



Christ Presbyterian Church in The Hill

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2019 NOVEMBER—NEWS FROM CPC IN THE HILL



OUR FIRST SIDEWALK THANKSGIVING ON CARLISLE STREET—*What an incredible experience.* On Thanksgiving Day, Lisa and I served a Thanksgiving meal to our neighbors out front of our apartment, similar to our **Saturday morning breakfasts**. We planned for 20 people and prepared for at least 30 meals (so folks could take food home to family). We easily had 20 and many took food home. My wife did all the cooking—a wonderful co-partner in ministry! Two turkeys. And, dressing and cranberry sauce. Green beans. My wife's famous string bean casserole. Mashed potatoes. Cider. And, of course, Pumpkin and apple pie. We were up at 5am to prepare and be ready to



serve at 11am. A local soul food restaurant (Mama Mary's) gave us a pan of Yams. Our own Maxine Harris made some Mac 'n Cheese. It was cold and quite windy, very gusty, so we had to improvise some. Yet, people came. Neighbors. Some who passerby. A few homeless folk. They saw the love of Christ right there on Carlisle Street. *Your support ensures that we have the personal resources (this wasn't in our church budget), so Lisa and I can do these meals for our neighbors—and love on our neighbors.*



DESPITE THE COLDER WEATHER, OUR SIDEWALK BREAKFAST ON CARLISLE STREET CONTINUES—Lisa and I love serving this Saturday morning breakfast out front of our apartment. *Consistency is imperative*—no matter the weather, no matter how cold it gets (and as long as one of us is home). This is what makes a lasting impression on our neighbors. This enables a number of things: We get to know our neighbors and they get to know us. Furthermore, this gives a platform to share our faith, talk about Jesus, and invite our neighbors to join us for church. They see (and taste) the gospel in action. We even have one person from our breakfast



crowd who has joined us for Sunday service. Of course, the food doesn't save anyone. But, our love is very much gospel, pointing and drawing them to Jesus. *May our neighbors see all that Jesus has done for them. Thank you for your support and prayers.*



OUR CPC IN THE HILL LADIES JOIN TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH (FAIRFIELD, CT) LADIES FOR BREAKFAST—Our CPC in The Hill ladies and their friends and family, through the leadership of Maxine Harris and Lisa, have been so fortunate to be able to share in the TBC Ladies' activities (where Lisa and I formally attended before being called to the Hill). We had a good crowd of our ladies attend the Ladies TBC breakfast this past month. Our daughter-in-law was the speaker that morning. *An extra treat.* One of our ladies even walked away with one of the door prizes! Our hope is that, someday soon, we will have our own CPC in The Hill Ladies' Breakfast here in the Hill. Our TBC sisters have given us a great model and example to follow, so that we can reach more women in the Hill. *Your support will enable us in the future to start our own monthly Ladies Breakfast.*

We have a number of videos that you will enjoy @ <http://www.wastedevangelism.com/hill-ministry-newsletters.html>. Also, here is a link to our 2019 Summer Park BBQ ministry ([here](#)) and a link to an interview I did with a church planting podcast earlier this fall: [Interview](#)



On Sundays I have the privilege of worshipping with men like Richard, the father of one of our CPC in The Hill teenagers and recently released from a local halfway house. We believe church changes people, makes for better fathers, and gives people second, third, and fourth chances. This is how God changes things.

We need more financial partners for our ministry—

Lisa and I are so grateful to God for those who support us financially. Please pray and ask God how you can be a co-worker with us in this church plant and ministry in the Hill by becoming a financial partner.

Thank you.

Update on our Financial Resources—Our current supporters have been very gracious for, as of November 30th, we were at 61% of our needed FY20 ministry budget, leaving 39% or \$18,486 remaining to be raised for FY20. Our budget year began in September '19 and will end in August '20). On a weekly basis, we need to see \$3,950 each month; currently, from pledges and one-time gifts, we are at \$2,410 p/mo, now needing to secure an additional \$1,540 p/mo of pledges or as one time gifts.

Our budget is austere, but still needed to keep me full time and to provide needed resources for CPC in The Hill ministries. In the future, a near future I hope, we will need resources for a p/t youth worker and a musician to help with a potential Hill street ministry. We cannot do this without more support. ***Please help us meet our ministry needs for FY20—and beyond!***

OUR HILL MINISTRY PRAYER REQUESTS

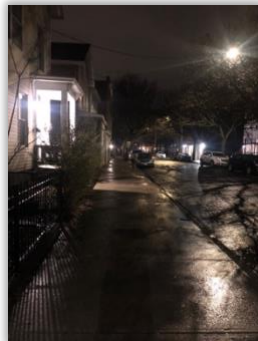
- Please continue to pray for conversion growth for our church and that God will help me, Lisa, and others from our congregation to lead others to Christ.
- Pray for Lisa and I as we use our apartment to minister to our neighbors and to reach them for Christ; and for a renewed lease (1/1/2020) that doesn't increase our monthly rent (much if at all).
- Pray that God will move some of our members, especially our men, to step up and be leaders for CPC in The Hill.
- Please pray for some (rather crazy, out-of-the-box) ideas we are discussing to reach our neighbors and introduce them to church (more on this next month).
- Pray God moves more individuals and churches to become financial partners with us so we may have the resources necessary for our ministry needs here in the Hill.

Ways to donate—monthly payments or as one annual sum

- Checks: "CPC New Haven"/in memo "FY20 Hill/CA"/mail: 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"



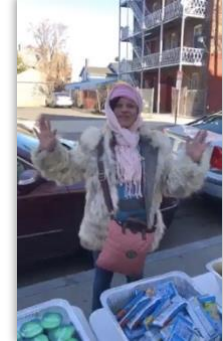
One of our neighbors getting some hot oatmeal on a cold Saturday morning at the sidewalk breakfast.



Our Carlisle Street, in front of our apartment, on Thanksgiving eve. In the morning, we would be transforming our sidewalk into a Thanksgiving feast for our neighbors. May God move in people's hearts to see Jesus.



Jesse helps us on Sundays, forwarding our service PowerPoint slides. I love watching him read the slides of scripture and the song-words slide—mouthing them, even singing—so he knows when to move the slide forward. This brings me such joy.



This lovely lady stopped by our breakfast this past week. She is homeless, looking for shelter, but so appreciative for the breakfast. I'm sure we'll see her again.

"CPC in The Hill means to me" video clip >> [Here](#)