

## OUR FAMILY OF FAITH NEWS:

### DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF:

- Beverly Moore, November 24
- Gina Kunselman, December 18

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PARENTS OF:

- Phoebe Katherine Sams born November 18, parents are Alex & Katie Sams

### NOTES OF THANKS AND APPRECIATION:

"Thank you for the Gideon Bibles. She would love this and the Bibles will hopefully get to some lost people."  
*Beverly Moore Family, JoAnn & Susan*

"Thank you for your donation of Gideon Bibles in memory of Gene Parrott. We appreciate your prayers and kindness with this precious donation. Much gratitude is given to the staff and members of Wallace Memorial for the prayers and help during our time of loss."  
*The Gene Parrott Family*



# BE DISCIPLES MAKE DISCIPLES

JANUARY 2023



Dear Wallace family,

It is a new year with new beginnings. 2023 is full of potential and hope. I am excited about all that God has in store for our church family this year! 2023 marks the 70th anniversary of Wallace Memorial Baptist Church and we will honor our past and move into the future with expectancy. We also celebrate the 5th anniversary of Iglesia Knox this year. God is continuing to move in incredible ways through our Spanish congregation at the Cumberland campus. In the coming months our *We Are Wallace* capital project

will be underway, and I can't wait to update our ministry space. Our ministries are growing both spiritually and numerically. God has strategically positioned our church to make a huge impact in our city for the kingdom. In August, my family celebrated 5 years of service at Wallace, and I can tell you that I am as excited as ever before about where our church is currently and where we are headed.

My enthusiasm comes from an utter confidence in God. I believe that God is faithful and He is able. I believe Jesus when He said, "I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overpower it" (Matthew 16:18). I believe that God is provider and protector. I believe that Jesus will take care of us because He says so in His Word—"For no one ever hates his own flesh but provides and cares for it, just as Christ does for the church, since we are members of his body" (Ephesians 5:29-30). I believe that God is on the move. At our staff Christmas party recently, Darrell Wright challenged us to pray with "Pentecost expectancy." By that, he meant that we would pray for God to move in extraordinary ways according to His power.

Every year I pray and select a verse that I meditate upon and focus on throughout the year. For 2023, that verse is Ephesians 3:20, which says, "Now to him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us." That is my bold prayer for this year. I desire to see God do exceedingly more than I could ever imagine. That He would work in my life and in our church in ways that we would never have thought. And that His Name would be high and lifted up in 2023.

Sincerely,  
John

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 1  
One service, 11 am  
No Childcare or  
Connect Groups

January 2 & 16  
Church Offices Closed

January 8  
Deacon Ordination  
Council, 4pm, Kids Ctr  
Deacon Ordination Svcs,  
5pm, Worship Ctr

January 11  
Wednesday Evening  
Programming &  
Cafe' Wallace Resumes

January 29  
- Deacon's Mtg, 4pm  
- Annual Bus. Mtg.,  
4:30pm  
- Family Reunion, 5pm

Wallace Campus  
Office Hours  
Monday - Thursday  
8:30 am - 5:00 pm

### Contact Us

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Cumberland Campus  
(865) 584-9129

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### Worship Services

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on iTunes and our  
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## JANUARY SERMON SERIES

### "That You May Believe: The Teachings"

January 1 Divine Son  
January 8 Life-Giving Spirit

### "That You May Believe: The I Am's"

January 15 Bread of Life  
January 22 Light of the World  
January 29 Door of the Sheep

that you may believe

that you may believe the teachings

that you may believe the signs

that you may believe the light



70th Anniversary



**Memory Verse of the Month - Ephesians 3:20**  
 "Now to him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us."

**Publications**

**Newsletter** - As a reminder, printed newsletters are no longer being mailed to the home. Watch for a link for the newsletter to be included in the weekly email "This Week at Wallace." You can also find the newsletter on the church app, and a few printed copies will be available in the racks by the elevator.

**Day Women on Mission - Tuesday, January 10, 9:30am Bill Wallace Room** - Mary Sheddan will be sharing her story of life in Malaysia to learning to return to Knoxville.

**Night Women on Mission - Tuesday, January 10, 6:30pm Bill Wallace Room** - Kim Cruse will take us on a journey that shows us why we give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

**Breakfast with the Pastors - Thursday, January 5**  
 Boomers/Sr. Adults will meet at 9am for a time of fellowship. To help the budget, we are asking that a \$5 donation be made for breakfast. Sign up with Laura Simpson.

**Lady Vols/Florida Basketball Game - Thursday, Jan. 19**  
 Boomers/Sr. Adults will leave church at 5:30pm Cost: \$13 (includes ticket and transportation). Sign up deadline is January 12 with payment.

**Western Heights Baptist Church - Thursday, Jan. 26**  
 Boomers/Sr. Adults will leave church at 8:15am to work in the market. Lunch will be out.

**Wallace Grands - Winter Magic with the Grands Sunday, January 22** - The Wallace Grands will meet in the Atrium at 2pm. Grandparents, bring your grandchildren of all ages for a fun afternoon (no parents). There will be activities to do together and following, everyone we will go to the Kids Center to watch "Magic with a Message" by Illusionist Larry Bohanan. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. Deadline to sign up is Friday, January 13. Watch for more details. Sign up with Laura Simpson.

**New Year's Eve Fellowship - Saturday, Dec. 31**  
 The Single Adult Ministry will meet at 6pm at the College House. Bring finger foods and drinks to share. There will be games, a bonfire and rining in the New year together. Sign up with Laura Simpson.

**Single Adult Luncheon - Sunday, January 8, Noon, Gym**  
 Fried chicken will be provided. Bring a side dish, dessert and/or drink to share. Council meeting to follow.



**Follow - Membership Class - Sunday, January 8 9:30am, Bill Wallace Room** - Come to this class if you are a new member of WMBC or if you would like to know more about membership and what it means for you. It is required for all persons requesting membership.

**Backpack Ministry - Wednesday, January 11, 5:30pm Gym** - As we fill 50 backpacks each month, we need your help with backpacks, fruit cups, and raisins. Leave donations in the black bins in the church office hallway. Call Peggy Reynolds, 865-406-8781, for more information.

**Mats for the Homeless - Wednesdays, 6pm, Atrium**  
 Join this group every Wednesday as they cut and crochet plastic bags into sleeping mats for the homeless. Call Sandy Bolton, 865-688-4343, with questions.

**Cumberland Women on Mission - Tuesday, Jan. 17 9am-noon** - These women are blessed as they sew together to make blankets for Ukraine. Contact Dottie Sampsel, 865-650-9334, for details.

**Sunday Preschool Monthly Workers:**  
 Connect Groups serving in 9:30am Worship, please arrive by 9:15am.  
 January 1 No Connect Group  
 January 8 Davis  
 January 15 College  
 January 22 Boyd  
 January 29 Sexton

**Spirit Lifters - Tuesday, January 24, 10:30am, Atrium**  
 The Spirit Lifters will welcome Jim McCluskey and John Green as they share "Memories and Vision." Dr. McCluskey will highlight some of WMBC's spiritual journeys and Pastor John will spotlight future plans for our church. Cost: \$7 (includes lunch with baked potatoes and chili).



**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** - As our 3,500 plus missionaries work to share the gospel to the unreached, let us continue to give during January to reach the Nations. WMBC Goal: \$160,000

"2023 means a fresh start for each of us. As we look back to the end of 2022, I am very proud of our Family of Faith. What a blessing you are! You provided Thanksgiving boxes for 394 families; Angel Tree Children gifts for 120 children; Cumberland Campus provided gifts for 250 elementary children in Kentucky; Operation Christmas Child Shoebox ministry provided 116 boxes; and our Iglesia congregation's coat ministry provided 500 coats. Thank you for your faithfulness in helping others."  
*Sandy Bolton, Missions Director*

**International Moms - Wednesday, January 18, 9:15am-noon, Atrium**  
 This is a special gathering of ladies from around the world living in Knoxville. Come on Jan. 18 and see how much fun it is to make new friends. Call Sandy Bolton, 865-688-4343, with questions.

**Spring Family Mission Trip** - Knox County Spring Break is March 11-18, 2023. Would your family enjoy connecting with a church planter in Townsend, Miami or Cincinnati? Call Sandy Bolton, 865-688-4343, to learn more.

**Encouragers for the Homebound Ministry** - 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.

**Van Drivers Needed** - One van driver is needed for the Sunday morning routes. Please contact Kent Williams, 865-688-4343, or more details.

**GriefShare** - This is for people grieving the death of a family member or friend. The group meets weekly and you can join at any time. Contact Pam Lewis, 865-360-6480, or email at pam16775@gmail.com, for more details.

Fall of 2022 was a groundbreaking semester for our Next Generation Ministry. Through an amazing team of volunteers, an excited church, and the blessings of God, we were able to launch Wednesday Night ministries for Preschool, Kids, and Students. In our first semester, we averaged around 40 kids under the age of 18 each week while having a remarkably large group of faithful servants with hearts for Jesus, kids, and service. The Kids and Preschool ministries, called Cumberland Kids and Cumberland Kids Jr, respectively, each had a time of worship each week called 'Kids' Praise.' In this time, they would learn a song, what the words of the song mean, and most importantly, what it means to worship. They would also participate in a large grouptime where they would study curriculum from the Gospel Project, a resource that accessibly teaches the truths of the Bible and shows how they all point to Jesus Christ. The students would get together each week for a time of fellowship, worship, and study of God's Word in the Lectio Continuo (studying straight through a book of the Bible) style. God has blessed the Cumberland Next Gen Ministry, but we are just getting started, and we are excited for what God has for us going forward.

Serving Christ and You,  
 Chad Davenport, Next Gen Pastor, Cumberland



**Leadership Team**

Dr. John Green IV.....Lead Pastor  
 Chase Campbell.....College & Young Adults  
 Matt Crabtree.....Students Pstr  
 Dr. Chad Crawford..Cumberland Campus Pstr  
 Chad Davenport.....Next Generation Pstr  
 Casey Harold.....Worship & Music Pstr  
 Dr. Jim McCluskey.....Pastor Emeritus  
 Jarred Morgan.....Creative Arts/Comms.  
 Jeff Stevens.....Children & Families  
 Kent Williams.....Pastoral Care/Sr. Adults & Single Adults  
 Darrell Wright.....Discipleship & Leadership Development  
 Dale Maddox.....Church Administrator  
 Grant Williams.....Executive Director  
 Kristie Bell.....Weekday Ministries  
 Tim Bennett.....Facilities  
 Sandy Bolton.....Missions  
 Cory Crabtree.....Associate, Missions  
 Trent Heston.....Technology  
 Megan Kewaza.....Childrens Ministries  
 Emily Summers.....Business Office Manager

**Worship & Equipping Schedule**

**Sunday**

**Wallace Campus**  
 8:15 am Connect 1  
 9:30 am Connect 2  
 Worship Gathering  
 Wallace Kids Worship  
 Wallace Students Connect  
 11:00 am Connect 3  
 Worship Gathering  
 Wallace Kids Connect  
 3:30 pm Hallelujah Chorus

**Cumberland Campus**  
 9:30 am Morning Worship  
 11:00 am Connect Groups

**Iglesia Knox**  
 11:00 am Worship Gathering

**Wednesday**

**Wallace Campus**  
 4:45 pm Cafe' Wallace  
 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal  
 6:00 pm Children & Student Activities  
 Catalyst Classes  
 7:15 pm Orchestra Rehearsal

**Cumberland Campus**  
 5:00 pm Fellowship Meal  
 6-7:15 pm Preschool, School- Aged Kids & Students (6th-12th) Activities  
 6:00pm ESL for Spanish-speaking comm. Catalyst Classes for Adults  
 7:00 pm ESL for Spanish-speaking comm.