

WHITESBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 22, 2022

WEEKLY SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 25-31

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday Life Groups: Life Groups will not meet and will resume January 8.

Worship Celebration: 10 am One service

Livestream: 10 am [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

Kids' and Student Choirs: Will resume January 8, 2023

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Wednesday Equip Groups: Will resume January 11, 2023.

Choir & Orchestra: Will resume January 4, 2023.

THURSDAY SCHEDULE

College Worship: Will resume January 12, 2023.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES & SCHEDULES

Prepare to celebrate the joy of Christmas through storytelling, music, and teaching! Find more information online [here](#).

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Saturday, December 24 | 4 & 5:30 pm

An intimate family celebration of the birth of Christ, including Christmas carols, a devotion, and a candlelight moment.

Christmas Day

Sunday, December 25 | 10 am

Life Groups will not meet, and we'll gather for one worship service. Childcare will be offered for children 3 and under.

New Year's Day

Sunday, January 1 | 10 am

Life Groups will not meet, and we'll gather for one worship service. Childcare will be offered for children 3 and under.

Church Office Schedule

The office will be closed December 26-January 2. (See giving exceptions below.) During this time, you can reach our Pastor on Call.

End-of-Year Giving Schedule

The Financial and Administrative Office will open December 29 and 30 from 10 am-1 pm for end-of-year contributions.

ROC Holiday Schedule

The ROC will close at noon on December 23 and reopen January 3 at 6 am.

Clothes Closet Schedule

The Clothes Closet will be closed from December 16 - January 2. They will not be accepting clothing donations at either location during this time. They will reopen on January 3.

SERVE

Whitesburg Mission Offering: Share the Joy

December 4, 2022 - January 1, 2023

The Whitesburg Mission Offering benefits the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (80%) and Whitesburg missions (20%). Our goal is to give \$425,000. Pray how God may lead you to worship through giving this Christmas.

Camels, Crayons & Cookies

Sunday, January 8 | 3 pm

Children's and Preschool Atrium

Come send off one of our church family as an international worker! Drop by to encourage and eat a cookie, as we send off Amiee from 3-4:30 pm. This will be a great opportunity to write a note of encouragement, commit to pray, and let her know how much you care as she prepares to serve the Lord in the Middle East. For questions, please contact the Missions Office at 256-881-0952, ext. 279 or Chrissy.Curtis@WhitesburgBaptist.org.

Go Team Missions Interest Meetings

All are invited to learn more about our 2023 Go Team mission opportunities. More information is available [here](#). For questions about these and other 2023 trips, please contact the Missions Office at 256-881-0952, ext. 279 or Chrissy.Curtis@WhitesburgBaptist.org.

Hungary Go Team Interest Meeting

Wednesday, January 11 | 5:15 pm
Main Campus Room 114

Rochester Go Team Interest Meeting

Wednesday, January 11 | 5:15 pm
Main Campus Room 107/Café 246

Togo Go Team Interest Meeting

Wednesday, January 18 | 5:15 pm
Main Campus Room 107/Café 246

SERVE (CONTINUED)

Women on Mission (WoM)

Tuesday, January 10 | 11:30 am
South Campus Hearthside Room

What a great way to start the new year by serving the community! Join WoM for their January meeting to learn more about the Salvation Army and how we can spread the gospel to those who might feel hopeless. The guest speaker will be Lt. Colonel Freda Slusher, (Ret),

who will share about her and her husband's service in the Salvation Army. The meeting will conclude with a service project to assemble Project Share bags for the Salvation Army. Please bring cold weather items (gloves, socks, scarves, hats) and small sample size toiletries (shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, lotion, deodorant) to the meeting to put into the bags. Bring a lunch to fellowship with other ladies at 11:30. The meeting starts at 12:00.

COMING IN JANUARY

Bible Reading Plan 2023

Ready to grow in your relationship with Christ in 2023 through His Word? Stay tuned: we will be releasing the 2023 plan very soon.

RECHARGE: Young Adult Retreat 2023

Friday-Sunday, January 6-8, 2023
Camp ToKnowHim, Pisgah, AL

Young adults are invited to study Scripture and dive into topics such as resting in the Lord, sharing the Gospel, and understanding their relationship with the Holy Spirit. The weekend will also include workshops, hiking, outdoor and indoor games, a bonfire, and more. Cost is \$120, and the registration deadline is December 31. Register online [here](#). Contact Bailey Long with questions: (256) 881-0952, ext. 201 or Bailey.Long@WhitesburgBaptist.org

New Year, New Class

Begins Sunday, January 8, 2023 | 11 am
Main Campus

Imagine a community of younger and older people who can share expertise and care for each other no matter the age? This concept has led us to plant a new Sunday morning Intergenerational Life Group at 11 am. The group will be led by Adam Creel. Learn more by contacting our Discipleship Office: (256) 881-0952, ext. 222 or Debbie.Davis@WhitesburgBaptist.org.

Marriage for a Lifetime Class

Begins Sunday, January 8, 2023 | 9:30 am
Main Campus Room 208

Engaged and newly-married couples are invited to a six-month marriage class led by Suk and Molli Fields and Ron and Alison Huskey. Explore how to address challenges new couples face from a Biblical perspective. The class will meet weekly on Sundays at 9:30 am, January 8 through June 25. To sign up or for more information, contact Debbie Davis: 256-881-0952, ext. 222 or Debbie.Davis@WhitesburgBaptist.org

Wednesday Schedule

Wednesday Equip Groups will resume January 11, 2023.

Strategic Vision

Sunday, January 22 | 10 am
Main Campus Worship Center

For several months, church leadership and members have been prayerfully seeking the Lord's guidance and wisdom regarding next steps for our church. Pastor Darryl will share the strategic vision for igniting a movement of authentic followers of Jesus Christ who impact our community and the world with the Gospel!

Together in Prayer and Deacon Ordination

Sunday, January 22 | 5:30 pm
Main Campus Worship Center

Following our Strategic Vision Morning Service, we will gather that evening for our monthly Together in Prayer. This is a meaningful, Bible-driven, Spirit-led, focused time of corporate prayer every fourth Sunday of the month. We will use this service to continue praying for God to ignite our church with passion and burden for the Gospel. This special evening service will also include ordination for three new deacons serving our church.

Women's Mentoring Spring 2023

Begins January 2023
Whitesburg Baptist Church and Various Homes

Have you ever wanted insight or wisdom from an older Christian woman? Or to talk with someone who's experienced the ups-and-downs of life to gain perspective or direction? The Women's Mentoring Program follows a small-group format, following the Titus 2 model, where older women teach and encourage younger women. Groups of 6-8 women will meet for eight weeks on either Tuesday mornings or Thursday evenings, or for 12 weeks on Wednesday evenings. To learn more or sign up as a participant, please click [here](#).

To volunteer to serve as a mentor, teacher, hostess, co-hostess, or prayer warrior, please contact Deree Tarwater: 256-704-5678, ext. 209 or deree.tarwater@whitesburgbaptist.org. Leader training will be held Sunday, January 8.

DNOW 2023

Friday, January 27-Sunday, January 29
Whitesburg Baptist Church

DNOW is a worship and discipleship experience for 6th-12th grade students. There will be three worship sessions led by Moose & His Band; Bible study led by Forge Ministries speaker, Dwight Robertson; and small groups led by college and young adult leaders. The teaching is focused on loving Jesus with all our lives and being disciples who replicate. Students will not stay in host homes this year. For more details and to register by Monday, January 23, click [here](#).

Cost: Early Bird: \$95 per student through Dec. 31
Regular: \$110 per student starting Jan. 1

Journeys of Paul Tour

September 13-26, 2023

Journey with Darryl and Vicki Craft on a 14-day tour revisiting the sites of the journeys of the Apostle Paul, which includes visits to Rome, Ephesus, Corinth, Athens, and more! If interested, please contact Templeton Tours at 1-800-334-2630 or visit [Templeton Tours online](#).

PASTOR ON CALL

Each weekend and on holidays, one of our pastors serves as the Pastor on Call. If you experience hospitalization, a death in the family, or other emergencies, contact the Pastor on Call by calling 256-881-0952, ext. 811. Please leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

SYMPATHY & APPRECIATION

Sympathy

Our church family expresses sympathy for:

- *The family of Ann Fuqua.*
- *Pam and Josh Russo, Bianca, and Greta on the death of their mother and grandmother, Barbara Merchant.*
- *Bill and Chris Summers in the death of his brother, Joe Summers.*

Appreciation

- *Kelly Davis Thomas and family are thankful for the beautiful flowers sent at the death of her mother, Mary Davis.*

WHITESBURG CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Building the Home of the Warriors

Whitesburg Christian Academy is seeking to raise \$3 million by January 31 to provide their students with a gymnasium facility. Learn about their project and how you can contribute [here](#).

Registration 2023-2024

WCA will open re-enrollment for current students and siblings on January 3, 2023. On January 27, they will start processing applications for new prospective students for any remaining open seats. Learn more about admission to The Academy [here](#).

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS OF THE WEEK

Turley Family

Eurasia

Prayer requests from the Turley Family:

- Pray for workers in exile who are having to find alternative countries of residence for safety purposes.
- Pray for workers in west Asia who are facing increasing difficulties in their countries of service with water shortages, internet outages and increased civil unrest.
- Pray for the security of colleagues who have returned to Afghanistan.