

The LORD shall be unto thee

an everlasting light,
and thy God
thy glory.

ISAIAH 60:19



WELCOME TO HOPEWELL BAPTIS CHURCH

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January, 4th 2025

Welcome to Hopewell! We are Glad You are Here!!

The Bible says in (Philippians 3:13-14) "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

As we stand on the threshold of a new year, many hearts are filled with mixed emotions. Some look back with gratitude, others with regret. Some carry joy from victories won, while others bear the weight of losses, failures, and unanswered prayers. But the Word of God calls us not to live looking backward, but to move forward in faith.

The apostle Paul had every reason to dwell on his past—both the successes and the scars. Yet he declared, "This one thing I do..." Paul understood that you cannot run the race God has set before you while constantly turning around to look behind you. The past may explain you, but it must never imprison you. God's mercies are new every morning—and that includes the mornings of a brand-new year. The Lord is not finished with you, your family, or this church. What lies ahead is not determined by what you lost, but by Who walks with you into the future. So let go of yesterday and walk on, because the Lord who walks with you is greater than anything you left behind. Aren't you glad that the same God who carried you through the past up to the year 2025 now walks beside you into a future of a New Year 2026 that is filled with His promises.

Yet this new year also brings a challenge. Paul said, "I press toward the mark." Pressing implies effort, discipline, and intentional faith. A new year will not automatically bring spiritual growth. It comes when we choose to pray more earnestly, to trust Him more deeply, to forgive more freely, and obey more completely. As we step into this new year, let us ask ourselves:

Am I willing to let go of what God has already forgiven?

Am I willing to move forward even when the future feels uncertain?

Am I willing to press on when faith demands perseverance?

The same God who brought you through the past year will walk with you into the next one. He goes before you, stands beside you, and remains faithful behind you. Whatever this year holds, hold tightly to Him.

Pastor, Dennis McCoy

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.



This Week

Today:

- Lord's Supper 7PM

Tuesday, January 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th:

- Women's Ministry Morning with Jesus 11AM

Wednesday, January 7th:

- Youth Ministry 6:30PM
- Adult Bible Study 7:00PM

Saturday, January 10th:

- Women's Prayer Breakfast 9AM Fellowship Hall

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Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 11th:

- Deacon's Meeting 4:30PM
- Men's Meeting 5PM

Wednesday, January 14th:

- Youth Ministry 6:30PM
- Adult Bible Study 7:00PM

Saturday, January 17th:

- Men's Prayer Breakfast 9AM Fellowship Hall

Sunday, January 25th:

- Business Meeting 7PM

Children's Church/Nursery Schedule

Today:

Massage: Randy C.

Assistant: LaDonna S.

Assistant: N/A

Snacks: June H. & Faye B.

Sunday, January 11th:

Massage: Larry J.

Assistant: Linda J.

Assistant: N/A

Snacks: Linda R.

Nursery Schedule:**Today:**

Amanda O. Jessica W.

Sunday, January 11th:

Betty P. Cathy F.



"But the Lord is the one who is marching before you! He is the one who will be with you! He won't let you down. He won't abandon you. So don't be afraid or scared!"

DEUTERONOMY 31:8



Women's Ministry

WOMEN'S MINISTRY - MORNING WITH JESUS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6TH • 11 AM

LADIES, WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR A SWEET TIME OF FELLOWSHIP, ENCOURAGEMENT, AND GROWING CLOSER TO THE LORD TOGETHER. MORNING WITH JESUS IS A CHANCE TO PAUSE FROM THE BUSYNESS OF LIFE, ENJOY ONE ANOTHER, AND LET GOD SPEAK TO OUR HEARTS IN A SPECIAL WAY.

COME EXPECTING LOVE, LAUGHTER, FRIENDSHIP, AND A TOUCH OF HIS PRESENCE. WE WOULD BE BLESSED TO HAVE YOU WITH US!



Women's Prayer Breakfast

OUR WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST IS COMING UP ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 10TH AT 9AM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL!

COME ENJOY A MORNING FILLED WITH FRIENDSHIP, LAUGHTER, PRAYER, AND ENCOURAGEMENT AS WE GATHER TOGETHER TO LIFT ONE ANOTHER UP AND SEEK THE LORD'S PRESENCE.

IT'S GOING TO BE A SWEET, LOVING, CARING, AND GOD-CENTERED TIME OF FELLOWSHIP – AND WE WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO JOIN US!

Saturday, January 10th
at: 9:00AM

Where: Fellowship Hall
Hopewell Baptist Church



Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, January 17th

At: 9:00 AM

Men of Hopewell, you're invited to a special Men's Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, January 17th at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

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Come enjoy a delicious breakfast, sweet fellowship, and a meaningful time of prayer as we gather to encourage one another and seek the Lord together. This will be a relaxed and uplifting morning filled with faith, friendship, and God's presence.

All men are welcome—bring a friend and come be refreshed, strengthened, and inspired!

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." – Matthew 18:20



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 Benge

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)

Meet Sheila Ratliff

Sheila Ratliff has been a cherished member of the Hopewell family since 1998. She joyfully serves as the Prayer Line Announcer, faithfully helping keep our church family connected through prayer and encouragement.

What Sheila loves most about Hopewell is the people—the loving, caring hearts that truly make the church feel like home. In her free time, she enjoys crocheting, writing, baking, and training her dog, finding joy in both creativity and companionship.



Sheila is retired and has called this area home for many years, having lived here from 1976–1985 before spending time in Atlanta, Georgia, and then returning back to the place she loves.

Above all, Sheila is deeply thankful for her salvation and depends on the Lord every single day. She humbly shares that while she isn't perfect, she strives to grow closer to God, trusting His love, grace, and guidance through every season of life.

“But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.” – Job 23:10

Meet Darrel Hampton

Darrel Hampton has been a faithful part of the Hopewell Baptist Church family since 1985, and his love for the church and its people shines through in everything he does. Darrel serves as a deacon, janitor, fundraisers director, and truly helps anywhere there's a need—always with a willing heart and a servant's spirit.

What Darrel loves most about Hopewell is the faithful preaching of God's Word, the sweet fellowship, and the genuine love that is shown to everyone who walks through the doors. Whether it's behind the scenes or front and center, Darrel serves the Lord and the church with joy and humility.

In his free time, Darrel enjoys camping, cooking, and making memories with family and friends. He is retired after 47 years of dedicated work in the maintenance department at CTA Acoustics and has lived in Corbin his entire life.

Darrel shares a beautiful testimony of God's faithfulness. He met his wife, Felicia, at Hopewell, and they were married for 32 wonderful years before the Lord called her home. God blessed them with a daughter, Heather, who also serves faithfully at the church. Darrel considers himself a truly blessed man and deeply loves and appreciates his Hopewell church family.



Meet Rick & Charlotte Centers

Rick & Charlotte Centers have been a cherished part of the Hopewell family for 27 years, and their love for the church and its people shines through in everything they do. Rick has faithfully served as a deacon for 19 years and also teaches an adult Sunday School class, always pointing others toward Christ and God's Word.



What they love most about Hopewell is the freedom to worship, the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit, and a church family that truly prays for and supports one another. Hopewell is a place where Christ is at the center and the Word of God is preached each week—and that's exactly what keeps their hearts rooted here. As a family, Rick and Charlotte enjoy camping, traveling, and spending quality time together. Rick especially loves cheering on their son, Eli, and watching him play sports, as well as relaxing with family movie nights.

Rick works as the Director of Supply Chain for Highlands Diversified Services in London, KY, where he has faithfully served for 28 years. Charlotte has been a Dental Hygienist for over 30 years, bringing care and compassion to her profession.

Married for 35 years, Rick and Charlotte are proud parents to Eli, a student at Corbin High School. One of their most treasured memories at Hopewell is January 1st, 2017 the day Eli was saved and accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior—a moment that forever holds a special place in their hearts.

They feel truly blessed to be part of the Hopewell family and are thankful for all God has done and continues to do in their lives.



Getting to Know Our Hopewell Family

We are excited to share that our **“Get to Know You”** feature is 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.

COME BE PART OF OUR YOUTH MINISTRY!

OUR YOUTH MINISTRY OFFERS A WELCOMING AND COMFORTABLE ENVIRONMENT WHERE STUDENTS CAN FELLOWSHIP, BUILD MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER YOUTH AND CARING ADULT LEADERS, AND LEARN HOW GOD'S WORD APPLIES TO THEIR EVERYDAY LIVES. TOGETHER, WE ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER AS WE GROW IN FAITH AND PUT HIS TEACHINGS INTO PRACTICE.

THE BEST WAY TO EXPERIENCE OUR STUDENT MINISTRY IS TO COME AND SEE! **WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH SERVICES BEGIN AT 6:00 P.M., WITH CLASSES STARTING AFTER A LIGHT SNACK.**

OUR DEDICATED TEAM IS EXCITED TO HELP YOUR CHILD GROW IN CHRIST IN AN **ENERGETIC, FUN, AND SAFE ATMOSPHERE**. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, OR IF YOUR CHILD NEEDS A RIDE AND LIVES WITHIN **5 MILES OF THE CHURCH**, PLEASE EMAIL SECRETARY@JESUSISHOPE.NET OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT **(606) 523-9424**.

WE WOULD LOVE FOR YOUR FAMILY TO BE PART OF WHAT GOD IS DOING IN OUR YOUTH MINISTRY!



BOOK OF EPHESIANS BACK TO THE BASIC'S

WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S
AT 7:00PM

With Pastor Dennis McCoy!





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 in 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!



New Year, Staying Connected!

As we begin a new year, we want to make sure we have the **most up-to-date information** for every member of our church family. If any of your contact details have changed—such as your **address, phone number, or email**—we kindly ask you to update them.

You'll find an **Information Update Sheet** inside today's bulletin. Please take a moment to complete it and return it. Additional forms are available if you need extras.

Your help allows us to stay connected, keep you informed, and continue serving our church family well. Thank you for taking part in keeping Hopewell up to date!

If you have any questions, or prefer to update your information by email or phone, please contact the church office.

Calendar of Events & Weekly Bulletin:

Did you know you can view Hopewell's Calendar of Events and Weekly Bulletin in full color on our church website and mobile app?

- The latest bulletin is available to view by the end of day Friday.
- The church calendar is updated regularly with current events and changes.

We encourage everyone to check the Hopewell website or app often to stay up to date on all upcoming events and announcements.

Bulletin Deadline Reminder:

If you would like an announcement included in the weekly bulletin, it must be submitted by Wednesday at noon to appear in that week's bulletin.

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WAYS TO WATCH/LISTEN OUR CHURCH SERVICES

Can't join us in person? We'd love for you to worship with us online!

- **Live on Facebook** — Sundays at **11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.**
- **Live & On-Demand on our Website** — www.jesusishope.net
 - **Live & On-Demand on the Hopewell App**
 - **Live & On-Demand on YouTube**
 - Audio Podcast available on Spotify**
- **WLJC Television** — Sundays at **3:00 p.m.**
(Morning service only)

ON GOING PRAYER REQUEST!

Betty Brimm (Sister of Margie Rose)

Matt & Coralee Smallwood

Doron & Sheila Smith

Bertha & Ray Parker

Gladys McCollum (Mother of Vera)

Helen Hosey

Brooklyn Smith

Lonnie & June House

Barbara Sufridge (Mother of Bennie)

Jeanette Evans

Steve Lawless

Heidi Youle

Teresa Jenkins (Family)

Bob & Kathy Cosby

Tanner Elliott (Son of Tony & Nancy)

Terry & Sue Goodin

Joe Rains

Nathan Bryant (Teresa Jenkins Kin)

Charlie Watts (Father of Audrey Hammonds)

Beulah & Ernie Deaton

Cathy Disney

James Hammonds (Brother of Joe)

Dan & June Partin

Blake Cain

Norma Wilson (Mother of Lelan Wilson)

Susie Goodin

ON GOING PRAYER REQUEST

Please be sure to notify the church office of any updates or changes to these requests.

Prayer Chain Ministry – Prayer Requests Contact:

Sheila Ratliff- (606) 657-6594

If you are unable to reach Sheila right away, please leave a **detailed voicemail** with your prayer request. The request will be shared as soon as possible.

*To help keep communication organized, prayer requests will typically be combined into **one call per day**, unless the need is **urgent** (life-threatening or salvation-related).*

Thank you for helping us care for one another through faithful prayer.

Calling Post / Prayer Chain!

Prayer Chain Update – Now Called the “Calling Post”

We are excited to share an update to our church communication system! Our Prayer Chain is now called the Calling Post, with an expanded purpose to better serve our church family.

Through the Calling Post, we will continue to share prayer requests, and we will now also send out important church announcements.

You may choose one of the following options:

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

All individuals 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 preference.

Want 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: Due to limited availability, only one phone number per family can be added.

Thank you for helping us stay connected in prayer, communication, and fellowship as a church family.

SERMON NOTES

DATE:

SPEAKER:

SUBJECT:

SCRIPTURES:

NOTES: