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October 23, 2019

Dear WCN Family,

Mr. Wayne Fortner died on Thursday, October 17th and his funeral service was Saturday, October 19th. Wayne and his wife, Kathy, had just begun attending WCN regularly. They were married for 63 years. I wish I had known Wayne better before his death. I knew him well enough to know that he was a godly man. He knew and followed Jesus. Join me in praying for Kathy, Dennis, Patricia, and the family.

The 2019 FUELFEST was the biggest and best yet. 30 teams participated in the tournament. 25 pots of chili were offered. \$1,900 was raised for FUEL. Approximately 200 people were involved. Because there were so many cornhole teams, the tournament ran late. The finals were played under the light of cell phones. Hunter Elliott and Ian McCormick took first place (Hunter won first place last year too). Vernon Nash Jr. and Michael Bull won second place. The top chili prize was a tie between Sarah Palk and Carla Anderson. Jill Field was second. Sarah Shanks was third. Thanks to Robin May for organizing the event. Thanks to Jack Hayes for building the boards. Thanks to Mali Cochran, Karen Woodside, and WCHS art students for painting boards. Thanks to Dell Hooper for making cornhole bags. Thanks to Tammy Bell for inflatables and Chris Selph for the hayride. Thanks to Jaelynn Hargrove for pumpkin crafts and Jason Batchelder for creating the cornhole field. Thanks to Pastor Janice and Carla Anderson for the tricycle relays. We are already making plans for an even bigger 2020 FUELFEST.

The October Children's Bible Quiz resulted in the following: Madison Gwin, Mikayla Gwin, Gavin Selph, and Dylan Gwin took home Bronze. Logan Reynen and Wyatt Scribner won Silver. Ainsley Forester was a Gold All Star with one perfect round. Congratulations to our quizzers! The next quiz will be Sunday, November 10th at Jason Chapel.

WCN teens held a *World Changer* event on October 11th that gave them a glimpse into homelessness. Those who participated are Anna Davis, Parker Forester, Brianna Gwin, Mateo Batchelder, Jaelynn Hargrove, Robert Tiffany, Haley Irons, Addie Irons, Becca Simons, Eugene Woodside, Bradley Selph, Diane Davis, and John Michael Johnson. They were educated about homelessness, collected items for those who are homeless, and engaged in prayer stations. Our teens are aware and compassionate.

Thanks to the following people who served at the church workday: Nick Forester, Pastor Mary Forester, Ainsley Forester, Caden Forester, Kelsey Elliott, Carla Anderson, Pastor Janice Rudolph, Jana Brazzle, Carl Brazzle, Madison Gwin, Wynona Gwin, Tracy Cavness, Eugene Cavness, Angela Norton, Kathryn McGuire, Jack Hayes, Delilah King, Karen Woodside, Duane Pine, Doris Pine, Lindy Dellinger, Betty Hamm, Travis Young, Mikayla Gwin, and Jason Batchelder. If you were unable to come and would like to help, contact the church office.

Since our positive vote in February, the following work has been or is being done: civil work, design reviews, stormwater submittal, finishes, contractor selection, planning commission approval, and groundbreaking planning. Most of these items necessitate other items to be completed before they can begin. Therefore, the process has taken more time than we anticipated. With cold weather upon us, we have come to the realization that construction will not begin until spring. This is not exciting news. Although there is nothing tangible to show, work has been getting done. We have not been sitting on our hands. We will persevere. We will be patient. We are in this for the long haul. God is good. We belong to him.

Some things you should know:

- Adriana Batchelder scored a 100 on her citizenship test! Stay tuned for the swearing in date. I imagine Adriana will have a raucous crowd.
- The giving to the Rileys from the Week of Renewal is now at \$2,300!
- If you have followed this letter the last few months, you know about the family who had the tree fall on their home. I will not retell the whole story. But I will tell you the next part of the story that continues to unfold: The homeowner came to church Sunday with Duane Pine.
- Ian Bennett played guitar at WCN throughout high school and into adulthood. Ian now lives in Nashville with his wife, Whitney. He has been making a living playing guitar in the music industry for two years. Ian was recently awarded "Guitarist of the Year" at the Tennessee Music Awards. This is a major accomplishment. Those of us who know Ian know that there are more to come.
- I have heard many stories about Edward "Preacher" Matlock and his wife Bertha. The Matlocks were Delilah King's parents. In 1983 Bertha got a beautiful baby's pink and white dress for their niece's baby shower. The niece was Brenda Sewell. Getting that dress was one of the last things Bertha did. Shortly after, Preacher and Bertha were killed in a car accident. The shower was after the accident. Brenda received the dress. That child ended up being a boy. She saved the dress. In 1988, Brenda had Laura. Laura wore the dress her first time to church. Laura is now Laura Schwerdtfeger. Brandon and Laura's first child, Lucy, wore the dress her first Sunday at WCN in 2018. The Schwerdtfegers now have a second little girl. Norah Grace. Norah's first Sunday in church was this past Sunday. Guess what Norah was wearing? Brandon and Laura made a special stop at the nursery to make Delilah smile big.

Our annual Homecoming Celebration is this Sunday. We will look back. We will look ahead. We will celebrate the God who guides the church. We will hear from one of our former pastors, Rev. Richard Wagoner. We will sing and eat and be together. The meal will take place after the second service. Join us this Sunday.

Let the love of Jesus draw you to a deeper yes.

-Pastor Daron

COMING SOON:

- Oct 27: Homecoming w/Richard Waggoner
- Oct 30: Teens Momentum Parent mtg @ 5:30pm
- Nov 2: Teen Bonfire at Woodsides, Joy Class Duck Diner Day, & Change clocks one hour
- Nov 5: Prayer Meeting, 5am
- Nov 10: Children's Bible Quiz, 2pm
- Nov 15-16: Teens: Momentum
- Nov 17: Into the Story: Living the Rhythms of the Christian Calendar training, 6pm
- Nov 18: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 5am
- Nov 24: Waverly Community Thanksgiving Service

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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