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JAM CITY NEWSLETTER

FALL 2024

MARK YOUR *fall* CALENDARS



October 20

Parent Meeting at 9 a.m.

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Annual Business Meeting (10:30 a.m.)

(ALL ABFS AND YOUTH AT 9 A.M. JAM CITY AS USUAL BOTH HOURS)

November 10

Operation Christmas Child—Shoebox Packing Party (10:30 a.m.)

December 8

JAM City Class Christmas Parties

(WEAR YOUR CHRISTMAS JAMMIES TO CHURCH)

JAM City Closed Dec. 15-29

NO JAM CITY PROGRAMS / NURSERY ONLY (0-2 YRS.)

Dec. 15: Christmas at The Heights
 (9 & 10:30 a.m.) NO ABFS

Dec. 22: Gifts to Christ
 (10:30 a.m.) NO ABFS

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Service
 (4:00 p.m.)

Dec. 29: Worship Service
 (10:30 a.m.) NO ABFS

Sundays in February (2025)

Jr. Baptism & Membership Class

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

August brought the end of our three-year cycle of studying the Bible from Genesis through Revelation! September will begin a brand new three-year cycle starting again in Genesis using Lifeway's *The Gospel Project* curriculum. The content in this cycle will be different in either story or focus from the previous cycle.

SEPTEMBER GOD RULES OVER CREATIONTEACHER: TOM BONIFIED

We will look at our beginnings including creation, sin, the flood, and the Tower of Babel. How do these events shape our world view today?

OCTOBER GOD MADE A PROMISETEACHER: MARLENE WILLIAMS

We will study the promises God made to Abraham and how He was faithful to fulfill them.

NOVEMBER GOD IS IN CONTROLTEACHER: SANDY HAYWARD

We will look at the stories of Jacob and Esau, Joseph and Job. How did God use the events in their lives for his glory?

5th & 6th Graders (10:30 a.m.)

At 10:30 a.m. each Sunday, our 5th/6th graders meet to study a WHBC original curriculum especially designed for them.

SEPTEMBER Why do we call the Bible inspired? How does that relate to how we understand truth? TEACHER: MR. HOPPE

OCTOBER They will be studying stewardship and how it relates to our natural talents, spiritual talents, our homes, the earth, relationships, and the gospel. TEACHER: MR. BURKARD

NOVEMBER How does being created in the image of God affect who we are and who we are designed to be? How is that different than the world around us?. TEACHER: MR. HOPPE

BRING YOUR BIBLE!

Kids (1st-6th grade) remember to bring your Bible each Sunday.

OUR CURRICULUM



the **GOSPELPROJECT.**

**PRESCHOOL-6TH GRADE (9 A.M.)
 1ST-4TH (10:30 A.M.)**



PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN (10:30 A.M.)



PRESCHOOL (10:30 A.M.)

PARENT MEETING | OCTOBER 20

Join Alia Edem (JAM City Director) and Grant Winslow (Pastor of Student & Family Ministries) to learn what is ahead this year for your kids and teens. This is for parents whether your kids are 2 or 18. We would love to have you join us, Sunday, October 20 at 9 a.m.

SPECIAL NOTE: October 20 is also the Annual Business Meeting at 10:30 a.m. All ABF's will meet at 9 a.m. with JAM City programming running on their normal schedule at 9 and 10:30 a.m.)

Special Speakers

August 25—Brian Hartsell will share about his trek up Mt. Kilimanjaro. He may have even met a famous YouTuber along the way.

October 13—We will have a special missionary join us as part of our GIC weekend.

A special Service for Pastor Dave & Wendy

On Sunday, September 29 at **10 a.m.** our church will be holding a special service to celebrate Dave & Wendy's time here at Washington Heights. The **10 a.m.** service will be the only service for the morning. Alia and her family will be running JAM Session so that our regular JAM City volunteers can enjoy the service. Nursery and CheckPoint staff will be serving as well.

Children are welcome to join their parents in the service, if they wish to. We will offer programming for birth-4th grade, but are asking 5th/6th graders to plan to sit with their parents in the service.

December Break

PreSchool (3s) thru 6th grade JAM City programming will on a winter break from December 15-29 so that everyone can enjoy the Christmas programming with their families. Nursery will be available for birth-2 year olds.



MEDIA RELEASE We love sharing what we are doing in JAM City with others. This includes things like promotional materials the church makes, videos, and social media posts. A media release form is available at the Checkpoint Center desk. You only need to sign this form if you **DO NOT** want your child's image/picture used in any of these ways. If you are ok with your child's image/picture being used for these purposes then you don't need to do anything. **JUNE 2024-MAY 2025**



OCC Packing Party NOVEMBER 10 10:30 A.M.

You do the shopping. Each kid packs their own box in JAM City that morning.

Our well-loved annual tradition continues! Each of our JAM City kids, age 3 (Preschool) thru 6th grade, will bring their bag of items to the church on Sunday, November 10. We will make cards, pack our boxes, and pray together as we send them out in a tangible way to show God's love. Families will receive more information and directions in the mail in October. You and your child can begin collecting your shoebox items now, saving them at home. [Samaritan's Purse's website](#) offers many great suggestions on what to include. We will provide the kids with a box for their items during the packing party.

The new Awana year begins Wed., September 4 for kids age 3 (by September 1) thru 6th grade. Register your children using the link on our website (www.whbc.org). If you have any questions, you can email our Awana Commander, [Brian Hartsell](#). Additional Awana leaders are also needed. Come join us!



Anything Going On?

We would love to know!

Please let us know if your child has any big life changes or medical procedures. We would not only love to pray for them, but also encourage them as they walk through it. It's why we are here. Simply email Alia Edem.

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SUNDAY MORNING STAFF

JAM SESSION 9 A.M.

TOM BONIFIELD
SANDY HAYWARD
DAVID & MARLENE WILLIAMS
DAN ERNST
JASON & ALIA EDEM

PRESCHOOL

9 A.M.: KRISTIN RICHARDS & EMILY LACASSE,
HELEN WILCOX & LILY EDEM
10:30 A.M.: NAN HIEB,
JASON & MELISSA MARTIN

PREK

9 A.M.: ANGIE MAUTZ & JILL WYCKOFF, SIMON MAUTZ, NOAH MAUTZ,
10:30 A.M.: MISTI GRIMSON & NEPTUNE FRAZIER, ALEXANDRA BOWERSOX & ELIZABETH COLLINS

KINDERGARTEN

9 A.M.: HEATHER BRETZ & MACKENZIE BRETZ, DON & LORI WOLF
10:30 A.M.: CRAIG SHANK & JACK OVERTURF, MISSY & CHRIS HAGER

1ST/2ND

10:30 A.M.: LINDSEY HALTUCH & MELISSA KITE, GENE EVANS & TIM HARTKE, JOEL GRIMSON

3RD/4TH

10:30 A.M.: ANDY HOLSINGER & JEN HOLSINGER, TAMMYE & TROY KAPER, REBECCA HARTKE

5TH/6TH

10:30 A.M.: WALLY HOPPE & JOSH PAULICK JOHN BURKARD, JAMIE HARTSELL, & DANIELA CRAIOVEANU

KINDERGARTEN CHOIR

LYNETTE KEENAN, SANDY HAYWARD

GOD'S KIDS CHOIR

CHECKPOINT

JENNY WYCKOFF, CHRIS & SUSAN LINK, JEFFREY BROWN, JARED & CARA WORTHEN, NICK & AMY KILDAL, CLAIRE WYCKOFF, JILL WYCKOFF, ERICA KWAST.

