



WESLEY CHURCH OF HOPE

United Methodist Church Newsletter

MAY/JUNE 2025

Rev. Richard Dunbar, Pastor



Called to Serve



"JUST AS THE SON OF MAN DID NOT COME TO BE SERVED, BUT TO SERVE, AND TO GIVE HIS LIFE AS A RANSOM FOR MANY."

MATTHEW 20:28

We believe to be truly happy and live a life of success, you must be in balance with all aspects of life. Being of service is a big part of that balance. This means being of service to others in what ever ways we can--just as Jesus came not to be served, but to serve.

Whether we are giving to our favorite charity or assisting in our community, it is very important to serve others.

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PRAYER LIST

Lord, we lift up those members of our church family who are on our prayer list. We pray that you will anoint them with your strength and your life-giving power. Remind them that your Holy Spirit is watching over them and that their church is praying for their comfort and care.

Pastor Richard Dunbar
Prudence Duncan
Maia Dillard
Lester Finney
Alice Graveley
Mattie Ruth Hill
Ronald Jordan
Lilly Lim
Art Little
Sharon Ludaway
Helena Mobley
Eileen Neale
Zion Shakhan
Wendy Steele
Christopher Williams
Dr. Zawadi YaAshantawa



PRAYER REQUESTS LET US PRAY FOR YOU!

Submit your request online or place a prayer request on the prayer board at the church.

Called to Serve *continued*



This month, we are highlighting a variety of opportunities to serve at Wesley Church of Hope. We encourage you to explore new ways to be of service, in the church and in the community, to reach the lost—and share God's love.

— Minister Pam Smith.

Are you looking for opportunities to share your testimony of God's love, grace and mercy?

There are many ways to use your talents and gifts to serve God at Wesley Church of Hope:

Church Hospitality
Church Ministries & Outreach
Church Worship Teams
Community Service Volunteer
Congregation Nurture and Care
Certified Lay Ministry



Check out some of the opportunities in this newsletter to fellowship, serve, and share God's love. Your testimony could be the seed someone needed to plant.

thank you

**for your commitment to serve, give,
and share God's love!**

Serving the Community

OUR MISSION

Wesley Church of Hope is a healing place, connecting to the community through fellowship, reaching the lost, and sharing God's love.



**Watkins Road
Clean Up**
Saturday, May 3
9am-11am

Help your community!
Meet at
1520 Watkins Road

SPONSORED BY:
MARION-FRANKLIN AREA CIVIC ASSOCIATION
WESLEY CHURCH OF HOPE & SOUTHSIDE HOPE CDC



The church serves as a voting location for the May 6th Primary Election.

The Polls for the May Primary Election will open at 6:30 a.m. and remain open until 7:30 p.m.



Marion-Franklin Civic Meetings

Wesley Church of Hope partners with the Marion-Franklin Area Civic Association to host monthly community meetings in the fellowship hall.

Residents, community partners, and local government representatives meet to discuss issues impacting safety, health, and opportunities in the community on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 pm. The meetings are open to the public.



Produce Giveaway
Volunteers Needed
Saturday, May 10

8:45 am - 10:00 am
9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Serving the Community

Free Lawncare in Marion-Franklin

Free lawncare for Marion-Franklin residents will be offered this summer thanks to funding received by Columbus Department of Neighborhoods. The Bridge to Your Future program will provide youth with summer learning opportunities for successful transition to adulthood.

Southside Hope's Bridge to Your Future program connects local youth to residents in need of basic lawncare services. "We are bridging the gap for the young people to be better prepared for adulthood, to connect with their neighbors, and to instill a sense of neighborhood pride in the community," says director, Lori Fisher.



Summer Employment for Marion-Franklin Youth

APPLY TODAY!

southsidehope.org/summer-work-program

Youth will explore career opportunities, while learning financial literacy and the value of community and service. Local residents in the Marion-Franklin neighborhood who may struggle with keeping their lawn maintained, may apply to be served by the program. The program will select up to 30 properties to be mowed weekly from June 9 – August 29, 2025. The application deadline for free lawncare in the Marion-Franklin area is June 6, 2025.

To learn more, call 614-305-5123 or visit southsidehope.org.



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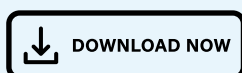


Grow closer to God

Build a habit of reading the Bible daily!



Join us for daily devotional plans, bible study and discussions, prayers, and connection with one another throughout the week.



Download the YouVersion Bible App for free and search for WCOH Members.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

PRODUCE GIVEAWAY MAY 10



9 AM

NEXT

PRODUCE GIVEAWAY JUNE 14



9 AM

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 25-27

6-8PM

FREE MEAL PROVIDED

OPEN TO ALL AGES

TOGETHER in RECOVERY

EVERY
WEDNESDAY

6 PM

Make It Happen Group
Alcoholics Anonymous
Open Meeting

FRIENDS & Family Sunday

JUNE 29, 2025

11 AM

Come worship with us!
Wesley Church of Hope UMC

Sunday, June 22, 2025
at 11 am

Join us as we celebrate the Ordainment
of **Minister Ruciana Fleming**
and the Lay Speaker Certification of
Michael Fleming,
Wesley Church of Hope
power couple in ministry.

Mark 16:15 NIV

He said to them, "Go into all the world and
preach the gospel to all creation."



Bible Study

TUESDAYS AT 12 NOON

Elder Melvin Francis leads an in-person Bible Study group at 12 noon at Wesley Church of Hope. All are welcome to attend. Bring your bible, pen and paper.

NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Join us on the 4th Sunday each month
at Scioto Community Nursing Home,
433 Obetz Road, Columbus, OH 43207

