

Jesus-Centered - Word Driven AUGUST 2023

Sundays: Bible Study 9:30 AM ◆ Worship 10:45 AM & 6:00 PM **Wednesdays**: Prayer, Bible Study, Youth, SHBC Kids 6:00 PM, Worship Choir 7:15 PM

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Maria Lester, Minister of Music





VBS 2023

VBS was a HUGE success because God and serving was our focus (but boy was it exhausting). SHBC VBS has a wonderful reputation, not just for those "VBS hopping". Families are inviting friends because of the quality of content, volunteers, and our focus on Jesus. SHBC may be small but God is MIGHTY. Here is an overview......

- Consistent attendance every day, Sun thru Thurs, of 96-107 students and volunteers.
 - 60+ students attended.
 - 52 volunteers
- An entire class asking and professing Jesus (about 10 students)
- Donations for about 10,000 meals
- Donations for about 20 backpacks
- STAYED in BUDGET with the help of your donations.
- Parents wanting to volunteer next year.
- Kids asking parents to come back to church.
- Parents are asking for a middle school Sunday school class.

THANK YOU for a successful VBS. We were only able to do it because of God. He gave us the resources, commitment, and ENERGY to follow through. Keep praying VBS was just the start...........

Please watch for 2 surveys......

- 1. VBS we value your opinion and what worked and didn't work this year.
- 2. What is the SHBC servant ability. SHBC kids needs volunteers. 52 VBS volunteers, maybe short-term serving is easier for our church community.

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HARLAN COUNTY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

ANNUAL REPORT JULY 23, 2023

Dear Putney Bible Church Family,

In preparation for our school's 28th year, our Harlan County Christian School Board has been busy this summer planning for budgets, staffing/enrollment and brainstorming ideas as to how we can be more effective and honoring to God in our leadership role through this ministry.

This past year we had several challenges to overcome and I would like to announce that God is still faithful in doing the impossible.

Our ultimate goal is to provide a well-grounded, godly education that will equip each student to know how to apply Biblical principles and have a Biblical world view in every facet of their lives.

I want to say a special thank you to April Lawson, Julie Collins and all the HCCS staff and volunteers who made last year such a great success.

I would like to also thank the Southern Heights Baptist Church for their partnership with us in monthly support for Adopt-A-Teacher and Adopt-A-Student programs, along with providing back to school supplies. They have been such a great blessing and encouragement to our teachers, students and staff. I would like to thank our church family for praying for this ministry and being a willing partner for the many years that the Christian School has been in existence. How blessed we are that, under the authority of Putney Bible Church, we took on this ministry many years ago. How grateful we are to those who have donated funds, volunteered and served so selflessly throughout the years. Because of your faithfulness, God has made a difference in the lives of hundreds of children in Harlan County.

Many of us today are products of godly teachers and leaders who gave us a solid foundation in God's Word. It is our desire that we teach those same Biblical principles to the students of Harlan County Christian School. It is an honor to invest in their lives, valuing them with that same love as was shown to us many years ago.

May God continue to use our collective talents, resources and support to bring honor and glory to Him through the ministry of Harlan County Christian School.

Sincerely in Christ, Jerry L. Hall Jerry I. Hall Board Ch

Jerry L. Hall, Board Chairman Harlan County Christian School

How can you help:

- Sponsoring a child through the Adopt-A-Student program (Tuition is \$215 per month)
- Sponsoring a teacher through the Adopt-A-Teacher program which helps subsidize their monthly income (Make checks payable to Harlan County Christian School, earmarked with teacher's name)
- Volunteer & supplemental teachers
- Substitute teacher
- Monthly donations
- Prayer for staff and students

Back to school time at HCCS. Thank you for helping purchase supplies for the students. It means a lot to families. At this time there are 8 teachers at HCCS, many of them new to the school. They are missionary teachers which means they count on outside help with their salaries. SHBC sponsors them with financial help from our missions budget. However, that is not enough to support a family. If you would like to help support a teacher, please see Ron or Barbara Dykes.

-Dolores Howard

After Camp at Crossings and VBS, the Youth are settling back into normalcy. We are working on a name for our Youth Group. We have been doing a study from the book of James on Wednesday nights, focusing on the theme of being someone who does and not just someone who hears. This month Manuel and Allen took me to check out Camp Nathaniel, which seemed more in line with what I think of when I think of Youth Camp, compared with Crossings, which is more like a resort. We have a couple of issues that some of our young people are facing, which need prayer, specifically prayer for wisdom to make good decisions. If you are not on the Remind app, please let Scott know so he can get you added. It is the best way to get our group announcements and stay up to date with the Youth schedule.



Women with Hope update: the Women with Hope Leadership Team met and discussed the fall programs. We will have a program schedule in the next month and will place it on the bulletin board outside the Lamplighters classroom and in the next newsletter. Hope you can join us this fall! God bless you all!



There will not be a church Potluck in August, but on Sunday, September 10, the Annual Church Picnic will be held at 5:30 pm, Shilito Park – Shelter 3.



Men's Brotherhood Breakfast and Bible Study Saturday, August 5th at 8:00 a.m.



4	Martha Green	16	Kathy Slone	
5	Bob Neal	19	Larry Reynolds	
6	Ron Dykes	19	Jamie Pryse	
7	Tiffany Bolender	22	Seth Howard	
7	T.C. Goodpaster	23	Opata Lawrence	
11	Dot Tibbetts	26	Debbie Neal	
11	Ann Roark	28	Carolyn Mason	
11	Carson Burton			
11	Alex Upchurch			
16	Carolyn Provence			

DEACON OF THE WEEK

JULY 30 TH	Manuel Howard
AUGUST 6 TH	Manuel Howard
AUGUST 13 TH	Ryan Jones
AUGUST 20 TH	Larry Reynolds
AUGUST 27 TH	Charlie Watts
SEPTEMBER 3RD	Jerry England

GREETER SCHEDULE

Bill Landrum	July 30 th - August 5th	Margaret Kropf
Don Carter	August 6th- August 12th	Rena Reed
Barbara Riddle	August 13 th - August 19th	Karen Blair
Brenda Howard	August 20 th - August 26th	Joe Vice
Bill Grant	August 27 th - September 2nd	Linda Grant
Bill Landrum	September 3 rd - September 9th	Margaret Kropf