

News from the Hill

Antelope Hills Christian Church



October 2026

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Sunday Worship

9:00 am – Sunday School for kids
& Adult Bible Study

10:00 am — Worship Service

6:00 pm—Praise & Prayer Time

Bible Study Opportunities

Wednesdays

8:30 am— Men's Bible Study

8:30 am—Women of the Word
Bible Study

6:30 pm—Youth Group

6:30 pm—Connecting with Christ
Bible Study

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Imitating God

As October comes and goes, we are called to continue to follow Jesus. Paul says in Ephesians 5:1-2

"Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."

We are called to imitate God as our Father. But before we can become children, we need to ask what that "therefore" is there for. It goes back to the previous verse which talks about forgiving others just as God has forgiven us in Christ. Before we can become like God and follow Jesus, we must receive and experience forgiveness. We need to know that He has forgiven us completely and that we don't need to remain in fear and distrust. Rather we can experience forgiveness and love. And once we do that, we can begin to experience God as our Father. Knowing that He cares for us. We can begin to imitate Him just like how children act like their father. Then we are enabled to love sacrificially and love in ways that are sweet aromas to God.

Grace & Peace,
Matthew Hopkins





Thursday, October 1 **Sew Blessed** **Mission Sewing**

All ladies are invited to come for a day of sewing each month at Marsha Schutte's home. Quilts are made for a mission in Mexico. These are basic quilts so no fancy sewing skills are required and all fabric is provided. Talk to Kay if you have any questions. Potluck lunch.

Tues., October 6 & 20 **Young At Heart**

The Young at Heart Senior Gatherings are for anyone age 60+ who would like to come for a time of devotions, prayer, games, coffee and visiting. Invite your friends and neighbors and come enjoy a relaxing afternoon!



Saturday, October 10 **Young Adult Life** **Group**

A Young Adult Life Group will meet on Saturday, October 10 at 6pm at AHCC. If you are ages 18-35 you are welcome to join this group to do life together. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Hopkins.

Sunday, October 11 **Monthly Meetings**

Mark your calendar for AHCC's monthly Men's Meeting and Women's Meeting on Sunday, October 11. Everyone is welcome to attend! If you have an agenda item for the Men's meeting, please talk to Stu Frazeur, or something for the women's meeting talk to Renee.



Let's meet!



Saturday, October 17 **Young Women's** **Bible Study & Craft**

If you are a young lady ages 18-25, you will want to check out this Bible study opportunity! On Saturday, October 17 from 1-3:00 pm you are invited to come for a time of relaxed Bible Study, conversation and creating a craft. Watch the bulletin for more information. Please RSVP to Morgyn Citrowske if you plan on attending so she can have enough supplies on hand.

Thursday, October 22 **Ladies' Card Craft** **Night**

All ladies are invited to a Craft Fellowship Night on Thursday, October 22 at 6:30 pm. Come and learn how to make a fun Fall card! Supplies will be provided and cost is \$3 per card. Make as many as you like!



Sunday, October 25 **Potluck**

Join us for our a Potluck Fellowship Dinner on Sunday, October 25 following our Worship Service. The Abigail serving circle is on for setting up, serving and clean up. Bring a dish to pass and your appetite! Everyone welcome!





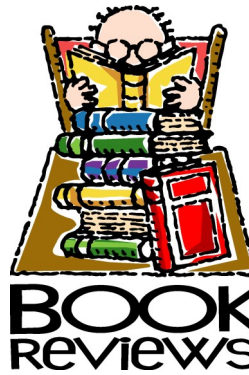
October is Operation Christmas Child Month!!

Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, has delivered millions of gift-filled shoeboxes to boys and girls around the world. In addition to the shoeboxes, OCC delivers the gospel message to the recipients in their own languages! By filling a shoebox you are being the hands and feet of Christ!

Here's how to pack a shoebox:

1. **Get a box** (or two!) They are available at church or you can use your own shoebox.
2. **Put a label on it** and mark for Boy or Girl and the age range. If you pay the postage costs on-line you can get a pre-printed label and they will tell you where the box goes in the world!
3. **Fill the box** (and really stuff it full!) Select a medium to large "wow" item such as a soccer ball with pump or stuffed animal, then fill with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. Don't forget to also include a personal note and photo—sometimes these are the child's favorite things to receive!
NOTE: Please do NOT pack liquids, breakables, toothpaste, candy, soap, or war-related items.
4. **Pray!** Most importantly, "pray without ceasing" (1 Thess. 5:17) for the child who will receive your shoebox gift. Please also pray for their family to also be receptive to the Good News of Jesus Christ, the pastor of the church who delivers your shoebox gift, and their community to be transformed by the Gospel.
5. **Donate.** A donation of \$10 per box is critical to cover shipping and other project costs. For easiest processing, you can give online through our Label Options or Ways to Give pages, or by mailing a check in the postage-paid envelope. If you use an online option on the Labels page, you can Follow Your Box and discover the destination of your gift.

If you have any questions, please see Renee Frazier. Bring your filled boxes to AHCC by November 1st. Thanks for sharing !

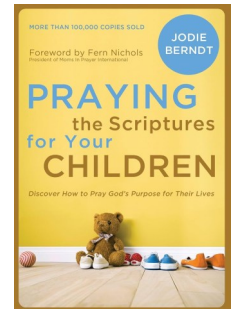


Check It Out Book Suggestions From the Library Corner

Praying the Scriptures for Your Children

By Jodie Berndt

This is an encouraging book for parents or grandparents who want to be more intentional in praying for their children. Jodie Berndt makes it easy to pray Scripture over the everyday concerns of a child's life, including faith, character, friendship, protection and the future. It is heartfelt and practical!



This book is a beautiful reminder of the power of praying God's Word over our children and grandchildren!

"Books are nourishment for the soul."



