

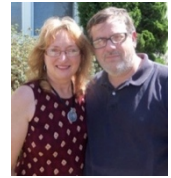


## Christ Presbyterian Church in The Hill

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### News from CPC in The Hill—June 2018



**OUR YOUNG PEOPLE @ CPC IN THE HILL MAKES IT ALL WORTH IT**—On each Sunday, young people come to 158, our place of worship, and provide such joy for us. On the left, these ladies help set up the Coffee+ table you see behind them. They are not alone—many of the kids help out each Sunday. The young man below enjoys hanging with me on Sundays because he wants to be a pastor someday. I can't tell you how privileged I am to be their pastor. When I hear from across the street or at a store, "Hey, Pastor Chip!" I am filled with both humility and pride (the good kind). Many of you have



heard my plea for a youth minister for CPC in The Hill. These kids will hit their teens (all too soon) and be pulled in many directions and into paths that will lead away from Christ and His Church. It is for this reason we need someone to focus on our teens; for some day, these kids will be teenagers. *Please continue to support us in prayer and giving—and soon we will see this request come to fruition.*



**OUR NEW GRILL FOR OUR 2018 SUMMER PARK BBQ MINISTRY**—The GoFundMe campaign for this summer's "In His Midst" Park BBQ ministry helped us to ensure we have the funds for the expenses. We are grateful to all who contributed, helping us to hit our goal (\$2,000). Additionally, some kind individuals provided us with a new grill (i.e., the picture on the left, which I put together!) and a freezer so we can buy our hot dogs and hamburgers in bulk. The park BBQs have become known as our signature ministry. It is completely free, but as one of our friends said, "This isn't charity; it is love." We will serve over 70+ people each Wednesday this summer. Kids. Parents. Single moms. Teens—many un-parented (meaning they are just hanging out at or near the park). Some homeless. Sadder still, some homeless families. We will share the gospel. I'll preach—opening the word of

hope and forgiveness to our park neighbors. Already, as I have been driving around, several locals have shouted to me, "Hey Pastor, when are you guys coming back to the park?" Soon. In fact, our first Wednesday is a Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup>; then the seven following Wednesdays. *Pray God moves many to begin joining us at CPC in The Hill.*

**WE HAVE SWITCHED FROM HOT CHOCOLATE TO ALMOST FRESH LEMONADE**—Every Saturday, I join some local Hill residents who love on their neighborhood, serving breakfast—scrambled eggs, turkey sausages (sometimes fried chicken), waffles, fruit, juice, and, of course, our **CPC in The Hill lemonade**. I use regular lemonade mix, but I cut up some real lemons and squeeze them, mix in the juice and the peels to give it a fresh lemonade taste. Nothing but the best for our neighbors. We set up on a main street in the neighborhood, out front some locally owned businesses. Although technically this isn't a CPC in The Hill activity, we were asked to join them, **Building IT Together**, sharing our assets (what we have) and adding them to their assets to serve our neighbors. This is a great platform for outreach and visibility for our church.





Lisa, my wife, taking care of the flowers she planted to make the front of the building where CPC in The Hill worships welcoming and beautiful. Lisa wants it to look nice for our CPC family and guests.



Dr. Nisi . . . that's what we call her now. She completed her doctoral work in biblical studies. Although this was for her own edification, she wants to serve our church. Here we are honoring her with a book for *Young Theologians*.



A picture from last year's Park BBQ. We will start July 5<sup>th</sup> (after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July) with our first summer "In His Midst" BBQ. This year we will be serving over 70+ people each week thanks to our partners.

### NOTE: SOME OF SUMMER AND FALL 2018-SPRING 2019 OPPORTUNITIES YOUR PARTNERSHIP MAKES POSSIBLE:

1. As a result of New Haven Board of Ed budget restraints, the alternative high school I spend Thursday mornings at lacks funds for a summer school—so I am putting in time at the school, helping the Principal to keep the doors open for some seniors to make up credit so they can graduate (at the end of the summer) and receive their high school diploma
2. I am being connected to another Hill school (K-8) Principal to begin talking about how I might help in some way. This school has one of the District's poorest proficiency rates (9%; in fact, 82% lower than the State average).
3. Because of my relationships with the community group called Building IT Together and with the principal of the alternative high school I spend time at, CPC in The Hill will be partnering with them to reach Hill adults and parents with financial literacy skills. Of course, there will be a biblical basis used—but still this is a great platform to reach people in the Hill we could not be doing without your support (prayers and financial), which allows me the free-time to build (i.e., to do).

**Closer to Monthly Outside Support goal (\$3,160)—Thank you and keep the support and pledges coming!** As of May 31<sup>st</sup>, we are at **72%** of our goal, leaving **\$10,560** to be raised for our Sept 17–Aug 18 budget ministry year. The gifts and pledges to date have enabled **\$2,280** of monthly outside giving (from people like you!), leaving a need for **\$880 additional monthly support**. The grid visualizes what monthly pledging and gifts can accomplish. **See where you fit—where you can help. And, please help!**

Monthly	Annual	Supporters	p/mo &	p/yr Totals
\$30	\$360	@ 6	\$180	\$1,800
\$50	\$600	@ 3	\$150	\$1,200
\$100	\$1,200	@ 1	\$100	\$1,200
\$150	\$1,800	@ 1	\$150	\$1,800
\$150	\$1,800	@ 1	\$300	\$3,600
Additional support needed > > >			\$880	\$10,560
p/month to reach our goal				

### OUR MINISTRY IN THE HILL PRAYER REQUESTS

- Getting our Bridgeport Home ready to sell or rent—this takes time, none of which Lisa nor I have. Pray God helps us in this so we can move this Fall to the Hill!
- We seem to have guests (and many times more than one) each Sunday, pray we are welcoming to them and God provides good follow-up with them (by me)
- We are nearing the end of the FY; pray God (from somewhere) closes our expenses gap and we reach 100% of our fundraising goal (\$40,000) soon. AND—ask God to help us as we begin fundraising for FY 18-19 (soon!).
- ALSO IMPORTANT—Pray for our worship site situation (158 Davenport Ave): the owners are selling it and it will most likely be a done deal by the end of August. I don't think we have to move right away (I am talking with the probably new owners), but eventually we will need a new place for worship.

**Ways to donate**—monthly payments or as one annual sum

- By check to "CPC New Haven"; memo "Hill/CA"; send: CPC New Haven, 135 Whitney Ave, New Haven, CT 06510
- Online at <http://www.cpcinthehill.org/> > Donate > Donation Applied > "Hill Church Planter—Rev. Chip Anderson"