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Cross talk

It began in 1998 as a community effort for a possible Drug Task Force, neighborhood watch and other concerns regarding the teens and children of Garrard County. Those committees didn't last but the idea known as Up With Youth was born. Going strong in its 26th year, Up With Youth provides a safe haven for teens and children in Garrard County. HBC members, Curt and Jeanne Carrier, are the catalysts behind the growth and success of this program. They were instrumental in its creation and continue to lead today. The first few months found the group meeting on the courthouse steps. Then they rented the American Legion Hall. In 1999, they were able to purchase the current building on Buford Street.



“I had lost a brother to drugs and several others in the community had as well,” says Jeanne, “We wanted to open a center where teens could come because they had no place else to go. They were hanging out on the streets. When we opened, we had lots of younger children as well as teens so decided to add a second group meeting for different age groups. Our pastor at the time, Everett Priddy, worked with us to help get it started. Lots of churches pitched in monetarily, folks like the Watkins family, Ralph Broaddus and Norman Oliver helped on building repairs. A few churches in the community continue to help but Hyattsville has stood with us always. The church helps with building insurance and the WMU group continues to support the center by helping to organize the annual Arts and Crafts bazaar. We were able to pay off the building a few years ago and we are now debt free”.

We could not have made it without the help of so many throughout the years. To name a few – Gatewood and Flonnie, Glenn and Sally, Charlie and Shirley Rose, Rollin and Brenda, Everett and Linda, Avery, Sharon and Mike Bolin, Ronnie V, Angie W., Leonard and Versi and of course, Josh Duncan.

The center is open on Friday nights 6- 8 pm for ages 6-11 and 8-10 p.m. for ages 12-17. There are snacks and games available always a devotion and prayer time. Other than Covid and occasional closing for weather or illness, the Up with Youth center has been open every weekend since 1998. There is no requirement to join the HBC Youth Group. “We just share the word and if they want to join our group at church, we are happy to have them. Sometimes they just need someone to listen to them and love them.” Their answers when asked what they like about Up With Youth, they yell, “the relationships, love and support.”

When asked how they've managed to keep going for 25+ years, Curt and Jeanne shared, “we love young people and we love the Lord. This is our place of service. We receive more of a blessing than the kids do. We are thankful that we are still able to serve in this way. We've had so much help over the years. When some move on, someone else steps in to help. We are definitely the blessed ones.”



Welcome New Members!



Walker Williams is a first grader at Paint Lick Elementary where his favorite subject is coloring. He is the seven year old son of David and Kayla Williams and they live at 418 Cave Springs Drive in Lancaster. Walker enjoys playing outside with his dog, Rosie.

Welcome, Walker!



Ally Gaffney is the daughter of Jonathan and Amy Gaffney and live at 6070 Buckeye Road in Lancaster. Ally is 11 years old and in the fifth grade at Paint Lick Elementary. She is on the Archery team and writing is her favorite subject.

Welcome Ally!



Chad Deer is an eighth grader at Garrard Middle School. He lives at 387 Cave Springs Drive in Lancaster. He is 14 years old and his favorite subject at school is Reading. He plans to play football at GCHS.

Welcome Chad!



Jesslynn Miller lives at 119 Sunrise Drive in Lancaster with her grandmother, Donna Martin. She is nine years old and in the 3rd grade at Lancaster Elementary. She enjoys Math, Reading and playing softball.

Welcome, Jesslynn!

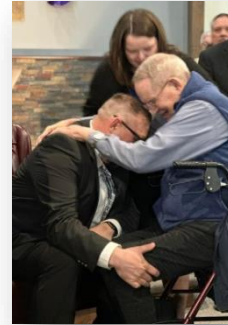
Our New Deacons

HBC ordained **Jason Fyfe and David Williams** at the Deacon Ordination Service.

Please pray for these two men as they begin this journey of service.

HBC current deacon board: Isaac Sparks, Rollin Godsey, Dan McClelland, Curt Carrier, Eddie Coffey, Sam Watkins, Sean Smith, Jonathan Gaffney, Jason Fyfe, David Williams

Not pictured: John Paul Preston



WMU Sunday



What a great day honoring the HBC WMU Ladies Group! The Impact Men prepared a delicious meal (not pictured: Michael Douglas, Sam Watkins). Betty Arnold shared her testimony and Tiffany Johnson from Haven Care Center was our guest speaker.

Please continue to pray for our search teams:

Pastor Search: Curt Carrier, Jessica Fyfe, Betty Godsey, Doug Ray, Amy Gaffney, David Williams

Music/Worship Search Team: Kayla Williams, Isaac Sparks, Rhonda Oliver, Justin Combs, Cindy Lanham



Mark your calendar for these opportunities to serve!

Happy Birthday

3/12 Gordon Bourne
 3/13 Alyssa Atkins
 3/15 Maria Douglas
 3/16 Kayla Moyers
 3/18 Lindsey Harvey
 3/21 Kenneth Ellis
 3/26 Chance Lane
 4/1 Michael Douglas
 4/4 JJ McClelland
 4/4 Cody Casey
 4/6 Josh Adams
 4/7 Stephanie Denton
 4/9 Jessica Lasure
 4/12 David Williams
 4/13 Reagan Roach
 4/14 Robin Noe
 4/19 Mallory Sebastian
 4/20 Titus Harvey
 4/23 Sandra Wiseman
 4/29 Butch Canter

3/10 Business Meeting
 3/11 Joymakers - noon at the church
 3/16 Church Workday
 3/17 Speak & Serve to stuff Easter eggs (last day to donate candy)
 3/18 Cancer Support Group - Fellowship Hall 7:00
 3/21 Joymakers Trip
 3/24 Easter Egg hunt following morning service
 3/24 Palm Sunday Community Service- Buena Vista Baptist Church
 3/25 Brothers and Sisters in the kitchen meal delivery
 3/29 Good Friday community service at noon - Lancaster Presbyterian Church
 3/29 Good Friday service at HBC - 8:00 p.m.
3/31 Happy Easter
 4/1 WMU - Fellowship Hall 6:30 Meal provided
 4/3 No midweek or children's activities

Announcing our Newest Arrivals

Ryan and Kandace McClelland welcomed baby girl Carson Rae on February 8th, 6 lbs, 10 oz, 19 inches long.

Bryan and Brittiany Watts announce the arrival of Bryan Watts III (to be called Tre') on 2/22/24 weighing in at 7 lbs 3 oz, 20 in.

All parents (and grandparents!) are reported to be doing well!

Congrats to our Bible Trivia winners: Rhonda, Eddie, Wanda, Judy

Our local First Responders enjoyed a delicious meal prepared at the Speak and Serve event. Please join in on the next Speak and Serve event on 3/17 as we stuff Easter eggs.

