

The Plumbline

Newsletter of the Wilmore Free Methodist Church

June / July 2015



From the Pastor's Pen

By Daryl Diddle

Here are a few ministries we do as a church family that you may not know about, but that you need to know about:

1. Promotion and Graduation Gifts to County Students

For many years now, our church has given an "I Made It—Congratulations, Graduate!" travel cup, along with a note of encouragement and support, to all

graduates of West Jessamine High School. These past years, however, we've expanded that outreach to the point that, this year, we will provide the following:

Jessamine County Head Start Graduates: Each of the 70 "graduates" will receive treat bags with coloring books, crayons, fruit snacks, an animal squirt toy, and a note from our church.

West Jessamine Middle School Graduates: All 370 being promoted to ninth grade will receive from our church travel water bottles, a big package of Airheads (hard candy), and a note from Pastor Andrea.

East Jessamine Middle School Graduates: The 300 students moving from eight to ninth grade at East Middle will receive the same as those at West Middle.

East and West Jessamine High Project Graduation: To every student who participates in Project Graduation, we give a travel cup and congratulatory note from myself and the church. Typically, about 250 students participate in Project Graduation.

Wilmore Elementary School: To each of the 130 fifth-graders graduating from WES, we give a red drawstring backpack/bag, a candy bar, an inflatable beach ball, a congrats grad bracelet, and a note from Pastor Andrea.

If you do the math, you realize we're touching at least 1,100 of our county students with the simple gospel message and a positive encounter with Christian people. Would you pray for these events, that even those students who do not come from a Christian home would remember that one day, at a transition point in their lives, a follower of Jesus encouraged them and that God would receive the glory?



22 May, 2015

Dear Jessamine County Graduate,

Just a quick note to say, "Great Job!" You made it, and we're proud of you.

In the many decisions you'll make in the near future, may the Lord bless you and keep you, and may you always remember that God is the source of every good thing in life.

No matter how far you stray from Jessamine County, Kentucky, remember two things:

- 1. You have a friend here in the Wilmore Free Methodist
- Church, and

 2. You always have a friend in Jesus. If you'll commit you life to Him, He will bring you deep peace for today and forever, no matter what tomorrow brings.

Best Wishes and Blessings,

Paster Daryl

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Funding for this ministry comes from our outreach budget, and most of the work behind the scenes getting all these pieces together is done by our teens, Pastor Andrea, and her youth ministry staff. Pass along to them, if you will, your congratulations for jobs well done.

2. Vacation Bible School

Now, if you're engaged at all in the church family here, you can't not know that we do an enormously successful Bible School every year. If you count set-up and clean-up, it literally takes over our entire campus for a full couple weeks

But did you know that our Bible School reaches far beyond our own walls and church families? Typically, we reach children from all over Wilmore, Nicholasville, even into Lexington. Families work their vacations around VBS. We know grandparents who intentionally choose the week of VBS to bring their grandchildren for summertime visits. Admittedly, part of that might be to give those smart grandparents a three-hour-long morning rest but, in most cases, it's because they know this is the one time each year when their grandchildren are consistently confronted with Christ's gospel and love for them.

Typically, nearly 250 children and over 100 volunteer staff are involved for those five days, plus dozens more in decorating, set-up, clean-up, and craft and food preparation. VBS is a big deal and continues to be an effective out-reach tool for us. If you never have, please stop by and see for yourself on the week of June 15 from 9:00 a.m. to noon each morning.

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3. Providence School Graduation

Several years ago, when the Providence School moved to Wilmore from Nicholasville, there were some in Providence leadership who wondered how Wilmore would receive these students. Not terribly surprisingly, the city has welcomed them with open arms and so has our church. In addition to providing regular contact and prayer support, treats and snacks for the faculty and staff, providing mentors for students and, for a time, including Providence in our Panera Bread ministry, we also happily host Providence graduation each spring.

This may not seem like a big deal on the surface of things, but to have a church host a public school graduation (for just an offering) speaks volumes to many school administrators and families in our county, some of whom have never been inside a church before.

We are privileged to do this and to have staff pastors participate in the ceremony, which honors these fine students' achievements. May the families who gather in our church facility always feel the lingering presence of God's Spirit here.

4. Chocolate Bar Outreach

On Mother's Day, not only did over 200 moms in our church enjoy a chocolate bar in honor of their mothering efforts, you, the church family, took over 400 more Hershey bars to give away as a Mother's Day outreach tool. Thank you for participating so enthusiastically.

In addition to this, our regular Chocolate Bar outreach continues on. You have picked up dozens and dozens more bars from the outreach center in the foyer and given those away, sharing the gospel as you do.

Don't underestimate the effectiveness of this effort. Just the other day, Annette and I gave 5 of these bars away in a doctor's office to the docs and nurses there. You would have thought the bars were made of gold. They were shocked and completely effusive with thanks, saying things like, "No one has ever given us anything like this before!" So

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Those are still great words to live by. God loves you will work to live by. God loves you lignow have whether Church Come and words to Cod of one Son's Jesus.

take the time and make the effort—it's worth it, and it speaks well of Christ and Christ-followers in non-threatening ways.

Speaking of outreaches, our Independence Day water bottle giveaway (at the Wilmore July 4th Parade) is always a big hit—well, at least when it's hot outside—and we need you to help. We station teams of coolers full of cold Highbridge Springs water bottles in several places in downtown Wilmore

and offer it to parade patrons. Interested in giving a "bottle" of cold water? Contact Craig Saunders at saunders4@windstream.net.



Did you know we have over 30 persons/couples who are home-bound and unable to worship corporately with our church family? Most are well-known and loved saints—long-term members here at WFMC—who have served Christ and His Church faithfully. It's now our turn to serve them.

Eighteen persons/couples have recently been trained to visit these home-bound folk and serve them Holy Communion each month, not only to present them with the body and blood of Christ, but to help them remain connected to the greater church that they know and love. The servers will do this on the first Sunday afternoon of each month, so those at home will be able to receive the Eucharist on the same day as the rest of us who are able to gather for worship.

I don't know about you, but often...too often...I take for granted the gathering of the church, the ability we have to worship together. Perhaps on each first Sunday, as I see the home-bound communion sets being consecrated along with those the gathered church will consume, I'll remember to pray for those home-bound saints more faithfully, along with giving thanks for my ability to worship together with you.

6. Sidewalk Socials

There is something very refreshing about our Sunday evening worship services. If you make it a practice to attend these, you know what I mean. There are a variety of speakers and special events that happen at that hour, we hear from one another what the Lord is doing in our lives, and the Lord shows up to encourage and receive our praise. All in all, it's a great way to end the weekend and prepare our hearts for a new week of work in our increasingly non-Christian environment and culture.

In the summer, however, we have one additional reason to come and worship on Sunday nights: Sidewalk Socials! Every other Sunday night in the summer, members of the social team have some sort of cold treat on hand on the lawn just outside the main doors. It's a great opportunity to talk with friends and make new ones.

I offer these six items this month so we'll all understand a little more thoroughly how our church family works, what we do, and how we're reaching out to our neighbors and growing in faith together. Have a wonder-filled summer.



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Free Methodist USA

National Prayer Ministry

Doug and Margie Newton, Coordinators

The Free Methodist bishops are calling our people to gather together from across our nation to pray in preparation for General Conference 2015 and form an ongoing National Prayer Ministry. My wife, Margie, and I are honored to serve the denomination as the coordinators of this new ministry.

Imagine every local Free Methodist church functioning fruitfully as a true house of prayer where lost and broken people are brought into the healing embrace of God's grace. That's where we are headed. Our bishops have given us the go-ahead to pull out all the stops and reorient our churches around the primary ministry of prayer.

Imagine every local Free Methodist church filled with people who seek the Lord in fervent prayer for the outpouring of His Spirit and the transformation of their towns and cities. That's our vision. Almost every church has a handful of people who devote themselves to prayer. What if that number grew from a handful to a majority in every church?

Imagine what your church would be like if people be-

came more confident and skillful in the use of prayer in healing, care, and counseling one another. Testimonies of God's grace and intervention would skyrocket, resulting in heightened praise and worship. That, too, is part of our vision.

Therefore, by God's grace, we will launch this National Prayer Ministry as a guide, encouragement, and training resource to help our whole denomination become a movement of God with the ministry of prayer at the center.

Doug Newton

Freedom Summit July 10-11, 2015

in association with 2015 General Conference.



Human trafficking is a symptom of a much bigger problem: our communities are broken. Therefore, while we must serve with compassion at the margins, we also need to work to re-create community. The Freedom Summit is a gathering that focuses on community, hope, and healing—not action, but community-based action. An engaged discipleship. Join us for an inspiring time. Special guests will give us deep insights into community, justice, and hope:

Join Florida Abolitionist, World Relief, Heavenly Treasures, SEED, World Hope International, Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, International Child Care Ministries, Stripped Love, the Wesleyan Justice Network, Eden Projects, and the Junia Project for workshops that will help us be more and do more.

See http://fmcusa.org/fmwm/2015/05/12/freedom-summit-july-10-11-2015/ for more information.

CONTRUCTION PLANNING TEAM UPDATE

By Stan Wiggam, Construction Planning Team Leader

The weather has always been a topic of discussion concerning the delays of the construction of our new building. Now with the break in the weather over recent weeks, progress is in high gear as we move closer to a targeted move-in date. The good weather has finally al-

lowed us to start construction of the connector between the CMC and the new building. Eight piers will be installed which will support the connector and the new entranceway into the buildings. The connector to the sanctuary building will be completed at the same time.

A large window with the emphasis of a cross in the glass will be installed where the wood doors are presently located. The installation of the new window will allow the finish work to begin on the main floor. This will coincide with the finishing work in preparation for painting, new flooring, and carpeting on the ground floor. The elevator will be installed soon, which will give handicap accessibility to the floor levels of the sanctuary. Because of the different floor levels of the new building and the Christian Ministries Center, a chair lift will be installed between the buildings. When these are installed, the new building will be completely handicap-accessible, especially to our other buildings.



The projected occupancy for moving into the new building is now mid-July or early August. When we are given the state approval for occupancy, the nursery will be moved and demolition will begin immediately on the current classrooms and nursery in the sanctuary building. A new and larger entryway into the enlarged foyer will be constructed. At the same time, the new two-lane, vehicular drop-off will be created, including a covered walkway to the circular drop-off area. This phase of the project will cause some inconvenience and disruption of activity in the sanctuary building. There will be plastic wall corridors to walk through to enter the sanctuary while this phase is being completed. It is the desire of the CPT that it will not be necessary to move the Sunday worship services even for a brief period of time.

The projected completion date of the construction project is now late fall. This will be a time of celebration and thanksgiving. On behalf of the CPT, our thanks and appreciation to the pastors and the staff for their patience as they continue to function daily with the increasing noise and activities of construction.

"Unless the Lord builds this house, its builders labor in vain." Psalm 127:1

Wilmore Free Methodist Church Vision: A Community That Reflects Jesus' Vision and Values

In developing our vision, we sought to answer the questions, "If the future were ours to write, how would we write it? What would the finished product look like?" Here is the future we pray to see:

A Community: Our definition of community starts with nuclear family, spreads to church family, then to our neighbors, friends, communities, nations, and world. Like our spiritual founder, John Wesley, said, "The world is our parish." We are responsible for all the communities of which we're a part.

That Reflects: Any good thing we are or do, any good gift comes to us from the Father. Just one of His good gifts is the ministry and presence of His Holy Spirit, Who can transform Christ-followers into people who resemble Jesus in every way. We want to show people Christ. We want people to see Jesus when they look at us.

Jesus' Vision: Jesus looked upon His world with the love of the Father, with true compassion, with a firm understanding of priorities, and with an eternal perspective. We seek to develop through study, and to pursue through prayer, Jesus' way of seeing the nuances and people of our world.

And Values: Jesus was holy—set apart for the calling and ministry of His Father with the highest moral values—values which speak of our holy God. We seek not what we can get away with, morally, but what else God calls us to do and be to be more like Him.

WFMC Music Ministries: Take "Note"

A Word of Thanks...

...to all of the volunteers who have participated in music programs at WFMC throughout the past spring and fall. Each week, you invest your time to be a part of this important ministry to our church. We greatly appreciate your willingness to use your gifts as a sweet offering to the Lord and could not minister without you.

...to the wonderful congregation for your support of the music ministry at WFMC and for the vibrant singing that you continually offer on a weekly basis. You are the most important choir of the church and we are blessed...thank you.

As you are relaxing and enjoying your "Summer Vacation," please keep in mind that beginning in September our music ensembles will once again be rehearsing on a weekly basis. Below is a general list of all ensembles that will be offered this coming fall. Please check future "Plumbline" articles for specific details regarding these groups:

CHILDREN'S VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES

Young Musicians (age 4 by October 1st)
Friendship Company (Kindergarten-1st Grade)
Heaven's Harmony (Grades 2-5)
Chimes of Joy (Grades 2-5)

YOUTH AND ADULT VOCAL ENSEMBLES

Youth Choir (Grades 6-12) Sanctuary Choir (Post-High School and above)

YOUTH AND ADULT INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES

Allegro Handbell Choir (Grades 6-12)
Tintinnabulation Handbell Choir (Grades 6-12)
Blessings Adult Handbell Choir (Post-High school and above)
Beginning Level Adult Handbell Choir (Post-High school and above)

Do you play a musical instrument or enjoy singing? If so, we would love to have you minister with us by joining one of our music teams for morning worship or by playing your instrument/singing a solo for an offertory.

For more information regarding ensembles, as well as Sunday morning and evening music ministries, small groups, and instrumental opportunities, please see the music brochure at the Welcome Center in the main foyer of the church or contact Mark Schell or Rose Evans.

We want to hear from you!



Campbell's Soup Labels for Oakdale Christian Academy

THANK YOU FOR PROVIDING THIS NEEDED INCOME



Please continue to bring your Campbell's Soup labels to the library throughout the year.



Serving One Another

By Dale Hale

Palm Saturday, I was privileged to play a very special role in our church's observance of Palm weekend. On Saturday, we had an all-day event that mimics VBS with crafts, music, and a Bible lesson. The Bible lesson is obviously about Palm Sunday. I was asked to play the role of Jesus. In about an hour, the triumphal entry, the last supper, the Garden scene, and the resurrection all occur. As Jesus, I don't say a word; merely act out the parts that are narrated.

Among other things, during this one hour I wash "the disciples'" feet. One of the narrators becomes a disciple whose feet I wash. Then each of the children and their teachers come, one by one, to have their feet washed. At the time of the foot-washing, the narrators ask "I wonder" questions. "I wonder who would wash your feet. Would your teacher at school? How about your principal?" The list grows until it comes to Jesus. Then, should He wash their feet? Questions of significance hang in the air. Purpose. Why did Jesus do it? Why didn't a servant do it?

For 50 to 60 participants, I'm kneeling on the floor (thankfully, not all 60 at once but in six sections), bent over, pouring water, and then drying their feet. Have to admit, sometimes I think, "How much longer do I have to do this?" Seriously, it's tough on the back, knees, legs, neck. Muscles ache that haven't ached like that for a long time. Besides my own discomfort, I am also aware of the discomfort of the participants, adult and children alike. Washing feet is an awkward setting at best in our society. It just feels really odd. I've seen shyness and embarrassment. It's just awkward. I also note the feet. Some are long and skinny, boney, short and stubby. Some look deformed and ill proportioned for such small tykes. There are bandages, nobs, bumps, bruises, callouses, dirty toes, etc. You get the idea. It's not pretty. There aren't any foot models among any of them.

Because this is done in assembly-line fashion, one right after the other, I have to concentrate on speed and efficiency of movement. Speed for a couple of reasons. Each class has a certain amount of time to get to the next activity, so we are limited in how much time we can take there. Speed is also important for my own endurance. The quicker I can get their feet done, the quicker I can get out of the uncomfortable position. However, in spite of the efficiency and time, I like to make sure I get as much of the water dried off while treating each foot gently. I'm trying to be Jesus, and I just can't imagine Jesus being rough, no matter how painful it was. After the feet are done, I like to make eye contact with each participant. Just a little connection. Sometimes with the adults, there is a flicker of some much deeper, serious emotion. For the children, there is an awkward feeling like the "pretend" time just took a step beyond what was expected. They participate, but it feels funny, as if something meaningful happened but they can't describe or explain it. So, it feels mysterious.

Can you imagine the thoughts that went through Jesus' mind when He washed His disciples' feet? I am not Jesus, but I can't help but imagine Jesus saying to Himself something like, "Peter, couldn't you have at least missed one of those mud puddles?" "John, how many times have you broken that toe? Wow, look at that thing! One more break and it'll be at a right angle!" There is no doubt in my mind that Jesus would have thought, "Oh my! What have I gotten Myself in for? I've only done three of these and my back is already having spasms." Yet, He continued. I'm equally sure that He prayed under His breath for each one of those disciples. "Father, none of these has been lost. Please strengthen each one for the days ahead." Don't you think He paused when He reached Judas? "Father, forgive him for he knows not what he is doing!" I'm sure He looked Judas in the eyes with a knowing look. Judas probably

turned away so as not to betray his own tumultuous thoughts and misgivings. Yet, in spite of the discomfort, Jesus' own physical and the disciples mental discomfort, something else happened. Looks exchanged between disciples, as well as between the Master and the disciple, that spoke more than mere words. Deep, unspoken words that impacted each one to the core of his being. "The Master is a servant! What manner of man ought I to be?" Perhaps, one more thought, one more pervasive, uncomfortable, outlandish, frightening thought: "Jesus is preparing us for His departure." How odd! They are not in control. In fact, there is nothing that is happening that is within their control. So much is said in this simple act of washing the disciples' feet.

So much happened in that one meal, at that one time. We don't have time to address all of it. However, I think this simple act reflects a very important point and could very well sum up what was about to take place. In

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this, Jesus shows what is His last will and testament: service to others. He demonstrated that service first by washing their feet. What followed showed the depth of His service. Likewise, we should serve others and, by so doing, we serve God. What a novel and yet honorable thing. Friends, during this season, let us live by the example so beautifully shown in the selfless, uncomfortable, and yet rewarding way of serving those around us. Remember, He didn't stop at the feet, He served the heart.

Marriage Ministries

HEY, GENTLEMEN! You asked her. She said "Yes!" So...is that all!?

Take the initiative again!!!

Grow your relationship (Regardless of years of marriage! or courtship)

by joining with other visionary couples (married/engaged) for the WFMC Marriage Ministry's

BECOMING ONE IN MARRIAGE

Dr. Mark R. LaBronde and his wife Jan (CAREWorks) will be joining us for seven growth sessions:

- 1 Celebrate Your Differences.....Hmmmmm?
 - 2 Love Languages.....Speak to me!
 - 3 Real Love.....Has reality set in?
 - 4 Team Mindset.....Team?
- 5 Constructive Conflict Conflict constructive?
 - 6 Active Listening.....I heard you, hon!
 - 7 Forgiveness.....Now, wait a minute!

June 5-6 (THIS year, gentlemen!)
Location: WFMC
Friday 6-9 (light dinner provided) and Saturday 8-12 (breakfast provided)
Cost: \$15 per person (meals & materials)

"Becoming" is an active verb that never quits!

Library News

New Books for the Library (Loan Period: 3 weeks) Children's Books

Thank You, God, for Mommy
God Bless Our Easter
A Garden for Miss Mouse
May I Please Have a Cookie
Down at the Docks (Thomas & Friends)
Fancy Nancy Everyday is Earth Day
Andi's Pony Trouble
Imagination Station series
Danger on a Silent Night
Captured on the High Seas

Adult Books

Healing Hearts (Beth Wisemen)
The Green Hills of Snowdonia (Michael Phillips)
A Moment of Weakness (Karen Kingsbury)
On Hummingbird Wings (Lauraine Snelling)
The Reason for My Hope (Billy Graham)
Halfway to Forever (Karen Kingsbury)

Adult Books (continued)

He Still Moves Stones: A Miracle Everyone Needs
(Max Lucado)
Blessings (Kim Vogel Sawyer)
The Call to Holiness (Timothy Tennent)
The Love Letters (Beverly Lewis)
(We also have this one in large print.)

New DVDs for the Library (Loan Period: 1 week)

The Easter Story
Veggie Tales
The Ultimate Silly Song Countdown
Noah's Ark
God's Princess Can Always Trust the King
(Sheila Walsh's Gigi)

New Kits in the Library

Nehemiah: A Heart That Can Break (Kelly Minter) The Epic of Eden (Sandra Richter)

Please Renew Items Promptly

If you need to renew any items, please check with the librarian, Bonnie Koteskey, at 858-3436; or leave a note on the library bulletin board. It is important to return the materials when they are due so that others can check them out.

Book Reviews

Andi's Pony Trouble by Susan K. Marlow

This story is about a girl named Andi. She lives on a ranch with her family a long time ago before there were cars and trucks. The story is about how Andi thinks she's big enough to have a horse of her own. Her family tells her that she is too small and does not even take good care of the family pony, Coco. She likes to go riding with her friend, Riley. Riley has a fast horse named Midnight. One time, Coco was lost, and Andi tried to ride Midnight without Riley's permission. She fell off and was crying. She prayed to God for help, and she finally found Coco. Her family was very happy she wasn't hurt bad. They gave her a baby horse for her birthday! I really like this book because I LOVE horses!

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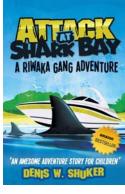
Reviewed by Elyssa Maynard - 7 years old

Attack at Shark Bay by Denis Shuker

This book shows what kids can do when they have a chance. The story is about a group of New Zealand high-school students who learn that their favorite teacher (Chappy) is missing and so they decide to so something about it. The kids look around where Chappy was last seen, and they spot a boat of "real mean men" who turn out to be terrorists. When they saw these men going into a cave where people said there were evil spirits, they asked advice from one of their grandfathers, who told them they had nothing to be afraid of from evil spirits and they should always pray and trust God. The kids find Chappy and rescue him but are chased by terrorists and by sharks. Then one of the kids prays to God, "Help us!" And just then.... Oh, I don't want to give away the ending.

But I can tell you that the story of these kids teaches us about courage, persistence, love, giving, and especially about prayer and trusting God.

Reviewed by Christopher Bauer - 10 years old





Youth Prayer Breakfast

Tuesday mornings, 7:15 am

Middle-School and High-School students gather to share and pray in a weekly Prayer Breakfast, Tuesday morning, beginning at 7:15 am in the church sanctuary.

- ⇒ Small groups gather for sharing, then pray for personal needs and needs in the congregation
- ⇒ The groups gather together for a time of student- or pastor-led devotions
- ⇒ Students eat breakfast together in the CMC before their study day begins
- ⇒ Transportation is provided by vans to take the students to WJMS, WJHS, Providence School, or home-school All middle-school / high-school students are invited and welcome to come...beginning with the beginning of school in August.



A Grandmother's Story

By Shirley McMillan

As a single missionary, I never expected to become a mother and grandmother. Then, at forty-one, I married Bill, a godly man deeply committed to world mission. Two and a half years later we became parents to Jimmy, who was five.

We prayed earnestly for Jimmy to become a man after God's own heart. He trusted Jesus as Savior early on but hit a rough, rocky road in his teens. We wept, prayed, and agonized through many sleepless nights. By day, I walked and prayed scripture promises over him.

It often felt like God was not listening. Jimmy left our home at sixteen, became an emancipated minor, married, and moved a continent away. His daughter, Ashli, was born when he was seventeen and Chelsea three years later.

When I had breast cancer, Jimmy and wife and baby Ashli came to be with me. Following a cardiac crisis and miraculous healing, Jimmy recommitted his life to Jesus. His heart problem has never recurred, and I have been cancer free for 30 years. Thirty years of investing in Ashli and Chelsea, Chelsea's son, Camden, and Ashli's son, Dakota.

Grandparents Who Pray interceded with me through Chelsea's addiction and her successful recovery at Teen Challenge. She has been drug-free for four years, holds a responsible job, and regained custody of Camden last year.

Grandparents Who Pray interceded for Ashli and Jerrod's marriage, for God to bless them with a child, and for Ashli's recovery from breast cancer. Ashli and Jerrod are still together, their son, Dakota, is seven, and Ashli's cancer is in remission.

Grandparents Who Pray interceded for Jimmy and Liz in their adoption process. Genuine James McMillan's adoption became final on March 27, and we are praying for his sisters, Armani and Rannia, to be cleared for adoption soon.

At Jimmy's urging, I am moving to Florida to live near him and Liz so that he can fulfill his biblical responsibility to care for his mother. I view it as an opportunity to invest in the lives of three new grandchildren.

God bless Jay and Margaret Dargan for their vision and dedication to the ministry of *Grandparents Who Pray*. Eternity alone will unveil the results in the lives of our families.

May the sincere faith that lives in us (2 Timothy 1:5) live also in our children, our grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and in their children and grandchildren until Jesus comes. Amen.

A Living Network By Caleb Blankenship

We are truly blessed to serve a loving God whose chief desire is to be in relationship with all humanity. The Holy Spirit has been working in the ministry of the Gómez family and *Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia*, as well as here in Wilmore, Kentucky, as we prepare for a team to travel to Medellín in August. We on the team are grateful for the opportunities the Lord has provided us. We believe that this trip is just one facet of the partnership that we have with the Free Methodist Church in Colombia. We seek to do what we can with what the Spirit provides us, as we *minister* to and are *ministered* to by the church in Medellín. This is not a missions trip just for the 14 people who get on the plane but for the whole Body of Christ



that calls Wilmore Free Methodist home. I encourage all of you to do what you can in supporting this ministry as sending agents of the Triune God.

Itineraries, plans, budgets, and other logistics are all coming together for us. We have been blessed by the church's generosity in our fundraising efforts. As of April 30th, we are 47% of the way to our goal. There are still ways you can give to the team. If you can give financially or can offer team members ways to earn money, we would greatly appreciate it. Please pray for us as we continue to prepare spiritually and with regards to language/skills training and as we continue to try to raise funds. Also, please pray for Ricardo, Beth, Juliana, and Jonathan as they live and work in Colombia.



"We die only once, we might as well die for Christ." Werner Groenewald

"On November 29, 2014, Christian worker, Werner Groenewald, along with his two teenage children and two Afghan nationals, were killed in a Taliban attack on their compound in Kabul. The South African family had served in Afghanistan since 2002 training Afghan Christians. Werner's wife, Hannelie, is the only surviving member of her immediate family." VOM May 2015

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"Then into His hand crept mine, and into my heart came He, And I walk in a light divine, the path I had feared to see." George MacDonald

JUNE

WFMC BIRTHDAYS

JULY



- 1 Tobias Reifsnyder
- 2 Joanna Crabtree, Susanna Hersey
- 3 Jordan Kellogg, June Lintemuth
- 4 Mark Goshima, Joan Lee, Andrew Weinberger
- 6 Wes Eisemann, Walker Swaim, Treshaun Warren
- 7 Rowan Bickert, Jim Lee, Shirley McMillan, Lyn Neyman
- 9 Ellen Jones
- 10 Sean Kidwell, Mark Schell, Robert Erny, Joy Ireland, Bonnie Lashbrook, Emma Padgett, Wally Underwood, Colin Winter
- 12 Kenny Isaac Proctor V
- 13 Madison Zweifel
- 14 Violet Madill
- 15 Kim Heumann, Arv Metcalf, Haylee Rutherford, Eileen Wright
- 16 Amy Cannon, Laurie Hood, Nellie Kester
- 18 Julie Jobryce, Burnam Reynolds,
- 19 James Demaray, Lee Hale, Joanne Smith, Mike Smith
- 20 David McPeake, Jeremy Wheelock
- 21 Jon Reifsnyder
- 22 Audrey Thompson
- 23 Paul Kellogg, Cathy Stonehouse
- 24 Jan Coleman, Rose Evans, Maura Reynolds
- 25 Robert Bickert, Jon Liversedge, Adam Schell, Lauren Ury
- 27 Margaret Arthur, Sharon Bryson
- 28 Derik Heumann, Glen Weinberger
- 29 Amanda Bailey, June Lowry

- 1 Janie Faul, Maren McGimsey
- 2 Kathi Munoz
- 3 Bill Descoteaux, Audrey Goodloe, Aiden Lane
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the grace of Jesus,
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