

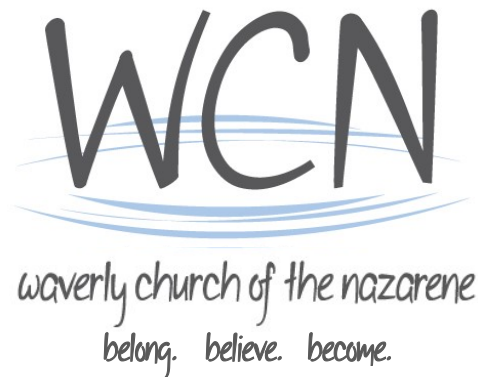


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February 21, 2018

Dear WCN Family,

Last week was another opportunity for you to shine. In addition to baking and delivering cookies and valentines to 110 inmates plus county jail staff, you cared for three families who lost loved ones the prior weekend. We held funeral services for Dot Stainforth Richardson, Dorothy Gray, and Jeanette Duncan within a 24 hour period last Tuesday and Wednesday. You prayed, visited, brought food, and cared for these families. Thank you for being the church. We are grateful to God for the blessings of these ladies. Let's continue to care for their families.

Ash Wednesday service is one of my favorite services of the year. This year's service was no exception. The songs and readings reminded us who God is and who we are. Commitments for the season of lent were nailed to the cross. And people came forward to humbly receive ash crosses on foreheads. It was a beautiful beginning for our journey to the cross. Know that I have stood beside the cross and prayed for you and your commitments. I will continue to do so. May this season be a blessed time of growth in the Lord.

WCN has been operating with a specific ministry model for well over a decade. Our model includes a discipleship process (Belong, Believe, Become) that serves to further God's mission through WCN locally and abroad. Although our model serves us well, it is important to regularly revisit our mission in order to review and revise if needed. The church board appointed a "mission review team" which will meet next week. The team will look carefully at WCN's mission and craft a proposal to the board regarding future mission. You should be aware. And you should be glad to belong to a community of faith that is serious about God's mission.

Four months from now, a team of nearly 25 people will be on the ground in Santa Maria Tepantlali in rural, southern Mexico. In addition to partnering with their local church and pastor (Revolution Portillo, Pastor Josue Barrera), we are partnering with the Griffin's Chapel Church of the Nazarene in Houston County. They are sending four or five people, including Pastor Justin Warren, as part of

our team. We will work on the building of a feeding center, organize a children's ministry, assist with a medical clinic, administer foot care, resource them with evangelistic tools, and provide nutritional information and resources. In the near future, we will ask you to assist with donated items. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Easter Sunday is six weeks away. Pastor Mary is collecting candy to stuff 10,000 plastic eggs. We have enough eggs. Candy is the need. Bins are in both lobbies for candy collection. Thank you.

We are heartbroken over another senseless mass shooting. We are praying for the community of Parkland, Florida. In situations like these, I pray intentionally for the affected area's churches who have the opportunity to minister to their community in powerful ways. In addition to praying for the families and victims, please join me in praying for the churches who are ministering in the aftermath.

We continue to pray for safety for our own community, including our schools and churches. You should know that, ever since the church shooting in Texas last November, the Waverly Police Department has been present in our church parking lot every Sunday, multiple times during each service. I am grateful for the Waverly Police Department and their ongoing commitment to our safety. In addition to their highly visible presence, we have low visibility measures in place every Sunday. You will not see them, but they are present. Be assured.

Occasions like this remind us that we, the church, still have much work to do. Consider this: How many horrific events have been averted throughout history because the church has done its job, being used by the Lord to change hearts and bring healing to broken people? We will never know. We persist, believing we are making a difference. This is a continued call to action for the church. We are to be who God made us to be: Agents of healing. Means of grace. Makers of peace. Bearers of God's transforming love. God is at work in the world. His work has a name. It is called *church*. Lord, let it continue to be so.

Some good news:

- For the latest Family Movie Night, Pastor Mary invited children and families from the After School Program (Discovery Care) to stay for the movie. Many of them did. They connected with kids and families from WCN and they felt the love and connection of church family.
- I asked Dan Troxell to lead the devotion for February's Men's Prayer Breakfast. He told me he was afraid, and that is exactly why he did it. Dan did not let fear drive him away. Instead, he ran headfirst into his fear and brought a powerful word from the Lord. Fear lost. God's word was spoken. Dan, and all of us guys are better for it.
- I know a special seven year old girl who colored a paper for school. The assignment was to draw her "dream" on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. She drew herself standing in a pulpit proclaiming the Word of the Lord. Whether she ends up being called by God or not, she can see herself as a preacher of the Gospel. That's a win. I am grateful for a church that actively encourages all people to pursue God's call.

Enjoy some warm February this week. I will look for you Sunday!

-Pastor Daron

## COMING SOON:

- Mar 3: Improve Your Serve, Nashville
- Mar 6: Prayer Meeting, 4:30am
- Mar 10: Move clocks forward one hour
- Mar 11: Mission: Mexico meeting, 4pm
- Mar 17: District Bible Quiz Final at Nashville Grace C.O.N
- Mar 19: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 5am
- Mar 21: Last night of Immerse Groups for current term
- Mar 24: WCN Spring Workday, 8am
- Mar 28: No groups
- Mar 30: Good Friday Tenebrae Service, 6:30pm
- Apr 1: Easter Sunday

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