West Hill Baptist Church Newsletter

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Homecoming

The West Hill Baptist celebrated Homecoming on July 12, 2026. Minister Beverly Holmes of the Cellar Creek Baptist Church preached a dynamic message titled, “Coming Home and Staying Home” taken from Hebrews 10: 24-25. The Fresh Fire Community Choir rendered the music. The service was uplifting and blessed with guests from surrounding churches, community members, and homecomers.

What’s Happening?

West Hill is proud of the accomplishments by their members. In May, Anishka Tisdale received her Bachelor’s Degree. Bachelor of Science in Correctional Program Support Services from Phoenix University. In August Maureon Tisdale-Couch received his Master’s Degree. Master of Sport Science in Sport Management from Lancaster Bible College. Associate Minister Jessie Craig has been on the move preaching at revivals and other services around the community.



Words from Pastor Hymon



Coming Together to Share the Word of God

"And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together..." Hebrews 10:24–25 (KJV)

This is a special season when families gather, friends reconnect, churches celebrate, and hearts reflect on the goodness of God. In the midst of our busy schedules and seasonal traditions, let us not forget our greatest responsibility: Sharing the Word of God and being witnesses for Jesus Christ.

God has called each of us to be a light in a world that needs hope, encouragement, and truth. We do not have to stand behind a pulpit to spread the Gospel. We can share God's Word through our conversations, our kindness, our prayers, our actions, and the way we treat one another. A simple word of encouragement, a scripture shared with someone who is struggling, or an invitation to worship can plant a seed that God will grow.

Church family, let us come together not only to fellowship with one another but also to strengthen one another in the faith. Let us speak life into the discouraged, offer compassion to the hurting, welcome those who feel forgotten, and share the Good News with those who have not yet received it. We never know whose life may change by our willingness to speak the Word of God.

May God continue to bless our church family, strengthen our fellowship, and use each of us as a vessel for His kingdom.

With love and prayers,

Your Pastor,

Rev. Melissa Hymon

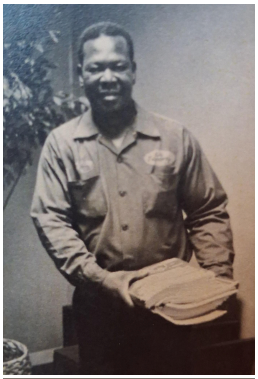
Bible Study



The West Hill Baptist Church Bible Study is spiritually growing every week. Pastor Hymon has been covering dynamic topics including an in-depth study about where the saved and unsaved souls go after death. Also, additional teachers have taught lessons: Deaconess D. Belinda Craig taught on July 1st on the topic of the "Whole Amour of God," taken from Ephesians 6. Sister Stacy L. Craig taught a three part lesson from July 28th - August 12th titled, "Check Your Fruit: Understanding the Rotten Fruit." All the lessons were thought provoking and informative.

Feel free to join in with us every Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. on Zoom. Also, if you are interested in teaching a lesson or would like a topic to be taught contact Rev. Hymon at melissahymonwhbc@gmail.com.

Gone But Not Forgotten



April 17, 1937- September 21, 2026

The West Baptist Church extends its deepest condolences to the family of Trustee Ollie W. Holmes. On September 21, 2026, Trustee Ollie W. Holmes was called to Glory after a long battle of health issues. Trustee Holmes was always faithful and ready to work in the church as long as his health would allow him. He exuded kindness to every member. He was not a man that needed an invitation to serve the Lord. He was always dedicated in his role as a trustee from taking up offering every Second and Fourth Sunday to contributing the upkeep. Trustee Holmes will be greatly missed.



February 12, 1954 - September 28, 2026

West Hill extends condolences to the Callahan and Jackson family for the passing of Brother Michael Leburn Jackson. On September 28th, Brother Jackson passed away after a long illness. He was baptized at West Hill at an early age. He was a member of the Senior Choir. Brother Michael is now singing in the heavenly choir.

Safespace Event



Praise God! West Hill held its Second Annual Safespace Event on September 19th. The 2026 theme was titled, “Emotional Healing” which addressed the subjects of anger, grief, anxiety, depression, ways to communicate your emotions, and the fruit of the spirit. There were a total of eighteen participants including people from the community and members from surrounding churches: Bethany Baptist, Concord Baptist, New Galilee Baptist, and Flat Rock Baptist.

After participants rotated to the stations, lunch was served. Special thank you to all station leaders; Pastor Melissa Hymon, Deaconess Thelma Craig, Dr. Jaqueline Barnette, and Sister Stacy L. Craig. Also, thank you to Sister Willette Hazelwood and Deaconess Belinda Craig for preparing the food. We want to thank everyone else who took a part in making this event a success. The Safespace Committee included Sister Stacy L. Craig (Chair person), Rev. Melissa Hymon, and Sister Willette Hazelwood. West Hill is grateful and excited to be hosting the 2027 next year.

Activities Page



Upcoming Events

Dates	Events	Time
11/25	No Bible Study	N/A
11/29	Union	10:00 A.M.
12/19	Church Business Meeting	12:00 P.M.
12/20	Annual Christmas Service	3:00 P.M.
12/23	No Bible Study	N/A
12/31	Night Watch Service (Via Zoom)	11:00 P.M.

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