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April 24, 2024

Church Family,

Kyson Lane and Koy James Lindsey were presented for dedication to the Lord by their parents on April 7. Kyson is just over one year old. Koy is three months old. Their parents are Caleb and Savannah Lindsey. The boys were surrounded by grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and special friends. We all made vows. The boys' lives were directed to Jesus. Let's keep directing them to Jesus.

Lee Roy Graham was part of WCN. He connected to us years ago when his friend, Bill Boswell picked him up and brought him to church. After Bill died, Lee Roy came less frequently. He battled health issues for years. Lee Roy gave me a pocketknife every October for Pastor Appreciation and every December for Christmas. I treasure my collection of pocketknives from Lee Roy. He died on March 30th. Lee Roy was a good man who knew Jesus. May Lee Roy rest in peace and rise with Christ.

Holly Patrick and Michael Slayton were joined in marriage at a simple ceremony on a farm in Camden. Pastor Janice led the couple through premarital counseling and officiated the wedding. Kaija Paris was the maid of honor. Colsin Patrick, Aubree Patrick, and Zaiden Slayton covered the ring bearer and flower girl duties. Isaac Slayton served as the best man. Congratulations to the Slaytons!

Several WCN teens qualified for TNT (Top Nazarene Talent) at TNU (Trevecca Nazarene University) to compete against other teens across the southeast. Because of spring sports and activities, only one of our teens was available to compete. Jaiden Cochran plays fall sports, so she was our lone representative. She represented well. Jaiden competed in soccer and flag football. She was named an all star in both sports. Her flag football team placed 2nd overall. Congratulations, Jaiden!

Sunday was Vision Sunday. We celebrated what God has done through the church in the past year. We told stories of mission and transformation. We presented the *John W. Adams Distinguished Service Award* to Mr. Darrel Shanks for his humble spirit and his years of service for Jesus. We announced WCN's next mission trip, which will be in the summer of 2025. The location is TBD. A written version of WCN's Annual Ministry Report has been uploaded to wcntn.com. From the home page, on the left-hand menu, select *Who We Are*, then select *Annual Ministry Report*.



The 2024 Season of Emerging Preachers is complete. Many thanks to Pastor Kelsey Elliott, Pastor Janice Rudolph, Robby Einerson, Trent Riley, and Pastor Hunter Elliott for preaching. WCN is rich with great preachers.

Terry Moore, Rhonda Moore, and Pastor Annetta Sykes represented WCN at the district SAGE (senior adults) retreat at Camp Garner Creek. They worshipped and connected with seniors across the district. The next SAGE meal will be on May 9th at West Little Richland Rd, Waverly.

Summer camps for kids and teens are coming soon. Register children at nazkids.churchcenter.com and teens at midsouthnyi.com. WCN is offering scholarships. Everyone who wants to go to camp can get to camp. Scholarship forms are at the Connection Station. The deadlines for scholarship applications and registrations are May 11th for kids and May 10th for teens.

Thanks to Karen Woodside, we have a new *Sending Tree*. It is down the first hallway on your left, which is the office corridor. *The Sending Tree* will be used year round to send people into ministry opportunities. First up is church camps. To help send a child or teen to camp, take an envelope from the tree, enclose the amount you wish to give, and return it through the offering or to a staff person. Thank you for getting our kids and teens to camp!

A group of teens met on Saturday to spread mulch for Duane and Doris Pine. Not a small job. The Pines, in turn, donated money. Instead of the money going to the teens, they determined where it goes. They decided for half of the money to go to Helping Hands to feed people in our community, and half to scholarship kids and teens for camps. Everything about this is right. Thanks to Eugene Woodside and Spencer Phillips for making this happen.

May 5th: Baptism class in my office at 10am. If you have not yet been baptized and are interested, join us. No pressure to be baptized. Just get the information. Parents of minors should join them.

On May 5th at 5pm, we will honor our graduates. We will recognize each graduate, view a slideshow of their lives, pray over them, and eat with them. You may bring gifts for graduates.

On May 7th, we will feed faculty, administration, and staff at WES and WJHS. We need food. Lots. And we need servers. Lots. Contact the church office or visit the Connection Station to sign up. Let's keep blessing our schools!

WCN has a digital directory. To access the directory and upload your information, download the *ChurchCenter* app. Select *WCN*. You are in control of the information about yourself and your family that can be accessed by others. Update your listing in the directory as needed. Use the directory for connection to your church family.

Over the last few weeks, parts of WCN's former building have been removed and donated to area churches and to Camp Garner Creek. HVAC units, folding chairs, audio equipment, and other items were given out. It is good to know that pieces of that sacred building will live on, doing the work of Jesus.

In case you wonder, doubt, or need reminding, you are loved by God and you are loved by this church family.

-Pastor Daron

Upcoming...

- Apr 25-26: District Assembly/Missions Convention (Church office will be closed)
- Apr 27: NYI (youth) District Convention
- Apr 28: General Superintendent Dr. Scott Daniels preaches at WCN
- Apr 28: *Come to the Waters* (Intro to WCN), 4-7pm
- May 5: Baptism class in PD's office, 10am
- May 5: Graduation Celebration, 5pm
- May 7: WES/WJHS Appreciation Meal
- May 9: SAGE (senior adults) Gathering, 11am at 5724 West Little Richland Rd, Waverly

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8:30 & 11am

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10am

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