

# Welcome to White River

## YOUR NEXT STEP EXPERIENCE

### DECEMBER 7 | 9:00AM | DISCOVERY ROOM

This is the perfect place to come & learn about our mission, vision, & values. Hear how you can plug in & be a part of God's plan for his church. Breakfast snacks are served & childcare is provided by our Sunday morning youth programming. Register at wrcc.org.

### BAPTISM CELEBRATION TODAY | 5:30pm | Worship Center Pre-Baptism Class | TODAY | 10:45am-12:00pm | Discovery Room

When we are baptized we are following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ & we want to celebrate those decisions together. If you've already taken this step of faith and obedience, you are welcome to come witness the life giving moments. Visit the Connection Pointe in the Lobby to sign up to be baptized.

### THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the office will be closed Thursday, November 27 & Friday, November 28 for Thanksgiving. To reach the pastor on call, dial 773-2233 & enter 111. Leave a message including the number at which you can be reached & your call will be returned.

### CHRISTMAS DECORATING December 6 | 9:00am - Noon

Bring your family or your small group to help decorate our church building for the Christmas Season!

### SMALL GROUP LEADER TRAINING December 7 | 10:45am | Discovery Room

Let's celebrate the birth of Jesus & what God has done in our small groups this semester together. Bring a \$1 gift for a "white elephant" gift exchange & your appetite!

### LITE HEARTED ♥ NO MEETING THIS WEEK

Meetings resume December 1, when our topic is "Cravings: What they Mean and How to Control Them." There is an optional weigh-in from 6:00-6:25 followed by the informational meeting at 6:30. We meet in the Music Rehearsal Room. Contact Stacy Corwin at scorwin@wrcc.org for more information.

### HEAVEN'S HANDIWORK 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays | 9:30am | Discovery Room

Heaven's Handiwork will not meet November 26 or December 24. We will meet as usual on December 10. If you love to sew, quilt, crochet, or want to learn, then bring a snack to share. Our current quilts will go to the VA Hospital & Project Linus. For more information, call Claudette Roberts at 776-2425.

### SR HIGH AWAKE BIBLE STUDIES

AWAKE Bible Studies will not meet on November 26. We will resume on December 3 by joining with our families at CATALYST at WRCC. We will not meet again in December.

### CATALYST December 3 | 6:30pm

Bring the family-there are activities for all ages! We will worship together & Associate Teaching Pastor Keith Comp will give the message.

### PRIME TIME FELLOWSHIP COMING EVENTS

**December 6 | 5:30pm | Discovery Room** Don't miss our annual Christmas Celebration & caroling accompanied by Worship Pastor Jay LeBlanc on the keys.

**January 3 | 5:30pm | Discovery Room** We'll start 2009 year with a Chili/Soup cook off. For more information, contact Darlene Holloway at rdholloway1939@yahoo.com or 443-0202.

## COMMUNITY WORKS MINISTRY

### THANKSGIVING DINNER November 27 | 11:00am - 3:00pm | FLC

There are many people in our community who would love to have a family to share Thanksgiving dinner with them. If you are staying in town & would like to share the love of Jesus with others along with some great food, then please join us.

### NOBLESVILLE HOLIDAY PARADE November 30 | 2:00pm | Downtown

Join us as we celebrate life with our community! Contact Derek Lynas at dlynas@wrcc.org or 773-2233 no later than Monday, November 24 if you'd like to be a part of it. Small groups welcome!

### TUTORS & ENGLISH TEACHERS NEEDED

We have launched the WRCC Tutoring Ministry Team for elementary age children in the Suburban Estates neighborhood we have adopted. We have also begun teaching English to Hispanic adults as part of this ministry. Our team meets in Suburban Estates every Wednesday from 4:00-4:30pm. Please contact Fred Knoll at fredk@wrcc.org or 773-2233 if you are interested in using your gifts in these areas.

### JAIL MINISTRY

White River will be bringing Jesus to the Hamilton County Jail. There will be another jail ministry volunteer training at the Hamilton County Jail in the near future. Contact Fred Knoll at fredk@wrcc.org or 773-2233 if you are interested in this new ministry opportunity.

### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you to all those who donated to the Food Pantry this week. The White River family helped feed 241 families in the month of October! Feeding the hungry in Hamilton County is a growing need every week. Thank you for your continued generosity. Contact Fred Knoll at fredk@wrcc.org or 773-2233 if you are interested in volunteering.

### NURSING HOME MINISTRY

If you have a heart for showing Jesus' love to the lonely in nursing homes, contact Fred Knoll to begin using your gifts to make a difference. You will be the one greatly blessed.



### THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS

Thanks to the generosity of our WRCC families, the Military Support Group packaged & shipped over 30 care packages to troops currently serving abroad. Please continue to pray for our deployed soldiers & their loved ones.

## WHITE RIVER SPORTS

### MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE NOW REGISTERING

Come as an individual or bring a team. The first 12 teams who sign up & PAY will be registered. SPACE IS LIMITED! Sign up & pay at the Sports Ministry Counter in the Lobby!

### SUPPORT WHITE RIVER SPORTS BY RECYCLING!

Just place waste paper (newspapers, junk mail, etc.) in the recycling bin in the back parking lot.

### REGISTER NOW FOR BASKETBALL OR CHEERLEADING

Early registration deadline has passed, but you can still register!

The price is now \$75 for basketball, with optional shorts available for \$12. The price for cheerleading is \$87. Register online at whiteriversports.org or at the Sports Ministry Counter in the Lobby.

# Christmas At White River



## Community Christmas

December 13, 1:00-3:00pm at WRCC

Celebrate with our community!

## Christmas Lighthouse

Any Time, December 1-24, in Your Home

Celebrate with your neighbors!

## Christmas Eve Services

December 24 | 4:30, 6:00, & 7:30pm

Celebrate together!

This Christmas, we're celebrating our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ, in three different ways - with the people of our community, with our neighbors across the street, & with our WRCC family.

### WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Women's Bible Studies	Various Times	Various Locations
Lite Hearted	Mondays; 6:00-7:30pm	NO MEETING THIS WEEK
Nursing Home Visitation Ministry	Tuesdays; 3:30-5:00pm	Harbor Manor
Adult Basketball Open Gym	Tuesdays; 8:00-10:00pm	Family Life Center (gym)
Sr. High AWAKE Bible Studies	Wednesdays; 6:30pm	NO MEETING THIS WEEK
Men's Prayer Breakfast	Thursdays; 6:00am	NO MEETING THIS WEEK
Sr. High Chillin'	Thursdays; 3:00pm	NO MEETING THIS WEEK
Men's Bible Study	Saturdays; 6:30am	Discovery Room

### MONTHLY PROGRAMS

Prime Time	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturdays; 5:30pm	Discovery Room
American Heritage Girls	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays; 4:00pm	Discovery Room
Teen MOPS	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays; 6:00-7:30pm	Attic
CATALYST	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesdays; 6:30pm	Worship Center
Martial Arts Academy	Thursdays; 6:30-7:30pm	NO MEETING THIS WEEK
Life Protection Class	Thursdays; 7:30-8:30pm	NO MEETING THIS WEEK
Young Adult/College Age Small Group	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturdays; 6:00pm	Prayer Room--Call 379-3489
Evening of Prayer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mondays; 6:30-8:00pm	Worship Center
Autism Support Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturdays; 9:00-11:00am	The Attic
Military Support Group	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays; 6:30pm	Conference Room
Grief Support Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays; 7:00pm	Counseling Center
Heaven's Handiwork	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays; 9:30am	Discovery Room

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Baptism Celebration	TODAY; 5:30pm	Worship Center
Community Thanksgiving Dinner	November 27; 11:00am	Family Life Center (gym)
Noblesville Holiday Parade	November 30; 2:00pm	Downtown Noblesville
Christmas Decorating	December 6; 9:00am-Noon	WRCC
Community Christmas	December 13; 1:00-3:00pm	WRCC

### SERMON NOTES

November 23, 2008 • 1 Thessalonians, Part IV • Timothy Brock, Senior Pastor  
 Download sermon notes & subscribe to the podcast at [wrcc.org](http://wrcc.org).

 For more information about these events and more, visit [www.wrcc.org](http://www.wrcc.org).

#### ATTENDANCE & FINANCE UPDATE November 16, 2008

- Attendance: 2056
- General Offering: \$47,130.36
- YTD Offering: \$2,377,615.96
- Baptisms: 7 (129 YTD)
- Weekly Budget: \$56,782.00
- YTD Budget: \$2,611,972.00
- Transfers: 0 (97 YTD)
- Avg. '08 Weekly Offering: \$51,575.57

# WHITE RIVER CHRISTIAN CHURCH

## NOVEMBER 23, 2008

### FIRST TIME GUESTS

Please fill out a communication card located in the pew in front of you, then drop it in the offering basket. Please visit the Welcome Counter in the Lobby where we have a gift for you. We will also be happy to provide any information you need and answer any questions.

### COMMUNION

Everyone who claims Jesus as his Savior is invited to participate in this physical reminder of His sacrifice. After we pray, the bread & juice will be passed. Take them as you wish during our quiet time.

### OFFERING

Each week we share in an offering. We believe God has blessed each of us & are joyful about participating in His work by giving back to God as an act of worship & obedience. Please give as you feel the Spirit leading you.

### INVITATION

If you have a decision to make today--to give your heart to God for the first time, to rededicate your life, or to place your membership with White River, you are invited to come forward at this time. One of our pastors will take your confession & you can be baptized. Or, if you are more comfortable, you are welcome to meet one of our pastors or elders over by the baptistry after service. Our invitation is never closed.

**THANK YOU FOR TURNING OFF YOUR PAGERS & CELL PHONES DURING SERVICE.**

## ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIPS

### THE BOOK OF ROMANS | 9:00AM | MUSIC REHEARSAL RM

This is a long-term study, but is appropriate even for those who can only come for a short time or intermittently.

### FOR SINGLES ONLY | 10:45AM | RM 14

This is an ongoing class for single adults. We are currently studying the book of Hebrews.

### YOUNG AT HEART (AGE 55+) | 10:30AM | PRAYER RM

This ongoing class is currently studying "The Birth of a New Community."

## SUNDAY YOUTH CLASSES

### INFANTS THROUGH 5 YEARS

Programming is available during both services.

### KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

"The Kids Zone" meets during both services.

### JUNIOR HIGH | 5<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

PULSE meets in the FLC at 9:00am.

PULSE Remix meets in the Discovery Room at 10:45am.

### SR. HIGH | 9<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

AWAKE meets in the FLC during the 10:45am service.