

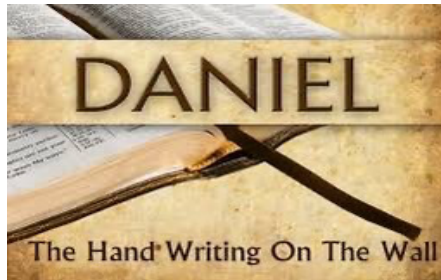


## HOPE IS HERE

We wait in hope for the Lord;  
He is our help and our shield.  
Psalm 33:20



## From Pastor Hal



### Church Attendance

October 12th  
Wednesday Night 70  
October 16th  
Sunday School 97  
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Next week we find ourselves hosting another Harvest Festival. This activity may be the most fun event of the year for our children. I would like to say thank you to all the members who have signed up to help next Saturday. This Sunday I will preach a message reminding us of God's desire for His children regarding Biblical separation. I hope you don't mind that we take a detour from the Gospel of Luke this Sunday. As I was reading this morning in Daniel, a truth jumped off the pages. Belshazzar (king of Babylon) had just seen a finger writing on the walls of the palace and was very frightened. He wanted to know the meaning of these words. The queen of Babylon walks into the room with these wise words.

Daniel 5:10-12

*"10 Now the queen by reason of the words of the king and his lords came into the banquet house: and the queen spake and said, O king, live for ever: let not thy thoughts trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed:*

*11 There is a man in thy kingdom, in whom is the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of thy father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found in him; whom the king Nebuchadnezzar thy father, the king, I say, thy father, made master of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, and soothsayers;*

*12 Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of dreams, and shewing of hard sentences, and dissolving of doubts, were found in the same Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation."*

Please notice Daniel was called by his Hebrew name. And when the king calls in this amazing prophet, he will also use his Hebrew name.

Daniel 5:13

*"Then was Daniel brought in before the king. And the king spake and said unto Daniel, Art thou that Daniel, which art of the children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my father brought out of Jewry?"*

Daniel wasn't called by the Babylon name given to him when he arrived in the city. That name was Belteshazzar. This prophet of God managed to keep his testimony despite living in a wicked culture, surrounded by prosperity, and surrounded by politics for so many decades. Daniel managed to live for God when it would have been easy to compromise. How? We find the clue in Daniel 1:8

*"But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself."*

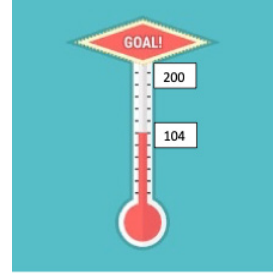
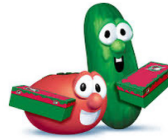
In this verse, Daniel wouldn't eat anything that would violate God's laws. But I believe Daniel proved he wasn't going to defile himself with anything (not just food) that would go against God's Word. Daniel's name meant "GOD IS MY JUDGE." The O.T. prophet knew the Lord would judge him and he wanted to be found faithful. That is a good thought to embrace as we pick out the activities, the costumes, our friends, etc. May we follow Daniel's example and be faithful to the Lord in our decisions. After all, God is also our judge. Our children can have fun and not assimilate to the godless influence of Halloween. White Oak Hill and many other churches make it possible. Let me encourage all the grandparents and parents to "purpose in your heart" to do right.



As a reminder, the annual Harvest Festival is scheduled for October 29th. The fun will start at 3:00 p.m. This activity is full of games for every age group. We still need a few more volunteers to help with the games. Also, please don't forget to bring your candy donation to the church to fill the baskets. There are flyers in the foyer advertising the Harvest Festival and Homecoming. Take as many as you want to pass out to the community. Everyone is welcome at White Oak Hill. Some exciting things this year will include:

- A costume contest for the children. Whoever has the best biblical character costume will win a prize.
- Four jars full of candy will be at the registration table. Participants will guess the quantity in the jar. The closest guess will win the jar.
- Some adult games:
- A hot dog eating contest. Can anyone eat 10 hot dogs? We will see.
- A Soda drinking contest. Who can drink a Dr. Pepper or Coke the fastest?
- A corn hole contest. Eight throws. The most points win.

Let's have some fun!



It was great watching various members come into the church with a shoebox full of goodies for the Samaritan's Purse collection. The church has collected 104 boxes to date. Our goal is 200 boxes. Are we going to reach that goal? Please remember to place \$10 in the shoebox to assist Samaritan's Purse with the cost of shipping.



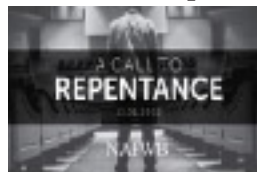
Our third quarter business meeting is next week. God has been so good to our church. Your faithfulness to God's work in Bailey is evident in each business meeting. Let me ask you a few questions in this newsletter.

1. Do you know what is taking place with Bailey Christian Childcare? What progress are we making?
2. Are we meeting the church's budget for the year?
3. How many Air Conditioners have been replaced at the church the year (1, 3, 5, 7,)?
4. What are the greatest needs of the church as we enter the 4th quarter?

These questions and many more will be answered next Wednesday. Please take an active part in what is happening in God's house. I encourage every member to be at the family meeting as we look at how God is blessing White Oak Hill FWB Church. The motions and the budget are in the church foyer for your review.



I want to close by reminding you that Project Hickory Day is October 26th. The Smith and Huff families have asked every church in NC to have a fundraising day for their ministry. They are so close to raising enough financial support to launch the new church in Hickory. Please pray about how we can partner with these families to make a spiritual difference in western NC.



The National Association of Free Will Baptist has asked for all the churches in the denomination to make November 1 "A Call to Remembrance Day". They are asking each church to set aside this day specifically for prayer and fasting. Our church will open the sanctuary from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. for anyone who would like to pray for America on this special day.

Listed below are our prayer updates:

1. Kay Dew-Cancer spots continue to surface in Kay's body. Please pray for Kay as he tries to stay encouraged as they treat his cancer.
2. Gregg Wall- Let's continue to pray for our dear brother. He is doing much better, but still has a long road to recovery.
3. Shirley Dew-Ms. Shirley is doing much better. It's so good to see her in church again. Please continue to pray for her and Bro. Bobby. They are still trying to get back to normal after being sick for such a long period of time.
4. Patricia & Gene Register-Please pray for her as she continues her dialysis treatment and is waiting for a kidney transplant. Gene's surgery went well, and he is home recovering.
5. Tim Riggs-Please pray for our former pastor. His kidneys are not working, and he is undergoing dialysis.
6. Sue Bissette- She is doing better, but still needs our prayers for her back relief.
7. Melisa Belcher-She is feeling much better, but still slowly recovering from her surgery.
8. Bonnie Hayes-This is Glenda and Christi's aunt. God has been so good to Ms. Bonnie. She will be coming home this week. She still needs our prayers for complete recovery.
9. Billy John Dew-Billy John went to the doctor, and they found cancer. Please pray for him and Rebecca as they seek wisdom and healing for the Lord.
10. Bailey Christian Childcare
11. Glenda Carroll-Please pray for Glenda. The tumor seems to be stable, but she needs our prayers. Let's ask God to heal her and remove the pituitary tumor.
12. Charles Sherrod-Bro. Charles is recovering from knee replacement surgery and doing much better.
13. Elizabeth Deans- She is experiencing severe back pain. Please pray for wisdom and direction to follow the right treatment plan.
14. Harold Brantley-Brother Harold is doing very well. He is home and his health is continuing to improve.
15. Sheryl Nelson Family-Sheryl's dad went to be with the Lord last week. The funeral was Monday.
16. Carl O'Neal-Brother Carl is having some serious heart issues and is in Nash General Hospital.
17. Debra Pierce-There have been complications from her gall bladder surgery. She is waiting for Duke, Vidant, or Rex to make a room available for another surgery.

Love in Christ,

*Rev. Hal W. Jones III*

Pastor Hal

Galatians 2:20

## FREE CHRISTIAN RESOURCES

Three Ways to Register at RightNowMedia

### Link

This link is easy to access to the church's account:

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/WHITEO-AKHILL>

### Text Code

This text code is easy to access to the church's account: WHITEOAKHILL can be texted to 49775.

### QR Code

This scannable code is easy to access to the church's account.



## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

#### In-Person

Sunday School at 9:30 AM

Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 AM

#### On-Line

Sunday Morning Online Service at 10:30 AM

Sunday Evening Online Service Only at 6 PM

### Wednesday

7 PM - Prayer, Praise & Bible Study

Engage Youth, Propel Kids & Nursery

WOH Services can be seen on either:

Facebook - Hal Jones page

White Oak Hill Free Will Baptist Church - Website

White Oak Hill Free Will Baptist Church YouTube



# MISSIONS CORNER!

Please pray for these missionaries!



Speaking Hope to the World

## Manning Media

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*"These radio  
dramas help us  
understand this  
part of Scripture  
as we should...  
As for the honest  
and homely prayer  
in the last part,  
whenever I repeat  
it, I feel peace."*

— A Persian listener

### Reflections

We all know summer can be a hectic time. This year, amid all the activity, I was given several opportunities to reflect on God's provision over many years.

Early in the summer my family joined me to attend my high school reunion. I enjoyed catching up with teachers and classmates in person, many of whom I had not seen for many years. The following weekend we went to a family reunion that drew from several generations.

Back at TWR we had similar celebrations. The Cary staff recognized Tom and Elly Streeter for their fifty years of service with TWR! They have been married forty-nine of those years thanks to them meeting while serving with TWR.

One blessing I am thankful for this summer is to have met some of the international brothers and sisters in Christ with whom I serve. Summer travels by some and meetings for others have allowed me to do this.



Boaz apprises the US staff of items for praise and prayer in Korean ministry.



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One such brother is Boaz Seong, the national director of TWR Korea, who visited us in Cary before meeting with guests from Grace to You and attending a missions conference in Washington, D.C. I had not met Boaz before but remember playing a part in supporting him in his role remotely from the IT side. It is a helpful reminder that the technical details I work on each day have real-world effects for other missionaries. Boaz leads TWR's ministry to both South and North Koreans. Pray for him and his team as they speak hope to a difficult corner of the world.

I am humbled by the faithful service of many who go ahead of me. These things and more have reminded me that time is our constant companion, and evidences of The Fall are ever-present. Yet God is Lord of all; His mercies are new every morning. I am grateful for His daily gifts. I want to remain vigilant knowing that decisions made today have consequences felt for years to come. Thankfully, He is able to weave our errant choices into His good plan. I pray you too will find encouragement in the Lord.



## Ministry Highlights



*This was the kids' first visit to Luray Caverns*

I have mentioned in previous updates of our move to Azure. Now, the bulk of that project is complete. What remains is the regular maintenance of policies and settings. Some of my IT teammates have been away to develop ministry partnerships. This has allowed me to support more European and African staff personally. The work has been busy but rewarding. The new website is live, including the program schedule (<https://twr.org/schedule>). Also, the Media Playout system is finally rolling out. The Finance Dept. is monitoring trends. Compared to this time last year there are more givers to the organization. However, the total giving amount is down.

### Prayer Corner

Prayer – pray for the Beasley family as Eric is now with the Lord. He was a volunteer with TWR and an instant friend.

Prayer/Praise – we are grateful for the giving and financial decisions that put TWR where we are. Pray the Lord will send workers and partners for fruitful ministry.

Praise for safe and fruitful ministry on Ant's mission trip.

Prayer – the Global IT team seeks to train and send administrators as needs grow.

### Family Update

We have had an enjoyable if short summer. The kids are already back at their studies with Myra again teaching two math classes for our homeschool community. On our trip to visit friends, we all liked seeing Luray Caverns and many of the sites and museums on the D.C. mall. Yes, you should visit the Museum of the Bible if you have not already. Anthony then took his first domestic missions trip with our church to serve in a Low-income area of Tennessee. He is saving up for the big trip next year to Italy to support our friends at Camp Isola. He is also learning the sound board so he can help with A/V for youth group each week. This was Cara's first summer camp. She especially enjoyed the horses. Isaiah took a small engines class, which he really enjoyed. He is excited to start Trail Life this year as a Navigator (11 yr. old). He is eyeing a fishing badge among others. Alden is so proud that he is now four, and astonished that he will continue to grow when he is five! Myra enjoyed a brief respite from both school and engineering work. We were all glad to enjoy time this summer with friends we see too seldomly.



*above – the family at the Washington monument.*

*left – we may fish, but Isaiah catches.*

*center – Ant and Alden rest for a picture before we made it all the way up to the Lincoln Memorial.*

*right – Cara is ready for her first summer camp experience.*

