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May 10, 2018

Dear WCN Family,

On Sunday night we honored the following graduates: Hunter Elliott is graduating from WCHS and going to Trevecca Nazarene University. Dylan Brandon is graduating from Dickson County High School and will be leaving to serve in the Marines in less than one month. Kayla Simons is graduating from WCHS and is going to Nashville State to work toward elementary education. Ethan Houston is graduating from WCHS and is going to Dickson TCAT for a degree in Mechatronics. Lauren Anderson is graduating from Williamson Christian College with a Bachelors in Business Administration. Lauren's short term work is in the hospitality industry. Long term, she is pursuing a call to missions. Mindy McGuire graduated from Bethel University with a Bachelors of Science, Registered Nurse. She has a job at Tennova Hospital in Clarksville. Katelynn Hodge graduated from Austin Peay with a Bachelor's in Health and Human Performance. She is currently working as a Chiropractic Assistant in Clarksville. And Sydney Ross is graduating from Nashville State, transferring to Freed Hardeman to receive a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology. Congratulations to our graduates and their families. Thanks to Rebekah Scribner for coordinating the meal in honor of the graduates.

The MidSouth district assembly and missions convention were held April 29 - May 1. Thanks to Pastor Mary for coordinating greeters for assembly: Warren Patrick, Fran Patrick, Eugene Woodside, Karen Woodside, Tracy Young, Brenda Palk. Thanks to Pastor Janice for coordinating ushers: Terry Langston, Jane Langston, Mac Anderson, Carla Anderson, Carla Vinkler, Robin May, Sarah Shanks, Fran Patrick, Warren Patrick. Thanks to Don McGuire for leading the counting team: Kathryn McGuire, Ellen Moran, Mac Anderson, Carla Anderson. And thanks to Jeff Jackson, Angie Jackson, CA Dalton, and Sandy Dalton for shuttling people and leading with servant hearts. WCN delegates included Charles Davidson, Jane Langston, Pearl Jones, Robin May, Pastor Mary Forester, Pastor Janice Rudolph, Don McGuire, Alton Hesson, Mac Anderson, Carla Anderson, Sarah Shanks, Ellen Moran, Betty Hamm, Jeff Jackson, and myself. Missions delegates included Kay Webb, Greg Field, Pearl Jones, Don Nichols, Linda Nichols, Jimmy Hamm, Betty Hamm, Pastor Mary Forester, and myself. Pastors Mary and Janice had their district ministers' licenses renewed. Pastor Grace was awarded her first district ministers' license and she was elected to the district NYI council. Terry Langston was elected to serve a three year term as a lay representative on the district advisory board. And Dr. Dwight Gunter, Pastor of Trevecca Community Church, was elected on the first ballot as our district superintendent. Congratulations to all!

Pastor Mary Forester recently made a trip to Chester, South Carolina to join Pastor Matt Alexander and One Church. She led the kids' services during their week of renewal and she trained their children's ministry team. She took our well wishes and love to the Alexander family. It is a reminder to us that part of us is in Chester, South Carolina. It is good to be part of the family of God.

Waverly Elementary Appreciation is in full swing. By the time you receive this letter, all WES employees will have received letters, cards, a big meal, and personalized coffee travel tumblers. No strings. Just love.

This Thursday, May 10th, I will preach at Salter's Chapel AME Church for their revival. The service begins at 7pm. I have been asked to extend an invitation to our church family to be guests for the service. You have been invited.

Now that the scholarship deadline has passed, we know exactly how much money we still need to cover the cost of campers who need assistance. We want every child and teenager to be able to get to camp. The Sending Wall is on the downstairs wall across from the nursery in the main building. There are \$440 worth of envelopes to send children to camps. And \$1,120 worth of envelopes to send teenagers to camps. This is our final push. Can we wipe out the Sending Wall by the end of the day this Sunday???

Saturday, May 19th is the *Hey, Pastor Grace, We're Super Excited You're Here Party*. Teenagers and teen workers can spend time with Pastor Grace from 3-5pm. At 5pm, the evening is open to the whole church family. We are grilling. Bring side dishes. Bring lawn chairs. Bring outside games and activities. Let's welcome Pastor Grace to Waverly with gifts. The enclosure has a list of needs and wants. Thank you for helping us love her into WCN.

On Sunday, April 22nd, we heard from Dr. Larry Leonard for the last time as our district superintendent. Dr. Leonard is completing the remainder of his term before retirement in Florida. Many people in local churches do not see the impact of a superintendent's work. Dr. Larry has elevated pastoral trainings, shaped a culture of partnership, reorganized leadership structure, and led our district through merger. On a personal note, Dr. Larry Leonard has invested in me. You have indirectly benefitted from Dr. Leonard because he has made me a better leader. I am grateful for the ten years that I have been able to learn from Larry Leonard. Thank you for being grateful with me.

This Sunday is Mother's Day. I am grateful for moms who work outside of the home. I am grateful for moms who work inside the home. I am grateful for single mothers who do double duty. I am grateful for grandmothers who raise grandkids after raising their own. I am grateful for foster moms and adoptive moms. I am grateful for ladies who long to be mothers but have not been given the chance. My heart breaks for mothers who grieve the worst kind of loss. Every day should be Mother's Day. This Sunday is Mother's Day. If your mother is here, join us this Sunday and sit beside her. There is probably nothing she wants more. If your mother is not here, join us this Sunday and thank God for her.

Every morning, I call out your names to the Lord. Family by family. Person by person. I ask for God's blessing, strength, provision, and protection for you. More than anything, I ask God to continue to change you to be more like Jesus. This is what God wants for you. This is what I pray for you. Nothing brings me greater joy than God answering this prayer. Know that I am praying and God is working. I love you. See you Sunday.

-Pastor Daron

COMING SOON:

- May 13: Mother's Day, no pm activities
- May 19: *The Hey, Pastor Grace, We're Super Excited You're Here Party!* Teens: 3-5 & church: 5pm
- May 29-Jun 3: Family Camp (no pm activities at WCN on May 30 or Jun 3)
- Jun 4-8: Senior High Camp
- Jun 11-15: Middle School Camp
- Jun 19-28: Mission: Mexico
- Jun 25-29: Tween Camp
- Jul 1: Mission: Mexico team report, 6pm
- Jul 2-5: Elementary Camp

If you have a prayer need please email prayer@wcntn.com

Worship: 8:45 & 11am
S/School: 10am
Sun Nt: 6pm
Wed Nt: 6:30pm

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