

OUR FAMILY OF FAITH NEWS

DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF:

- George Modzik, December 2

NOTES OF THANKS AND APPRECIATION FROM:

"I would like to thank the church family for all their prayers, cards and visits after the passing of my daughter with special thanks to Pastor Kent, David House, Chelsea and Brenda. The prayers, cards and visits have been an encouragement and have helped so much during this time of grieving. Thank you all and please continue to pray."
Patsy Trollinger

"We are so grateful and blessed by our friends at Wallace and especially our connect classes. You have shown us such love and encouragement through the many cards, calls, food and visits. Did I tell you? We are blessed! We are looking forward to being back at church soon and among our caring friends. You all are the best!"
Gary & Aggie Hankins

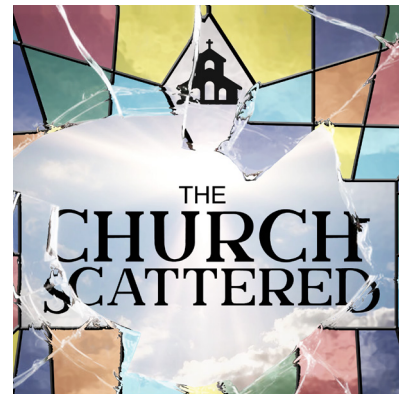
COMING UP



Sign ups will begin the week of January 5



Guest Speaker
Trent Mueller, Pastor
The Abiding in LA



January 5
January 12
January 19
January 26

JANUARY SERIES "The Church Scattered"

Reasoning w/the Religious
Reasoning w/the Doubting
Reasoning w/the Hostile
Reasoning w/the Persecutors



BE DISCIPLES MAKE DISCIPLES

JANUARY 2025

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Jan 1-3
Church Office Closed

Jan. 5
Deacon Ordination, 5pm
Worship Center

Jan. 8
Cafe' Wallace, Students,
Children and Preschool
activities resume

Jan.15
Catalyst Classes begin,
4pm and 6pm

Jan. 20
Church Office Closed

Jan. 26
Deacon's Meeting, 4pm,
Kids Center

Annual Business Mtg.
6pm, Worship Center

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,

Every year I pray and focus on a verse for the upcoming year and the verse that God has laid on my heart for 2025 is John 15:5—"For apart from Me, you can do nothing." This is a humbling verse. We think we are capable of quite a lot of things. And in our own strength and training and wisdom, we are capable of planning worship services, planning events, making budgets and calendars. We can do all sorts of things. But one thing will be missing—the power of

the Holy Spirit. Apart from Christ, we can do nothing. We can do nothing of consequence. Nothing that is lasting. Nothing that is eternal.

In the first half of the verse, Jesus says, "I am the vine and you are the branches. The one who remains in Me and I in him produces much fruit." This is the key to the Christian life. We must abide in Christ. If we do, we will bear much fruit. If we don't, we can do nothing. This is a reminder for us to be seeking Christ every day. It is a reminder to remain in Christ and bear much fruit. We believe that God has called our church to do great things. We believe that He has given us a vision for the future. But apart from Him, we can do nothing.

So how do we remain in Christ? It will certainly look like praying more. It will look like worshipping Him regularly. It will look like communing with Him in His Word. It will look like being responsive to the work of the Holy Spirit in your life. As we begin a new year, it is a great time to assess your walk with Christ and you can follow Him more faithfully. Will you commit to remain in Him this year? Because apart from Him, you can do nothing.

Sincerely,

John





Memory Verse of the Month - 1 Thessalonians 5:11

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up as you are already doing."

Breakfast with the Pastors - Thursday, Jan. 9

Boomers/Sr. Adults will meet at 9am for a time of fellowship. Cost: \$5 for breakfast. Sign up with Laura Simpson.

Day Women on Mission - Tues., Jan. 14, 9:30am

Bill Wallace Room - There is a mission field just up the highway, Townsend's KOA Campground. Come hear Sandra and Steve Monroe tell how God led them to the CHARM ministry.

Night Women on Mission - Saturday, Jan. 11, 9:30am

near the Bill Wallace Room - The group will have the opportunity to do a mission action project for the Merchants Road E-Team. Kimberly Poore will lead the group in prayer for the team and individuals that they serve.

Western Heights Baptist Church - Thursday,

January 16 - Boomers/Sr. Adults will leave church at 8am to work in the market helping customers with getting food. Lunch will be out.

Crown College Museum and Tour - Thursday,

January 30 - Boomers/Sr. Adults will leave church at 10am. Lunch will be in their cafeteria. Cost: \$6 (payable there)

Single Adult Luncheon - Sunday, Jan. 12

The Single Adult Ministry meet in the gym at noon. Fried chicken will be provided. Please bring a side dish, dessert and/or drinks. Council meeting to follow.

Ice Bears Game - Saturday, February 1

The Single Adult Ministry is going to the Weiner Dog Race Cost: \$17 payable at time of signing up.

Church Heritage Tour #5, Jewish Heska Amune Synagogue - Tuesday, January 21

The Spirit Lifters will leave church at 10am for a tour and to learn more about the Jewish customs. Lunch will be at the Kerns Food Hall. There will a Rabbi from the Messianic Jewish Church to share information following lunch.

Explore Wallace Class

The class for new members at WMBC will be on Wednesday, February 5, 6pm. It is required for all persons requesting membership. The class meets on the first Wednesday night of each month. Contact John Green at jgreen@wallaceknox.com, for more information.

Backpack Ministry - Wed, Jan. 8, 5:30pm, Gym

Join us in January as we continue this ministry. Items needed: snack cakes, cereal bars, potted meat, and backpacks are always needed. Contact Peggy Reynolds 865-406-8781, for more information.

Mats for Homeless

This ministry will return to their ministry 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 on Mission - Tues., Jan 28,

9-12noon - This group returns one week later than normal. All you need to know is how to use scissors and you can make blankets for Ukraine. Contact Dottie Sampsel, 865-659-9334, with questions.

Winter/Spring Discipleship Classes

Date	Title	Leader	Loc/Time
Jan. 15-March 12	Study of Philipians	Tommy Green	Rm S242 4pm & 6pm
Jan. 15-February 12	Daughter of the King (Women' class)	Kathy Glennon	Rm S247 6pm
Feb. 19-March 12	Bride of Christ (Women's class)	Kathy Glennon	Rm S247 6pm
March 26-April 30	30 Days to Understanding the Bible	Darrell Wright	Rm S243 6pm
Jan. 15-Feb. 19	Alzheimer's: Hope for Healing, Here and Now	Mike Duncan	S243 6pm
Jan. 15-March 12	Financial Planning	Dale Maddox	S240 6pm
March 26-April 30	Baptist History	Chase Campbell	Rm 245 6pm

Winter Workshops

Date	Title	Leader	Location/Time
January 12	Alzheimer's: Hope for Healing, Here and Now	Mike Duncan	Kid's Center, 5pm
January 19	Follow Me: Raising Christlike Disciples	Jeff Stevens	Kid's Center, 5pm
January 26	Financial Planning	Dale Maddox	Kid's Center, 5pm

Contact Chase Campbell, ccampbell@wallaceknox.com, for more information about any of the above classes and workshops.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering - WMBC Goal is \$160,000

National goal is \$205 million. There is still time to give to this offering.

Thank you - Wallace Memorial ended 2024 with grateful hearts. Thank you for caring. 218 shoeboxes were prepared, 410 Thanksgiving boxes, and 110 Angel Tree children were blessed at Christmas.

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.

GriefShare - This group will resume January 27. Contact Pam Lewis, 865-360-6480, or email at pam16775@gmail.com, for more information.

Passports - Be sure and have an updated passport - God has big plans!

Evangelism can be a scary word for many Christians. The thought of telling others about Jesus terrifies many of us, but it doesn't need to be a scary proposition. As one author put it: "It is simply one beggar telling another beggar where to find bread." If you are a Christian, you have believed the gospel and trusted Jesus by faith to save you from your sin. Christ has called you, as His follower, to spread that good news to the ends of the earth.



So, what do you tell? You tell the gospel. It is what you have believed and what has been entrusted to you. We will have our "Who's Your One?" Day on March 2, 2025. Start praying now for your "one" or ask God who your "one" needs to be. Begin conversations with them and go ahead and invite them to Worship on March 2 so they can hear a message entitled, "Reasoning with the Skeptic," as the book of Acts shows us how Paul communicates the gospel to those who are unsure about Christ.

I can't wait to see what God does in and through us,

Chad Crawford
Campus Pastor, Cumberland

Leadership Team

- Dr. John Green IV.....Lead Pastor
- Tylar Baker.....Students Pstr
- Chase Campbell.....College & Young Adults
- Matt Crabtree.....SoKno Campus Pstr
- Dr. Chad Crawford...Cumberland Campus Pstr
- Adam Diggs.....Riverview Campus Pstr
- Orlando Estevez.....Iglesia Knox. Pstr
- Vitalie Gribinet.....Romanian Cong. Pstr
- Nicholas Lakin.....Cumberland Campus Dir.
- Dr. Jim McCluskey.....Pastor Emeritus
- Jarred Morgan.....Creative Arts/Comms.
- Kory Van Matre.....Worship & Music Pstr
- Jeff Stevens.....Children & Families
- Kent Williams.....Pastoral Care/Sr. Adults & Single Adults
- Dale Maddox.....Church Administrator
- Grant Williams.....Executive Director
- Kristie Bell.....Weekday Ministries
- Tim Bennett.....Facilities
- Sandy Bolton.....Missions
- Trent Heston.....Technology
- Emily Summers.....Business Office Manager

Worship & Equipping Schedule

Sunday

- Wallace Campus**
- 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
- Iglesia/Knox Worship
- Riverview Campus**
- 10am Connect Groups
- 11am Worship Gathering
- 6pm Vista Del Rio Worship

Wednesday

- Wallace Campus**
- 4:45pm Cafe' Wallace
- 6pm Choir Rehearsal
- Orchestra Rehearsal
- Catalyst Classes
- Children & Student Activities
- Cumberland Campus**
- 5 pm Fellowship Meal
- 6-7:15pm Preschool, School-Aged Kids & Students (6th-12th) Activities
- 6pm ESL/Spanish-speaking comm