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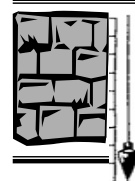
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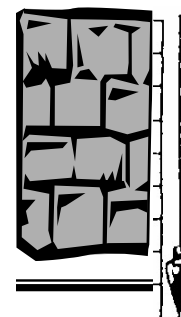


The Plumblin

The Newsletter of the Wilmore Free Methodist Church

*“Do your best to present
yourself to God as one
approved, a workman who does
not need to be ashamed and who
correctly handles the word of truth.”*

—2 Timothy 2:15 (NIV)



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August–September 2007

EVENTS CALENDAR



AUGUST

- 8/1 Pastor Daryl's birthday!
7:00 p.m.
707—"Guitar in the Gazebo"
- 8/4 Laura Roxberry wedding
- 8/8 8:00 p.m.
Finance team meeting
- 8/10 5:45 p.m.
Leave church for Legends' 7:05 p.m. baseball game
- 8/11 9:00 a.m.
Conf. Administration Committee here 10:30 a.m.
Outreach event
- 8/12 7:00 p.m.
Sidewalk social CE training
- 8/15 Public school begins
- 8/17 9:30–11:30 a.m.
Mom-to-Mom fall kickoff celebration
- 8/19 9:40 a.m.
Promotion breakfast 5:00 p.m.
Bible quizzing informational meeting (tentative)
- 8/21 7:00 a.m.
Student prayer breakfasts begin
- 8/22 8:00 p.m.
BOA meeting
- 8/23 6:30 p.m.
Outreach event
- 8/26 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.
CE cecidation

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Still Laughing...Introducing Reed Wilbanks

By Andrea Reinhardt

When God first began to call Reed from a successful career in business to full-time ministry, his wife Anne's response was brief and unambiguous: "Absolutely not!" After all, she was born in Taiwan to missionary parents and spent most of her life as a pastor's kid in the States. She knew what it meant to be part of a pastor's family.

Reed's plea to God was as humble and desperate as any of ours would have been: "Lord, you heard my wife!"

Seven years later, after two relocations, God had been challenging them into lives of deeper discipleship and brought them into a spiritual wilderness. It was then that they began to pray together every day during lunch, asking the "God of second chances" to call them again into ministry if it was His desire. As He began to stir them, they knew they would need a clear sign.

"Lord, how about a lightening bolt?"

The Lord's response? "How about a job loss?"

When Reed's position was dissolved due to his company's merger with Dillard's, he and Anne packed up and



Reed Wilbanks

drove to none other than Wilmore, Kentucky. In 2003, after he had completed the M.Div and Master of Arts in Biblical Studies at Asbury Seminary, they moved again so that Reed could serve as one of the pastors at Frazer UM Church in Alabama, where he has spent the last three and a half years ministering in congregational care. His primary responsibilities have included everything

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Evangelism Opportunities

Evangelism Outreach Schedule

Please join us as we spread God's love in tangible ways through evangelism outreach! We meet at the church at the time listed and then have a short time of orientation before each event. Events last approximately 1.5 hours. Heavy rain cancels the event. For more information, contact Craig Saunders at 858-0887.

- 8/11 10:30 a.m.
Twilight Park Area:
Giving away school supplies
- 8/23 6:30 p.m.
Nicholasville City Park:
Giving away ice cream or drinks
- 9/4 6:30 p.m.
Grinder Court Subdivision:
Labor Day theme
- 9/22 10:30 a.m.
Edgewood Sub./Shun Pike:
To be announced
- 10/20 10:30 a.m.
Keene Way Drive/Bell Place
Subdivision:
To be announced



10/29 6:30 p.m.
Southbrook Subdivision:
Candy give-away

Evangelism Seminar

This seminar does not focus upon the ways to do evangelism; rather, it focuses upon the internal disposition of the Christian and the theological understanding of evangelism. It meets Sunday mornings at 9:40 a.m., in the back of the sanctuary during ABF time.

- 7/29 Purpose-Driven Witnessing—
Trust, Concern, & Encounters
Gaining the Trust of Untrusting
People
- 8/5 Finding our “Center” in
Witnessing—“Two Centers, One
Choice”
Imitating Our Master in Witnessing
- 8/12 GREAT Words for Witnessing—
Urgency & Our Great God
Embracing His Kingdom in Our
World

Meet Our New Parish Nurse

By **Renée Riffell**

Hello! I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Parish Nurse. I am excited to have this opportunity to serve you in this way. I have been a Registered Nurse for nine years and currently practice at Central Baptist Hospital in the Surgical Intensive Care Unit (ICU).



Renée Riffell

As your Parish Nurse, I plan to serve by periodically taking your blood pressure, acting as a resource for minor medical needs, and providing pamphlets that offer information concerning physical, mental and spiritual well-being. If I can assist you in any way, please contact me at 858-9419.



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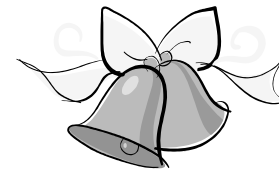
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OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 10/3 Dwight & Kelly Winter
- 10/5 Dennis & Denise Adams
- 10/14 Lyle & Marilyn VanHorn
Rick & Jodi Boyd
- 10/16 Todd & Krista Padgett
- 10/28 Gordon & Dorothy Thompson

Special Dates to Remember

DECEMBER 9, 2007 (EVENING)
Children's Christmas Musical

DECEMBER 16, 2007 (MORNING)
Sanctuary Choir Christmas Presentation

DECEMBER 23, 2007 (EVENING)
Christmas Caroling

APRIL 21, 2008 (EVENING)
Spring Ring V Handbell and Chimes Concert

MAY 4, 2008 (MORNING)
Children-led worship service

MAY 18, 2008 (MORNING)
Youth Musical

Children's Ministries

Jesus loved the little children and so do we. We are excited about the new season in the Children's department. Check out the start-up times for all of our ministries and be sure to have your children here at the beginning so they can meet their new teachers and classmates. If you are looking for a place to plug in and be involved in our children's ministries, please be sure to see Cheryl Schell *soon!*

Christian Life Club (CLC)

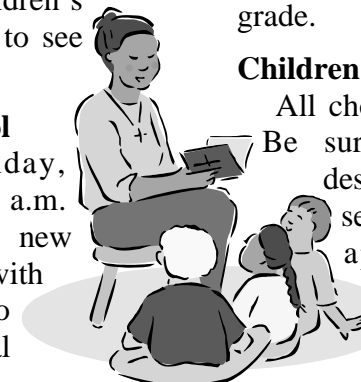
CLC begins Wednesday, September 5, at 7:00 p.m. It is open to children age 4–5th grade.

Children's Worship

This ministry begins Sunday, September 2, during both morning services. It is open to children age 4–3rd grade.

Children's Choirs

All choirs begin September 9 and 11. Be sure to check out the choirs' descriptions in the Take “Note” section on page 8. Sign up for the appropriate choir on the children's choir bulletin board in the main hallway.



Children's Sunday School

Promotion is Sunday, August 19, at 9:40 a.m. Children will meet their new teachers, eat breakfast with their class, and then go to their classroom for the final few minutes.

Grandparents' Day September 9, 2007

Invite your grandchildren to come to church with you, or invite your grandparents! In the worship services, we will be recognizing our grandparents' contributions to the lives of their grandchildren and giving a small gift to grandparents.



The 7th Annual All-Church Breakfast

Sunday, August 19, 2007
9:40 a.m.
Christian Ministry Center
(CMC)



MEMBERSHIP CLASS

If you would like to know more about the Free Methodist Church and about our Wilmore FMC, you are invited to the membership class that will begin meeting in the Library off the church foyer, on Sunday, September 9, at 9:40 a.m. We will meet for 4 weeks and then you can return to your regular Adult Bible Fellowship class. After the class, you will be qualified to join the church, but membership is not required.

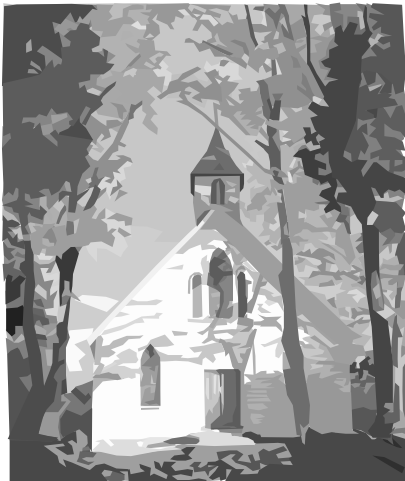
Building Team Update

By Stan Wiggam, Building Team Leader

Your Building Team has remained very busy over the summer months. We continue to meet on a regular basis with our consultant/architect, Royce Bourne. Since the last edition of *The Plumbline* we have spent many hours in studying the future space needs of Christian Education from the nursery to adult programming.

It is a joy and challenge to be evaluating our current space needs and to be planning for future ministry opportunities. We have studied music needs, sanctuary needs, office space, and parking arrangements.

Due to some schedule conflicts and vacations, a special meeting was held on a Saturday morning. (This is a great committee!) We spent over two hours discussing what could be trimmed from



our study of programming space to meet the parameters given by the Finance Team. In other words, what we can afford.

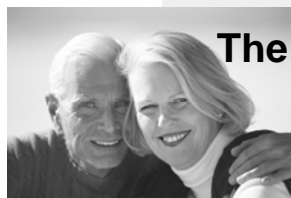
Our next meeting is the second Monday in August. Mr. Bourne is charged with the challenge to bring back his recommendations and design proposals at that time. The Building Team has also been challenged—to a daily call-to-prayer for our architect, for we have reached a critical crossroads in the total process. Will you join us in praying not only for the process but also and especially for Royce Bourne? As we pray, we become more confident in

the Lord's leading. That is exciting! Join with us in prayer and experience the excitement. It is contagious!

Seniors Fellowship: What We Are All About

We are beginning a new year for our Seniors Fellowship, with our first meeting on Friday, September 21, at 11:30 a.m., in the Fellowship Room! This will be a planning meeting, so all seniors are invited to participate. Come for lunch and have input into the programs and activities that we will be having this coming year! Included will be the results of the survey that you took last spring on what you

You Are Invited!
Friday, September 21
11:30 a.m.
The Fellowship Room



would like to do. An outing is planned for the month of October. Come and find out what we are all about!



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 8/1 Aaron & Amie Hall
- 8/4 Chuck & Jody Brock
- 8/6 Mark & Cheryl Schell
- 8/9 Dale & Joyce Underwood
- 8/12 Herbert & Maria Livingston
Keith & Sharon Madison
- 8/13 Ted & Sandy Hall
- 8/19 Don & Lenore Sweigard
- 8/21 Mike & Christine Smith
- 8/22 Stan & Marna Wiggam
- 8/24 Roy & Sue Lauter
- 8/25 Don & Kathleen Demaray
- 8/27 Gary & Amy Hogue
Bryan & Carol Blankenship

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 9/1 Allen & Grace Holmes
Thane & Laura Ury
- 9/2 Robert & Kay Bickert
- 9/3 Al & Arda Wilday
- 9/8 David & Betty Tullar
- 9/15 Ken & Ginny Proctor
- 9/17 Vic & Shirley Hamilton
- 9/21 Rick & Christine Maynard
- 9/25 Daryl & Annette Diddle
- 9/29 Wayne & Alice Rogers



Wilmore Free Methodist Church Vision Statement

*Worshipping truly,
Obeying fully,
Serving joyfully,
Watching expectantly,
Being Christ's presence in the world.*

Wilmore Free Methodist Church Mission Statement

The mission of the WPMC is to glorify God as His holy people in worship, in discipling, and in serving one another and winning, nurturing, and preparing the unconverted in order to fulfill the great commission.

Free Methodist Church of North America Mission Statement

The mission of the Free Methodist Church is to make known to all people everywhere God's call to wholeness through forgiveness and holiness in Jesus Christ, and to invite into membership and to equip for ministry all who respond in faith.

Every Sunday Morning: What Happens at 9:40 a.m.?

By R. Dale Hale

Every Sunday morning, Christian men, women, boys, and girls get out of bed to begin a day that is different from all the rest. Most of these people travel the same road every week, going to church. Attendance is not regulated according to gender, race, or age. They are an eclectic group of people whose purpose for gathering has been the same for centuries—to worship their God.

While not always sharing the same political views, the same philosophical views, or even the same religious views, still they come together. They characteristically set aside time for studying the scriptures together in a teaching/learning atmosphere. This time has been called Sunday school and has for many years provided "formal education" for local churches.

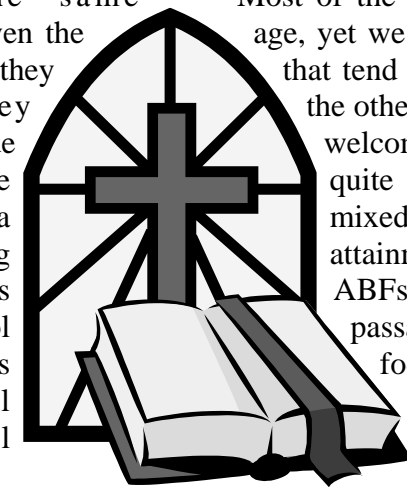
While it is formal education, participants normally do not take tests, write papers, or have any other "course requirements" placed on them. They also receive no grades or credits for completion of a "course." Their overall "GPA" is not touched by their participation. Their jobs may be impacted by their attendance in Sunday school, but not necessarily with enhanced skills. They will not necessarily receive greater pay, enjoy a more lavish lifestyle, nor be rewarded for their participation. So, what is it that keeps them going back for more? What draws adults into a Sunday school

class? What keeps them coming? What do they get out of the class they attend? What does Sunday school do for them that other groups do not?

Simply put, in a church the size of ours, Sunday school, or Adult Bible Fellowships (ABFs), is where individuals can be connected to the larger congregation through smaller groups. Most of our Adult Bible Fellowship groups range in number from 8 to 40. Most of the ABFs are not controlled by age, yet we do have a couple of groups

that tend to be more age specific. On the other hand, people of all ages are welcome in any of our ABFs, and quite frequently, the classes are mixed by age, gender, educational attainment, and race. Some of our ABFs focus on a particular passage of scripture. Others focus on either current events and how these events are met by Christians or some other method of practicing Christian principles.

If you want to feel connected and learn how to live a godly life, while at the same time enjoying the fellowship of other believers, let me encourage you to become a part of one of our Adult Bible Fellowships. You will find them engaging, warm, inviting, and open for your contribution and participation. For a complete list of the ABFs, please stop by the Welcome Center and ask for this information or visit the church website at www.wfmc.net.



Women's Ministries

Ladies' Fall Retreat

The 2007 WFCM Ladies' Fall Retreat will be held October 26–27, at Kavanaugh Life Enrichment Center in Crestwood, KY. All ladies over 18, please make plans now to attend this special event! Watch for more details this fall.

Mom-to-Mom

All moms are invited to join us at our annual Kick-Off Celebration on August 17, 9:30–11:30 a.m., in the CMC building. All moms are welcome to come every Friday for fellowship, food, fun, and getting to know and support each other. Childcare is provided for nursery-age and older children. Upcoming highlights in our schedule this semester include:

- Monthly socials
- Baby showers
- *Seasons of a Mother's Heart* book study
- John Rosemond's *Six-Point Plan for Raising Happy, Healthy Children*
- Meal planning and saving money
- *Mommy's Locked Herself in the Bathroom* book study
- History of holiday traditions

Beloved Disciple: The Life and Ministry of John

by Beth Moore

John was there when Jesus turned the water to wine, offered living Water to the woman at the well, yielded to His Father's will in the garden of Gethsemane, and gave His life on a Roman cross. One unforgettable morning young John outran Peter to his Savior's empty tomb. John recorded his risen Lord's glorious revelation of victory and hope.

Just as Christ took John on a lifelong journey into the depths of His love, He will do the same for you. This 11-week interactive study for women includes personal, daily assignments and weekly, video-centered group sessions.

When: Tuesday nights
6:30–8:45 p.m.
Sept. 11–Dec. 4

Where: WFCM

Cost: \$15 (due first night, for workbook)

Childcare: Provided from infancy to age 6 (72 months)

For more information, contact Pam Pepper at peppers@windstream.net or 223-7495.

Cut out and place in basket at Welcome Center.

Beloved Disciple: A Beth Moore Bible Study

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ E-mail: _____

_____ Birthday: _____

I need childcare: Yes No No. of children infant– age 6: _____



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 8/1 Daryl Diddle
Jeff Hiatt
Seth Padgett
Ben Marchál
- 8/3 David McMichael
- 8/4 Variee
VanLaningham
Mary Sutherland
- 8/5 Faith Branan
- 8/7 Rosie Cooper
- 8/8 Ruth Brown
- 8/11 Zachary Wilson
- 8/13 Johnetta Zweifel
Andrew Sweigard
David Tullar
Daniel Weigle
- 8/16 Sandy Hall
- 8/17 Del Searls
Debby Marchál
Julie Caldwell
- 8/19 Michele Martin
- 8/20 Mary Ellen Martin
Don Joy
Fran May
- 8/22 Karen Jamison
Cheryl Faul
- 8/24 Nathan Wittenberg
- 8/25 Mark
VanLaningham
Caitlyn Tullar
Nathan Saunders
- 8/26 David R. Bauer
Jonathan Skaggs
- 8/30 William Kusche
- 8/31 Melody Branan
Sarah Brooks

Happy
Birthday!



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 10/1 Hannah Weigle
David Wilkerson
Katie Winter
- 10/2 Gerard Faber
- 10/3 Marna Wiggam
Denise Adams
Gordon
Thompson
- 10/5 Ed Kusche
- 10/8 Harold Burgess
- 10/9 Isaac Maynard
- 10/12 Timothy
Thomas
- 10/13 Lisa Kellogg
Lynne Fuller
Samuel
Maynard
- 10/15 Ruth Cook
Irma Morris
Gregory
Weinberger
- 10/16 Craig Saunders
- 10/17 Anna
Blankenship
- 10/18 Ruth
Weinberger
- 10/19 Ruth VanGilder
- 10/20 Cheryl Crowe
Anna Dickie
- 10/22 Michael Hamley
- 10/24 Keith Madison
Aaron Sweigard
Jennie Lovell
Diane Muñoz
Bev Underwood
- 10/26 Luke
VanLaningham
Laura Branan
- 10/27 Dean Weigle
- 10/29 Margaret
Dargan
- 10/31 Jim Savage



Couples' Night Out

So what are you doing Tuesday nights? Beginning Tuesday, September 11, from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., the WFCM Marriage and Family Team is sponsoring *10 Great*

Dates to Energize Your Marriage.

This insightful book and video course by David and Claudia Arp helps spark romance with memory-making evenings built on key, marriage-enriching themes such as communication, conflict, encouragement, creative love life, and balancing roles of parent and partner.

After a 15-minute video that sets the stage for discussion, couples are sent out for their own private dates. The program will run 6:30–8:30 p.m., for 10 weeks.

Whether newlywed or newly retired, quiver full or empty nest, sandwich generation or Gen-X, parents of toddler or parents of teen, ho hum or humming along, all types of marriages can benefit from this investment in great dates.



This program is also a great outreach opportunity!

The cost is \$12 per couple for the book, due at registration. Childcare is provided at the church for infants up to age 6. If interested and needing childcare, please complete the registration form below by August 20 and put it and your check, marked "Couples Night Out," in the basket at the Welcome Center. Watch the bulletin for more details or contact Mike and Christine Smith at 838-0306.

Cut out and hand in, with book payment, at the Welcome Center.

Couples' Night Out:

10 Great Dates to Energize Your Marriage

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ E-mail: _____

I need childcare: Yes No No. of children infant– age 6: _____

Christmas Choir

Yes, believe it or not, Christmas is just a few months away! The Sanctuary Choir will begin rehearsing music for their Christmas cantata in early October. If you enjoy singing and ministering through song, and would like to make a short-term commitment to the "Christmas Choir," you are welcome to join us for rehearsals beginning early October. Watch the bulletin and the next issue of *The Plumline* for more information and rehearsal schedules or contact Rose Evans at 858-0514.



Take “Note”...

Are you looking for ways to use your gifts and talents in some form of ministry? Do you enjoy making music and having genuine fellowship with other believers? If so, then perhaps one of the music ensembles at WFMC is just the opportunity for you! This fall our ensembles meet again for weekly rehearsals. Our groups range from pre-K to adult and from hand chimes to adult choir. There is something for everyone and all are invited to participate. Please don't miss this opportunity to further develop your musical gifts and grow spiritually. Please feel free to contact any of these directors with more specific questions or concerns.

Children's Vocal and Instrumental Ensembles

Young Musicians (Age 4 by October 1st)

Director, Cheryl Schell
Begins Tuesday, September 11th
7:00–7:30 p.m.

Sign up on children's choir bulletin board
Limit of 10 children; a parent must attend

Friendship Company (Grades K–1st)

Director, Lenore Sweigard
Begins Tuesday, September 11th
7:00–7:30 p.m.

Sign up on children's choir bulletin board

Heaven's Harmony (Grades 2–5)

Director, Cheryl Schell
Begins Sunday, September 9th
5:00–5:55 p.m.

Sign up on children's choir bulletin board

Chimes of Joy (Grades 2–5)

Director, Pam Hiatt
Begins Sunday, September 9th
3:45–4:55 p.m.

Sign-up on children's choir bulletin board

Youth and Adult Vocal Ensembles

Youth Choir (Grades 6–12)

Director, Mark Schell
Begins Sunday, September 9th
4:45–5:45 p.m.

Sign up on student bulletin board

Sanctuary Choir

(Post-high school and above)

Director, Rose Evans
Begins Sunday, September 9th
4:45–5:45 p.m.

Youth and Adult

Instrumental Ensembles

Allegro Handbell Choir (Grades 6–12)

Director, Rose Evans
Begins Sunday, September 9th
3:45–4:30 p.m.

Sign up on student bulletin board

Tintinnabulation Handbell Choir (Grades 6–12)

Director, Katie Warnock
Begins week of September 9th, date and time to be announced

Sign up on student bulletin board

One Accord Handbell Choir

(Post high-school and young adult)

Director, Katie Warnock
Begins Sunday, September 9th,
immediately after evening worship service
Contact Director for more information

We BELLieve Handbell Choir (Grade 9–Adult)

Director, Mark Schell
Begins Tuesday, September 11th
6:55–7:45 p.m.

Beginning/Intermediate level

JuBELLation Handbell Choir (Grade 9–Adult)

Director, Mark Schell
Begins Tuesday, September 11th
7:50–8:40 p.m.
Advanced level

For more information regarding ensembles, as well as Sunday morning solos, small groups, and instrumental opportunities, please see the music brochure at the Welcome Center in the main foyer of the church.



Events Calendar

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OCTOBER

10/5–6

New South Conference
“Mustering the Men” retreat

10/6 Oil change for single moms

10/14 7:00 p.m.
Hayride and bonfire social

10/15 Public school fall break begins

10/17 No CLC tonight

10/18 Ladies' night out

10/19–20 Wilmore ladies' retreat

10/20 8:00 a.m.
Men's breakfast
9:00 a.m.
Church work day
10:30 a.m.
Outreach event

10/21 6:00 p.m.
Healing service

10/26–27 Ladies' fall retreat

10/29 6:30 p.m.
Outreach event

10/31 7:00 p.m.
Harvest party in CLC



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/1 Gilbert Roller
Caleb Coulliette
Megan Nowitzki
Jodi Boyd

9/2 RoseMary Nowitzki

9/4 Lyn Searls
Lucille Gilmore

9/5 Brian Nowitzki

9/6 Jonathan Case

9/9 Lynn Cooper
Dan Smith

9/10 Hannah Schell

9/11 Loyd Cook
Ginny Proctor

9/12 Joyce Thomas
Stephen Anstett
Carol Blankenship

9/13 Hope Owsley
Wyndham Cannon

9/14 Barry May
Judy Metcalf
Michael Dickie

9/15 Rachel VanLaningham
Hunter Swaim
Devon Roxberry
Jennifer Reynolds

9/17 Kathryn Brown
Timothy Bowen
Derrick Simpson

9/18 Tamra Nowitzki
Kara Ostroske

9/19 Christine Maynard
Amy Hogue
Ben Riffell

9/20 Ted Hall

9/21 Laura Fellows
Jeneane Denger

9/22 Gary Bailey
Sam Gilmore

9/25 Benjamin Arnold
Sarah Kusche

9/26 Laura Busch
Vic Hamilton

9/27 Sarah Spencer
Amanda Griffin

9/28 Nancy Fellows
Cameron Ury

9/29 Marilyn Swaim

9/30 Ralph Yoder
Mark Martin

Men's Ministries

Please contact Glen Weinberger at 536-0431 for questions about any of the events listed below. If you would like to make any suggestions or have any questions concerning the Men's Ministry, please call Glen or leave a note in the Men's Ministry mail slot in the church office.

Legends Baseball Game

The game is at 7:05 p.m., on August 10. We'll meet at the church and leave at 5:45 p.m. Contact Brian Brownlow at 321-8489 for more information.

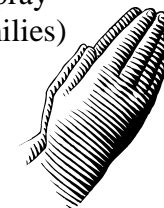
Men's Breakfast, Fall Kickoff

September 15, at 8:00 a.m., kicks off men's breakfasts for the fall at Golden Corral in Nicholasville. Please bring a friend. The devotion leader will be announced later. Contact Ron Redmon at 858-9911 for more information. The October breakfast is scheduled for the 20th. The location will be announced at a later date.

Let's Go to the Lord in Prayer

This September is Prayer Emphasis month, a chance to highlight our prayer ministries. Please consider how the Lord may be calling you. Here are some prayer opportunities:

- Wed. prayer meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- Men's prayer meeting on Tuesdays at 6:30 a.m.
- Women's prayer meeting on Tuesday at 8:00 a.m.
- The Prayer Chain (phone or email)
- “Prayer for the Flock” (pray weekly for 7 church families)
- “Prayer for the Youth” (once a month during Wed. prayer meeting)



Heavy Equipment Day (& Cookout)

On September 22, at 9:00 a.m., the men will host a Heavy Equipment Day and cookout at the church. Other details will be announced later.

Oil Change for Single Moms

On October 6, at 9:00 a.m., the men's ministry will again provide oil changes for single moms. Contact Arv Metcalf at 858-4063 for more information. The appointment sign-up deadline will be announced later.

Church Work Day

At 9:00 a.m., on October 20, the church has scheduled a work day. Both the inside and the outside of the church campus and grounds will be cleaned and prepped for the fall and winter months. Contact Tim Bickert at 858-0911 or Dwight Winter at 858-3521 for more information.

- Making breakfast for the student prayer meeting
- Prayer meetings for the grandchildren, the lost, missions
- The Prayer Team, which organizes special prayer events

You can sign up for these prayer events on September 9 and 16, or email Kathy Davila at mkdavila@adelphia.net or Donna Flanigan at donna.flanigan@asbury.edu.

The Lord loves to listen to his children praying. May the Lord bless you in your daily talks with Him. Remember, “When we work, we work; when we pray, God works.” Make this year the most effective ever by spending more time in prayer.



HS Christian Leadership Series

Have you ever asked yourself these questions?

- What does it mean to lead?
• What makes a leader a leader?
• Do you have to be born a leader or can leaders be made?
• Do differences exist between leadership principles valued by the world and those valued by Jesus Christ?
• How does Christian transformation fit into this equation?
• Why would God choose me as a leader?

Life doesn't come with guarantees. There's no guarantee this series will answer all these questions, but part of an answer's value comes from the very search itself.

We started Sunday, July 22, at 9:40 a.m., but there's still time to join us in the High School Student Bible Fellowship class as we wrestle with the issue of Christian leadership and our roles as leaders.

Many thanks to the following Christian leaders who have agreed to help us in this exciting treasure hunt:

- July 22 – Leonard Fitch
• July 29 – Denise Adams
• August 5 – Cathy Stonehouse
• August 12 – John Swaim
• August 19 – (Promotion Sunday)
• August 26 – Bob Barnard

If you are high school age, please join us. If your child is high school age, please encourage him or her to participate in this important series.

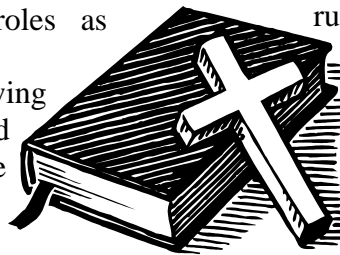
National Bible Quiz Results

Our two Bible quiz teams spent the week of June 25–29 on the campus of Roberts Wesleyan College (Rochester, NY) competing in the National Bible Quiz Finals for the Free Methodist Church. There were 112 teams participating, and almost 700 individuals in attendance (quizzers, coaches, parents, etc.).

Our Young Teen Veteran (YTV) team, consisting of Caleb Blankenship, Sam Cooper, and Hannah Schell, finished the week undefeated at 21-0, to capture their second straight national championship (Caleb and Sam teamed up with two other youth last year to win the Young Teen Rookie championship in their first year of quizzing).

Our second team, consisting of Luke Hiatt and Christa Stackhouse, competed in the Young Teen Rookie A (YTR-A) division (the top division for rookies). Luke was in his very first year and Christa in her second. With teams usually consisting of at least three members, our two-person team finished runner up in the nation in their division. (Matt Liversedge, a member of this team the entire past year, could not attend nationals due to a family commitment. We sorely missed him, but greatly appreciated his participation throughout the year!)

In addition to our teams' successes, two quizzers finished in the top six in their respective individual competitions. Luke Hiatt placed fifth in YTR-A; and Sam Cooper second in YTV. Coaches Bryan Blankenship and Paul Stackhouse want to express their



Student Leaders



Events Calendar

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- 7:00 p.m. Sidewalk social
8/29 7:00 p.m. Prayer walk 707—"Guitar in the Gazebo"

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- 9/2 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Children's Worship begins
9/3 Labor Day! Church office closed
9/4 6:30 p.m. Outreach event
9/5 7:00 p.m. CLC begins 707 fall kickoff
9/9 9:40 a.m. Membership class begins Music rehearsals begin
9/11 Tuesday music rehearsals begin 6:30–8:30 p.m. 10-week Couples' Night Out program begins 6:30–8:45 p.m. 11-week Beth Moore Bible study begins
9/15 8:00 a.m. Men's breakfast fall kickoff
9/16 7:00 p.m. Pie & ice cream social
9/21 11:30 a.m. Seniors' luncheon
9/22 9:00 a.m. Heavy equipment day and cookout 10:30 a.m. Outreach event
9/26 See You at the Pole™

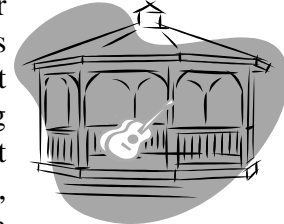
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incredible pride (the good kind!) in these two teams, as well as thank this church so much for their wonderful and prayerful support.

At least five new youth have already expressed interest in joining the team this fall to quiz over Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon. Please watch the bulletin for the date and time (tentatively Sunday, August 19 at 5:00 p.m.) for an informational meeting for families (parents, youth, etc.) interested in the Bible quiz program.

"Guitar in the Gazebo"

Providing an atmosphere that models and encourages sharing personal testimonies, "Guitar in the Gazebo" meets on select Wednesdays during 707. At the last meeting, five people, including three youth, shared their testimonies.



Introducing Reed Wilbanks

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from conducting funerals to overseeing the counseling center.

When they first considered the idea of transitioning into youth ministry, Reed admits that he and Anne laughed like Abraham and Sarah: they have never had children, are in their early forties, and his role as a pastor has most often dealt with the opposite age group in the church. However, once again, God showed them how much of a heart they have for youth and helped them to realize that the ministry itself isn't so different.

"The connection is not as big of a jump as it seems," he explains. "Whether it's young people or older people, the common element is a desire for real relationships. Both groups need it."

Student Volunteers in Action

Wilmore's Stonebridge Saturday Night Concerts provide a free, family-friendly evening of entertainment each Saturday at 7:00 p.m., on Wilmore's Downtown Green (www.wilmore.org/concerts.htm).

Did you know WFMC youth are helping our own Cecil Zweifel run the popcorn stand at these concerts? Come encourage our teens, enjoy a relaxing evening, and help make sure Coach Zweifel doesn't gobble up all the popcorn by himself!

Coming Up!

- 8/1 707—"Guitar in the Gazebo"
8/10 HS & MS Fun Friday Legends Baseball
8/15 Public School begins
8/19 Promotion Sunday
8/21 Prayer Breakfasts begin
8/29 707—"Guitar in the Gazebo"
9/5 707—Fall Kick-Off
9/26 See You at the Pole™

Furthermore, he has been encouraged as God has continued to show him how well the transition fits what he is most excited about: "My passion for ministry is shaping and forming authentic Christian disciples...What I would do for all of my days, at least as far as I am able, is to spend my life forming and shaping disciples into a community of real, authentic Christians who are living out the faith."

Though he admits that he does not have ideas for elaborate programs nor years of experience in youth ministry, he does have an unwavering commitment to the youth: "I'm willing to be there for you. More importantly, I believe in what God wants to do in you and through you."

He says that he and Anne are still laughing...only now, it's "not out of shock but out of joy."