

# Open Bible Church Websites

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## Reaching and Communicating

**Website:** [www.openbible.us](http://www.openbible.us) and use the [Click HERE](#). **Sample Site:** [www.huronopenbible.com](http://www.huronopenbible.com)

Complete website tools, setup, and maintenance by SentWeb. The recommended package choice based on church experience!

This information takes a little bit of time to read, but you will quickly see we can meet your needs for an unbelievable price!

### Tested Structure

Your church website has two main purposes: To attract new people and to communicate with those already connected to you. Our tested structure will efficiently and effectively help you accomplish that. Your website will show visitors that you have a standard of professionalism and that you have a lot to offer, no matter how small your church is!

Through the years, we have found a perfect balance of local and distance maintenance to make this package affordable for any size church. Please take time to read over this page to see why this is the right choice.

### Good Stewardship

Hosting, domain, programs, setup, consultation, updating, and maintenance is included for \$77 per month. No setup or design fee! If you were to purchase the hosting and essentials for an empty site yourself, then pay someone minimum wage for two hours per week to be your web master, you would pay more than our cost, but wouldn't have all the effective features we offer.

**Home Page:** Choose whether your home page has an audio intro feature. Four pictures rotate. These same four pictures also rotate on the banner of other pages. Usually one is of the pastor and one of your building. A brief welcome paragraph, a Sunday service times paragraph, a new to town paragraph, and an online sermon reminder paragraph are on the home page. A temperature and time graphic is also shown. The next six events are automatically pulled off your calendar page and displayed on the home page so it looks like your site is updated daily. The main menu buttons on the left side are ordered appropriately for someone considering a visit to your church. About Us, then Service Times, then How to Find Us, etc.

**New to Town Page:** One of the best opportunities for church growth is to connect with people before they move to your community. By providing a page of helpful relocation links that are accurate, people may find you before they even get to town. When people relocate, not only are some looking for a new church, but some are looking at their move as a fresh start and may be more open to visiting a church. We are able to put most of this page together, but we will need to setup a phone appointment with someone in your congregation that can help us with some of the local details.

Our Features Details page on our website links the hard to see pictures below to live examples of features. Visit our website!



**If you were to pay the lowest monthly hosting costs, annual domain costs, and web program costs available and then designate only 2 hours per week for your paid secretary or web help, you will be paying more per month than letting us do it for you!**

**And you wouldn't have all the features below!**

Our pages are designed for newer wide screen monitors. Square monitors are no longer sold, so your site will be structured for the years to come.

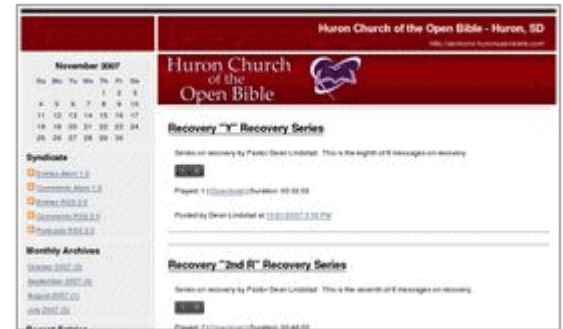
We provide a checklist of information to gather for us as you have time. Once your site is setup, your staff will be responsible for managing the calendar, photo gallery, and sermon updates. All other updates are handled by us via email or telephone. Just tell us what to do!



**Bible Tools Page:** This is a page of great links and tools for Bible Study. This page helps increase visitor traffic to build your position in search engines. Visitors may also keep up with other information about your church while they are on your site. This page also has a sub page with great computer helps to encourage bookmarking this page. We also have a semi-hidden link on this page that will take you to a page with good leadership/pastor resources such as children, youth, and sermon helps. Your own favorite links can be added or the listings can be customized to represent your theological preference.



**Sermons Page/System:** You do not have to use this, but it is ready to go if you do. We provide a local setup guide to help you to be able to record your sermons digitally if you are not already. The sermons system is a separate, included hosting account that has a built-in embedded player (unlike many church sites that just provide a link to a mp3 file hoping the visitor has a program/plugin installed that will play it). Visitors can listen to the current or past sermons directly on your site or they can download the file to their mp3 player or they can subscribe to the podcast to have the sermon automatically downloaded. Your podcast system can be added to iTunes so people can find it from there. This is one of the features of your website that is updated on your end. You, your music person, or sound booth person can login on the Sermons page and upload the sermon file. The system even allows notes, study guides, or outlines to be displayed right next to the play button.



**Calendar Page/System:** Your calendar page has a login link that allows you or your secretary to login, click on a day, add an event, and update the page. It takes about ten minutes to learn how to manage this system. This system is great because it allows non-logged in people (such as department leaders) to click on a day and add an event. Events that are submitted by non-logged in people are not visible to the public. The calendar administrator can periodically login (1-2 times per week) and approve or delete non-logged in submissions. It is a great way to save the secretary a lot of time because people do not have to visit or phone the office to add events. The secretary can use the calendar page as the central reference of all activities to be able to refer to when putting together the weekly bulletin. The next six upcoming events are automatically copied from this system and placed on the Home Page.



**Photo Gallery Page/System:** This is similar in structure to the calendar. A designated person has an administrator login to upload pictures to albums on the Photo Gallery Page. You can have multiple albums to represent areas of your church. In this day of digital cameras, it makes sense to provide a way for the many people in your church to help you collect photos. There is a generic login (different than the administrator's) that will allow people to upload photos to a Submitted Album that visitors cannot see. Periodically (once per week), the administrator can login and move submitted photos from the hidden Submitted Album to public albums. A Photo Gallery helps increase visits to your website where they may look at other pages while they are there. We take pictures from your gallery system to add to enhance other pages.



**Department Pages:** Each department page that you need will list activities and other information along with a rotating photo graphic. Most churches will use some or all of the following department pages: **Children, Junior High, High School** (or combine Jr. and Sr. High into Youth), **Young Adult, Men, Women, Seniors, Missions, Music**. We include a Zone section on each page that has great links to other resources that are appropriate for the type of page. The Zone section works as both a filler and increases returning visitors. There are some customized fun features in the Zone area: puzzle program with your church pics, games with pastor pic/name built in. If you have a large department or have an emphasis on a particular department, we can add sub-pages to handle all the necessary information.



**News Page:** Only a short monthly or weekly message from the pastor will make this page look full, although you can use longer messages. If you produce a newsletter, we can also make it available as a pdf link from the top of this page. It has several news feeds that are updated daily to attract regular visits.

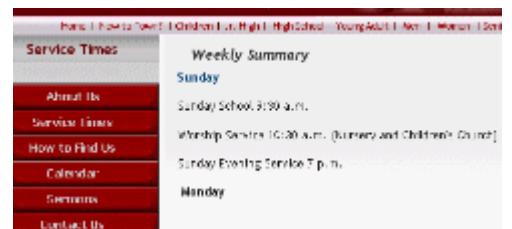
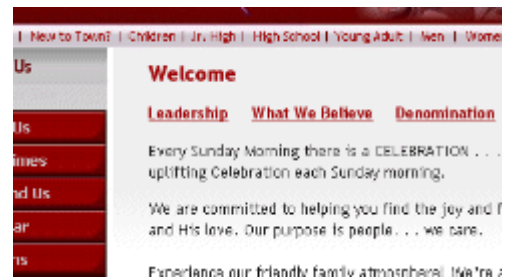
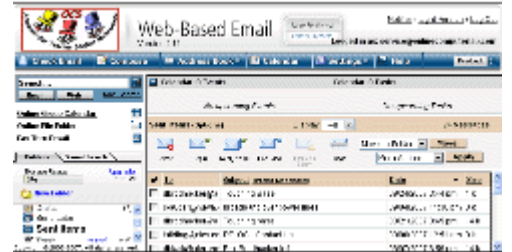
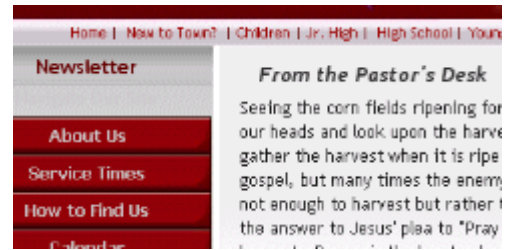
**Email System:** Each website can have as many email accounts as needed. They can be setup to use with Outlook (or any pop program) or they can be used as webmail where users login from the website. Webmail accounts are limited to 10mb of storage except the main office account which is 25mb. Outlook (or pop users) basically have unlimited storage since messages are kept on their hard drive. We provide a transition guide and consultation to move your current email system if needed. Larger storage for webmail accounts is available for an added cost.

**About Us Page:** This page is essentially four pages: About Us Welcome, About Us Leadership (staff pics/bios), About Us What We Believe, About Us Denomination. You can use our generic welcome or one of your own. The Leadership page can be a pastor pic and bio or you can include all of your leaders. Some will just start out with leader photos and title or department. The What We Believe Page is essentially a Statement of Faith. We have found through experience, it is beneficial to use terms directed at the un-churched. The Denomination Page usually includes information about any associations you are connected to. Links to the regional and national sites are often included to build reciprocal links to help in search engines.

**Service Times Page:** This page is a simple list of weekly events and times that can be quickly read. Larger buildings may also want to include room location.

**How to Find Us Page:** This page usually includes driving directions from 2-3 major directions at the top of the page. Then a satellite map, town/city map, then a county/nearby towns map, then a state map all with your church location marked. We can include a link for visitors to enter their starting point for customized directions (at your request).

**Contact Us Page:** This page has your address, shipping address, phone, and fax information listed. The main feature is a form that visitors can type a message and is sent to your main email account. It is a normal spam prevention practice to avoid listing email addresses on a website. This form allows people to send you a message without email-collecting robots harvesting addresses listed on your site. At your request, we can convert email addresses to pictures to avoid robots if you would like people to know your address (es).



**Gospel Message Links:** We can place a direct link on your Home page to one of your sermons that would be a good message for a potential church visitor or non-Christian. Otherwise you can choose a web video feature from numbers 2 or 3. Number 2 is a link to a page with a video of the month which is thought provoking, encouraging, or funny. A similar movie of the month feature is placed on the Youth and Young Adults pages with an emphasis directed toward young people. Number 3 is a more thorough presentation of the Gospel.

**Online Contributions:** At your request, we can create a page where visitors can securely send you money via ATM/credit card using PayPal. As soon as money is sent, you will receive an email notification instantly. You can transfer the money to a designated bank account or leave it with PayPal to collect interest. All credit card systems requires the receiver to pay a bank processing charge which is deducted from the contribution. It is usually 2.9% or less plus a 30 cent transaction fee. (i.e. \$100 transaction would actually give you \$96.80) Note: Most churches rarely receive much money via this method unless you have a unique situation or purpose.

**Continued Development of Features:** We are always researching and developing new features and improvements for your church. We are currently working on web styles/colors and a secure web-based contributions program where data can be entered/viewed from any computer with a secure password.

#### Other Information:

Work or updates sent to us will normally be completed in less than 24 hours on weekdays.

We can add other pages for you that are not listed here.

The banner can be customized with your logo.

We can convert your digital video file to play via an embedded flash player.

If you already have a website, we can take care of the transition for you.

We use metatags, keywords, reciprocal links, home page wording, and other SEO procedures to help you be found.

#### Payment Info to SentWeb:

We have three options: monthly via ATM/credit card, annually via ATM/credit card, and annually via mailed check. Payments using our monthly option will be billed automatically on the same day each month. The two annual options receive two months service free!

For the monthly payment option, we require that you make a commitment of at least one year of our service to cover expenses and design labor.

Your first payment must be received before we can begin building. Some pages may not be complete until you finish sending us checklist information.

There are additional nominal fees for the following: upgrading your sermon system to archive more than a year, upgrading your webmail storage, or adding an email newsletter system.

### Evangelistic Options for Home Page:

1. [Sample Sermon](#)
2. [Monthly Movie Clip](#)
3. If you died today, are you going to Heaven? You do not need to wait to visit our church to find out! [Click Here](#) (normally choose the 256k Windows Media link)

### Youth and Young Adult Page:

[Monthly Movie Clip](#)  
[Youth & Young Adults](#)

