069.13</b>