

Ivy and Freedom Life Sustainment Team

The Sustainment Team consists of members from Ivy and Freedom Life. They meet each month to discuss issues relative to the transition. Any issues that may emerge will first be addressed by the appropriate ministry teams of either or both churches. If not resolved or addressed at that level, the issues will be addressed by the Sustainment Team. The Ivy Sustainment Team members are: Ruth Thomas, Peggy Wolfley, Bill Willshire, and Brian Williams. Please feel free to contact



any of these members about any concerns or issues that will help advance the Kingdom of God through our partnership with Freedom Life. Notes of the monthly meetings are available from the church office.



November Missions Involvement

This month we are supporting
Pound the Ivy Pantry

Let's "pound the pantry" with pounds of food. This ministry supports so many of our Hampton neighbors. Bring in any of these items below. Monetary donations are especially welcome and go to purchase those items no one donates.

Items we need include: cereal, tuna, macaroni and cheese, spaghetti and sauce, ramen noodles, canned fruit, canned vegetables, pancake mix and syrup, dried beans, treet/spam, rice, and peanut butter.

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 October 2019

Given this Month.....	\$ 21,050.45
Total Needed this Month to Meet Budget.....	\$ 27,705.08



Dear Ivy Family,

I am thankful that I get to share with a church family that does not have great financial resources. Our seemingly lack of resources puts us in the prime place of not seeking to claim anything for our own and recognizing that all belongs to the Father. God is not sweating one bit about lack of resources. Jesus has been given "all authority in heaven and on earth." A lack of resources on our part, in no way suggests that there is a lack of resources on his part. When we have sufficient resources, we rarely rely on his provisions. Let's give thanks as a church family that the only resources we have now or will have in the future are God's unlimited resources. We are in a great place to not trust our own resources but to trust fully God's resources.

I am grateful that we feel tired, weak, broken, and anxious. Only through our weakness is God's power and strength revealed. When we are emptied of all self effort and feel the exhaustion of long and faithful service, we are then ready to find our peace and our rest in Jesus. It is not our works that furthers the Kingdom, but rather his works through us that furthers the Kingdom. We are in a great place for the works of God to be done through us, through the power of His Spirit, and not through the power of our own efforts.

I am grateful that of all the churches that God could have called me to, I am called to serve and plant my life with the Ivy family. In many ways there is nothing about us that should draw God's attention toward us. We are not great and mighty, yet there is a greatness and might that flows through us. We are deemed small and insignificant in the eyes of our community, yet it is precisely these same eyes which will behold the glory of the Lord among us as we engage in the practice of loving God, loving each other, and loving the world.

My Thanksgiving is already full. May yours be as well!

Blessings,
Brian

Sunday morning Bible study

10:00—11:00

Sunday night study

5:00—7:00

Wednesday night study

5:45—7:00pm.



11/9-Bonfire at Mr. & Mrs. Nino Sava's home

Construction update: We are so thankful for the opportunity to create a space for our growing youth group! We are putting the finishing touches on the closet and hope to finish that very soon so things can be moved. Next step will be the demo of the wall. We are so excited and can't wait to be in our new room!

We are so excited to be going back to Watermarks Camp in December!! Mark your calendars now for December 6-8. Forms have been sent home with your students. Cost will be \$110 per student. We will have a couple of fundraising opportunities but please talk with Bryan Gravely if the cost is an issue. If you would like to sponsor a student, please see Bryan.

We are so thankful for the awesome job Bryan Gravely is doing leading our youth. Please remember that he is funded through your donations! If you feel led please contribute to the "youth coordinator fund."

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Preschool – 5th Grade
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. AWANA - Puggles, Cubbies, & Sparks
GA's & RA's - 1st – 5th graders
Wednesdays: 5:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Preschool Choir & Mission Friends (3-5K)
Children's Choir (1st – 6th grades)

Please keep all of our Leaders in your prayers throughout the coming year. **Opportunities to work with our children are still available!** It is our desire that



through our Youth & Children's Ministries our God will be glorified first and foremost and that the Children He sends our way will grow deeper and stronger in their relationship with Him.

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sundays

- 9:30 am - Brunch
- 10:00 am - Small Group Bible Studies
- 11:15 am - Morning Worship Service
- 5:00 pm - Youth/ AWANA Jr.

Monday

- 7:00pm - Volleyball

Wednesdays

- 5:00 pm - Fellowship Supper
- 5:30 pm - Youth Study
- 5:45 pm - Children's Choir
- 6:00 pm - Preschool Choir
- 6:00 pm - Prayer and Bible Study
- 6:30 pm - Mission Friends

Thursdays

- 7:00 pm - Basketball



November At-A-Glance Calendar

- November 9 - Youth Bonfire fellowship
- November 23 - Hampton Parade
- November 28 - Church Office closed for Thanksgiving

Mark your December Calendar

- December 15 - Children's Christmas Musical & Family Christmas Party Fellowship
- December 22-29 - We are hosting Night's Welcome. Sign up sheets will be up soon.
- December 24/25/31—Church Office closed for holidays

Please check your Sunday bulletin for calendar updates!

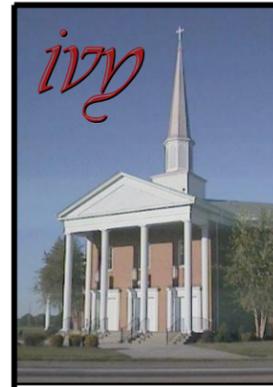
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Tales from the Pantry

Your giving to the benevolence/food pantry fund matters! Here is a little glimpse at some of our current Food Pantry Recipients:

- ✦ We welcomed 80 new first time recipients this year.
- ✦ We help 3-4 homeless customers who receive partial bags filled with items that they can eat without cooking (peanut butter, crackers, canned items such as tuna, beef stew, vegetables, soup, fruit).
- ✦ Calvin has been coming since 2011. He comes 2-3 times a year, only when he needs help.
- ✦ Sometimes our customers are too ill to come either because of recent hospital stays, feeble health, or chemotherapy treatments. They will send in their ID with another recipient who will pick up an extra bag to take to them.
- ✦ Sometimes our customers have been church members who may need occasional help. We have had couples join our church after first coming to the food pantry. Carter is one of those, and who used to come to Ivy. He still comes to the pantry each month and spends a little time sharing updates on what has been going on in his life.
- ✦ We always try to pray with our customers before handing out the bags of groceries. Many express thanks for the time of prayer; and some have even come late and were disappointed if they missed the prayer time.



There are many people that were regulars that we do not see anymore. We hope that they are all in a better place now.

Your gifts make a difference!