

The Plumblin

Newsletter of the Wilmore Free Methodist Church

November / December 2010

Events Calendar

NOVEMBER:

- Nov. 2 - Election Day! No school
- Nov. 5 - 12:00 noon, Senior Adult Luncheon
- Nov. 6 - 9:00-12:00 Membership Class
- Nov. 7 - Communion in morning worship Daylight Savings Time ends
- Nov. 11 - 7:00 p.m. Ladies' Night Out
- Nov. 10 - 4:00-8:00 p.m. Blood Drive in CMC
- Nov. 12-13 - Crossroads Young Adult Retreat
- Nov. 14 - 6:00 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Worship Service
- Nov. 20 - 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast at CMC
- Nov. 21 - 6:00 p.m. All-Church Thanksgiving Dinner
- Nov. 24 - Office closes at noon through Friday the 26th, No Wed. activities
- Nov. 28 - First Sunday in Advent

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How Beautiful!

Pastor Daryl

"How beautiful...are the feet of those who bring good news!" That's what the prophet Isaiah proclaimed and the Apostle Paul quoted to the Roman church. It's a declaration for all times: from God's perspective, people who bring good news are to be celebrated!

Of course, that's not always how it works in our day, is it? Sometimes, we offer people the good news of Jesus, but they don't seem to think it's so good. Sometimes they even get offended; we're accused of being judgmental. We're offering forgiveness to people who aren't convinced they need to be forgiven. From their perspective, I guess that would seem pretty judgmental. So what do we do with that? How do we respond?

Sometimes we're tempted to stop sharing the good news because we don't want to offend. After all, we all want to be liked by others...we want to seem "beautiful" in their eyes. So we mind our own business and keep the good news to ourselves...and we're wracked with guilt (and maybe conviction) because we know better than to do that.

It's good to remember that evangelism is a divine thing. God draws people to Himself. No matter how hard we try, we can't convince people to follow Jesus. They have to come to that conclusion on their own; they have to recognize that need in their lives...and God helps them with that.

What we're responsible to do is simply tell the story of what Jesus has done for us. God wants us to offer others our testimony—about how Jesus has delivered us from this or that, how He's given us peace and joy, how He's helped straighten out our family and marriage. Whatever He's done for us, that's what we're responsible to share with others.

That's what it means to be a witness.

We'll never be able to change a heart. Only God can do that. We **can** be God's witness...His mouthpiece to speak of His power, as we've experienced it, to the world around us. That kind of consistent, personal, honest, joyful witness is what will win our family, our

neighborhoods, our communities, and our world...one person at a time.

Sure, some people aren't ready to hear what Jesus has done for us...but many, many others are, and the great thing is, it's God's job to sort them out, not ours. Being, as Jesus said, a "fisher of men," means always keeping our line in the water and trusting that those whom God has made hungry will bite.

Our feet are beautiful to God if our line is always in the water, offering the good news of Jesus. Give thanks today for what Jesus has done for you, and no matter what those around you say, keep fishing!



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Getting to know you...

by Shirley McMillan



Matt and Cricket Albertson
Michael (10), Mattie (9) and Isaiah (6)

The Albertsons were looking for a church close to home - one with a superb kids' program, strong preaching and an emphasis on biblical holiness. They found all this and more at WFMC and began attending in August 2007.

Cricket grew up in Wilmore, the daughter of Al and Beth Coppedge and granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. Dennis Kinlaw. Matt's family moved to Wilmore when he was in fourth grade and his dad answered a call to ministry, enrolled in college and later seminary, then put Matt's mother through UK. They now pastor in Williamsburg, Kentucky.

Matt and Cricket met in sixth grade and began dating as high school seniors in youth group. They were married during their senior year at Asbury College. Michael, Mattie, and Isaiah attend Wilmore Elementary School, and all three have trusted Jesus as Savior. The family enjoys indoor and outdoor family fun times – trips, going to the beach, football, soccer, indoor games, and reading aloud together. C. S. Lewis is one of their favorite authors.

Matt teaches biology at West Jessamine High School and is studying administration at Eastern Kentucky University. Cricket cares for her grandfather, "Papa," and serves as his research assistant at the Francis Asbury Society. She also disciples young women and is involved with Titus Women Bible studies, conferences, and prayer ministry. Last year she spent three weeks in Uganda with her brother Billy and his wife, Joanna, WGM missionaries. Through interpreters she helped

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Dave and Bobbie Grant
Meri (6) and Ashley (1)

The Grants moved to Wilmore from Ringgold, Georgia for Dave to attend seminary after he had worked as a paralegal for 13 years and a part-time youth pastor for four. Their introduction to WFMC was the Independence Day picnic in 2008, and they began attending here that August. Dave and Bobbie work in the Children's Worship program, and Bobbie also serves in the nursery.

Dave grew up in a Christian family and "always knew" he wanted to follow Christ. He took confirmation classes and committed his life to Christ at an early age. Bobbie responded to Jesus at age nine during Vacation Bible school at the baptist church that she and her family attended in Jefferson, Georgia. "Mama, tomorrow when they give the invitation, I'm going up there," she told her mother one evening, and did just that.

While at Tennessee Technical University, two of Dave's mentors in the Wesley Foundation told him they thought he was called to the ministry. "I explored and prayed about it," he says, "and it became clear that I needed to go to seminary."

After college, Dave and Bobbie met on a double-blind date to which he had reluctantly agreed. They dated for three years and were married nine years ago in the United Methodist church where he grew up in Chattanooga.

Bobbie is a middle school math teacher at Lexington Traditional Magnet School, and Dave works part-time for the archives at the seminary. After he

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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 Wilmore Free Methodist Church 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.

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Grandparents Who Pray - A Special Group

Who is Invited?

You, if you're a grandparent! Would you like to pray with other grandparents for your grandchildren? If so, this may be the group for you.

What is It?

Grandparents Who Pray is a group of grandparents who have been meeting regularly now for seven years and because of sustained interest and growth, has now divided into two groups so that more grandparents can participate.

Each meeting begins with a Pot Luck Meal at 6:00 P.M. Each one brings a dish to share. This provides great fellowship and wonderful food. Around 7:00 p.m. each evening, a short devotional is offered, then praises prayer requests for children and grandchildren are given, then we pray. It is the goal to pray for each grandchild. Therefore, after general sharing, the group is broken into smaller groups so that

grandchildren can be prayed for by name. We try to dismiss around 8:30 P.M.

Please bring pictures of your grandchildren to pass around. We pray regularly for almost 200 grandchildren.

When is It?

This year you may choose to meet either on the first Monday of the month or the third Thursday. The next dates for 2010 are:

- Monday, November 1, 2010
- Thursday, November 18, 2010

Where Does It Meet?

Grandparents Who Pray meets at the home of Jay and Margaret Dargan, 301 Corbitt Dr., in Wilmore. If you have further questions, call Margaret at 858-3183.

If you aren't praying for your grandchildren, who is? Come and share. You and your family will be blessed.

WELCOME!

♪ **Getting to know you...** ♪
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train pastors and church leaders in the "Bible-storying" method of teaching adults and children in an oral society.

Matt accepted Christ in a high school Sunday school class. Cricket trusted Jesus at age four and made a deeper commitment at age 13. "As we walk with Jesus as a family," she says, "we are continually delighted with His amazing love and love gifts." Matt serves on the church Parking Team and Cricket on the Pastor's Cabinet. They are grateful for the blessings of a caring church where they feel support on every level.

graduates with his M.Div. next spring, they plan to return to the Holston Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, where he will serve as a pastor.

"The desire of our hearts is to know and do God's will," says Bobbie.

"I'm excited to discover where God is going to take us," Dave adds.

Daughter, Meri, a first-grader, is already thinking about her future. She recently told her parents, "I just don't know what I want to do when I grow up, and I've got to decide!"

Future Plumline Deadlines	
Jan–Feb 2011	December 15
Mar–Apr 2011	February 15
May–Jun 2011	April 15

With this issue of the Plumline, we say "Goodbye" and "Thank you" to Jennie Lovell, who has ably served as editor since the summer of 2006. Her skills and professionalism have been much appreciated. Bless you, Jennie, as you continue in your many other family and church responsibilities.

Library News

New Books for the Library

Remember, library books may be checked out for **THREE** weeks.

For Preschoolers

- [Ten Little Ladybugs](#)
- [Let's Have a Daddy Day](#)
- [The Miracle of Easter](#)
- [The Thanksgiving Surprise](#)

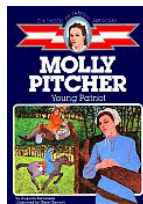


For Beginning Readers: (I Can Read Series)

- [Little David's Brave Day](#)
- [Sticking to It : A lesson in Trustworthiness](#)
- [Queen Esther Helps God's People](#)
- [What Do I See?](#)
- [Ruby Bakes a Cake](#)
- [Frank and Beans and the Grouchy Neighbor](#)
- [Frank and Beans and the Scary Campout](#)
- [Fancy Nancy Sees Stars](#)

For Grades 1 -5:

- [Molly Pitcher, Young Patriot](#)
- [Elsie's Journey on Inland Waters](#)



For Youth:

- [Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul](#)
- [Every Young Man's Battle](#)

For Adults:

- [Chaplaincy: Being God's Presence in Closed Communities](#) by Dean Cook
- [The Sacred Shore](#) (Large Print)
- [The Birthright](#) (Large Print)
- [Prairie Rose](#)
- [The Waiting Time](#)
- [Though None Go With Me](#)
- [More Than a Great Wedding](#)
- [Home to Holly Springs](#)
- [The Gates of Zion](#)

New DVDs in the Library

DVDs, videos, CDs, and cassettes may be checked out for **ONLY ONE** week. Please follow this guideline so others can check them out, too.

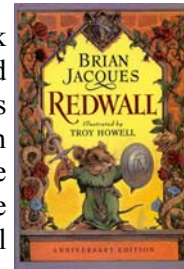
- [Timothy Goes to School](#)
- [Speedy Gets Rescued](#)

- [Veggie Tales - Sweet Pea Beauty](#)
- [BibleMan - Blasting the Big Game Master Bully](#)
- [Life at the Pond - Big Mouth Bass](#)
- [The Flockhearts - Form Full of Faith](#)
- [The Flockhearts - Blessing in Disguise](#)
- [Christmas Child](#)

Book Reviews

Redwall by Brian Jacques Review by Ben Diddle (age 8)

Redwall is the first book in a series about mice and other woodland creatures defending their home which is called Redwall. They are defending it from Cluny the Scourge, a rat, and his evil army. Matthias, the main character, and leader of the Redwall animals, experiences many adventures while defending his home. Who will win the battle? Matthias or Cluny? You'll have to read the book to find out!



The Mystery of the Silver Dolphin by E.C. Murphy

Review by Nathan Riffell (age 7)

This is a story about how you should not give false testimony. That is one of the Ten Commandments. Titus is an errand person or a gopher. Steve teases him. One of the professor's dolphin sculptures is missing from her collection. Titus thinks it is just lost, but Steve gave false testimony and said Titus stole it! Actually, Steve sold it to a Swap Shop. The mystery is how they find out the truth and find the missing dolphin. I think any boy or girl should read this book and find out!

Renew Items Promptly

If you need to renew any items, please check with the librarian, Bonnie Koteskey, at 858-3436. It is important to return the materials when they are due so that others can check them out.

Happy November and December Birthday/Anniversary to:

- 11/1 Dick Barker
Hayden Bryson
- 11/2 Evelyn Madill
- 11/3 Phoebe Boileau
- 11/5 Patti Fiskeaux
Virginia Brubaker
- 11/6 Mike Montgomery
- 11/7 Benjamin Diddle
Karen Koehn
Anne Wilbanks
Lee Taylor
▲ - Wally and Bev Underwood
- 11/8 Amy Cooper
Will Cooper
Sam Powdrill
- 11/9 Annette Wittenberg
- 11/10 Chris Muller
▲ - Eric & Kelly Zabilka
- 11/11 Christina Sutherland
- 11/13 Earle Bowen
Aurora Wang
- 11/14 Beth Ury
- 11/15 Carrie Hamley
- 11/17 Jerry Faber
- 11/18 John Crow
Josie Anna Disoponette
- 11/19 Rita Schreiner
Sebastian Hersey
- 11/21 Erin McLaughlin
Ruby Branan
Dale Kierstead
- 11/22 Robbie Joy
- 11/24 Byron Skaggs
Laura Ury
- 11/26 Christine Smith
Steve Hersey
▲ - Jon & Amanda Reifsnyder
- 11/27 Rachel Weinberger
▲ - Paul & Lisa Kellogg
- 11/28 Chadwick Spencer
Rochelle Sherry
Danny Hood
Charles Kierstead
- 11/29 Lenore Sweigard

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Birthdays/ Anniversaries

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- ▲ - Glen & Donna Flanigan
11/30 David Martin
Kelly Winter
Mark Evans
Joe Crouse
12/1 David Diddle
Rose & Emily Davila
12/2 ▲ - Robert & Cindy Simpson
12/3 Noel Taylor
12/4 Pam Hiatt
Marlee Faul
12/5 Patti Butterworth
Victoria Kusche
Megan Kidwell
Lorrie Liversedge
12/6 Don Demaray
Kate Madill
Rose Branam
12/7 Paul Donovan
12/8 Don Butterworth
Laurel Yoder
Ben Rogers
Kiah Earle
12/9 Paul Diddle
John Swaim
Dennis Adams
Meri Grant
12/10 Juliana Gómez
Johnson Cannon
12/11 Jackie Wiggam
12/12 Helen Carson
12/13 ▲ - Johnson & Amy Cannon
Bobbie Grant
12/14 Barbara Crouse
Elizabeth Brown
12/15 Todd Padgett
Lynne Neyman
▲ - Anthony & Adina Headley
▲ - Gene & June Lintemuth
12/16 Liam Reifsnyder
John Ireland
Katie Ostroske
12/17 ▲ - Brian & RoseMary Nowitzki
12/18 ▲ - Mike & Faye Montgomery
12/19 Gary Martin
▲ - Paul & Felicia Roher
12/20 Dwight Winter

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Foundation, Faith, Future

Mike Pepper

I exhort you, dear brothers and sisters, to persevere as we continue to pray and give towards our Foundation, Faith, Future campaign. The writer of Hebrews says in 10:23-25, *“Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”*

Be encouraged! Your FFF team is continually monitoring the capital campaign and notes that we’re on track to collect all that was pledged by December 2011.

Be encouraged! Many folks who have not pledged are giving towards the campaign.

Be encouraged! We did not commit to indebtedness but have been prudent in faithfully waiting until a substantial amount of money has been raised before making a commitment of a date to commence building.

Be encouraged! We are close to having \$1 million in hand toward FFF.

Be encouraged! Construction costs and loan costs are lower than when we embarked on this project.

Be encouraged...in giving so that we can have in excess of \$1.8 million, the original amount desired, before we start to build.

Be encouraged...when you see overcrowded nurseries and classrooms. God is blessing us with growing families who will benefit from more space as we make room for more.

Be encouraged...when you’re stuck in traffic, rubbing elbows with someone you may be meeting for the first time as you’re leaving the sanctuary through the crowded foyer.

Be encouraged...when you’re trying to find a seat at a table for a social event and you realize God has brought many who seek fellowship with other believers.

Be encouraged...when you realize the opportunities that abound in a church that is committed to being Christ’s presence in the world.

Be encouraged as you pray for the FFF campaign, the team, our staff, the architect, and each of us who is committed to the mission of WFMC and its ministries.

Scripture exhorts us to persevere in what is good. Please be patient and be in prayer for God’s direction and His perfect timing. Seek to find the blessing in how He is providing and building us up in this campaign process. And, above all else, give God the glory for what He is doing!

Blood Drive



November 10th
Christian Ministry
Center

4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Give an early Christmas gift...the gift of life.

Hangings of the Greens

November 28

6:00 p.m.

Come and help us as we prepare our sanctuary for the celebration of our Savior’s birth. Explanations about the decorations and beautiful music will be part of our worship service. There might even be a surprise visitor. This evening is a wonderful way to begin your Advent season.



Music Ministry: Take “Note”

Listed below are music events you won't want to miss for the Christmas Season!

On Sunday morning, December 12th, the Adult Christmas Choir and the Youth Choir will present a cantata entitled, “Everlasting Light: A Christmas Carol for a Dark World.” We will be reminded through song and spoken word of the hope that God sent to us through Jesus, our “Everlasting Light.”



All-church Christmas Caroling will take place on December 19th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. We will be caroling to neighborhoods within the Nicholasville and Wilmore areas. Come ready to sing and ready for good fellowship, food, and fun!

The WFMC Music Ministry Team would like to thank all of the directors, assistants, and accompanists who give of their time and talents in leading our music ensembles, specifically:

Cheryl Schell, Pam Hiatt, Katie Diddle, Jenny Madill, Faye Montgomery, LeAnn Roberge, Janie Faul, Hannah Schell, Myrna Hale, Amanda Bailey, Toni Toadvine, Mark Schell, Rose Evans

Thank you for serving!

****Reminder that rehearsals will resume for the new year on Sunday, January 9th, Tuesday January 11th, and Wednesday January 12th!**

Family Devotions 101

WFMC Prayer Team

Do you have a time each day for you and your spouse or your family to read the Bible and pray together? In Deuteronomy 6:6,7 God said, “*These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down, and when you get up.*”

How?

Make family devotions a priority. Find a time when the family is together. Turn off the TV or other distractions.

When?

For some, this is right after the evening meal. For others, it is just before bedtime. It will take some planning and persistence, but it is worth it.

What materials?

For families with small children, find a Bible storybook at the level of your children's attention span. As they grow older, find a

more complete Bible storybook that will take them from Genesis to Revelation.

For older children, they can be involved in reading the Bible story aloud or choosing a passage from the Bible to read. Reading consecutively through the New Testament for older teens and adults is an excellent practice. Use a Bible translation that is easy to understand.

Prayer Basics

Encourage sentence prayers by everyone. First, begin with a praise or something for which you are thankful. Then pray for others. Finally, pray for personal requests.

Remember...

Satan hates prayer and will try to defeat your efforts. However, it will strengthen your family, and God will bless your efforts by meeting with you. Family devotions are an important ingredient in having a Christian home.

For more information, pick up the pamphlet, “Family Worship” at the WFMC Welcome Center.

Birthdays/ Anniversaries

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12/21	Roy Lauter Barbara Barker Brady Swaim ▲ - Jay & Margaret Dargan
12/22	Katie Cook Jacob Spencer Ashley Grant David Long Maxine Koss
12/23	Ken Thompson ▲ - David & Teresa Doty
12/25	Chloie Goforth Aaron Hall
12/26	Lee Koss Alexis Kierstead Carol Coulliette Jenny Madill Tyler Zweifel Jacob Gillis Lorraine Hinerman ▲ - Leonard & Emily Fitch
12/27	Kyla Winter Bea VanValin Gary Weinberger ▲ - Fred & Desiree Gillis
12/28	Faye Hogue ▲ - Ed & Sarah Kusche
12/29	▲ - Kevin & Elke Cook
12/30	Sue Lauter
12/31	Kevin Cook

SPECIAL DATES FOR MUSIC

11/28	Hanging of the Greens
12/12	Musical Celebration of Christmas
12/19	Christmas Caroling
2/28	Symphony of Gifts
3/6	Children's Musical
5/2	Spring Ring VIII

Event Calendar

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Nov. 28 - 6:00 p.m.
Hanging of the
Greens Service

DECEMBER

Dec. 3 - 12:00 noon,
Senior Adult
Luncheon

Dec. 4 - Wilmore Old-
Fashioned
Musical
Christmas

Dec. 5 - Second Sunday
of Advent

Dec. 10 - Senior Adult
Field Trip to
“Bethlehem
Blessings”

Dec. 11 - 9:00-12:00
Christmas Choir
Rehearsal

Dec. 12 - Third Sunday of
Advent
Morning
worship:
*Musical
Celebration of
Christmas*

Dec. 16 - 7:00-10:00 p.m.
Ladies Night
Out

Dec. 18 - 8:00 a.m. —
Men’s Breakfast
in the CMC

Dec. 19 - Fourth Sunday
of Advent
6:00 p.m. — All
Church Caroling

Dec. 20 - Public School
out for
Christmas break

Dec. 22 - Adult Prayer
Meeting, but no
CLC

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve!
5:00 p.m. —
Christmas Eve
Service

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Benevolence Ministry Update

Mike Montgomery

Our benevolence ministry has become an essential part of meeting the needs of our neighbors. As the recession has taken its toll on Jessamine County and the local job market, we are seeing a great increase in the need for benevolence. Last month when I attended a meeting of the Jessamine County Interagency Council, it became clear that, in many ways, WFMC stands alone in providing assistance to the needy, jobless, and other marginalized people of our county. Other agencies are out of money, and they are referring everyone to us because we are still trying to provide aid to these at-risk families. It is a task that, of course, we can’t do alone, so we often have to give the bad news that we can’t fit someone into our interview schedule.

It is easy for most of us to be content with our circumstances, but the need for assistance is great. Your Benevolence Interview Team meets with families who are being evicted, people having their utilities turned off, people with medical needs going unmet, families going hungry, and children going to school without the necessary supplies to be successful. The stories we hear week after week break our hearts, and we often feel helpless because we know that there is nothing we can do that is really going to change the need. Thanks to your generosity, we are very generous, but it is hard to look a person in the face and say “Even with what we can pay for you, your electricity, gas, or water is still going to be turned off.”

Of course, many stories are much more complicated than this. Suffice it to say, the need is great, and we have become the place of first and only response.

We covet your prayers as we meet with people each Tuesday and Thursday. We want to listen for the things said, what was meant to be said, and what wasn’t said so that we can meet the need in the best way possible. We ask the Holy Spirit’s guidance to the right solution for these, our friends. Our desire is to provide comfort and share Christ’s love with each individual. We attempt to share Christ with each person and give them a Bible and some verses that may help them cope with their situation. This is a far better help than any financial assistance we can give, but when people are desperate, it is often hard to see how the Lord can help them when their basic needs are unmet. We hope that we represent WFMC and Christ well, and that is our prayer and heart’s desire.

I would like to update you on the benevolence ministry staff. Pastor Reed provides our basic direction and is a valuable asset to the interview team. The team members are Rick Boileau, Marguerite Brude, Ron Johns, Ralph Yoder, and myself, Mike Montgomery. Cathi Blankenship recently joined the team as the scheduler. She is the first person that someone talks with, and she does an excellent job. Each week, she listens to desperate people and lets them know what we can do and when they can be fit into the schedule. Often people are pleading because their need is great, and they are out of time.

Please pray for us, for our community, and that the funds to keep this vital ministry going will continue to be given for the glory of Christ.

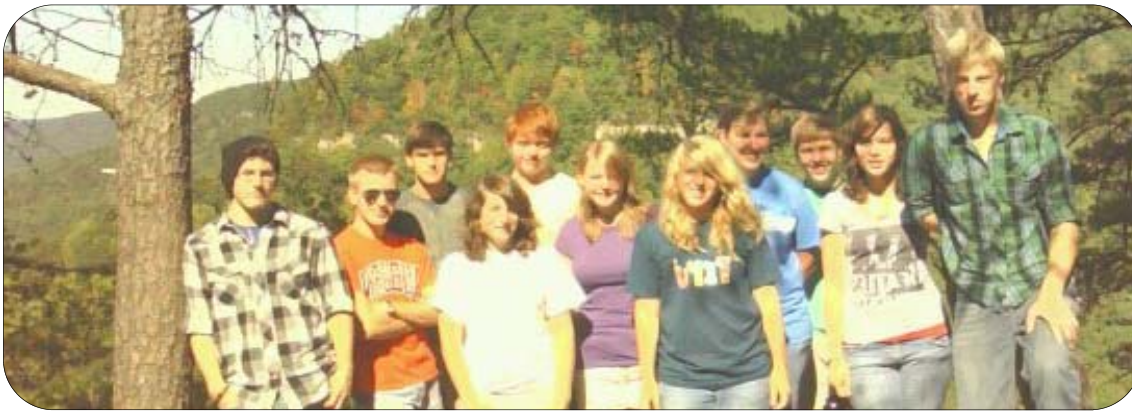
Spring Revival Services, February 13-16

Our world, our nation, our towns, and our church all need a new touch from the Lord. Would you begin praying regularly for our revival services, that the Lord would begin a new season of spiritual life among us? Pray for John Oswalt, our evangelist.

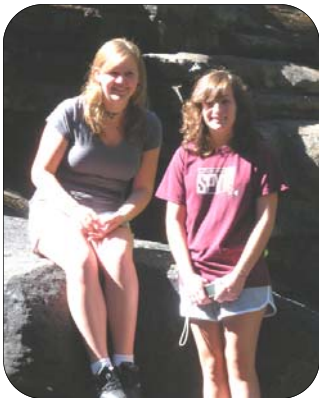
Thanksgiving Outreach Opportunity

On Sunday evening, November 21, we will meet at 6:00 for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner. This is a great opportunity to bring a friend who needs Jesus. There will be a short devotional thought relevant for unbelieving families and an extra effort made to meet and welcome new folk. Consider inviting someone to this special fellowship/social.

Senior Retreat, 2010



Ben Marchal, Jacob Gillis, Austin Zweifel, Annie Yoder, Bryce Ury, Alexis Kierstead, Becky Hogan, Andrea Tinsley, Sam Cooper, Chloe Goforth, and Caleb Blankenship



← Alexis Kierstead and Annie Yoder



→ Sam Cooper, Ben Marchal, Austin Zweifel, and Caleb Blankenship



November 2010

Wilmore Free Methodist Youth Ministries
 Wilmore Free Methodist Church 1200 Lexington Ave. Wilmore KY

SUN	MON	Tue	Wed	THU	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Election Day Prayer Brunch 10:30 am Open Gym 4-6pm	3 Youth Group 6-8pm Parents Meeting 7-8pm	4	5	6 Bible Quiz— Winona Lake, IN
7 MS-Blankenship's HS-Fiskeaux's	8	9 Prayer Breakfast 7:15 am Open Gym 4-6pm	10 Youth Group 6-8pm	11	12 Combined Fun Friday 6-9pm	13
14 MS and HS - A & K Tinsley's	15	16 Prayer Breakfast 7:15 am Open Gym 4-6pm	17 Youth Group 6-8pm	18	19	20
21 No Afterglow— Thanksgiving Social	22	23 No Prayer Break- fast or Open Gym	24 <i>public</i> No WPMC Activities <i>ATS Reading Week</i>	25 <i>school</i> Thanksgiving Day	26 <i>Break</i>	27
28 No Afterglow— Hanging of the Greens	29	30 Prayer Breakfast 7:15 am Open Gym 4-6pm	Sunday Schedule: Sunday Worship: 8:30 & 10:50am SBF: 9:40 am Sun Evening: 6:00 pm Afterglow: 7:00-8:30pm		Afterglows for H.S. and M.S. are from 7:00-8:30pm on Sunday nights. Please pick up your child at the church no later than 8:45 pm.	

Questions? Contact:
 Andrea Tinsley, Minister of Youth
 Phone: 859-858-3521
 Email: atinsley@wfmcc.net

- Other Opportunities to Get Involved:**
- Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts: Mondays 7pm
 - Bible Quizzing: Wednesdays 5:00pm
 - Youth Choir: Sundays 4:45pm
 - Youth Handbells: Sundays 3:30pm

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.
Acts 2:42

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Event Calendar

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6:30 p.m. —
Christmas Eve
Service with
childcare
11:00 p.m. —
Christmas Eve
Service

Dec. 25 - Christmas Day!

Dec. 26 - No Sunday
School, but will
be a continental
breakfast
Both 8:30 and
10:50 worship
services, but no
Children's
Worship
No evening
service

*Church office is closed
from Monday, Dec. 27
through Friday, Dec. 31.*

Dec. 29 - No Wednesday
activities

Dec. 31 - 6:00 p.m. —
John Wesley
Covenant
Service

Did You Know...

...that our Benevo-
lence Interview
Team interviews
and presents a Bible
and the gospel to
nearly 14 families
every week?

...that there are over
260 people in-
volved in the week-
ly music ministry
of WPMC?

...that Melyssa Wit-
tenberg placed third
in the quiz team's
last competition?

Prime Timers

Senior's (60+) Ministry Happenings

November Luncheon: *A Veterans Day Special*

Date: November 5
Time: 12 noon
Place: CMC
Catering by: Marilyn Swaim and the Lay-
man's Adult Bible Fellowship

Program: Pastor Dean Cook, "*Beyond
the Yellow Ribbon: How Can the Church
Help Our Wounded Warriors Come Home?*"

Coming Attractions

December 3 – Suzuran Ringers, Japanese
Handbell Choir, directed by Pam Hiatt

January 7 – *Myths and Realities of Aging*,
Alan Beuscher, Wesley Village

February 4 – Valentine's Day Sing-Along

March 4 – "*Grand Canyon Tour*" with Barb
Crouse

April 1 – "*April Fools' Fun*" with Annette
Diddle and the Mom-2-Moms

May 6 – "*The Many Facets of Hospice Ser-
vices*"

Prime Timers Field Trips

"Bethlehem Blessings"

This is a **free** Christmas program at the
Creation Museum in Northern Kentucky, on
Friday, December 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. The
preceding tour of the museum is \$16.50 for
seniors 60 and over. A sign-up sheet will be
available at the November luncheon, or you
may call Patti at the church office.

Question of the Month

*"For what in your heritage are you
most thankful?"*

Donna Anstett: *My dad's influence on
my life. He loved the Word and got me into
the Word.*

Dick Barker: *My grandparents who
were deep, sincere Christians. They prayed
for me and for future generations and en-
couraged me to follow Jesus. For my par-
ents, too, who did the same.*

Cecil Zweifel: *The mother and father the
Lord gave me. When I was two years old,
they adopted my sister and me after our
mother died. My dad led me to the Lord and
always talked about the Lord.*

Harry Stevenson: *The work ethic my
parents taught me. That's who they were.
That's who my family was.*

Ruth Mitchell: *For my Christian herit-
age that I received from my parents.*

Millie Hall: *For my Christian parents.
My mother led me to salvation and to re-
ceive the Holy Spirit. My dad was very spe-
cial, too.*

Bernice Tinsley: *For my parents, who
were good moral people and taught us disci-
pline and reverence, even though they were
not Christians at the time. They came to
Christ later.*

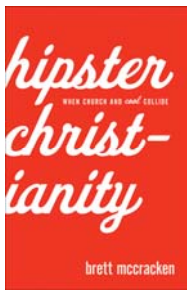
David Tullar: *That I was raised in a
Christian home by parents who loved the
Lord and taught me how to get to heaven.
Nothing else comes close.*

Serve the World at Our Doorstep



Many international students in seminary need friends who can proofread their written English for their class papers. Do we have any volunteers for proofreading? It will also be a great chance to make friendships with those who have come from different areas of the world. To find out more, please email Eugene Kim at eu-gene.kim@asburyseminary.edu or Duane and Charma Mathias (International Friendship Team Leaders) at duaneandcharma@gmail.com.

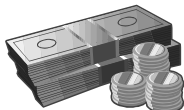
“If you’re a Christian, you need to obey God, and if you obey God, you’re going to be seen as a rebel, both within American church culture and popular culture...but that’s not the point. The point is to obey God.” - Donald Miller



“The born-again, marketing church has calculated that unless it makes deep, serious cultural adaptations, it will go out of business, especially with the younger generations. What it has not considered carefully enough is that it may well be putting itself out of business with God.” - David Wells

When Church and Cool Collide
Random Quotes from Hipster Christianity

“We have moved from a collective Christianity to one of personal preference. As a result, individualism no longer seems to Christians like the cancer it is. We must resist our culture, our technologies, even our instincts that all seemingly push us toward individualism.” - Brett McCracken



PERSONAL FINANCE

by **Don Butterworth, Financial Peace University (FPU) Coordinator**

Mutual Funds 101

Now that all your debts are finally paid off and you have established a fully-funded emergency fund of 3- to 6- months of expenses, it’s time to start investing, so that one day you can retire with dignity and change your family tree. In Financial Peace University we are taught to save 15% of our salaries by investing in mutual funds.

A mutual fund is a collection of securities that may consist of stocks, bonds, commodities, etc., so when you buy a share in a mutual fund, you are actually investing in lots of different companies. The holdings of a mutual fund may be based on a specific financial index or run by professional managers who attempt to acquire stocks of only the most successful, and thus more valuable, companies. Which of these approaches yields the best results is a hotly debated topic among investors.

So how does one choose which of the 8000+ mutual funds in which to invest? Your goal is long term growth, so begin by checking out a fund’s track record. What return on investment has it yielded over the last 10, 5, and 3 year periods? If it is an actively managed fund, be sure to find out if the same manager or management team is still in place. Remember, too, that past performance is not a guarantee of future performance.

Another goal should be to spread your investments over different sectors of the economy. Dave Ramsey recommends that you invest 25% in large company funds, 25% in mid-sized company funds, 25% in small

company funds, and 25% in international company funds. Dave does not recommend buying individual stocks because their risk factor is far greater than mutual funds. He also does not recommend bonds because, historically, their yields are much less than mutual funds and often do not even keep up with inflation.

The most important thing you can do when investing is to contribute consistently every month no matter how the economy is doing. This takes some moxie when the market is dropping, but it will yield rich rewards when the market goes back up again. Establishing a direct deposit from your bank account can make consistent investing much less nerve wracking.

Although it is possible to purchase mutual funds directly from a fund company, most investors use a broker, such as Charles Schwab or Fidelity Investments. Once you open an account with a broker, you can then purchase funds from many fund companies while keeping track of your investments all in one place.

There is no question about it...some effort is involved in learning the financial lingo and the language of investing. Here are some websites that can get you started: Morningstar.com, Kiplinger.com, SmartMoney.com, MutualFundShow.com, Finance.Yahoo.com, and Forbes.com. If you decide to use a financial advisor to help you make investment decisions, be sure to find one that has your best interests at heart. If they want you to invest all your money with just one fund family, be very skeptical.

Current WFMC Ministry Opportunities *(with approximate time commitments)*

Children’s Ministries—needs CLC teachers and assistants (Wednesday nights), Sunday School; Children’s Worship and Children’s Worship Jr assistants (Sunday mornings) *(between 1/2 and 1 1/2 hours per week)*

Moving Ministry—team members needed to assist with loading/unloading the belongings of members of our congregation who are relocating *(5 events per year, for 2-4 hours per event)*

Women’s Ministry Team Leader*—Leads Women’s Ministry Team in organizing and implementing annual activities. *(1-1/2 hours per week)*

Grounds—team members needed for seasonal grounds work including mowing, weeding, snow removal, etc. *(1 hour per week)*

Sanctuary Sweeper Team—team members needed for weekly vacuuming of sanctuary *(once-per-month rotation)*

Event Set-up Team—team members needed to set up and tear down tables/chairs, etc. for social and other church-wide special events *(varies)*

Buildings—team members needed for occasional interior light

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**Current WFMC
Ministry
Opportunities**

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maintenance, painting, small repairs (varies)

Ushers/Greeters— team members needed to offer warm welcome and assistance to newcomers for all services, especially for Wednesday night (1 hour per week)

Nursery— team members needed especially during the Sunday school hour and on Friday mornings for Mom-2-Mom (1 hour per week)

Homebound Visitation— team members visit monthly members who are confined to their homes (1 hour per month)

Royal Manor Nursing Home Saturday Worship Service— team members needed to meet and greet, encourage, and pray with residents who attend the worship service (2 hours per week)

Communications Team—needs help maintaining/updating brochures/pamphlets for the Welcome Center.

For more information or to apply for any of these ministry positions, either note your area(s) of interest on the Welcome Card next Sunday or contact the church office, and the Staff or Team Leader will contact you soon.

Box Tops For Education

What?

Please save your Box Tops for Education and Campbell's Soup Point Labels (with the little face on it) for Oakdale Christian Academy. Oakdale is our Free Methodist Middle School and High School located about 100 miles east in the mountains near Jackson, Kentucky. It takes "at risk" teens and "gives them hope and a future."

Who?

You can help! Save your Box Tops and Campbell's Soup Point Labels. For the Campbell's Soup Label, you need to cut out the little guy with the graduate's hat and the Proof of Purchase Code.

Where?

Take them to the Wilmore Free Methodist Church Library. Look on the right side. You will see two containers on the shelf in which to put your box tops and soup labels.

These will help Oakdale Christian Academy to get needed supplies.

Why?

Oakdale's dedicated staff works sacrificially to provide a quality education and Biblical role models to these teens. With God's help, many lives have been transformed. Approximately 90% of these teens go on to college. Last year about \$1,900 was raised for Oakdale through this method. If more people were involved, much more could be raised.

When?

NOW. This is a year-round effort.

Thank you to all who have been saving these and bringing them into the library. Tell others, and please continue to support this important ministry though saving labels!



1-POINT VALUE



Cross Roads Retreat

*Eagle Ridge Retreat Center
Bowling Green, KY*

November 12-14, 2010

*Cost \$25 individual
\$40 couple*



The Cross Roads Retreat is specifically designed to gather the college age young adults of our conference for a time of spiritual renewal and refreshing.

The weekend will include time for fellowship, time for study of the word, time for relaxation, and time for reflection and worship.

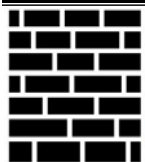
For more information or to pre-register, contact Mark and Dawn Parker by email at parker974043@bellsouth.net or Pastor Reed at rwilbanks@wfmc.net.

*Lead me, O Lord, in Your
Righteousness...make Your Way
straight before my face.*

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The Plumbline

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Some Interesting Facts about WFMC. Did You Know...

...that thirty-seven flu shots were administered through our flu shot clinic on October 13th?

...that our *Christian Life Club* ministers to an average of 120 children each Wednesday night?

...that our treasurer, Katie Diddle, volunteers over 6 hours each week just keeping our books? (Thanks VERY much, Katie!)

...that we have over \$1,026,450.00 in FFF and Building Fund savings? These monies are invested in short-term, local CD's and waiting for our building program to begin.

...that we have operated debt-free for nearly 4 years?

...that it takes 100 volunteers to fully staff our nursery each month?

...that WFMC supports 13 missionary families representing Haiti, Paraguay, Chile, Spain, Kazakhstan, Brazil, Japan, the whole continent of Africa, Mexico, Slovakia, China, and Korea?

...that over 1,300 people call WFMC their church home?