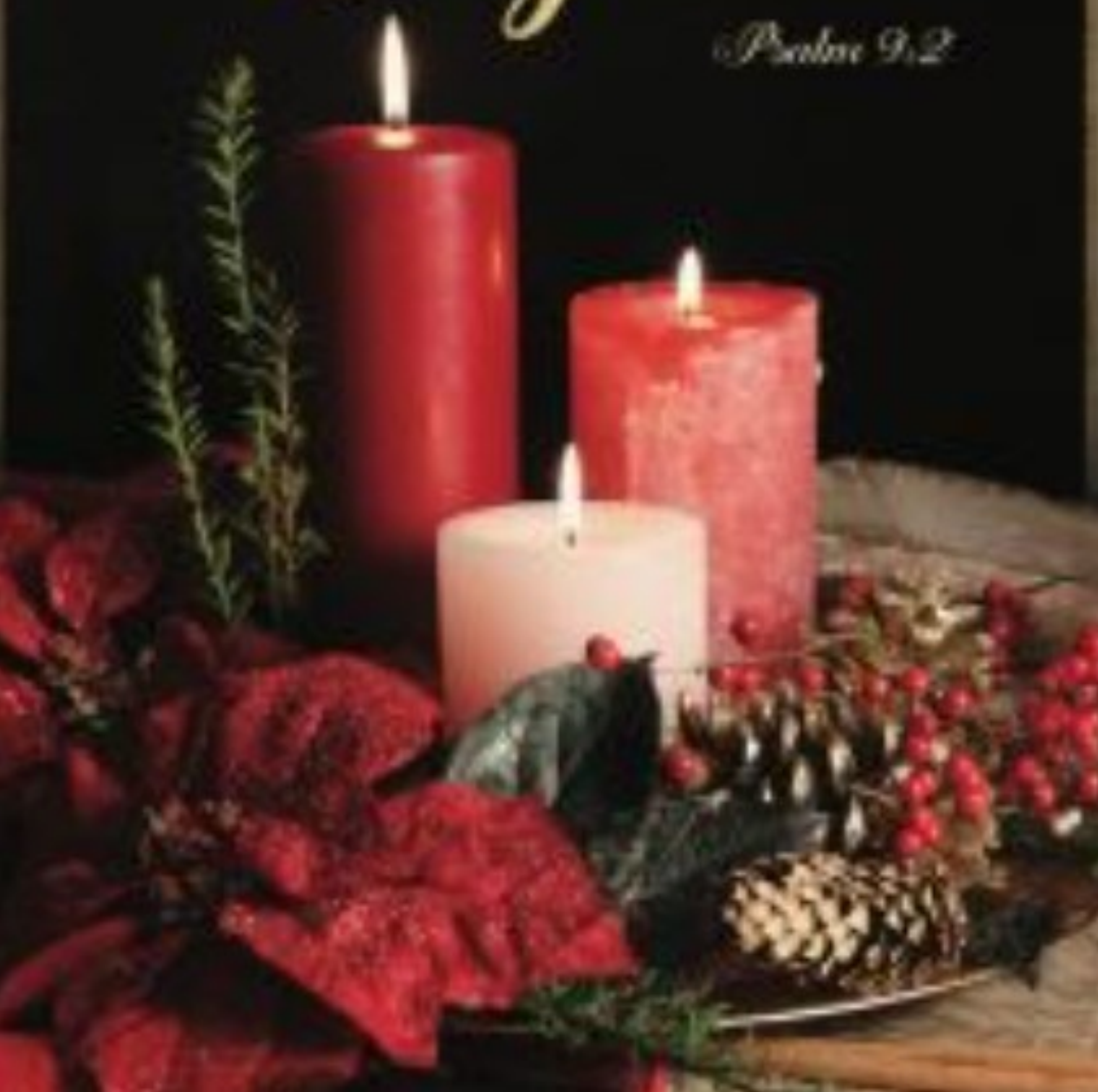


*Be
glad and
rejoice!*

Psalm 92



WELCOME TO HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH

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December, 14th 2025

Welcome to Hopewell! We are so glad you are here!

Have you ever caught yourself holding on to something so tightly, mentally replaying it, trying to fix it, trying to predict it that you suddenly realized that you lost your peace in the process? I have been there more times than I would like to admit and today's devotional is one I believe every single one of us needs, because it speaks right into those heavy, quiet places of the heart where we're trying so hard to keep everything together. Did you know that there are some burdens that are simply too heavy for us to carry and God never asked us to and they were never meant for our hands at all. The Bible says in (1 Peter 5:7) "Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you." If the situation or problem is out of our control, it needs to be out of our mind and in God's hands. We all face situations that cause us to worry, relationships we can't fix, diagnoses we can't change, outcomes we can't influence, a financial knot we can't untie, a wayward son or daughter we can't drag home or to church but God uses those very moments to reveal that He has been the One holding everything together all along. We never were. It's an opportunity to bring greater glory to God in a way that we could not have done if we were in control. When we cling to the trouble that is out of our control, all we do is exhaust ourselves. We lose sleep, lose focus, lose our joy and nothing changes. Saints, here is where the real transformation begins, it's when we finally release what's been consuming us and let God replace our anxious thoughts with His peace. Letting go isn't defeat; it is obedience. Letting go is worship because it is acknowledging the Lordship of Christ. Essentially, we are saying: "God, I trust You more than I trust myself." You see, our responsibility is to glorify God; God's responsibility is everything else.

Visiting?

We're so glad you are with us this morning! We truly hope you are blessed and encouraged in today's service. It is our goal to lift up the name of our Lord Jesus and to encourage those with his message of hope, peace, love, and His saving grace.

We would love to get to know you. If you would, please follow the link on this QR code to let us help us get to know you better.



CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Sunday, December 14th:

- Message: Rick C.
- Assistant: Stephen C.
- Assistant: Charlotte C.
- Snacks: Margie C.

Sunday, December 21st: No Children’s Church

- Message:
- Assistant:
- Assistant:
- Snacks:

NURSERY SCHEDULE

- Today:
Betty P. Cathy F.
- Sunday, December 21st:
Maddy S. Madison L.

Happy Birthday

This Week’s Birthday’s

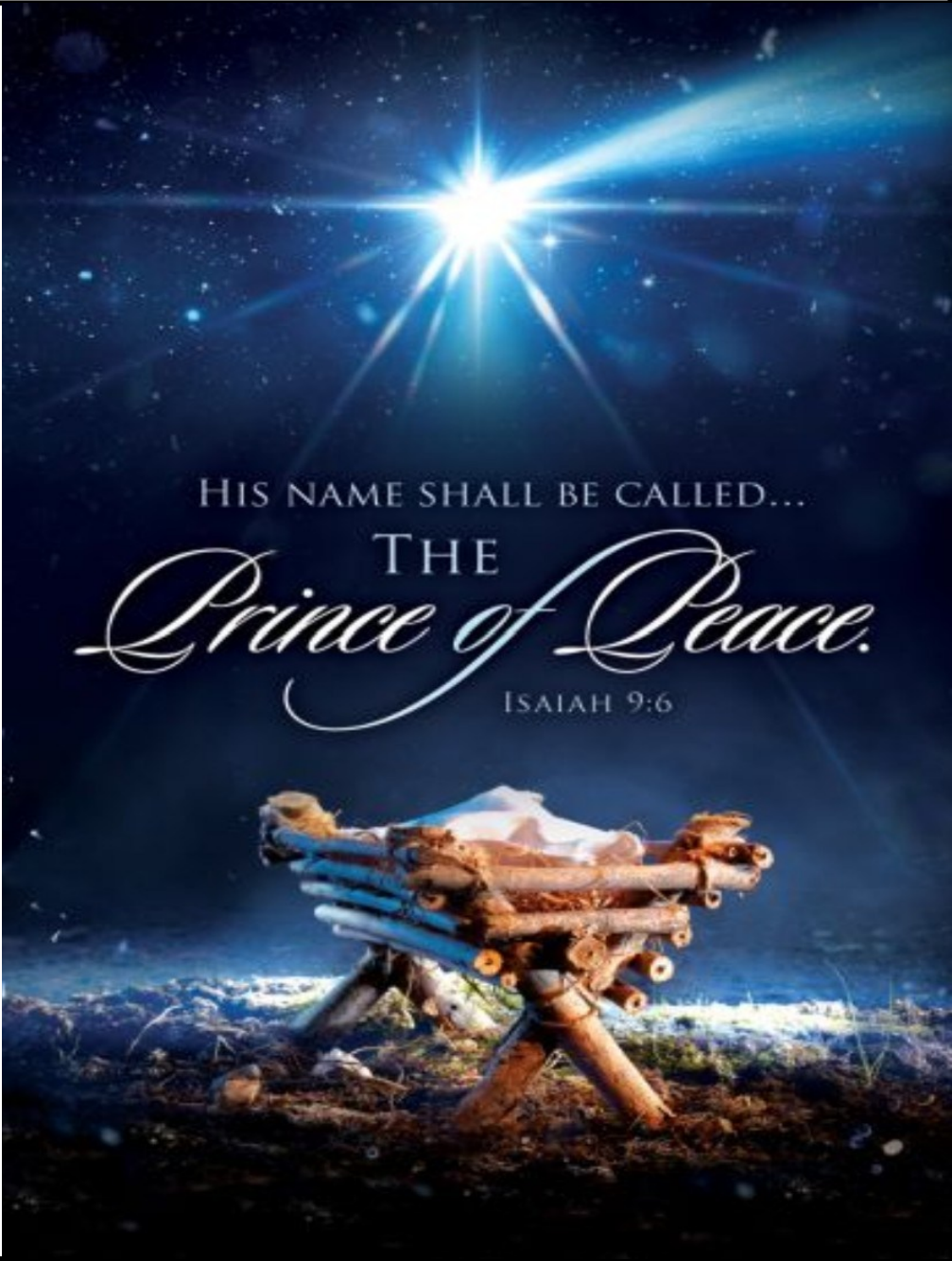
- Dec. 11th Barbara Knauff
- Dan Partin
- Dec. 16th Zach Thorpe
- Dec. 18th Carmen Hall
- Courtney McCoy
- Dec. 26th Zachary McCoy
- Dec. 27th Dylan Butler
- Heather Hampton

Happy Anniversary

No December Anniversaries!

This Week

- Today:
- Help us welcome “Old Tradition” Group!
 - Deadline to order Poinsettias
- Wednesday, December 17th:
- 6:30PM Youth Ministry
 - 7:00PM Adult Bible Study
- Sunday, December 21st: Come Celebrate Jesus!
- Meet & Greet: 10:00 AM
 - Celebration Service: 10:45 AM (during the main service)
 - Lottie Moon Offering AM
- Wednesday, December 24th:
- 7:00PM Candle Light Service (No Youth Program)
- Wednesday & Thursday,
- December 24th-25th: Church Office Closed
- Sunday, December 28th:
- 7:00PM Business Meeting





POINSETTIAS

Christmas poinsettias may still be purchased in honor of or in memory of a loved one. These beautiful flowers are a heartfelt way to celebrate someone special during this Christmas season.

The cost is \$25.00.

Order forms are available at the Welcome Desk and in the bulletin.

Please turn in your completed form and payment to Michelle McCoy by December 14th.

Thank you for helping us adorn our church with beauty and remembrance.



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You're Invited to Hopewell's

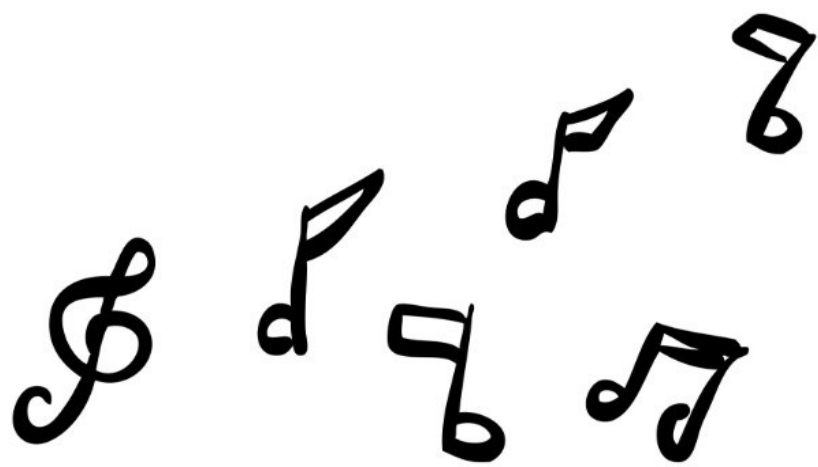
Candlelight SERVICE

Wednesday, December 24

at Hopewell Baptist Church
7:00PM

Join us for a heartwarming night filled with peace, hope, and joy! Let the soft glow of candlelight, uplifting carols, and a message of love guide you into the spirit of the season.

All are welcome to this free community event



WELCOME, OLD TRADITION!



We are so blessed to have the Old Tradition band with us this morning at Hopewell Baptist Church. Thank you for joining us and sharing your gift of music as we worship the Lord together.

May every song lift our hearts, encourage our spirits, and draw us closer to Jesus. We pray God’s anointing over your ministry and are grateful for the joy and worship you bring to our church family today.

We’re honored to have you with us—welcome in the name of the Lord!

Hopewell Christmas Card Exchange

Guidelines for 2025

This year, our Christmas Card Exchange is open to *everyone* who wishes to participate! We invite our church family to spread Christmas cheer by sharing cards with one another throughout the season.

Please follow these guidelines to keep everything running smoothly:

- Place all cards in the correct box according to the first letter of the recipient’s last name.
- Double-check that each card is sorted into the proper alphabetical box.
- Please pick up your cards promptly to help keep the area tidy.
- Avoid using old directories or outdated lists when preparing your cards.
- Card boxes will be located on the table in the hallway outside the sanctuary.
- A current list of members will also be available to help you address cards accurately.

Thank you for helping make this year’s Christmas Card Exchange organized, joyful, and meaningful for everyone! May it be a blessing to our entire church family.



Come Celebrate "Christmas Is Jesus"

With Hopewell Baptist Church

Sunday, December 21, 2025:

10:00 AM Meet & Greet - Refreshments

11:00 AM - Celebrate Jesus!

Wednesday, December 24, 2025:

7:00 PM - Candlelight Service

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COME CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS!

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Let's get our hearts ready for the Christmas season as we come together to rejoice, worship, and celebrate the birth of our Savior!

Hopewell Baptist Church invites everyone to our
Community Christmas Outreach

Sunday, December 21st

Meet & Greet: 10:00 AM

Celebration Service: 10:45 AM (during the main service)

Let's fill the church with love, laughter, and the spirit of giving!

A **sign-up sheet for biscuits** is now available — thank you to all who help make this day so special.

In Memoriam Poinsettias will soon be available.

With a \$25 donation, you can honor or remember a loved one in a beautiful way this Christmas season.

Stay tuned for more details as we draw closer to this joyful day — a time to celebrate Jesus, share kindness, and make memories together!

Youth Ministry



COME BE PART OF OUR YOUTH MINISTRY

Our Youth Ministry provides a comfortable atmosphere for students to fellowship, build relationship with other youth and adult leaders, learn how God's word applies to their lives and encourages each other as they put its teaching into practice.

The best way to experience our student ministry is to come check it out! Our Wednesday night youth services begin at 6:00 p.m. and classes begin after a light snack.

Our team is eager to help your child/children grow in Christ in a energetic, fun and safe atmosphere. If you have any questions, or if your child/children need a ride, and live within 5 miles of the church, send an email to secretary@jesusishope.net or call the church office at (606) 523-9424.

BOOK OF EPHESIANS BACK TO THE BASIC'S

WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S
AT 7:00PM

With Pastor Dennis McCoy!



Meet Randy, Gina, & Blake Cain

Randy, Gina, and their son Blake have been a cherished part of the Hopewell family for 26 years. Their hearts for the Lord and their steady faithfulness shine brightly in all they do.

Randy serves as a Deacon and a member of the Finance Committee, humbly using his gifts to help support the mission and ministry of the church. One of the things their family treasures most about Hopewell is the unity, the Spirit-filled atmosphere, and the power of a praying church family.

Randy enjoys going to camp meetings, fishing, and camping. He is retired from commercial construction, while Gina faithfully serves at home, lovingly caring for their handicap son, Blake—a ministry of the heart that beautifully reflects Christ’s compassion.

Originally from Jackson County, Randy spent 18 years in Indiana before returning to this area in 1996, where their family has built a life rooted in faith, love, and service.

The Cains love their church, love their pastors, and hope to leave behind a legacy of faithfulness for generations to come.



Meet Wayne Benge

For 22 years, Wayne has been a faithful part of the Hopewell family—serving with humility, kindness, and a genuine love for the Lord. He joyfully fulfills his roles as a Deacon and a member of the Finance Committee, always seeking to support the church and encourage those around him.

One of Wayne’s favorite things about Hopewell is the people—the friendships formed, the unity shared, and the sweet presence of the Holy Spirit that fills every service. He treasures the strong preaching of God’s Word and the warm, family-like atmosphere that makes Hopewell feel like home.

Wayne enjoys woodworking and simply spending time with his family. Though partly retired, he previously owned Benge’s Grocery for 31 years and has spent the past 14 years delivering Grippo Chips, a job he continues to enjoy. He and his family have lived in this area for 11 years.

Wayne is blessed with a beautiful family. He married his sweetheart nearly 50 years ago, and together they have two children: Dustin, who lives with his wife near Louisville, and Amanda, who attends Hopewell with her husband Tim. Wayne is also a proud grandfather to three precious grandchildren—Payton (14), Shelby (12), and Thomas (9). Their family loves spending time together and worshiping side by side at church.

Wayne is grateful for the Lord’s blessings through the years—far more, he says, than he could ever deserve. His life reflects a heart of gratitude, faithfulness, and devotion to God and his family.



✨ WHO IS MY DEACON? ✨

“Each Hopewell family is assigned a deacon according to their last name.
If you have a need, please feel free to reach out to your deacon.”

“A-F” Last Names: call Rick Centers or Larry Jackson

Rick’s Number: (606)-526-9298 (Home), (606)-344-4498 (Cell)

Larry’s Number: (606)-521-2057 (Cell)

“G-K” Last Names: call Charles Lawless or Nicholas Cureton

Charles’s Number: (606)-344-3955 (Cell)

Nicholas’s Number: (606)-304-9130 (Cell)

“L-O” Last Names: call Randy Cain or Wayne Bengé

Randy’s Number: (606)-878-2065 (Home), (606)-344-5258 (Cell)

Wayne’s Number: (606)-309-5548 (Cell)

“P-S” Last Names: call Joe Hammonds or John Ratliff

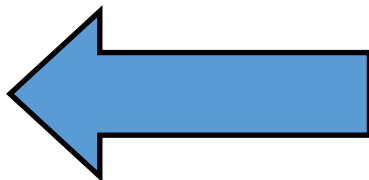
Joe’s Number: (606)-864-4428 (Home), (606)-312-1638 (Cell)

John’s Number: (606)-620-6718 (Cell)

“T-Z” Last Names: call Darrel Hampton or Scott Marcus

Darrel’s Number: (606)-280-5827 (Cell)

Scott’s Number: (606)-389-8658 (Cell)



Get to Know You – Returning to Our Weekly Bulletin!

We are excited to share that our “**Get to Know You**” feature is coming back to the weekly bulletin!

This is a wonderful way for our church family to learn more about one another and strengthen the bonds within our community.

We’ll begin by highlighting our **leadership team**. A link to a short form will be **sent out by email**, so please keep an eye out for it. This form will allow you to share a little about yourself and upload a photo.

If for any reason you **do not receive the email**, please contact our church secretary, **Brittany Libreros**, and she will be happy to mail a copy of the form directly to you.

Your story matters, and we look forward to getting to know you better as we grow together in fellowship and faith!

If you have any questions, please reach out to the church secretary by contacting the church office at **(606) 523-9424** or by emailing secretary@jesusishope.net.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING!

Our annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will be received on Sunday, December 21st at 11:00 AM.

This special offering directly supports international missions, helping take the Gospel to the nations.

LOTTIE MOON



If you prefer to give digitally, simply mark your donation “Lottie Moon” and we will ensure it is designated correctly.

Thank you for giving, praying, and supporting missions around the world!

2026 Proposed Budget

Copies of the proposed 2026 budget are now available at the Welcome Center for all church members.

We will vote on approving the 2026 budget during our December Business Meeting on Saturday, December 30th at 7PM.

Thank you for staying informed and involved!

2026 Calendar Is Ready!

Another year has flown by, and the 2026 Hopewell Baptist Church calendar is now complete! If you would like a digital copy, simply email secretary@jesusishope.net to request one.



Printed copies will also be available at the Welcome Center, along with all end-of-year church business information.

Be sure to join us for the Business Meeting on December 30th at 7 PM for full updates and details.

We are blessed with a growing, active, and involved church family—thank you for being a part of all God is doing at Hopewell!

WAYS YOU CAN WATCH OUR CHURCH SERVICES

- Live on Facebook Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- Live and on demand on our website: www.jesusishope.net
 - Live and on demand on our Hopewell App
- Live and on demand on YouTube *Audio on Spotify
- On WLJC television 3 p.m. Sunday afternoon. (Morning service only)

ARISE

NEXT LEVEL

Support our Youth Arise Bible Conference!

We are once again asking for our church family to help send our Hopewell Teens to the Arise Youth Conference in Pigeon Forge in July.

If everyone chips we can raise all the funds needed to send our youth to a bible believing, truth preaching, spirit-awakening conference that has proven to grow and revive our youth as well as our young adult leaders. Last year, over 7000 teens and young adults heard sound doctrine preached, outstanding worship music lifting the Father up in praise, as well as witnessing hundreds come to know the Lord! It will cost about \$400 per student to attend and every little bit helps!

Visit our website or scan the QR code on your phone's camera to donate.

"Make sure Arise Conference is chosen in the dropdown box."

And of course you can give here at the church, just make sure you write "Arise" on the check, or use a tithing envelope, so we know which fund to put it in.

Thank you for your help over the years. Many lives have been impacted!



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ON GOING PRAYER REQUEST

Betty Brimm (Sister of Margie Rose)

Barbara Sufridge (mother of Bennie)

Matt & Coralee Smallwood

Jeanette Evans

Doron & Sheila Smith

Beulah & Ernie Deaton

Bertha & Ray Parker

Steve Lawless

Norman Gibbs

Heidi Youle

Gladys McCollum (mother of Vera)

Bob & Kathy Cosby

Helen Hosey

Tanner Elliott (son of Tony/Nancy)

Lonnie & June House

Terry & Sue Goodin

James Hammonds (brother of Joe)

Joe Rains

Dan & June Partin

Charlie Watts (dad of Audrey Hammonds)

Nathaniel Bryant (Teresa Jenkins kin)

Linda Greer

Blake Cain

Darrel Hampton

Norma Wilson (Lelan Wilson’s Mother)

Cathy Disney

Susie Goodin

Lenell Jackson Family

Please update the church office of any changes to these requests

Prayer Chain Ministry Contact for Prayer Requests

Sheila Ratliff (606) 657-6594

REMINDER: If you cannot immediately reach her, leave a detailed message of your prayer need and the request will be sent out as soon as possible. We will try to merge requests into one call per day, unless the request is of an immediate, life-threatening or salvation type of urgency.

Calling Post / Prayer Chain

Prayer Chain Update: Now Called “Calling Post”

We’re updating the name and purpose of our “Prayer Chain” — it will now be known as the Calling Post.

We will continue sending out prayer requests, but we’re also expanding this service to include church announcements. You can now choose between two options:

- Receive both prayer requests and church announcements
- Receive church announcements only

Everyone currently on the Prayer Chain will automatically receive both prayer requests and announcements. If you prefer to receive announcements only, please contact the church office to update your preferences.

If you would like to be added to the Calling Post, please email your name and phone number to secretary@jesusishope.net or call the church office at 606-523-9424.

Please note: Only one phone number per family can be added, as spots are limited.