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July 8, 2020

Dear WCN Family,

Nicholas Herring and Hannah Homoelle were joined in marriage on Saturday, June 27th at McKendree United Methodist Church in Nashville. The couple originally planned a larger event, but because of COVID-19, they opted for a smaller, simpler ceremony. Nicholas's mother and step-father are Kathryn and Don McGuire. His sister and brother-in-law are Mindy and Matthew Polster. They joined other family members for the special evening. Hannah is a schoolteacher in Nashville. Nicholas is currently pastoring the Woodland Street United Methodist Church. Congratulations to the couple!

On Saturday, June 27th, 38 people from WCN worked at Camp Garner Creek. We took down trees, hauled debris, painted buildings, cleaned spaces, and cleared fields. Thanks to Mac Anderson for leading the crew. And thanks to those who gave themselves: Parker Brown, Macy Brown, Kendall Brown, Katie Brown, Pastor Daron Brown, Nick Forester, Pastor Mary Forester, Ainsley Forester, Parker Forester, Caden Forester, Charles Davidson, Jacen Davidson, Brycen Davidson, Nora Davidson, Jason Batchelder, Adriana Batchelder, Soledad Batchelder, Mateo Batchelder, Lindy Dellinger, Samuel Dellinger, Steven Brazzle, Warren Patrick, Paul Johnston, Ellen Moran, Melody Guest, Rose Mitchell, Pastor Janice Rudolph, Carla Anderson, Garry Stanley, Eugene Woodside, Jane Langston, Haley Irons, Addie Irons, CA Dalton, Sandy Dalton, and JT Blue. Since March, Camp Garner Creek has lost over \$500,000 in revenue because groups have withdrawn. Finley Knowles, Camp Director, is working hard to keep the campground running and his staff intact. Camp Garner Creek is our campground. It is where we send our kids and have our retreats. WCN brought a \$2,500 gift that was triple-matched from another donor to make the gift \$10,000. Your gift can be triple-matched as well. If you would like to give to Camp Garner Creek, you may mail a gift to 700 Sam Hollow Rd, Dickson, TN 37055 or you may give online at campgarnercreek.org.

Haley Irons attended the southeast regional YES Conference last week. The YES Conference is for high school students who are praying through a call to ministry. Haley was affirmed and encouraged in her call. She is an amazing young person and passionate Jesus-follower. Watch her with me. God is doing something special with Haley.

On Sunday, June 28th, Chet Bush joined us for a timely conversation based on his book: *Called to the Fire: A Witness for God in Mississippi*. Those who attended read the book in advance. We talked about Dr. Charles Johnson and his faithfulness to God. We waded into current issues about race. We handled sensitive subject matter honestly and graciously. Those who came left better. I am grateful to my long-time friend, Chet, for giving a weekend to help make us a better people.

Our tweens (4th, 5th, 6th graders) regathered last Sunday. They joined their families with Pastor Janice for the first half of the service in the D-Zone. Then the tweens followed Mrs. Madison for a distanced message outside. Nine of our tweens were recognized and transitioned from the children's group to the teen group: Dylan Gwin, Parker Brown, Brenden Selph, Ashton French, Landon Gentry, Sophie Oakley, Aiden Baker, Jacob Coleman, and Cade Turner. Congratulations and blessings!

On Sunday evening we shared the latest news in our building update meeting. Long story short:

- As suspected, the project cost has risen.
- We will build 2/3 of the building in phase 1 and the last 1/3 in phase 2.
- No additional debt or delays.
- 2/3 of the building will work for us. It will triple the size of our current space.
- After a thorough bidding and vetting process, our General Contractor is Barger Construction from Yuma, TN. Barger builds church buildings and has a solid reputation.
- The city zoning committee granted our request to re-zone our property from residential to religious.
- The planning commission is supportive. Our final meeting with them is set for the end of July.
- Plans are being revised to 2/3 and they are being sent to the state fire marshal for approval.
- The Jones Legacy Group is giving WCN a one-time gift of up to \$100,000 for our building. The giver is challenging us to match the gift. If you did not get in on the capital campaign, or if you feel led to give more, consider investing in WCN's building fund.
- If you have questions about the contractor or selection process, speak with Terry Langston or Doris Pine. If you have questions about the building itself, speak with Terry. If you have questions about the logistics of phase 1, see Pastor Mary. Any other questions? Contact me.
- When will we break ground? How does next month sound? Stay tuned and keep praying.

If you are staying home on Sundays because of COVID concerns, know that you are loved and missed. Stay your course and be well. If you are staying home on Sundays because you settled into a new comfort zone, watching services on your screen, then know that you are loved and missed and we want to see you again.

What is God's will? And how do you figure out God's will? Is God's will simply whatever happens—and there's no way for you to know God's will except for hindsight? Is there a way for you to know God's will in advance? You pray and seek after God's will. Maybe God's will seems just beyond your reach. It feels mysterious. Confusing. Cloudy. Maybe you wonder if you missed your chance at God's will because you messed up too many times or because you think you are too old. The Bible has important things to say about God's will. Beginning this Sunday morning, we will venture into the topic of God's will. Come with your eyes and ears open. I want this for you.

-Pastor Daron

UPCOMING...

- July 12: Storm Troopers Meeting, 5pm
- Jul 12: Diving Deeper returns to the campus, Sunday nights at 6
- Jul 19: Graduation Celebration (outdoors) 6pm
- Jul 25: District Family Fun Day at CGC Garner Creek, 9am-3pm
- Aug 9: Come to the Waters, 4-7pm
- Aug 16: Faith Promise Sunday: Focus on World Missions
- Sep 13: Celebration for Kathryn McGuire, 10 years at WCN
- Sep 20-23: Week of Renewal w/Dr. Tim Gaines

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