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WHERE WE MEET

1883 Old US 24
Huntington, IN 46750

Worship Service
11 AM Sunday Mornings

Five Years...

I can't believe that it has been five years since we began this thing called The Well. At that time we had no idea what the next 5 years would bring. 4 years of setting up and tearing down each week, arranging schedules for hauling the trailer, lining up chairs and figuring out where to hold worship team practice.

After two years at Flint Springs Elementary School and 2 years at the YMCA, we finally landed in our freshly renovated space just over one year ago. It seems like we have been here the whole time. Now on September 14 we will celebrate 5 full years of The Well. It's at times like these that I wish I were better at keeping stats or notes on important milestones. But since I'm not, I can simply say that many people have come to know and follow Christ, many more have been baptized, we have given away dozens of Bibles and week after week we gather to worship God with a group of people that we enjoy being with.

Upon reflection I realize that we are also on our 5th Children's ministry Coordinator and 3rd Worship Pastor. I have to ask, "Is it me?" No.

And yet there is more to come. As the Sr. Pastor, I am currently dreaming about the next 5 years. Just like the last 5 years, it will be here before we know it. I am amazed to see how far God has brought us in the previous 5 years so I eagerly anticipate what will happen in the future. As I work on the vision and direction for the church, I need several things from you.

- I need for you to commit to praying for me daily.
- I need you to commit to serve faithfully and selflessly.

- I need you to commit to regular and joyful giving to support the direction that God is taking us.

In the future, there will be a need for additional staffing, there are new building projects on the horizon to help us reach the needs of our community, and it will take a dedicated group of followers of Jesus Christ to be able to effectively meet those demands. There are programs to be led and ministries to be started. All of this will take dedication and commitment on the call of every follower of Jesus Christ to make disciples.

Where we are is wonderful. I believe that God is working through us. But I also know that we have only begun to realize our full potential. If we continue in the truth, we can have the hope that Christ will bless The Well as we are obedient to him.

We will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work. Ephesians 4:15-16

If each of us does our part, who knows what great things can happen in the name of Christ in the next 5 years?



Josh Kesler
Senior Pastor

Let Them See YOU In Me

Let them see you in me; let them hear you when I speak are lyrics from Colton Dixon's song "Let Them See You."

Let them see you in me: (Genesis 1:27) *So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.* God wants us to reflect his image by our willingness to love and care for others and by doing this we are putting others before ourselves, all along giving God the glory. In other words, are you a reflection of what God stands for? Do people experience an approachable and sincere person when they first meet you? Do people come to the conclusion that you do, in fact, believe in and follow God? And lastly, do you look and act the same in any given situation you find yourself in?

Let them hear you when I speak: (Ephesians 4:29) *Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.* Most Christians all over the world go to church at least once a week. They proclaim to other Christians about reading the Bible and believing in God's existence, yet Christians will modify their behavior and their words accordingly based on the people they are associating with at any moment. I too am guilty of this. God with his vast knowledge and

wisdom could easily filter out the sinful thoughts and actions before we have the chance to do them, however, God chooses not to because he wants us to be dependent on him.

I find myself fearful of having to defend my faith in God to others and not wanting to sound ridiculous to other people. 1 John 2:6 says *whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.* Colton Dixon sings "let them see you in me," which is the same as what John was telling us. We should be mindful as to how we act around others. God wants us to be just like him: however he fully understands that we will never fully measure up to his expectations. This however does not mean we shouldn't strive for perfection. We should be seeking God's knowledge and wisdom every day from this day forward and binding his commands to our hearts.

Pastor Jim Hippensteel



Gather. Dig. Pray.

We are looking for leaders who want to assist in forming a community that gathers together, digs deeper into God's Word and supports one another by praying with each other. We are looking for leaders of couples groups, family groups, men's groups, women's groups or any other group of our community that wants to come together and support one another. Your level of commitment can range from planning and leading lessons to simply opening up your home.

If you are interested in being involved, contact Nathan Hawkins @ [260-388-6075](tel:260-388-6075) or nathan.hawkins99@gmail.com

Neighborhood Kids

Thanks to everyone for being so patient with some of the changes going on in The Neighborhood! I know change is not easy, but we are seeing great things happening! Here are a few...

We have had several new families start attending The Well in the past few weeks as these changes have taken place! It has been awesome to be able to securely check in/out kiddos and have new families feel that their kids are 100% secure at all times! Thanks to EVERYONE for their help in remembering to show their family code/tag when picking up their children...this is greatly appreciated! We have even had a few ask if they can purposely "lose" their tags so the kids can stay ALL day! :)

Also, the new curriculum that we have started has been off to a great start! Adventure Avenue and Discovery Drive kids are absolutely LOVING the new music and activities that come along with the lessons. It's so great to have them asking for more, more, more!!!! As a parent, I am loving the family devotion that is brought home each week and I hope you are too!

Just a few reminders: Please continue to avoid The Neighborhood hallway, except when picking up/dropping off kids or if you are a volunteer working that day. This helps with eliminating traffic and keeping the area secure. Also, when checking in kids, we ask that you do not let them roam The Neighborhood area "freely" until they can be checked in at 10:40am.

Anyone interested in helping with The Neighborhood Kids on Sunday mornings, please feel free to contact Tyanne at tyanne@thewellathuntington.org

Youth

I'm very excited to see some new faces joining youth group this year! We've had a few students move up by grade and we've also seen new faces from friends and family that have recently joined our church! As summer comes to an end, looking back it was a success running the youth every other week! I'm so excited about our Pringles fundraiser, and I want to give a huge shout out for everyone who participated. We all appreciate it! We're planning on jumping right into the school year with new curriculum, and parents, your kids will have homework! Not really, but they will be starting up memory verses again, and they're still required to bring their Bibles on Sunday mornings for The Middle and at youth group. Parents, please encourage your children to take our lessons seriously and to participate! I still have general permission slips that will be handed out at the next few meetings, please sign and return those ASAP!

For the month of September, youth will meet:

September 7
September 14
September 21
September 28

I would also like to give a big shout out to Sarah Christman and Laura Daronatsy for helping out with the youth over the summer! Best of luck to both of you at college! We'll miss you!

If you haven't already, and your child is new to our youth group, please like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TheWellYouth

Abby Branscomb, Youth Coordinator



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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Be sure to like our Facebook page:
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We Want You to Have a Bible

If you are in need of a Bible, The Well has one for you. See Pastor Josh on Sunday morning.

Parking and Seating on Sunday Mornings

If you are able, please park in the lower, south lot to allow closer parking for those who need it. Also, please take advantage of the open seating in the front of the sanctuary so others can easily find seating as they arrive.

Men's Prayer Group

Meets on Mondays at the church, 7 PM

Serving Opportunities

Some of you may be wondering how you can serve at The Well. We currently have opportunities in our Children's Ministry, Worship Ministry, Frontline Ministry, with more opportunities coming! If you want to get plugged into The Well, contact any of the pastors and they will help you get connected.

Getting the Newsletter?

If you know someone who isn't getting the newsletter, for whatever reason, let us know. Send us an email at office@thewellathuntington.org.

Frontline Ministry

If you would like to serve as a greeter, usher, or in any other area of hospitality on Sunday

mornings, contact Marcy Hawkins at marcy@thewellathuntington.org.

Cleaning Ministry

If you are available to help serve by taking an hour a week and cleaning our building, please contact Pastor Marvin at marvin@thewellathuntington.org

Prayer Available

If you have any prayer requests or would like to pray with one of our pastors contact Pastor Jim Hippensteel at jim@thewellathuntington.org. He is also available for prayer, before and after our worship service.

New Mailing Address

We are no longer using the PO Box. Please send any mail to 1883 Old US Highway 24, Huntington, IN 46750.

Neighborhood Block Party

Our next block party will be held directly after the service on Sunday, September 14th. Plans are in the works, you won't want to miss it. Plan on bringing a dish to share and celebrating in a grand birthday bash style!

Baptism

We will be offering a baptism opportunity on September 14th. If you would like to be baptized contact Pastor Josh by September 7th! josh@thewellathuntington.org

Check Out Our Website

www.thewellhuntington.org



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Worship Team Auditions



The Well is looking for talented musicians to join their Sunday morning worship team!

We are looking for gifted individuals in the areas of Sound/ Tech, Instrumentalists (Acoustic, Electric, and Bass guitars, Keys, and Drums), and Vocalists.

Contact Marvin McNew, Pastor of Worship and Communications, if you are interested.

marvin@thewellathuntington.org

Auditions will be held during the last week of September.

Come check us out on Sunday mornings at 11AM.

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