

5 STONE CHURCH

Celebrating Ministries...



Left: Servolution was well received by both the church & the community! All ages came out to serve through random acts of kindness. We are slowly rebuilding relationships!
Right: Union Student Ministries took a road trip to the country's largest corn maze (34acres). God is doing great things through our youth ministry & in the lives of our youth! Thank you to those who faithfully serve every week.



Left: Stopping on the 18th hole for a quick selfie, our Men's Golf Group has been having so much fun enjoying golf & fellowship. All men are welcome. Check the calendar for dates.
Right: Hi-5 Kids Ministries have been cranking up the fun! In addition to weekly kid's church, they recently hosted a family bowling night which was a blast! Thank you to those who faithfully serve every week.



Left: A BIG thank you to those who gave toward helping our sister church in Florida. 5 Stone sent out over a thousand dollars in hurricane relief funds to be added with other VA churches!
Right: We can't say enough about what God is doing through our LIFE GROUPS! Relationships are growing with God & with each other! Testimonies are being reported of God changing lives & families.



Above: From this moment of worship and prayer for one of our Family2.0 members, God has released an anointing for writing original praise and worship music from right here at 5 Stone Church! This is a beautiful picture of the beginning of the song "I Reach For You." (now available on iTunes)



*5 Stone Church is hosting a Baby Shower and EVERYONE is invited! Bring the entire family on Nov 13th for a special evening designed to benefit the Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield. It is our immediate goal to “Reach Farther” by establishing a partnership of support with a local crisis pregnancy center which provides a compassionate Christian ministry, and supports life affirming choices to women and their families who are faced with an unplanned pregnancy. For such a time as this, that partnership will be through the Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield. ***Current Needs: Diapers- Size 4, 5 and 6, Baby Wipes, Pack n Plays, Crib sheets, Clothing: Size 18-24 mo * 2T (boys & girls), & Hooded Bath Towels.**

F A R T H E R

*As part of our Community Circle Vision to Reach Farther into our local community, we are partnering with the local fairgrounds in their annual effort to provide a safe family-focused alternative to trick or treating. This “trunk or treat” event is going to benefit children in the VCU Medical Center. On Monday Oct. 31st, our church will be setting up a kids zone game area with carnival styled games plus a couple of our inflatables. We need some volunteers to assist with transportation, setup, facilitating, and tear down of equipment for this event. Please sign up to help this effort!



R E A C H I N G



*SPREAD THE WORD!!! As part of our Community Circle Vision to Reach Farther into our local community, we are having a DONATION DRIVE to stock up our Community Closet! We are calling this drive “Stuff The Bus!” We are going to put that Big Blue Bus to use battling needs in our community! We are fondly calling it our very own “Battle Bus.” Everyday from November 1st through the 5th we will be accepting new and gently used donations in the bus from 10am - 6pm. We will have Stuff The Bus Flyers available at the welcome center today and we will also be passing them out at Harvest Fest. ALSO... SPREAD THE WORD!!! We are having a special work evening on November 8th (6pm-8pm) to get our Community Closet organized, cleaned, put together and ready to serve! We need help cleaning, sorting, organizing, hanging cabinets, taking out trash, etc etc etc. Many hands make light work.

November

A MONTH OF SPECIAL SUNDAYS AT 5 STONE!



The FIRST SPECIAL SUNDAY in November we will be honoring all Veterans. We will have special presentations and gifts, so save the date, invite a veteran, and plan to be here for this special day.



The SECOND SPECIAL SUNDAY in November is a special day to honor your VIP friends and family members. We are rolling out a literal Red Carpet to celebrate them all in style! Just invite them here!



The THIRD SPECIAL SUNDAY in November is a complete TAKEOVER! We are giving the platform over to our Youth Ministries with a little assistance from our kids ministry as well. Prepare to be blessed by the ministry God is doing thru them!



On the FOURTH & FINAL SPECIAL SUNDAY in November we are going to "Celebrate Good Times... Come On!" We love all our volunteers, we love the ministries that are happening, we love that our Family2.0 is GROWING! Don't miss the celebration!

Special Pastor's Report:

Shortly after my arrival to Powhatan, I was called into a meeting with our lender New Horizon Bank. It quickly became clear that our 3 loans with the bank were in jeopardy due to previous events. Upon discussion with our State Overseer, I began the search to find a lender that would finance our church in spite of our transitional position. Unfortunately, local banks were unwilling to finance our church's debt given our decline in giving units. Prayerfully, I reached out for help to the President of the Church of God Foundation in Cleveland TN whom I knew previously. God showed our church favor, and I received a hopeful response. On July 13th, the Church body ratified my appointment of 3 trustees and endorsed them and myself to pursue securing financing through the COG Foundation. I am pleased to report back to the church that on October 19th, we were finally able to close on a complete payoff of the three previous loans with New Horizon and consolidate/refinance with the COG Foundation for a 20yr loan at 6.5% which auto-renews every 5yrs with zero fees & NO balloon payments! To God be the Glory!



December

We Wish You a Merry Christmas!!!



Who doesn't LOVE to watch little kids perform Christmas songs? Come grin with us and show support to our Daycare Ministry, our Staff, our Families, and most of all our Children as they present the Best Christmas Pageant Ever! Let's fill the church house to capacity and celebrate Christmas together!



Picture this... an unforgettable evening of Good Food, Good Friends, Good Laughs, Christmas Games, Christmas Fun, An UGLY Christmas Sweater Contest, AND a White Elephant Gift Exchange with a crazy twist like you've never seen before! Yep... it's all happening Friday Dec. 16th!



'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the place, all the church people were worshipping their Savior face to face! The candles were lit on the platform with care, and the sounds of acoustic worship filled the air! Before loading up to drive out of sight, a Christmas message from Pastor that hits just right!

Save the Dates:

Nov

- 1st Stuff the Bus Donation Drive Begins
- 2nd Union Youth Service
- 6th Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 6th Veteran's Sunday @5-Stone
- 6th Life Groups Mtg
- 8th Community Closet Set-Up
- 9th Union Youth Service
- 12th Men's Golf Outing
- 13th Red Carpet Sunday @5-Stone
- 13th Crisis Pregnancy Baby Shower
- 16th Union Friendsgiving
- 20th Youth Takeover Sunday
- 20th Life Groups Mtg

Nov cont'd

- 24th Thanksgiving
- 26th Christmas Decorating @5-Stone
- 27th I Love My Church Sunday
- 30th Union Youth Service

Dec

- 2nd Daycare Christmas Pageant
- 10th Powhatan Christmas Parade
- 14th Union Youth Christmas Party
- 16th 5-Stone Family Christmas Party
- 21st Church Offices closed until January
- 24th Christmas Eve Service
- 25th ONLINE only streaming of 24th Service

Jan

- 1st New Year's Day Sunday Service