

Everything is a Process

by: Pastor Jason

As the days of summer vacation fade, students are returning to school with an anticipation of making new friends, learning new things, and finding satisfaction as they proceed through their educational years. Kindergarteners are now big first graders. Former 8th-grade middle schoolers are now entering High School. Incoming seniors are preparing for some significant adult decisions.

For most students, there's an excitement about what will be. Sure, there's also usually some hesitancy that accompanies that excitement. Still, students proudly announce their new grade level, and relish the opportunities to advance in sports, arts, practical skills, or wherever they're interests lie.

As adults, we sit back and marvel at their growth. We ask rhetorical questions, like "How did they get so tall?" "Where did they learn that?" "What happened to that baby I used to hold in my arms?" Although we mourn how quickly the days have passed, we're excited for them as they continue the ongoing process of personal development.

As adults, let's consider a similar question. When was the last time we were excited about our continued growth as believers? When was the last time we enthusiastically embraced our own process of ongoing development?

This month at Hope Church, we'll begin a teaching series called 'God's Creative Process.' It's largely influenced by the writings of our assistant superintendent of the Assemblies of God, Rick DuBose. The most significant thing we'll learn is that it's our responsibility to cooperate with the Holy Spirit in His process of developing our spiritual growth and increasing our maturity. Just like students in the classroom need to cooperate with their teachers to master the material presented to them, we must cooperate with the Holy Spirit to benefit from the personal growth opportunities that come our way.

So, let's ask ourselves this question: Are we excited for the opportunities to learn and grow spiritually? Are we valuing the opportunity to look more like Jesus in our thoughts and actions each and every day? Does opening the Word of God excite us? Does spending extended time in prayer sound increasingly appealing? If not, perhaps there is an obstacle to our process that needs to be submitted to the sovereignty of God.

The Holy Spirit longs to transform us into the image of Jesus. Our responsibility is to yield to the process! I hope you'll join us on this journey for the next several weeks. I genuinely believe it will be life-changing!

Be blessed!

LOVE. GROW. SERVE.

As a church family, we're on a mission to love people into a life-changing relationship with Jesus. That's why we're deeply committed to passionately loving God and other people, constantly arowing to maturity in our faith, and diligently serving the community ground us. That's our DNA. Welcome Home!

If you're interested in becoming a member of Hope Church or if you just want to learn more about our history and vision, then check out our "DNA" class at hopechurchalgood.com/ourdna. If you have any questions or you're ready to become a member, please contact the church office.



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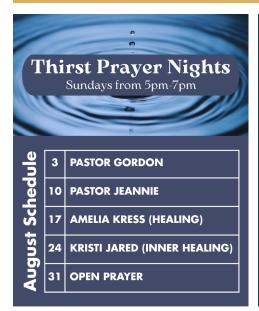


STUDENT PRAYER POINTS

Throughout the school year, you'll receive a monthly email with Student Prayer Points—specific ways to pray for our school communities, including local schools, students, faculty, staff, and board members. Here are this month's prayer points:

- **1. In-service days:** Please be praying for faculty and staff as they meet for these inservice days. Pray that God gives them the wisdom and knowledge needed to teach throughout the year with excitement and clarity so that students can learn and be successful, both inside and outside of the classroom.
- **2. First Day of School:** The school year resumes on August 4th. Please be in prayer for a great start to the school year, that our campuses would be safe, that the presence of the Holy Spirit would be evident, and especially for our PreK and Kindergarten students to have a smooth transition as they start school.

If you'd like to commit to praying for a specific student (or students), sign-ups for Student Prayer Adoption are coming soon!





NEW 4-WEEK CLASSES STARTING AUGUST 6TH

FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO HOPECHURCHALGOOD.COM/EVENTS

Keys to Spiritual Growth and Maturity

with Pastor Jeannie (Lobby)

Who is God?

with Kristi Jared (Multi-Purpose Room) Living Like No One Else-God's Plan for Your Finances

with Mike & Kimberly Kane (Sanctuary)

Young Adults

for Ages 18-29 (Music Studio)





Tuesday — August 12 — 11:30 am — Prayer Center
Guest Speaker Rev. Harry Umfleet from Hendersonville, TN
will be with us. There will be **no meal** this month.

FAMILY SUNDAY

Join us for **Family Sunday on August 31st at 10 AM**. We will have a family service that includes Child Dedication and Water Baptism. Childcare is available for children aged 2 and under. To sign up for Child Dedication or Water Baptism, please visit hopechurchalgood.com/events.

Child Dedication Water Baptism





Saturday, September 27th 9 AM | Multi-Purpose Room







Fall Family Day is Sunday, September 21st! Join us for an outdoor family service at 10 AM—there will be no Hope Kids or The Grove classes. Afterward, enjoy lunch, inflatables, and games like volleyball, gaga ball, pickleball, and more. It's a great chance to fellowship with your church family! If you'd like to help out, there are volunteer opportunities available with food, inflatables, and cleanup. Be sure to RSVP by August 31st to receive a free t-shirt!



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Our Weekly Schedule

SUNDAYS:

9 AM

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER (MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM)

10 AM

HOPE KIDS (0-5TH GRADE)
WORSHIP & TEACHING (SANCTUARY)

5-7 PM

THIRST (PRAYER CENTER)

WEDNESDAYS:

6 PM

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER (MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM)

6:30 PM

HOPE KIDS (0-5TH GRADE)
931 STUDENTS (6TH-12TH GRADE)
ADULTS - CLASSES (VARIOUS LOCATIONS)

OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY: 9 AM - 4 PM
TUESDAY: 10 AM - 4 PM
WEDNESDAY: 9 AM - 6:30 PM
THURSDAY: 9 AM - 4 PM

PRAYER CENTER HOURS:

SUNDAY: 5 - 7 PM
MONDAY: 9 AM - 4 PM
TUESDAY: 9 AM - 4 PM
WEDNESDAY: 9 AM - 6:30 PM
THURSDAY: 9 AM - 4 PM

WEEKLY COMMUNITY:

PLEASE VISIT OUR GROUPS PAGE AT HOPECHURCHALGOOD.COM/GROUPS