

As a Teacher, a great deal of emphasis is placed upon your plan. How do you plan to teach the state content standards, in each area, to every student, throughout the school year? If you are a special education teacher, the plans grow increasingly more detailed and individualized.

This does not even include the social emotional and behavioral issues that have to be addressed, the relationship building, the classroom management, routines, parents...and on and on and on.

In my married life, I've learned a lot about planning that was not a part of my childhood. Thankfully, God gave me a husband who, maybe had a slightly more prepared childhood, but who definitely has a personality that includes plans to back up his plans. Because of this, we have a safe and secure home, reliable vehicles, and can even plan for vacations...and retirement! The Bible encourages us to think about our long-term goals and to make plans—but *they must align with God's principles*. Proverbs has several verses regarding plans. Chapter 16 verse 3 says "Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established." and in verse 9 "The heart of man plans his way, but the lord establishes his steps." Much of the growth and vitality of our church stems from plans, first born as ideas in the minds of various members. Over a decade ago, Becki had an idea for reaching the children at our local elementary school. With much prayer, congregational support and planning, the first year saw 8-12 kids attend. God was faithful in His blessings and that small beginning grew to almost 70 children—nearly 57% of the school's population participating. 70 children who may, or may not, have ever heard of God and His plan for eternal salvation. 70 children who surely witnessed to their parents as they talked about what they did that evening with Becki, parents who may, or may not have ever heard of God and His plan for eternal salvation.

"To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven" Ecclesiastes 3:1 Spring is our time. Our pattern of growth leads us now, in this season, to planning—for a reflection on what we're doing now that is working, and what is not. What new needs have arisen? How best to include each person, meet their spiritual needs and develop their spiritual gifts while maintaining our commitment to God in this community. We can depend on God to guide us. James tells us to "not brag about our plans for the future, but instead say "If the Lord wills..." (4:14) and as Paul wrote to the Romans "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." (8:28)

This reflection and planning cannot be left solely to Church Leadership. Instead, every person needs to commit. *Commit* time in their prayers to seek God's will and direction for us as a congregation. *Commit* time to reflect on our personal experiences within the church and areas we see of strength and opportunities to grow and improve. *Commit* your voice to sharing what your reflections have revealed and finally, *commit* your gifts and talents to use, not only in this process, but in the everyday workings and activities of the Church.

We find in Proverbs 3:5-6 that if we "trust in the Lord with all our heart and lean not on our own understanding.", if we "acknowledge Him in all our ways He will direct our paths." In Psalm 32:8 the Lord says "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you." If God gives us that promise as individuals, how much more will He direct us as we work together to reach others with the Good News of His gift of salvation? Ready yourself. "Be dressed for service and keep your lamps burning." Luke 12:35 "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10



### Sunday Services 8:00 & 10:45 Sunday School 9:30 Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 westlibertywvcc.com



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**Answers** 



- 1. Josiah
- 2. Zachariah
- 3. Bread
- 4. Arimathea
- 5. Three: Faith, Hope and Love
- 6. Psalms (150)

Have you noticed this QR code? Our church now has a working webpage! On it you can access the Church Calendar for upcoming activities, an archive of sermons, monthly newsletters and general information about our Vision and Core Values. Thanks to our Tech Team you can also find us on YouTube in addition to Facebook. Check us out!

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# Birthday

- 7 Dave Eby
- 9 Brad Bonar JD Carpenter
- 10 Sheena Hays
- 11 Owen Sobota Lisa & JD
- 13 Lisa Carpenter
- 14 Angie Sayre
- 17 Jason Hays
- 18 Laura Carnahan
- 24 Beckley Sobota

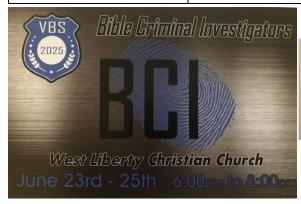
### Looking for a way to Help?

- Bus Drivers needed—even if only for special events
- Sunday School Teachers—children, youth, adult
- Tech Team
- Church Directory Coordinator
- Service Valets (park cars for those who request)
- Greeters



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Alyssa, Cole, Henry & Hunter	Doug Turner	Joanie	Randy McGee	
Appleby Family	Dr. Dan Wilson	John Finsley	Roma Dailey	
Aubrey	Dutch Fork— Pastor Need	Kendra	Russell Greathouse	
Audrey	Ed & Tammi Malson	Kim Carden	Shaun Bruce	
Barb & Tim	Ethel Sherrick	Laura Mendoza	Tammy Taylor	
Barb Moore	Grace Maxwell	Mark Griffith	Travelers	
Becky Harvilla	Hannah Mozingo	Melissa Carnahan	Unsaved	
Bus Driver Volunteers	Harold Hunt	Men @ Man-up	Unspoken	
Cindy M.	Helga lckler	Michael Danaher	US: Country & Gov't	
Clarise Jenkins	Herb Summers	Michael Kuthy	Wade	
Daniel Fink	Janet L.	Mike Nicodemus	Wellsburg CC—Pastor Need	
Darren Perry	Jason	Mr. Woolard	West Liberty Town Council	
Debbie Flnk	Jeff Summers	Nick Gum	Willie Joe Matalewski	
Delbert Salsbury	Jim & Sara Jane	Pam Schramm	WLCC Leadership	
Donnia	Jimmy Rinehart	Paula McGee	Wilt Family	



Come join us Monday-Wednesday June 23rd - 25th for Bible time, snack, and activities/games.

We can't wait to see you!



- 1. Who was the boy who was king?
- 2. Who was the Father of John the Baptist
- 3. David said he has never seen the righteious forsaken, or their children begging \_\_\_\_\_?
- 4. The Joseph who asked for the body of Jesus was from \_\_\_\_\_?
- 5. How many Christian virtues are there?
- 6. Which Old Testament book has the most chapters?

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Building & Grounds 12:30	Evangelism 6:00 @ Lantz Home	Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:00	Bible Study 7:00	5	6	Ladies Group Ice Cream Outing Oglebay 7:00
8	9	10	Bible Study 7:00	12	13	14  FLAG DAY
15 Happy  Oner  Day  Elders 12:30	16	17	Bible Study 7:00	19	20 Summer	21
PETERSON Worship @ Petersen 3:00  29  Tie Dye Sunday— Wear Your Favorite!	6-8 pm VACATIO	7 B ON BIBLE	SCHOOL	26	27	28