

2017 Contribution Statements



Copies of your 2017 giving statements are now available in the mailboxes located outside Fellowship Hall. If you expect you will be unable to pick up your statement at the Church, call the Office (838-3107), and we will mail yours!



February Missions Involvement

This month we are supporting Youth Challenge

Youth Challenge is an organization committed to restoring lives that have been devastated by drugs, alcohol and other high risk behaviors and to rebuild lives through teaching of Christian principles. Donation of toiletries, laundry and dish detergent, napkins/paper towels and cleaning supplies are needed.

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 January 2018

Given this Month.....	\$22,522.50
Total Needed this Month to Meet Budget.....	\$30,498.84



Dear Ivy Family,

I could not be more excited and grateful for the journey of our church family over the past couple of months. Any pastor would be quite envious to be part of a church family which is willing to engage and explore the kind of conversation that we have shared in as we seek to discern God's heart about a potential of a partnership with Freedom Life. Regardless of how we discern God's leading on Wednesday, Jan 31, our journey has been worth every moment of time and every ounce of energy. I have had the wonderful privilege of sitting in meeting after meeting (not something I generally look forward to) and watching God at work. In the several decades that I have been in ministry, I have rarely seen this kind of move of God with this kind of intensity.

We have had multiple teams working on this potential partnership. Each team has given an amazing effort and has done so in the spirit of grace, love, and sacrifice. The Leadership Team has been primarily responsible for the visioning process and setting the stage for logistics teams to begin their work. The Sunday Team has focused their attention on all of the issues relative to our Sunday morning experience (worship, Sunday School, Children's Ministry). The Covenant Team has been dealing with issues pertaining to facilities, finances, operations, and legal concerns.

Each of these teams has been working closely with corresponding individuals from Freedom Life. It is a very rare thing to see two church families come together at this level of discernment and have the kind of experience that has unfolded. The journey itself has been priceless and in whatever way we discern God's leadership, we will be forever changed by the journey itself. The God stories alone that have emerged from the pursuit will be worth treasuring for a life time. In whatever way God leads us forward, the days ahead are shaping up to be quite an adventure. From my perspective, there is a beautiful out breaking of the Kingdom of God among us that we could have never scripted on our own. I look forward to every single day that awaits in the future that God has created for us to pursue as a church family.

Blessings,
Brian

This is a great big thank you to all who helped support the Jones-Black family! Your outpouring of love was heartwarming!

Sharon Hart



Sunday Night Study
with Chris & Allison
@ 5:00

Wed Night Fun
5:45—7:00

Winter RETREAT Report

The Youth were off at Watermarks Camp at the end of January. It was a fabulous weekend of Bible study, food, fellowship and fun! Thank you for all the prayers, love and support to make the weekend happen. Videos of the fun can be found on our Ivy Facebook page. Photos will be posted soon.

Grassroots Seminary will be starting a new cohort this Winter. The cohort will be meeting at Ivy Memorial and is open to anyone throughout the Tidewater region. The class will meet one night each week for 15 weeks during the winter and for 15 weeks during the fall. The Winter session will focus on How to Read the Bible and The Story of God. The Fall session focuses on the Stories of Church History and Theology. For further information, please connect with Brian Williams. An informational meeting will be held in January. You can also check Grassroots Seminary out at <https://bgav.org/grassroots>



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sundays

- 9:00 am - Brunch
- 9:30 am - Small Group Bible Studies
- 10:45 am - Morning Worship Service
- 5:00 pm - Youth/ RA's, GA's
- AWANA Jr.

Tuesdays

- 8:00 am - Intercessory Prayer

Wednesdays

- 5:00 pm - Supper
- 6:15 pm - Children's Choir
- Preschool Choir
- 6:00 pm - Experiencing the Story of the Bible
- Prayer
- 6:30 pm - Mission Friends

Thursdays

- 6:00 pm - Basketball in the Activity Center



February At-A-Glance Calendar

February 4 - No Children's Evening Activities

Mark your March Calendar

March 3 - Covered Dish Dinner and Theatre
 - "Genesis: A dramatic and engaging telling of the original story"
 by Brian Williams

March 25 - Palm Sunday

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

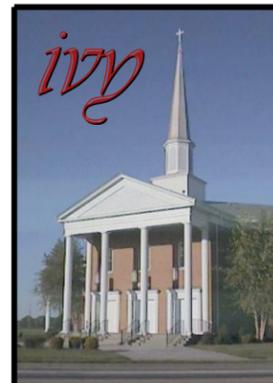
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Social Media Team Needed

Social media tools are very important for sharing information in today's world. If we don't, we will miss whole generations of our community.

We are in need of folks familiar with things like Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Instagram, and other platforms. Would you help us create a social media policy? We are also in need of administrators for our Facebook page. Are you willing and/or able to help the church use these tools well? If you're interested, please connect with Wayne Blanks or call the Church Office and speak with Michelle.

