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July 17, 2024

Church Family,

Paulette Morrisett went to be with the Lord on July 7th. She has been part of WCN for the past ten years. Paulette faithfully followed Jesus as she endured many challenges. Pastor Janice officiated the service. The church blessed the family with a meal after the service. Paulette's daughter and son-in-law, Michelle and Greg Wunderlin, belong to WCN. Thank you for supporting the family. May Paulette rest in peace and rise with Christ.

Tatum Layne Christman was dedicated to the Lord on Sunday. Her parents are Terrance Christman and Maddy Galland. Tatum is their first child. Grandparents, aunts, uncles, and loved ones joined Tatum to make promises. The church made promises. We are pointing precious Tatum to Jesus.

For the first time in years, WCN had ample facilities to host a full scale Vacation Bible School. The theme was *Hometown Nazareth*. Kids heard stories about Jesus growing up and beginning ministry from the perspective of his hometown folks. 74 children attended. 351 cereal boxes were brought and donated to *Helping Hands*. Pastor Mary got clobbered with paint. Thanks to Ryan and Madison Young for donating the use of inflatables for the final party. Thanks to many who decorated, taught, led crews, organized, cleaned, sang, and invested in our kids. And thanks to Pastor Kelsey for being our amazing leader.

Church camp season is complete. Senior high campers were Kendall Brown, Parker Brown, Dylan Gwin, Soledad Batchelder, Brooklynn Tillman, Alissa Waggoner, Ella Hayslett, Chase Buchanan. Counselors were Pastor Kelsey Elliott, Pastor Hunter Elliott, and Rachel Bibby. Middle school campers included Gavin Wooton, Corban Roberts, Macy Brown, Ainsley Forester, Chloe Sullivan, Piper Haley, Mikayla Gwin, Madison Gwin, Paisley Pickett, Mayah Baker, and Sydney Porch. Emily Stookey and Pastor Hunter Elliott were counselors. Tween campers were McKinley Selph, Augusta Wright, Logan Reynen, Landon Proctor, Baylor Martin, and James Branch. Pastor Kelsey Elliott was the counselor. Elementary campers were Benton Lill, Caden Forester, Maggie Reynen, Addalyn Mayberry, McKenzie Jackson, Lily Brush, Paisley Sliman, and Wyatt Sliman. Nathan Lill and Pastor Kelsey Elliott were counselors. The time spent at these camps will bear fruit throughout the courses of these young people's lifetimes.

In Sunday's 11am service, we sang Happy Birthday to Mr. Russell Harris. It was his 103rd birthday. As we sang, he watched from his bed in Centennial Hospital. Mr. Harris is a churchman, a veteran, a music video star, and a godly servant of the Lord. He outlived two wives and one child. For those who are ill because we don't sing happy birthday for you, just wait until you're 103.

On Monday night, WCN's church board voted for us to be the lead co-sponsor of a new Church of the Nazarene in Jackson, TN. Jackson is currently the largest city on our district without Nazarene presence. We are collaborating with other area churches. If you would like to be part of the prayer support team and stay in the loop, email daron@wcntn.com and request to be on the Jackson plant prayer team.

WCN will have a church workday on Saturday, July 27th to care for our new building and grounds. We will have cleaning, organization, rock removal, touch-up painting, and some skilled projects. All ages. 8am.

WCN's jail ministry is being revamped. Our sermons and other content are being uploaded onto tablets in the jail. This opens the door for regular correspondence with inmates. If you are open and interested, meet with Pastor Janice in The Center on Sunday, July 28th at 4:30pm.

WCN's annual *Back to School Prayer Service* will be Wednesday, July 31st at 6pm. Please note the time change. Usually, Wednesday night activities happen at 6:30. This special service will be at 6:00. Kids can bring backpacks for the backpack blessing. After the service, we will enjoy time outside with one another and ice cream.

Beginning August 4th, we will begin a new sermon series entitled *NextGen: The Church's Work of Shaping Young Disciples*. The series is based on Deuteronomy 6, which contains one of the most central and formational passages in the Old Testament. This passage has a lot to tell us about forming faith in young people. Let me be clear. This is not a "parenting" sermon series, although it will apply to parents. It is for us all. We all share the weighty work of forming young people as disciples of Jesus.

New *Immerse Groups* begin Wednesday, August 7th. Group sign-ups will be on wcnt.com soon. The list of adult groups is enclosed. There will be groups for kids and teens. Nursery care is provided. Join us on Wednesday nights!

WCN moved into our new building in February. We're still moving in. If you've ever moved, you understand. For these months, my office has been the least put-together room in the building. Boxes stacked and books strewn. Once Terry Langston's load decreased, he and Donnie Moran offered to build custom shelving for my office. I told them to take care of me last. A family in the church gave toward the lumber for my shelves. When I returned from vacation, the shelves were in place and ready. It's been three years since I've had a fully functional office. I have not complained because I know many of you lost more than office contents in the flood. What I lost was minimal. And now, three years and a fully functional office later, I am swollen with gratitude.

Every Saturday a team of people sets out chairs, straightens them, and refills pockets with connect cards, offering envelopes and pens. Then each chair gets prayed over. Your chair is prayed over every Sunday before you come. Just for you. See you Sunday.



Upcoming...

- Jul 26: Teens canoe the Buffalo, 8am
- Jul 27: WCN Workday, 8am
- Jul 31: Back to School Prayer service, 6pm
- Aug 7: New Immerse Group term begins, 6:30
- Aug 9-10: Teens: Back to School Lock-in
- Aug 18: Come to the Waters: An Intro to WCN, 4-7pm
- Sep 8-11: Week of Renewal w/Pastors Daniel & Dani Hawks
- Sep 15: Faith Promise Sunday for World Missions
- Oct 26: FUELfest: Chili Challenge, Cornhole Tournament, etc

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

Worship:
8:30 & 11am
Engage Groups:
10am

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