

FROM THE PASTOR



The new year is upon us. 2016 was an exciting year for many. It was a tragic year for others. January first gives us the opportunity to have a fresh start with Jesus. I would like for us to make 2017 the best year ever, in your life personally, and in the life of White Hall Baptist Church.

This year we will celebrate the 75th anniversary of the church and we are diligently making plans to make the anniversary a spectacular event where we honor God and remember His blessings. But I believe that while White Hall is rich in history and has had some incredible years in the past to celebrate, the best years are yet to come.

I would like for this new year to be a banner year in the life of the church. I would like for us to see more people saved and set on the road to discipleship this year than ever before. My first year at White Hall we saw 26 people baptized. I would like for us to surpass that mark in 2017. I hope that all of us want our classes (Sunday School, Discipleship Training, Awana, Mission Friends, R.A.'s, G.A.'s, youth, etc.) to grow to new heights this year.

Each of us need to do our part. Begin by inviting someone to church with you. Ask them to come to your class and stay for our worship service. If you are not attending a class already, then there is no better time to begin than in January. No matter what stage of life you are in, or what your learning style is, we have a class for you. So I want to invite you to come attend a class this month. Give it a try. I think you will like it.

Inviting someone to church with you is only the beginning, however. We need to share the truth of the Gospel with those that we come in contact with. You need to look for opportunities to tell someone how they can become a Christian. It is not easy, but the blessings from God are incredible. If you do not know how to witness, it takes training and practice. The training comes from being in a Sunday School class or Discipleship Training class. The practice comes from you stepping out on faith and simply doing it. You will make mistakes, but you will learn each time and get better at it. And when someone that you are talking to decides to invite Christ into their life, you will be forever changed. I will never forget James Hardy, the first person I had the privilege to lead to the Lord. In 2017, begin praying that God will use you to lead someone to Him.

Movie Night
"Do You Believe"

Staring Lee Majors, Cybill Shepherd, Sean Astin, Mira Sorvino, and others

January 1st
5:00 PM

In the Fellowship Hall (popcorn will be provided)



ANNOUNCEMENTS
Up Coming Events

		Weekly Schedule
		Sunday: 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Morning Worship Service 5-7pm AWANA 5:00pm Discipleship 6:00pm Evening Worship 7:00pm Choir Practice Wednesday: 7:00pm Bible Study, Youth and Children
Welcome Center Volunteers		
January 1st:	Carolyn Cranfield Eileen Elliott Virginia Hickerson	
January 8th:	Barbara Jones Barbara Taylor Diane Yarbrough	
January 15th:	Janice Harper Kay Taylor Sheila Williams	
January 22nd:	Joe Ethridge Ruth Ethridge Linda Tilley	
January 29th:	Carolyn Cranfield	



Dear Church and Choir, as an expression of the season, Phyllis and I want to extend to you our appreciation for thinking of us during the Christmas Season with your thoughtful gifts. We want you to know that we value you, our church family. We pray for God's richest blessings upon you for the New Year.

Yours in Christ,

Jim & Phyllis

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year. The children had a couple of weeks off from Awana but we are ready to start the New Year off at a run. We want to thank the church for helping with our trip to Shelby Farms to see "Starry nights". It was a great time of fellowship. The children will have Super Saturday on January 28. We will travel to Milan movie theater (movie TBA) and then have supper at Poppa's Pizza. We are excited about what God has in store for our coming year and we know He has plans for the children of White Hall.



Happy New Year from the Youth of White Hall. We want to thank everyone that contributed to our Gallaway sister church in Gallaway Tn. It was a great day helping the children of Gallaway shop for their families and sharing how Jesus is the greatest gift you can receive at Christmas or anytime. The youth did an outstanding job being shopping buddies and wrapping the gifts for the children. It brought home to our youth and me what Christmas is all about. The youth are excited about the Strength to Stand Conference we will be attending in Pigeon Forge January 14th-16th. We will have the privilege of hearing great speakers and spirit filled worship artist led by Casting Crowns. Please keep all the youth that will be traveling and attending this event in your prayers.

Happy New Year from
Sarah Campbell and WHBC youth & children's ministry



18 MONTHS UP TO 3 YRS.



3 YRS. - PRE-K



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SUNDAY NIGHTS FROM 5PM-7PM



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Here is a list of events for January and 2017:

January 19th @10 AM—WMU Winter Meeting, Trenton, FBC

February 3rd-4th-GA Sleep Over

March 5th @ 3 PM—West TN Evangelism Rally, Union University

March 9th @ 5:30 PM—Senior Adult Event, Salem Baptist Church

March 31st-April 3rd-WMU Missions Get-Together \$65.00per person

Register by 3/9/17