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The Hillcrest Herald is published monthly and exists to inform and connect individuals to ministries, feature articles, and report church news.

Partnerships Increase Our Potential

One of the things I love about the ministry of Hillcrest is that we understand we do not have to do ministry alone. God has placed other churches, organizations, schools, and ministries around us with whom we can work together to make a greater impact for the Kingdom.

Simply put, partnerships increase our potential.

Ecclesiastes 4:9 reminds us, *“Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor.”* There are opportunities in our community that Hillcrest might never be able to reach on our own. But when we join hands with others who share our desire to serve people and point them toward Christ, God expands our influence far beyond the walls of our church.

Two exciting examples are our partnerships with the **Fellowship of Christian Athletes** at West High School and **RESET Inc.** through West Broad Elementary School.

Through FCA, we have the opportunity to encourage and invest in students and athletes right in our neighborhood. FCA’s mission is to lead coaches and athletes into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His church, using the powerful platform of athletics to share the Gospel and develop disciples. What an incredible opportunity for Hillcrest to help students discover that their identity and purpose are found in something much greater than a scoreboard.

Our partnership with RESET Inc. gives us another remarkable opportunity. RESET provides Bible education to public-school students through Released Time Religious Instruction and specifically partners with West Broad Elementary students, providing Bible teaching, worship, activities, relationships, and opportunities for spiritual growth. Through this partnership, children from our own community are being introduced to the love of Jesus and connected with a local church family.

This is why partnerships matter. We may not be able to be everywhere, but through partnerships our ministry can reach further. We may not possess every resource, but together we can accomplish more than any one ministry could accomplish alone.

Partnerships increase our potential to serve more people, reach more families, influence more students, and most importantly, share the hope of Jesus with more of our community.

I am excited about the doors God continues to open for Hillcrest. May we always be a church willing to ask, “Who can we partner with to make Jesus known?”

Together, our potential is greater!

Pastor Tim

Hillcrest Happenings

Vision Team Meeting
Thurs September 10th
6:15 pm

Sub Sale!
Sun Sept 13th

New Sermon Series
Sun September 13th

Trunk or Treat
Sun October 25th

Sub Sale The Annual Sub Sale will be on September 13th. Be sure to get your order in for your \$8 Turkey or Italian Sub by September 6th by using the order form on the Coffee Bar. Payment due at pickup!

Trunk or Treat Our Trunk or Treat will be on October 25th! Start planning now on how you will decorate your trunks! We are so excited for this amazing outreach opportunity.

Unstoppable Joy: A Journey Through Philippians

New series starting September 13th.

What if joy didn't depend on everything going your way?

In the book of Philippians, Paul writes from a prison cell - and yet his words are filled with confidence, gratitude, hope, and joy. His circumstances were difficult, but his joy was unstoppable because it was anchored in Christ.

In this series, Unstoppable Joy, we'll discover how Christ produces a joy that reaches into every area of life. We'll explore the joy of Partnership, Adversity, Integrity, Joy, Working Out, Authenticity, Citizenship, Freedom, and Generosity.

Life will change. Circumstances will challenge us. But when we abide in Christ, we can experience a joy that is deeper than happiness, stronger than hardship, and greater than anything this world can take away.

Come discover how to live with Unstoppable Joy.

All Church Picnic

We gathered this August for our annual All Church Picnic and despite the rain and change of time - had an amazing time of fellowship, delicious food, and, of course, PIE.

Thank you to everyone who made the picnic such an amazing time!

