



DECEMBER BIRTHdays

Rose Burkholder	December 2	Justin Brown	December 14
Brian Farrar	December 3	Michael Hebron	December 17
Danny Grant	December 4	Rick Stewart	December 17
Lorraine Dent	December 5	Burkley Parker	December 18
George Sinclair	December 8	Kim Shipe	December 18
Nancy Thomas	December 8	Jase Thompson	December 19
Mia Stutes	December 9	Tim McDaniel	December 23
Jessica Meadows	December 10	Karen Farrar	December 28
Audrey Baska	December 11	Amy Stewart	December 29
Emily Flippin	December 11	Cassidy Stutes	December 29
Jeff Truxell	December 12	Wenda Fortney	December 31

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everyone. everywhere. everyday.

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DECEMBER 2022

NEWSLETTER OF WHITE HILL CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

CHURCH events

- Monday, Dec. 5th @ 6pm;
CHURCH BOARD MEETING
- Tuesday, Dec. 6th @ Noon;
LADIES LUNCHEON
- Saturday, Dec. 17th @ 7:30am;
MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST &
CHURCH WORKDAY
- Sunday, Dec. 18th
CHRISTMAS CANTATA, presented
by our White Hill Church Choir
- Sunday, Dec 18th; 4-7pm WHITE
HILL FAMILY CHRISTMAS
PARTY
- Saturday, Dec. 24th @ 6pm;
CHRISTMAS EVE
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
- Sunday, Dec. 25th
MERRY CHRISTMAS!!
- Saturday, Dec. 31st;
NEW YEAR'S EVE
- Sunday, January 1st, 2023
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

JUST A thought

From Oswald Chambers, "My Utmost For His Highest".

"Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us." —Matthew 1:23

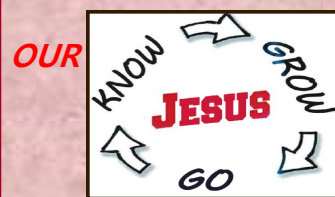
His Birth in History. "...that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God ([Luke 1:35](#)). Jesus Christ was born *into* this world, not *from* it. He did not emerge out of history; He came into history from the outside. Jesus Christ is not the best human being the human race can boast of— He is a Being for whom the human race can take no credit at all. He is not man becoming God, but God Incarnate— God coming into human flesh from outside it. His life is the highest and the holiest entering through the most humble of doors. Our Lord's birth was an advent— the appearance of God in human form.

His Birth in Me. "My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you..." ([Galatians 4:19](#)). Just as our Lord came into human history from outside it, He must also come into me from outside. Have I allowed my personal human life to become a "Bethlehem" for the Son of God? I cannot enter the realm of the kingdom of God unless I am born again from above by a birth totally unlike physical birth. "You must be born again" ([John 3:7](#)). This is not a command, but a fact based on the authority of God. The evidence of the new birth is that I yield myself so completely to God that "Christ is formed" in me. And once "Christ is formed" in me, His nature immediately begins to work through me.

God Evident in the Flesh. This is what is made so profoundly possible for you and for me through the redemption of man by Jesus Christ.

OUR VISION:

To be transformed lives
being used to transform the
world.



READINGplan



SCRPTURE – WRITE OUT ONE VERSE OR PASSAGE THAT WAS MEANINGFUL TO YOU

OBSERVATION – WHAT ARE SOME OBSERVATIONS YOU CAN MAKE ABOUT THE PASSAGE? WHAT IS GOD SAYING IN THIS PASSAGE? WHAT DO YOU LEARN?

APPPLICATION – HOW CAN YOU MAKE THIS PASSAGE PERSONAL? WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU CAN DO TODAY, TO APPLY IT TO YOUR LIFE?

PAYER – WRITE OUT A PRAYER TO THE LORD. ASK HIM TO HELP YOU WITH YOUR APPLICATION, OR TO REVEAL MORE THINGS ABOUT THIS TEXT, OR TO FIND WAYS TO SHARE WHAT YOU ARE LEARNING WITH OTHERS.

DECEMBER

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| 1 - Rom. 5-8 | 16 - 1 Pet. 1-5 |
| 2 - Rom. 9-12 | 17 - 2 Pet. 1-3; Jn. 1 |
| 3 - Rom. 13-16 | 18 - Jn. 2-4 |
| 4 - Eph. 1-4 | 19 - Jn. 5-6 |
| 5 - Eph. 5-6; Ps. 119; 1-80 | 20 - Jn. 7-8 |
| 6 - Phil. 1-4 | 21 - Jn. 9-11 |
| 7 - Col. 1-4 | 22 - Jn. 12-14 |
| 8 - 1 Tim. 1-4 | 23 - Jn. 15-18 |
| 9 - 1 Tim. 5-6; Tit. 1-3 | 24 - Jn. 19-21 |
| 10 - 2 Tim. 1-4 | 25 - 1 Jn. 1-5 |
| 11 - Philem.; Heb. 1-4 | 26 - Ps. 117; 119: 81-176; 2 Jn.; 3 Jn. |
| 12 - Heb. 5-8 | 27 - Rev. 1-428 - Rev. 5-9 |
| 13 - Heb. 9-11 | 29 - Rev. 10-14 |
| 14 - Heb. 12-13; Jude | 30 - Rev. 15-18 |
| 15 - Jas. 1-5 | 31 - Rev. 19-22 |

CONGREGATIONAL BUSINESS MEETING

NOVEMBER 13, 2022

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER: Sharon Moore called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

APPROVAL OF TELLERS: David Cash, Mitch Moore, Rusty Riley

REVIEW OF MINUTES:
11/14/21 - Congregational Business Meeting
2/20/22 - Congregational Business Meeting
8/21/22 - Called Congregational Business Meeting
Motion made & second to accept all minutes as presented. Vote taken, motion carried

Ballot for 2023 Church Board Members:
“Thank you” to those coming off the board for past service as well as those who have agreed to stay.
Motion made and second to accept presented slate of officers. Vote taken, motion carried.

4 positions still vacant & work will continue to fill those positions.

Proposed 2023 Budget: No discussion.
Motion made and second to accept budget as presented. Vote taken, motion carried.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:
9/30/22 - Balance Sheet
Jan 2022-Sep 2022 - Treasurer’s Report
Jan 2022 – Sep 2022 Building Fund/Savings Account Report
1/1/2022 – 9/30/2022 - Cemetery Report

Motion made & second to accept all reports as presented. Vote taken, motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm

Respectfully submitted by,
Tawnya Riley
Assistant Church Clerk

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2023

MODERATOR, _____
BOARD CHAIR, Ken Slack
BOARD VICE CHAIR, Tim Holcomb

WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM
Chair, Danny Grant
Vice Chair, _____
Secretary, _____

SPIRITUAL FORMATION TEAM
Chair, Dave Thompson
Vice Chair, _____
Secretary, _____

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY TEAM
Chair, Denise Gaddy
Vice Chair, Carolyn Grant
Secretary, Jen Slack

OUTREACH MINISTRY TEAM
Chair, Tim Holcomb
Vice Chair, Tommy Harmon
Secretary, _____

STEWARDS MINISTRY TEAM
Chair, Sam Beard
Vice Chair, Jimmy Madison
Secretary, Mitch Moore

FINANCE MINISTRY TEAM
Chair, Butch Gaddy
Vice Chair, Virginia Hebron
Secretary, _____

CHURCH CLERK _____

ASSISTANT CHURCH CLERK,
Tawnya Riley

ANNUAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES

DISTRICT CONFERENCE DELEGATES
Pastor Dave Chappell, Jim Chappell, Ken Slack

GIFTS & DISCERNMENT
Tawnya Riley
Nancy Thomas
George Sinclair

CEMETARY COMMITTEE
Aron Thompson
Ralph Prater
Mitch Moore

MISSIONARY Updates (cont.)

KENYA

Pastor Richard Wanzala

Dear White Hill Church of The Brethren,



Greetings to you in Christ's precious name!

I trust that you had a great thanksgiving celebration. I praise God that he has seen us through the year 2022 as we come to its end. I thank the Lord for the incredible time of ministry and

remarkable spiritual growth amongst our church members and beyond.

During the year in review, the good Lord has enabled us achieve the following:

PRAYER LINE RESPONSE

We are grateful to God for his loving kindness. We initiated prayers and fasting every first week of the month and this has enhanced spiritual growth amongst members. Consistency remained our focus and in this case, God released the spirit of prayer and intercession. The bible says, "Men ought always to pray and not to faint." (LK 18:1)

BIBLE STUDY

Teaching of God's word has been our main pillar for grounding God's children with his word exegetically. This has been achieved through new believers class on Mondays, Mid-week services on Wednesdays, Home cell fellowships on Thursdays and ultimately on Sundays.



EVANGELISM: In order to fulfill the great commission, we have been able to do door/house to door/house evangelism, open air meetings, School's ministry, etc. A total of 725 souls were harvested and to God be all the glory.



REVIVAL MEETINGS

This year, we managed to host two powerful revival meetings geared towards rejuvenating believers spiritually. The meetings were characterized by healings, deliverances, salvation and many miracles. We are again planning for another meeting from 15th to 17th December 2022. A budget of \$1500 is needed towards the same. Pray with us over this cause.

CHURCH CONSTRUCTION

Please pray with us to raise \$20,000 for roofing our church sanctuary. The building had stalled for 2 years due to ramifications of covid 19 pandemic.



We want to thank you for your continued support, prayers and partnership. We value each one of you in kingdom advancement. Thank you so much for your love and prayers.

Your servant in the mission,
Richard Wanzala, Kenya

IN *this* LIFE

COMMUNION
SUNDAY, DEC. 4TH



CHURCH BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, DEC. 5TH
@ 6pm

LADIES LUNCHEON
TUESDAY, DEC 6TH
@ NOON



MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
DECEMBER 17TH
@ 7:30am



FOR THE RECORD

NOVEMBER 2022

Offering	\$21,018.00
Building Fund/Principal	\$ 1,465.00
HEBRONS	\$ 200.00
Frys	\$ 100.00
Reprieve	\$ 100.00
Youth	\$ 100.00
Use of Family Life Center	\$ 150.00
Donation from ACE	\$ 800.00
Homeschool Group	
Flowers (Poinsettias)	\$ 44.00

MISSIONARY *Updates*

Dean & Sylvia Hebron

The spring semester was successful and we graduated 4 students in May. Now the graduates are actively involved in ministry. Students, faculty and some former students were able to attend a conference in August that dealt with new findings in the study of the Dead Sea Scrolls. There were many testimonies as to how valuable the study was.



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One of the biggest blessings to us this year in the ministry was the reaction of Dean's students to Sylvia's surgeries. From the very beginning, they were praying almost nonstop for her recovery and keeping up with all the details through Dean's updates. Also, as a group they got together and sent her flowers—it was a picture of a vase of flowers, but so beautiful and meaningful to us. Because of all the extra work involved with Sylvia's recovery, for many classes Dean had to use videos that he had recorded in previous years. The students were so gracious to accept that and not complain. Some of these were first year students who have never met either of us. We were surprised by their level of maturity and praise the Lord for the caring and loving attitudes.



We would like to see a larger number of students enrolling in the seminary next year. And, as always, we want to see the students well trained in the ministry to carry on the Lord's work in Mexico (2 Tim. 2:2).

We thank the Lord for the brethren of White Hill COB partnering with us in prayer and financial support. You have helped keep this important ministry going.



Students in Mexico

24:14 World Kishor & Sikha Pandagade

Dear Pastor & Church Members,

Greeting in His Precious Name!

Sikha and I want to take this opportunity to thank God for the wonderful things he has done for us throughout 2022. If I have to write every detail the list will be too long to read. However, I/we am absolutely glad to highlight a few of them that were praiseworthy.



1. Catherine and Karen's work visa were extended. Karen is done with her work visa and she is back to the school as it requires her to continue education if she has to stay in the country.



Karen

2. Catherine is still working until June 2023. But the good news is that she got a new job in UVA as an administrator assistance in the cardiac department and her leadership is extremely pleased with her work nature. So, praise God! They both have saved some money for their ongoing education which really reduces burden from our shoulder at least for the time being.



Catherine

3. I had many opportunities to preach in different churches, missions conference and share the gospel with non-Christians. Example: I had the privilege to fellowship with Pakistani family who



asked me to pray over the dinner. This was a great time of witness. Another Pakistani woman attended our Indian Fellowship where I spoke and she heard the message on thanksgiving and also the gospel. She was very impressed loved knowing the real meaning of thanksgiving from the biblical point of view.

4. Our transition from ANM to 2414 World mission was quite challenging from the month of May on ward this year but the Lord in his grace and mercy proved his sufficiency in all manner. The prayers of all friends, donors and supported has been great. We are not yet there when it comes to our monthly support but God provides daily what we need.

5. Ministry wise, we are able to connect with many new ministries around the world, distribute bibles in Iran in other Muslim Countries. 2414World was able to provide means to rescue many Christians from Afghanistan and neighboring Muslim countries and bring them the safe place (this is confidential but it is praise point). This is was a huge task with the help of missionaries on the borders. Praise God that much was accomplished!

Sikha and I would like to thank each one of you for your sincere prayers and support to reach the nations for the Christ. Also thank you for resuming the support while in transition without which it would have been very difficult for us in the future. We look forward to visit you all soon and share what God is doing around the world through your prayers and support.

Prayer Points:

- Persecution in India and around the world
- Catherine & Karen's on-going immigration situation and future plans
- Our mission trips in 2023
- Our spiritual growth and needs.

