

OUR FAMILY OF FAITH NEWS

DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF:
- Yvonne Piercy, November 24

WALLACE INSTITUTE
SPRING 2026

The Spring semester, Session One, begins on Wednesday, January 7, 6pm, and goes through Wednesday, March 4. Tommy Green’s Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, January 14 at 4pm. Materials for all classes will be provided on the first night. Below is a list of classes.



Title	Instructor	Time, Place and Duration
Bible Study with Tommy Green	Tommy Green	4pm, Worship Center (7 weeks)
Tech Team Basics	Trent Heston	6pm, Room S243 (4 weeks)
How To Study The Bible	Chase Campbell	6pm, Room S245 (6 weeks)
Intro to Missions	John & Katherine Green and Charlotte Davis	6pm, Room S242 (9 weeks)
Ephesians: Verse by Verse (for women only)	Kathy Glennon	6pm, Room S247 (8 weeks)
6 Strategies for Small Group Ldrship	Ed Ford	6pm, Room S240 (6 weeks) This class begins on Jan. 14.

JANUARY SERIES
"Don't Judge: Book of Judges"



January 4	Idolatry
January 11	Fall
January 18	Judgment & Grace



January 25	NEW SERIES "Letter from a Jail Cell" Advance the Gospel
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BE DISCIPLES
MAKE DISCIPLES

JANUARY 2026

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 1-2
Church Offices Closed

January 4
Deacon Ordination
Council, 4pm
Kid's Center

Deacon Ordination
Service, 5pm
Worship Center

January 7
All Activities for Spring
Semester begin

January 19
Church Offices Closed

February 1
Deacon's Mtg
4pm, Kid's Center

Annual Business Mtg
5pm, Worship Center

Wallace Campus
Office Hours
Monday - Thursday
8:30am - 5pm

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(865) 688-4343

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(865) 546-8741

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(865) 688-7729

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Dear Wallace family,

Every year I pray and focus on a verse for the upcoming year and the verse that God has laid on my heart for 2026 is 1 Thessalonians 5:19—"Don't stifle the Spirit." We don't use the word "stifle" very much, but it means to quench or to extinguish. The Holy Spirit is presented as tongues of fire at Pentecost in the book of Acts. Imagine throwing a bucket of water on the flames. That is what it means to quench or to extinguish or to stifle.

This admonition comes in a series of instructions at the end of Paul's letter to the church at Thessalonica. Some are much more well-known—like v16 which says to "rejoice always" or v17 which reads to "pray constantly." We don't hear much about v19, but perhaps we should. Because we can get in the way of what God wants to do in His church.

How can we stifle the Spirit? Personally, we can quench the work of the Spirit in our lives through sin and disobedience in our hearts. We can stifle the Spirit through lack of faith and trust in God. Corporately, as a church we can extinguish the Spirit through disobedience and lack of faith. We can put a damper on His work through disunity and in-fighting. All of these things can bring what God wants to do in us and through us to a halt.

As we move into 2026 and begin the 2030 Macedonia Project, this vision and these goals will never be reached apart from the work and power of God. If God doesn't move, then we will not become what God has put in our hearts. My prayer for myself and for our church is that we don't stifle the Spirit. Let us be quick to confess sin in our hearts and seek His forgiveness. Let us work together and pray for and encourage one another. Let us be faithful to what God has called us to do. Let us walk in step with the Spirit of God.

Sincerely, John





Memory Verse of the Month - Judges 17:6
"In those days there was no King in Israel; everyone did whatever seemed right to him."

Breakfast with the Pastors - Thursday, January 8
Boomers/Sr. Adults will meet at 9am for a time of fellowship. Cost: \$5 for breakfast. Sign up with Laura Simpson.

Day & Night Women on Mission - Tuesday, Jan. 6
9:15am and 6:30pm - Bill Wallace Room - Join one of these groups this month as Michael and Hillary Mincher share their story about serving in Mongolia.

Western Heights Baptist Center - Thursday, January 15 - Boomers/Sr. Adults will leave church at 8am to go and work in the market. Lunch will be out.

Lady Vols Basketball Game - Thursday, January 22
Boomers/Sr. Adults will leave church at 5:30pm to see the Lady Vols play Kentucky. Cost: \$18 (includes ticket and transportation).

Bill Wallace of China Story - Tuesday, January 27
The Spirit Lifters will meet in the Atrium at 12noon for lunch with a soup and baked potato bar. Jim McCluskey and Nina Fletcher will share their experience of being in Wochow China where Dr. Bill Wallace worked. COST IS TBA.



WALLACE MARRIAGE RETREAT
FEBRUARY 13-14, AT CARSON SPRINGS
REGISTER AT WALLACEKNOX.COM/EVENTS

Wallace Marriage Retreat
February 13-14, 2026
Carson Springs Baptist Conference Center
1120 Carson Springs Road, Newport, TN 37821

HOSTS: Alan and Tina Lyle from Family Life
Go to wallaceknox.com/events to register



Explore Wallace Class
This class will not meet in January. It will resume on Sunday, February 1. It is geared for new members at WMBC and is required for all persons requesting membership. The class meets on the first Sunday of each month following the Worship Service (11am) in the Pastors Workspace (Treehouse). Contact John Green at jgreen@wallaceknox.com, for more information.

Backpack Ministry - Wednesday, January 14, 5:30pm, Gym - This ministry will be filling backpacks to help as the cold weather has arrived. Contact Peggy Reynolds 865-406-8781, for more information.

Mats for Homeless
Matmakers are making a difference when they turn a plastic grocery bag into a sleeping mat for those living on the street. Join this group every Wednesday, 6pm, in the Atrium. Call Sandy Bolton, 865-688-4343, with questions.

Cumberland Women Sewing Ministry - Tuesday, January 20, 9-12noon - Come and help make outfits and blankets for those struggling in Ukraine. You will make a difference. Contact Dottie Sampsel, 865-659-9334, with questions.

Students
There are lots of student activities coming up in 2026!

Strength To Stand (STS) Conference & Los Angeles
Mission Trip registration is open!
STS is limited to the first 50 students!
Los Angeles is for all Freshman-Senior high school students.

Go to the student website to learn more about what's happening in 2026 (www.wallacestudents.com). Any questions text Tylar Baker at 606-425-7049.



Lottie Moon Offering - "Together" we can do more to reach the nations. In December we can give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. WMBC Goal: \$160,000.

Thank you Church Family!
368 Thanksgiving boxes
224 shoeboxes
110 Angel Tree gift bags of toys and clothes
What are blessing you were in December. God is good!

Encouragers for Homebound Ministry - WE NEED ENCOURAGERS!
Please contact Kent Williams or Laura Simpson if you would be interested in serving in this ministry. Let's be a blessing to our homebound members by calling, visiting and/or sending a card once a month.

Celebrate Recovery - Did you know that nationwide 2 and 3 Celebrate Recovery participants do not have a chemical addiction? Join us on Monday nights at 5:30pm to learn how to overcome hurts, habits and hang-ups. Contact Steve Anderson, CRKnox Ministry Leader, 423-327-1053, for more information and how you can support this ministry.



2026 MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

February 2-10	Central Asia (trip is full)
TBD	Puerto Rico
March 28	Townsend Ministry Day
July 19-22	Townsend Campground
July 31-August 8	Montana Construction
TBD	Cincinnati
September 14 or 21	Scott County Ministry Day
October 19-26	Red Hill, England
Nov. 27- Dec. 5	Germany Music

Sign up sheets for these trips will be on Green Light Sunday, Feb.22. Look for information tables for each trip in the Atrium. Please contact Sandy Bolton, 865-688-4343, to find out more information.

Leadership Team

Dr. John Green IV.....	Lead Pastor
Tylar Baker.....	Students Pstr
Chase Campbell.....	Discipleship Pstr
Adam Diggs.....	Riverview Campus Pstr
Orlando Estevez.....	Iglesia Knox. Pstr
Vitalie Gribinet.....	Romanian Cong. Pstr
Dr. Jim McCluskey.....	Pastor Emeritus
Jarred Morgan.....	College & Comm. Pstr
Kory Van Matre.....	Worship & Music Pstr
Jeff Stevens.....	Children & Families Pstr
Kent Williams.....	Pastoral Care/Sr. Adults & Single Adults
Dale Maddox.....	Church Administrator
Kristie Bell.....	Weekday Ministries
Tim Bennett.....	Facilities
Sandy Bolton.....	Missions
Trent Heston.....	Technology
Tara Miller.....	Pre-School
Emily Summers.....	Business Office Manager

Worship & Equipping Schedule

Sunday

	Wallace Campus
8:30am	Connect 1
9:30am	Wallace Worship
	Iglesia Adult Connect
11am	Connect 2
	Iglesia Knox Worship
	Romanian Worship
	Wallace Kids Connect
	Wallace Students Connect
3pm	Hallelujah Chorus

Riverview Campus

10am	Connect Groups
11am	Worship Gathering

Wednesday

	Wallace Campus
4:45pm	Cafe' Wallace
6pm	Choir Rehearsal
	Orchestra Rehearsal
	Children & Student Activities
	Wallace Institute
	Iglesia Prayer Mtg