



# The Plumbline

Newsletter of the Wilmore Free Methodist Church

August / September 2017



## *From the Pastor's ~~Pen~~ Keyboard* By Daryl Diddle

This month I'm writing (while on vacation) from the living room of my in-laws' home at Cannon Beach, Oregon which, even though we are three to four blocks away from the shore, still provides an ocean view. How did a retired pastor of several small churches ever come to live in a beach house in one of the most expensive little towns on the Oregon Coast? Well, let me tell you the story.

Growing up in Portland, Oregon, Glen, (Annette's father) vacationed every year with his family at the coast and soon, along with his two, older brothers, fell in love with the ocean. In fact, they all agreed that, if possible, they would retire together at Cannon Beach.

Now, for his brother Dean (a professional singer) and his other brother Erwin (a phone company executive), a dream like that is realizable. Not so much though for even a very frugal pastor, given the variance between a typical pastor's income and the cost of beach living and property.

Yet as time progressed, the coastal retirement plan moved forward for Erwin, who built a home overlooking Haystack Rock, and for Dean, who bought a lot and began the process of designing a manufactured home to place there. But then the tragic twist—Dean was diagnosed with congestive heart failure and died rather suddenly and unexpectedly even before the house design was completed. That was a surprise to everyone.

What surprised Annette's parents even more than Dean's death, however, was their discovery that Dean, in his estate planning, had willed his home to them. So because of Dean's generosity, Glen was able to fulfill his life-long dream of retiring at the beach, and for nearly fifteen years, Glen and Erwin were able to enjoy living in close proximity to one another and appreciate the Oregon coast together again, as they had done as boys, decades before.

But time marches on and life's realities change...and require change from us. This past year, both Erwin's and his wife's health declined to the point of necessitating a move back to the Portland area in order to be close to family, doctors and hospitals. At present, Erwin's coastal retirement home sits empty, waiting for just the right, well-healed buyer to come along and enjoy the nearly perfect view of Haystack Rock. And Annette's parents, given their own health issues, are now feeling the need to move as well...to Astoria, Oregon, where they can be close to family and avoid the challenge of the staircase they face every day. Their modest home is now also on the market and they have their eye on a condo overlooking the Columbia River.

You may be asking yourself, "So...does this story have a point?" It does. In fact, let me mention two.

The first is that God always rewards those who are faithful to Him...in one way or another.

Annette's parents said "yes" to the call God had for them and gave themselves freely for His use, despite the relatively poor earthly remuneration of that call...they willingly gave up hope of earthly riches to do what God called them to do. And still...God provided for them, not only by giving them a home in which to retire, but a home located in the one, perfect place Glen would have chosen. God, through the generosity of another Christ-follower, provided these two faithful people with the desire of their hearts, which they had long before sacrificed to the Lord as a cost of His call.

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I think God takes great delight in doing that sort of thing for truly faithful people. That's the kind of God He is.

The second point, though, is that even a perfect home at the beach cannot begin to compare with the reward of a secure eternity...the promise of God that, no matter how things change here on earth...no matter the health of our bodies or our checkbook...God will care for the needs of those who love and obey Him.

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Because of the sin of Eve and Adam...and because of sin's compounding effects through the ages since...every earthly thing deteriorates. Even the most beautiful earthly edifice will surely suffer decay.

Yet it's when that decay seems at it's worst that God's greatest reward and provision comes to us.

In our earthly lives, our bodies change, our relationships change, our finances and homes and priorities and futures change. Yet it's on the morning after our greatest change—death—that Christians experience God's greatest reward and blessing...an eternity with Him where nothing will ever change again. We'll no longer have to concern ourselves with our health or ability or money...or lack thereof. We'll no longer have to "downsize" in response to our own mortality. We'll know the kind of life for which we were originally created...life with God forever.

Someone once correctly observed, "Whether we want to or not, we seem to spend the first half of our lives accumulating things and the second half of our lives divesting ourselves of things." I think the sooner we grasp this reality, the more easily we'll be able to navigate the changes of life.

The only true constant...the only thing (or One) that lasts through all of life's changes is God—His presence with us...His faithfulness to us...His dependability, no matter what change and challenge life brings. That's why, while we enjoy the good parts and grieve the bad parts of life, we do these things always with an eye toward the next life...the great reward of eternal life that comes to all who say "yes" to Jesus and follow Him with all their hearts.

## *WFMC Music Ministries: Take "Note"*

### **MUSIC ENSEMBLE OPPORTUNITIES**

FALL 2017-SPRING 2018

*If you enjoy making music and having genuine fellowship with other believers, then perhaps one of the music ensembles at WFMC is just the opportunity for you. Beginning in September our music ensembles will be rehearsing weekly. Groups range from pre-Kindergarten to adult and from hand chimes to adult choir. Please do not miss this opportunity to further develop your musical gifts, grow spiritually, and connect with others in our church with similar interests. Listed below you will find general information regarding available ensembles. Please feel free to contact any of these directors with more specific questions or concerns.*

*"It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High." Psalm 92:1*

### **CHILDREN'S VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES**

PLEASE NOTE: All children's ensembles sign-up at Music Central located at the top of staircase in Building B

#### **Young Musicians (age 4 by August 1<sup>st</sup>)**

- Director, Rose Evans
- Begins Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>
- 6:15-6:45 p.m.
- Limit of 10 children, parent must attend

#### **Heaven's Harmony (Grades 2-5)**

- Director-Cheryl Schell
- Begins Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>
- 4:45-5:50 p.m.

#### **Chimes of Joy (Grades 3-5)**

- Director-Pam Hiatt
- Begins Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>
- 3:30-4:40 p.m.

#### **Friendship Company (Kindergarten-1<sup>st</sup> Grade)**

- Director-Cheryl Schell
- Begins Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>
- 6:15-6:45 p.m.

#### **Chimes for God (Grades 2-3)**

- Director-Pam Hiatt
- Begins Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>
- 6:15-6:45 p.m.



# WFMC Music Ministries: Take "Note" (Continued)

## YOUTH AND ADULT VOCAL ENSEMBLES

### **Youth Choir (Grades 6-12)**

- Director-Mark Schell
- Begins Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>
- 4:45-5:45p.m.
- Sign-up at Music Central

### **Sanctuary Choir (Post-High School and above)**

- Director-Rose Evans
- Begins Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>
- 4:45-5:45p.m.

## YOUTH AND ADULT INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES

### **Allegro Handbell Choir (Grades 6-12)**

- Director-Hannah Miller
- Begins Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>
- 3:30-4:30p.m.
- Beginning/Intermediate level
- Sign-up at Music Central

### **Tintinnabulation Handbell Choir (Grades 6-12)**

- Director-Amanda Bailey
- Begins Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>
- 3:30-4:30p.m.
- Advanced level
- Sign-up at Music Central

### **Blessings Handbell Choir (Post-High School and above)**

- Director-Katie Diddle
- Begins Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>
- 6:15-7:15p.m.
- Intermediate/Advanced level

### **Joyful Bells Handbell Choir (Post-High School)**

- Director-Andy Miller
- Begins Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>
- 7:15p.m.-8:15p.m.
- Beginning/Intermediate level

### **Silver Bells Handbell Choir (Senior Adults, over 60)**

- Director-Pam Hiatt
- Begins Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>
- 1:30p.m.
- Beginning/Intermediate level

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Silver Bells senior adult handbell choir has several openings this year and invites those with interest, regardless of prior experience, to join the group. If interested or if you have questions please contact Pam Hiatt at:

email: [jeff.hiatt@asburyseminary.edu](mailto:jeff.hiatt@asburyseminary.edu) or  
cell phone: 859-940-8136

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 using your gifts to sing a solo or play an instrument for an offertory. For more information regarding ensembles, Sunday morning and evening music ministries, small groups, and instrumental opportunities, please contact Mark Schell or Rose Evans. We want to hear from you.

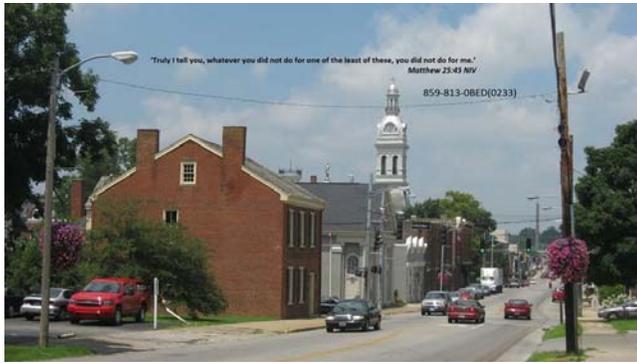
## LOOK FOR THESE EVENTS TO HAPPEN IN THE COMING YEAR:

Winter 2017: Hanging of the Greens  
Musical Celebration of Christmas  
Children's Christmas musical  
Christmas Caroling

Spring 2018: Symphony of Gifts  
Spring Ring  
Children-led worship  
Singing Celebration

## CHRISTMAS CHOIR

The Sanctuary Choir will begin rehearsing for the Musical Celebration of Christmas in early October. If you enjoy singing and ministering through song, and would like to make a short-term commitment to the "Christmas Choir" you are welcome to join us for rehearsals beginning early October. Watch the bulletin and listen for further announcements for more information and rehearsal schedules, or contact Rose Evans.



**JESSAMINE COUNTY  
HOMELESS COALITION**  
Outreach Ministry:  
Engaging Culture with Scripture

*“I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did it for me.” Matt. 25:40 (NIV)*

By Craig Saunders

On Maple Street in Nicholasville, Kentucky, between the Court House and the Jessamine County Schools bus garage, stands the Jessamine County Homeless Coalition. This new non-profit organization, supervised by Johnny Templin, opened on November 23, 2016.

**Providing for Shelter Needs:** This local homeless shelter provides a temporary home for people in need. I have had the opportunity to tour the facility and am impressed by what I have seen. They provide two large rooms filled with bunk beds, mattresses, and clean linens for people who do not have a permanent place to sleep. One dorm room is for women; the other one for men.

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It is wonderful to know the residents and the needy in the community can clean their clothes in the laundry room, as well as eat breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks throughout the day. There is also a place for a warm shower.

**Many supplies available:** There is a large storage room of supplies for the residents: for example, toiletries, baby care kits, tooth brushes and paste, and a pantry of food and snacks.

**Preparing residents for the next step:** Life skills and financial management classes are offered. The JCHC works with case workers to help the residents find a permanent place to live. The shelter offers a ¾ day

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emergency stay and a 90 day case managed program. Most residents stay for only 16 days.

**Future plans:** Johnny Templin plans on using two large rooms in the shelter as living rooms for families needing shelter – with a couple of beds, small vanity, table and chairs. That way, families will have a space where they can stay together.

He would also like to have a computer center where residents can create résumés, cover letters, and scan the web for job opportunities. The shelter would like to train the residents by teaching interviewing skills

**Bible Study:** I had the opportunity of discussing with Johnny the possibility of starting a Bible study at the shelter for the residents. After talking and praying about this new ministry, we both felt the Lord wanted us to move forward.

As a result, on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m., I have been leading the residents through the stories of Jesus. Focusing on the Gospels, I tell the stories of Jesus. My desire is to share the love, compassion, and mercy of Jesus, and his longing to forgive all people their sins, as everyone has been created to be in relationship with God through Jesus Christ (Gen 1:26-27; John 3:16-17). I also provide questions for them to reflect on the stories.

So far, the residents who attend the Bible study have been very engaged and are beginning to share their thoughts regarding what they have heard. Some of the residents have also shared their prayer requests and their life stories.

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One man has accepted Christ and I am hoping to be able to work with him in discipleship.

I have also had an opportunity to lead their Sunday morning worship service. On that occasion, Dora Grammel came to help lead us in singing.

I am thrilled with this new ministry opportunity, and look forward to seeing what the Lord will do in the lives of the residents.

**Ministry Goal:** The goal of this ministry is to engage our culture with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I know the Lord is planting the seeds of His Word in their

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hearts. I pray the Lord will use His Word to lead the residents of the new Jessamine County Homeless Coalition to personal faith in Jesus. Would you please pray with me for the success of the JCHC shelter, that the Lord will continue to use this Bible study to reach the homeless for Christ.

**Personal involvement:** If you would like to support the ministry of the JCHC shelter either financially, through providing resources for the residents, (JCHC is currently in need of: bleach, creamer, trash bags, napkins, milk, laundry detergent/dryer sheets, monetary donations); or volunteering (such as: admissions, cooking, life skills, fundraising, or in an administrative capacity) please call Johnny Templin at 859-813-0223. Also check out (and like) his Facebook page: Jessamine Country Homeless Coalition.

## PRAYER

Joanne P. Smith

My friends, you and I know the secret of all history, of all ages: Christ himself. "In him lie hidden ALL God's treasures of wisdom and knowledge." Did you recognize Colossians 2:2? I ask you this question because we need to grab hold of God's truth with all our minds and hearts and souls as we discuss prayer.

Think on these things: "Be rooted in him; be built in him; be consolidated in the faith you were taught; let your hearts overflow with thankfulness." (Col 2:7)

Does your mind get bogged down with the mundane? Where's your focus? Are you rooted in him? So the question remains, how are you going to kneel in gratitude if your heart does not overflow with thankfulness? No matter what mass of detail engulfs, envelopes or seems to choke you.....is your heart overflowing with thankfulness? I ask this because thankfulness is where prayer begins and settles and ends.

God has made us alive with Christ. (Col. 2:13b) We owe God everything. How can we pray fervently without acknowledging this fact? "Every power and authority in the universe is subject to him as Head." (Col. 2:11) Think on that..."EVERY power and authority IN THE UNIVERSE is subject to him as HEAD." Unless we submit to that understanding, how can we kneel in the prayer of absolute surrender?

Oh God, we ask you for so much...are we not at times like spoiled children who have no sense of what they already have, or like spoiled children who do not walk worthily of the parents who sacrifice for them, or sometimes like spoiled children who...you fill in the awful emptiness of our thinking? God, please forgive us. As we kneel in prayer, our thankfulness knows no end. Hallelujah.

I love Your Scripture; the Word surrounding us, the Word directing us. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit you can put on the new man, giving thanks in everything.

You are loved.

Thanks be to God. Amen.



## Gear Up for "Grandparents Who Pray" This Fall!

### Who?

**You, if you're a Grandparent?** Do you pray regularly for your grandchildren? Would you like to pray with other grandparents for your grandchildren? If so, this may be the group for you.

### What?

**"Grandparents Who Pray" started in 2003. It consists of grandparents who are concerned about the present and eternal destinies of their grandchildren.**

**A short devotional is given. Praises and prayer requests are shared for children and grandchildren.** Participants may also bring pictures of their grandchildren to pass around.

**It is the goal to pray for each grandchild.** Therefore, after general sharing, the group will be broken into smaller groups so that grandchildren can be prayed for individually.

We try to dismiss around 8:30 P.M.

### When?

It meets on the *third Thursday of the month from September through April.*

**The first date for this year is Thursday, September 21, at 7:00 P.M.**

### Where?

**At the home of Margaret Dargan, 191 Academy Dr. at Bethel Pointe here in Wilmore.**

**If you have further questions, call Margaret at 858-3183.**

If you aren't praying for your grandchildren, who is? Come and share. You and your family will be blessed.

**YOU ARE WELCOME!**

# MISSIONS IN FOCUS

“God is pursuing with omnipotent passion a worldwide purpose of gathering joyful worshipers for Himself from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. He has an inexhaustible enthusiasm for the supremacy of His name among the nations.”  
 John Piper

## Overseas Fellowship

Carol McGlothlin

Among the various groups gathering at WPMC during the year is one that broadens our view of missions and the countries around the globe. The Overseas Fellowship brings together those with international experience and those who have a keen interest in serving our Lord outside the United States. Meeting three times a year, we gather for a meal, enjoy hearing speakers returning from overseas or missionaries on furlough, and share laughter from experiences in other cultures. We enjoy good-natured fellowship while sharing meaningful insights into serving in foreign lands.



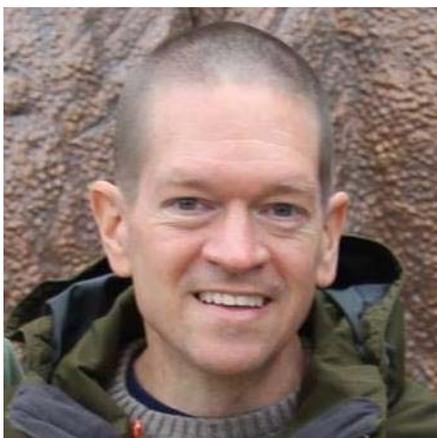
Our fall meeting will be on Friday evening, September 8 in Building C. The evening will begin with a covered dish dinner at 6 p.m. followed by the program at 7 p.m. Several members of our Brazil missions team led by Jerry and Jan Coleman in the spring of this year will share their experiences with us. We look forward to hearing about this mission team and their time of service in Brazil.

The Overseas Fellowship extends an open invitation to all who are interested in learning about the work of missions and hearing from some in our own church family who have served our Lord in other countries. Come, spend an evening with us. We look forward to seeing you there.

## World Mission Team

Lorrie Liversedge

“The Story—Know It, Tell It” is the theme of this year’s World Mission Week, scheduled for September 17 - 24. Both missionaries and WPMC members have been invited to share how they are telling The Story of God’s wonderful plan of salvation and how He is working both here and overseas to redeem men, women, and children.



We are excited to welcome Dan and Katy Beth Searls, long-time missionaries to Hungary, and Andy Bowen, career missionary to Paraguay, as our featured speakers. Special events include a wide array of mission seminars, men’s and women’s breakfasts with the missionaries on September 23, and the International Potluck on September 24. Be praying for our missionaries as they prepare, and join us for as many special activities as you can!



# Home Missions

by Meghan Kidwell, Home Missions Team Leader



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How to get involved:

\* Pray

\* Volunteer – befriend and sit with patients, give caretakers a break, help with administrative duties

FROM BLUEGRASS CARE NAVIGATORS: Hospice of the Bluegrass is now Bluegrass Care Navigators. Having cared for thousands of families in our communities since 1978, we’ve been expanding our service offerings and have outgrown our name. We now provide expert care long before life’s final months.

Our services currently include:

Bluegrass Extra Care, Bluegrass Transitional Care, Bluegrass Palliative Care, Bluegrass Hospice Care, Bluegrass Grief Care

Bluegrass Care Navigators is committed to delivering the right combination of care to meet your needs at every step – the right care at the right time at the right place.

### ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

Adult Day Care

State Registered Nursing Assistant Training

Home Palliative Care

Bluegrass Home Physician Care

Homeless population – We are working with homeless patients who present at UK’s Emergency Department with medical and behavior diagnoses, to help transition them out of the hospital and back into the community.

Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) – Bluegrass Transitional Care is working with UK Children’s Hospital to develop and implement a transition intervention for babies born addicted to drugs, and their mothers. Kentucky has experienced a tremendous increase in substance abuse and pharmaceutical opioids. The number of newborns in Kentucky with NAS has increased 23-fold in the last decade. (Kentucky Department of Public Health)

*We can do no great things – only small things with great love.*

— Mother Teresa

## Prison Ministry

By Ted Moon, Prison Ministry Team Leader



This past month, Hugh Sims was able to minister to more than 20 prisoners. One of the prisoners volunteered to give his testimony in front of the others. It was a wonderful time to see how God was working in spite of the situation that he was in. Hugh had time to pray individually and corporately with prisoners. Several asked for prayer concerning their families and their situations.

Thank you for all who remember to pray for us and support us with Daily Bread booklets to hand out.

# Ministry Opportunities



## Will you come and play with me?

There's all kinds of fun things to do! We can play ball, have a tea party, build with blocks, and blow bubbles. We might read books, eat a snack, play cars or dolls, and (maybe) take a nap. I don't care if you're young or old, a boy or a girl -- I want you to be my friend!

If you can do any of these things and are sixth grade or older, consider joining the nursery team! We currently have several adult openings and a few youth spots to fill. Contact Carol Blankenship at [cblankenship@wfmcc.net](mailto:cblankenship@wfmcc.net) or call her cell (listed in the directory). We need you!



Campbell's Soup Labels for  
**Oakdale Christian Academy**

**THANK YOU** FOR PROVIDING  
THIS NEEDED INCOME

**PLEASE NOTE:** The basket for  
collecting your labels is in the  
left corner of the foyer  
near the Welcome Center.



## We Need You!

We have ministry positions to fill in all of our children's ministries. If you would be willing to give of yourself for an hour a week or an hour a month, please contact Cheryl Schell at [cschell@wfmc.net](mailto:cschell@wfmc.net). Our team leaders are looking for adults and teens who love kids and want to share Jesus with our young ones. The investment in children's lives brings about great rewards! Please help us out in Sunday School, Christian Life Club, Children's Worship, Children's Worship, Jr. or in the nursery. Below is a short description of what each ministry is and when they meet. Join us this year for an amazing experience!



**Children's Sunday School** – Each Sunday at 9:40 a.m. 2 year olds through 5th grade meet each week to lay the foundation for a strong Christian life. Promotion Sunday is August 20!

**Christian Life Club (CLC)** - Begins Wednesday, September 6 at 7:00 p.m. Open to children age 2-5th grade. Come learn about Friendship, Family, Missions and much more!

**Children's Worship (CW)** - Begins Sunday, August 20 during both morning services. Open to children age 4-3rd grade. Children leave the sanctuary after the offering for a worship service for their age.

**Children's Worship, Jr. (CWJR)** - Year around for 2 and 3 year olds during both morning services.

**Nursery** - Year around care for our little ones during Sunday services, Sunday School and Wednesday night activities.

***Come and join us for a great year in the Children's Department!***

### COMMUNION MINISTRY— SERVING THE HOMEBOUND

We have homebound servers of communion who no longer have anyone to serve. If you know of anyone who needs homebound communion services, please let Bob Martin know at [bobrmar@aol.com](mailto:bobrmar@aol.com) or (770) 851-1876. Thank you for being on the lookout for those who may need us.

### HOSPITAL VISITATION TEAM

We are in need of new team members for the Hospital Visitation Team. Please consider joining our Team in serving Jesus as we serve others. These are areas of service where we would appreciate your help:

- Volunteers who are available to visit local hospitals on Fridays
- Volunteers who are available and flexible to serve as a team substitute when others are away
- Volunteers who are available to provide prayer support for those who are visiting

"I was sick and you visited Me." Matthew 25:36

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursday, September 14 begins our fall season of the Prayer Shawl ministry. We are an industrious creative group of ladies that enjoy: yarns, planning or trying new patterns, ministering to others, praying over the prayer shawls, loving our church and each other.

There is room for you! We meet each Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Yarns are provided as well as instructions/patterns, snacks( we love a cup of tea and share treats), and fellowship. Best of all, we are given the satisfaction of completing gifts for our congregation of believers to give away and bless others.

Please consider arranging your Thursday morning schedule and be ready to be blessed yourself by becoming involved in this worthwhile ministry. We need additional and willing fingers in order to meet the number of shawls required.

Remember, Thursday, September 14, 10:00 a.m.!

# Marriage Ministries

## LOVE BY SERVING

James Dobson

*Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. (John 13:14)*

Husband, we're speaking especially to you tonight. Just as selfishness is a sure marriage killer, an attitude of service and sacrifice—the "I'm Third" philosophy—is an indisputable marriage builder. We urge you to study your wife. What is it that speaks to her heart?

Are you providing that for her? Would she appreciate help with the dishes, vacuuming, or changing the baby's diaper? Should you be more romantic? Could you put off that weekend auto show so she can visit her sister? Maybe you'd rather go fishing on Saturday, but should you watch the kids instead so your wife can have a needed day out?

Jesus gave us a classic example of service when He washed His disciples' feet and told them to do the same for one another. Is it time for some symbolic "foot washing" in your marriage? Women are romantic creatures. God made them that way. Have you tried to understand that tender nature and sought to meet the needs it expresses?

Here's the personal payoff: If you as a husband will address this romantic longing, your wife, being a responder, will be drawn closer to you. You'll get the kind of attention and admiration you hope for. Try it!

Just between us... (questions for husbands to ask their wives)

- When have I done a good job of "foot washing" in our marriage?
- Do you feel I understand your romantic nature? Why or why not?
- Have I met your needs during the past week?

A prayer for husbands: *Dear Lord, I want to become an expert at meeting my wife's needs. Teach me to "wash her feet" and serve my way to a great marriage. Amen*



## Womens' Bible Study

### *The Epic of Eden: Isaiah*

If you are interested in joining a group of warm, supportive women of all ages in an in-depth study of scripture, this is for you!

We will meet 10:00-11:30 a.m., on Mondays, September 11-November 6, to study the book of Isaiah, using Dr. Sandra Richter's video series.

Often named "the fifth gospel," the book of the prophet Isaiah has more to say about Israel's coming Messiah than any other Old Testament book. Brilliant, courageous, uncompromising, this prophet declared that "the year of the LORD" had come and God's people needed to either step up or stand down. Indeed, when Isaiah spoke, kings trembled.

But too often, when Isaiah speaks today, God's people have trouble hearing. Why? We often miss the larger context. In *The Epic of Eden: Isaiah*, Dr. Richter will take us back to the 8<sup>th</sup> century BC, explaining Israel's religion and economy, and exploring the definition and role of the prophets, and helping us to apply the message of this great champion of the faith to our lives today.

A study guide (optional) will be available at the first meeting for \$20. After viewing the video each week, Yvonne Moulton will lead our group in discussion and prayer.

Meeting place: the home of Arv & Judy Metcalf, 20 Veterans Drive

**WFMC BIRTHDAYS****AUGUST**

- 1 Daryl Diddle, Jeff Hiatt, Seth Padgett, Carl Rhodes
- 3 Elyssa Maynard
- 4 Sharon McConnell, Mary Sutherland Variee VanLaningham
- 5 Faith Branan
- 6 David Brabon, Joseph Casteel, Lily Wittenberg
- 7 Rosie Cooper
- 8 Ruth Brown, Marguerite Brude, Becca Maggard, James Zweifel
- 9 Pearl May, Christina Proctor, Jake Bowers
- 10 Aidan Reifsnyder
- 11 Patricia Brabon
- 13 Alayna Crabtree, Andrew Sweigard David Tullar, Johnetta Zweifel
- 15 Lou Houpp
- 16 Sandy Hall, Beth Wheelock
- 17 Kevin Crabtree, Debby Marchal Del Searls
- 20 Don Joy, Mary Ellen Martin, Fran May
- 21 Reagan Adams
- 22 Israel Arega, Cheryl Faul Karen Jamison
- 24 Nathan Wittenberg
- 25 Nathan Saunders
- 26 David Bauer
- 27 Ed Bryson, Juliet Miller, Faye Neal
- 28 Curt Kidwell
- 30 William Kusche, Coleman Swaim
- 31 Melody Branan, Doug McGlothlin Noah McKee

**SEPTEMBER**

- 1 Susie Boileau, Caleb Coulliette Lucia Grammel
- 2 Charles Cowart, RoseMary Nowitzki
- 3 Annabelle Evely
- 4 Noah Riffell, Lyn Searls, Aidan Tuttle
- 5 Jerry Coleman, Brian Nowitzki
- 7 Darlene Elliott
- 8 Nick Riffell
- 9 Lynn Cooper
- 10 Ron Gouge, Timberly Kidwell Hannah Miller
- 11 Ginny Proctor
- 12 Stephen Anstett, Carol Blankenship Joyce Thomas
- 13 Wyndham Cannon, Hope Owsley Faith Ury
- 14 Michael Dickie, Barry May Judy Metcalf, Marilyn Weinberger
- 15 Devon Roxberry
- 17 Dave Blankenship, Timothy Bowen Kathryn Brown
- 19 Betsy Behm, Christine Maynard Kara Ostroske, Ben Riffell
- 20 Millie Hall, Ted Hall, Emrys Ezell
- 21 Jeneane Denger, Jonathan Gomez Patti McPeake
- 22 Gary Bailey, Sam Gilmore
- 23 Ethan Bickert, Eugene Lintemuth Ellie Spencer
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## Wilmore Free Methodist Church

### Vision Statement

A Community that Reflects  
Jesus's Vision and Values

### Mission Statement

Wilmore Free Methodist Church  
will faithfully offer  
members and neighbors  
the Word of God,  
the love of the Father,  
the grace of Jesus,  
and the power of the Holy Spirit.  
We will be Christ's presence  
in our world.



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# The Plumbline

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## ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIP



Cafe Berea and Layman's classes are being led by different teachers during the summer. Cafe Berea is normally led by Dr. John Oswalt, who often speaks at Camp Meetings around the country in the summer. John Swaim began taking a break in the summer several years ago. John invites other people he feels will have interesting and intriguing perspective on Scripture to take over the Layman's class during that break.

If you have intended to check out Adult Bible Fellowship, summer is a good opportunity. You will not be stepping into a book study already begun. You will hear from people in our church who have something to say, but from whom we seldom get a chance to hear. We hope to see you in one of the Adult Bible Fellowship classes this summer and into the fall.