# OUR FAMILY OF FAITH NEWS

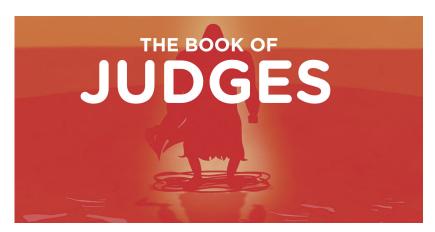
#### **DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF:**

- Mike Collins, October 11
- Katy Conner, October 14
- Digger O'Dell, October 15
- Gail King, October 21

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PARENTS OF:**

- Maddox Caleb Crabtree born October 24; parents Matt & Sarah Beth Crabtree





**NOVEMBER SERIES** "Don't Judge: The Book of Judges"

> November 2 Samson November 9 Samson **November 16** Samson **ONE WKND November 23**

November 30 **Announcement of Jesus** 



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# **NOVEMBER 2025**

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Nov. 2 Time Change - Fall back one hour

> Nov. 16 Deacon's Mtg, 5pm **Kids Center**

2026 Ministry Plan Q&A 4pm, Worship Ctr

**Special Called Business** Mtg to Adopt 2026 Ministry Plan, 4:30pm Worship Ctr

Nov. 25 **Thanksgiving Service** 6pm, Worship Ctr

Nov. 26 No Wednesday Night **Activities** 

Nov. 27-28 **Church Offices Closed** 

#### **Wallace Campus** Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

#### **Contact Us**

**Wallace Campus** (865) 688-4343

**Cumberland Campus** (865) 584-9129

Riverview Campus (865) 546-8741

**Intercessory Prayer Line** (865) 688-7729

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Dear Wallace family. 2030 Vision Part 2

As we look forward to 2030, God has put a vision in our hearts that we are calling "The Macedonia Project." As Paul was on his missionary journey, he received a vision in Acts 16:9: "During the night Paul had a vision in which a Macedonian man was standing and pleading with him, "Cross over to Macedonia and help us!" It was a clear call to mobilize the church into new frontiers. This is the impetus behind "The Macedonia Project." It is all about sending and helping spread the gospel locally, cross-culturally, nationally, and internationally.

As Paul began this missionary journey, he thought that the mission would be accomplished in a certain way. He had in his heart to go to Asia. In fact, he tried several different times to go in that direction, but the Spirit of God

prevented him & led him in a different direction. When he listened to the Spirit, and went out on

a new venture to Macedonia, God moved in ways that he never would have imagined.

We feel that the Wallace family is at a Macedonia moment. As I began praying through the 2030 vision and working on plans to move in that direction, I kept sensing the Lord saying, "There's more to it." Even after we had outlined the 7 measurables previously shared, I sensed the Lord saying, "I'm not finished." As we prayed through God's direction for our church in the next few years, He led us in a different direction. It was as if we were headed to Asia and God said, "Look over at Macedonia. I'm going to push the Wallace family in a new venture that you never would have imagined."

#### **Congregation Sending Plan:**

- Move Iglesia Knox to Wallace campus by January 2026
- Continue with Romanian Baptist Church
- Develop plan to launch Cumberland Baptist Church as autonomous church by March 2026
- Develop plan to launch Riverview Baptist Church as autonomous church by end of 2028
- Launch SoKno City Church as autonomous church by Jan 2026

This shift in our structure reduces the complexity of the organization. The model became cumbersome and made us less nimble and agile. This shift allows the congregations to no longer be constrained under the multi-campus model. Each campus has the freedom to work without having to create a large box that everything works within. The purpose of our 2025 vision was always church revitalization & planting, not necessarily to have lots of campuses. God has worked to plant multiple churches and revitalize multiple congregations because we followed the vision He put in our hearts several years ago. This shift allows congregations to multiply, plant, or revitalize other congregations. Instead of continuing to add campuses, by releasing the campuses we are multiplying the work. This shift would allow Wallace to create a 3-yr revitalization model to help other churches in the future (even churches in other cities in

We are NOT cutting ties with our campuses. We are simply moving to a network model for our congregations. In the "To Knoxville and the Nations Network" our autonomous churches will choose to network together for missions collaboration, monthly brainstorming/problem solving sessions for pastors, discipleship resource sharing, leadership pipeline deployment, pulpit supply, and volunteers for events, etc. In fact, our Family Reunion would become an annual network gathering.

As the Wallace family makes these shifts over the years to come, my prayer is that we would become a missionary force across Knoxville and to the nations. Each of the measurables will challenge us to take the gospel across the street and around the world. The congregation sending plan enables us to multiply the work for kingdom impact. Be in expectant prayer as we follow God into a bold future!

Sincerely, John



Memory Verse of the Month - Philippians 4:6 "Don't worry about tomorrow, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

Breakfast with the Pastors - Thursday, Nov. 6 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, November 11 - 9:30am and 6:30pm- Bill Wallace Room - Beverly and Ted have continued to grow dearer to us. Join us at one of these times and hear how God is using them as volunteers as they prepare to retire.

Country Tonite Christmas - Thursday, Nov. 13 Boomers/Sr. Adults will leave church at 1:15pm for Pigeon Forge. Dinner is at the Applewood Farm House (on your own). Cost: \$30 (includes ticket and transportation). Sign up with payment (nonrefundable).

Western Heights Baptist Center - Tuesday, Nov. 25 Boomers/Sr. Adults will leave church at 8am to work in the market and help hand out Thanksgiving boxes. Lunch will be out.

Park Grill Restaurant & Arrowmont Arts and Crafts Tuesday, November 18 - The Spirit Lifters will leave church at 10am for lunch. Following lunch, there is a tour of the Arrowmont Center. Cost: \$5 (includes transportation). Lunch is on your own.

Single Adult Thanksgiving Luncheon - Sunday, November 9 - The Single Adult Ministry will meet in the gym at 12noon. Turkey, dressing and gravy will be provided. Bring your favorite Thanksgiving side dish, dessert and/or drink. Let's enjoy a time of thankfulness together.

Chili Supper & Shoebox Stuffing - Friday, Nov. 14
The Single Adult Ministry will meet in the Atrium at 6pm for a chili supper before preparing boxes. Chili will be provided. Bring side dish items to go with chili, such as cheese, crackers, sour cream, fritos, dessert and drinks.



Please note day and time change. This is a class 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 - Wed, Nov. 12, 5:30pm, Gym This ministry continues to fill 50 backpacks filled with food and hygiene items every month. Items needed: potted meat, raisins, vienna sausages and snack cakes. Help make a difference. Place donations in the black bins in the church office hallway. Contact Peggy Reynolds 865-406-8781, for more information.

#### **Mats for Homeless**

Matmakers take plastic grocery bags and make them into waterproof mats for the homeless. Join them every Wednesday night at 6pm in the Atrium. Both men and women can help with this project. Call Sandy Bolton, 865-688-4343, with questions.

Cumberland Women Sewing Ministry - Tuesday, Nov. 18, 9am-noon - Help make outfits and blankets for those struggling in Ukraine. You will make a difference. Contact Dottie Sampsel, 865-659-9334, with questions.

#### **Students**

Fall semester is in full swing! Go to the student website **www.wallacestudents.com**, to sign up for ONE WKND on November 21-23.



#### **Fall Mission Activities**

Let us give thanks as the Lord allows us to be His Hands and Feet.

- Nov. 2 Thanksgiving Meals Pick you your Thanksgiving box in Atrium from 8am-11:30am to fill for a struggling family. A shopping list is available in the racks near the elevator.
- Nov. 16 Angel Tree Children Names of inmate children will be available to pick up in the Atrium before and after Worship.

**Lottie Moon Offering** - Begin praying for our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal of \$160,000. Our international missionaries are depending on us.

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 - This group meets every Monday night at 5:30pm in the WMBC Student Center to encourage our community with the message that "Life hurts, but Jesus heals." Volunteers are needed in the techbooth, a keyboard player for worship and a door greeter. Contact Steve Anderson, Ministry Leader, 423-327-1053, for more information.

Recently, a widely known Christian website published an article on the impact that consistent church attendance has on the family.

"Nothing can prepare you for the labor that is getting small children out the door to church on a Sunday morning. I don't know if it's spiritual warfare or whiplash from the weekend, but dressing small kids and cumberly loading them into the car is a grind. Getting to church is hard. But that's part of the value of attending church every Sunday. It sets the tone for the Christian's daily struggle to live in personal relationship with Christ."

As we get closer to the Christmas season, the temptation is easy to let some things slide in our weekly schedules. So, let's not allow the corporate gathering each week as God's people be one of those things. Let's continue to show our community, our children, and each other that we value the weekly gathering as the Lord commanded.

Chad Crawford
Campus Pastor, Cumberland

| Leadership Team              |                                               |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
|                              | Dr. John Green IVLead Pasto                   |  |  |  |
|                              | Tylar BakerStudents Pst                       |  |  |  |
|                              | Chase CampbellDiscipleship Pst                |  |  |  |
|                              | Matt CrabtreeSoKno Campus Pst                 |  |  |  |
|                              | Dr. Chad CrawfordCumberland Campus Pst        |  |  |  |
|                              | Adam DiggsRiverview Campus Pst                |  |  |  |
|                              | Orlando EstevezIglesia Knox. Pstr             |  |  |  |
|                              | Vitalie GribinetRomanian Cong. Pst            |  |  |  |
|                              | Nicholas LakinCumberland Campus Dir           |  |  |  |
|                              | Dr. Jim McCluskeyPastor Emeritus              |  |  |  |
|                              | Jarred MorganCollege & Comm. Pstr             |  |  |  |
|                              | Kory Van MatreWorship & Music Pst             |  |  |  |
|                              | Jeff StevensChildren & Familie                |  |  |  |
|                              | Kent WilliamsPastoral Care/Sr. Adult          |  |  |  |
|                              | & Single Adult Dale MaddoxChurch Administrato |  |  |  |
|                              | Grant WilliamsExecutive Director              |  |  |  |
|                              | Kristie BellWeekday Ministrie                 |  |  |  |
|                              | Tim BennettFacilitie                          |  |  |  |
|                              | Sandy BoltonMission                           |  |  |  |
|                              | Trent HestonTechnology                        |  |  |  |
|                              | Tara MillerPre-Schoo                          |  |  |  |
|                              | Emily SummersBusiness Office Manage           |  |  |  |
| Worship & Equipping Schedule |                                               |  |  |  |
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# Worship & Equipping Schedule Sunday

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9am Connect 1 10am Worship Gathering 11am Connect 2

Wallace Kids Connect Wallace Students Connect Romanian Baptist Worship

3pm Hallelujah Chorus

#### Cumberland Campus

9:30am Worship Gathering 11am Connect Groups Ialesia Knox Worship

## 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

Cumberland Campus

Cafe' Cumberland

6-7:15pm Preschool, School-Aged Kids &

Students (6th-12th) Activities

6pm Catalyst Classes