

May 13, 2017 5:00 pm

Come join this special presentation sponsored by the social team.

15 Women of the Bible ** Portrayed by 15 lvy Women Who will you represent?

Ladies, please see Margaret Wilson to claim the woman you want to portray. This includes dressing the part! (Michelle, in the office, is able to help with super simple clothing and jewelry ideas if you need it). Choices are first come, first serve.

Mark your calendar and come enjoy the food and fun!

April Missions Involvement

This month we are supporting Youth Challenge

Youth Challenge of Hampton Roads is committed to the restoration, rebuilding, and establish of sound minds, bodies and spirits of men and women while in the residential population of the program.

We are collecting laundry soap, dish soap, bleach, toilet paper, cleaning supplies, napkins & paper towels, underwear, toothpaste & toothbrushes, spiral notebooks, notebook paper, 33 gallon trash bags.

We're always collecting Campbell Soup labels for the mission in Bland County, Virginia. You can place labels in the envelope on the WMU bulletin board.



New Giving Options!

Our online giving system is back and so much better than ever! Visit our website to give online. You can even give via TEXT or by scanning the QR code in Sunday's bulletin.



Text **IVYATCC** to **73256** to give to the Unified Budget using your text messaging. *Standard text messaging rates may apply.* If you have questions call the Office at 838-3107.

MINISTRY RESOURCES UNIFIED BUDGET March 2017

Given this Month......\$28,411.23
Total Needed this Month to Meet Budget......\$34,852.17



Dear Ivy Family,

We have had a great time through the winter months in our *Radicalized by Jesus* series. We are beginning to see things from

a different perspective at Ivy. We are having different kinds of conversations and asking different kinds of questions. I am fully aware that this can be an uneasy and unsettling time for us. However, there is some great news in times like this. These are the times in which we can hear a fresh word from God. These are the times when we can receive a new vision from God. These are the times when we can honestly evaluate all the things that we are doing. These are the times that we can dream of new things.

I love these kinds of times. They are challenging, difficult, and disorienting. These are the kinds of seasons in which the Kingdom begins to show up in ways that we never planned or anticipated. Did you not see the Kingdom show up on Business Meeting night of all things when we came together as a family and committed to begin a journey of improving the quality of our worship experience by addressing our many sound equipment and lighting issues? Did you not see the Kingdom show up on the very next Sunday as our young people shared about their Youth Retreat? Did you not experience the presence of the Kingdom as we shared together about radical forgiveness and how a guest who "happened" to be worshipping with us from New Jersey came forward to share her story of forgiveness for the individual who shot and killed her son just a couple of years ago?

When the Kingdom shows up, things get shaken up. Let me encourage you to relax and receive with full joy and praise what God is doing. I certainly do not know what it all is going to look like as we move forward. What I do know is that it will not look like the past. The Kingdom does not sit idly by – no more than Jesus continues to lie idly in a tomb. We are beginning to experience a fresh revelation of God's presence throughout the Ivy family. We have this one certainty – Jesus is risen! This reframes everything. The resurrection pushes and invites us to the most radical part of the Kingdom of God. As the Kingdom breaks through at Ivy some things will die. But in their dying, God will be raising up a new future and a new generation of disciples.

Blessings, Brian

April 16, 2016



Let's show some amazing Ivy hospitality.

We would like to gather Easter morning for breakfast. Would you consider bringing an item to help make this a success? There is a sign up sheet outside the kitchen. Please sign up by April 12. If you have questions,

please see Margaret Wilson, Donna Garret, or Julie Lloyd.

Home Sweet Home Tea Saturday, April 22 @ 2:00pm

All parents have struggles, right? Marriage, ministry, home, home-schooling. What if on top of all that, you were 8,000 miles away from the rest of your family?! Michelle Robertson, originally from Richmond, currently serves with her family as an IMB missionary in Johannesburg. She knows about missionary life in a RTG city. She's also

knows about missionary life in a BIG city. She's also struggled to have clean water to do her laundry in rural Malawi. Michelle has seen it all and will tell all at our tea. This is your chance to talk to someone about what day-to-day life is like for a missionary family. We'd like to hear about your family, too, so bring a favorite family photo (in a frame is great but not necessary) along with a favorite tea cup. Ladies of all ages are welcome. See you there!



April 29, 2017 8:00am — 2:00pm

One man's trash is another man's treasure! The Children's ministry will be hosting our annual Community Yard sale this spring. In addition to providing opportunities to reach out to those around us this event also serves as the primary fundraiser supporting our Children's Ministry Events. We will be collecting donations to sell in the Children's Ministry Event area from now up to the event. Registration forms can be located on the church Web site. Please contact the Church Office if you have questions about reserving your own spot or See Tammy Eshelman, Helen Quinn, China White or Sharon Rossman if you have items to donate.

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sundays

9:00 am - Brunch

9:30 am - Small Group Bible Studies10:45 am - Morning Worship Service

5:00 pm - Youth / AWANA

Tuesdays

8:00 am - Intercessory Prayer

6:30 pm - Kids Soccer

Wednesdays

5:00 pm - Wednesday Night Supper

5:45 pm - Children's Choir

6:00 pm - Prayer & Bible Study / Youth Bible Study

Thursdays

6:00 pm - Basketball in the Activity Center

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APRIL CALENDAR

April 15 - Easter Egg Hunt

April 16 - Easter / Easter Breakfast

April 22 - WMU Tea

April 29 - Community Yard Sale

MARK YOUR MAY CALENDAR

May 7-9 - Denbigh Baptist HS Musical Presentation

May 13 - Women of the Bible Event

May 24 - Mission Friends/GA/RA Recognition

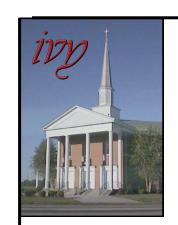
Please check your Sunday bulletin and the weekly "Ivy Vine" message for calendar updates!

Your Church Office is open Monday—Thursday 9:00am—3:30pm 757-838-3107 www.ivymemorial.org

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Easter Egg Hunt 2017



A beautiful hillside was the place of the darkest day in history. Even in its sadness and tragedy I see a beautiful picture of the grace of God, of freedom of choice, of a love so pure it would go to any length to save me. It is a grace I could never earn and never deserve. A love so. determined that time and again it reaches out to me, even in my failure. Christ chose to die so that we might live ... isn't that everything? Isn't that worth whatever we have? Time, money, sacrifice, devotion.

What the world sees on the outside may be beautiful, but we may never know what is really going on in a person's life, the darkness and dirt they may be hiding, or the horrible things they may subjected to. I firmly believe God uses all the experiences in our lives, especially the dark and dirty ones. The perspective of time only enhances my realization of how present God is during all the circumstances we face. There are people in this world that need to hear from **you** how God has brought you to where you are. A tangible picture of how God works in those dark times to bring you light, to help you grow, to help you bloom. Not merely to survive, but to thrive. A true story with a hope they can hold on to.

Saturday, April 15th Ivy will hold a Community Easter Egg Hunt. Please be in prayer that the message of God's Amazing Grace surrounds every part of this event. It may be a brief few hours but I believe God uses everything we give and multiplies it ten-fold. Below please find some additional ways you can help:

PRAY – Without ceasing

Candy – We ran out at the end last year and can use all you can bring Volunteers – Egg dropping starts at 10:00 and we can use folks ALL day to count eggs, serve cupcakes and work in games and serve as prayer warriors

As you prepare your heart for the celebration of Easter come join us and share the love of Christ with our Community. Thank you, Ivy, for being a place where we can serve the Lord together! I thank God every day for you!

Helen Quinn & the Children's Ministry Event Team