

WESLEY CHAPEL NEWS



Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

February 2017

Piercing Your Darkness

Here's a prophetic supposition: many of you have experienced dark times recently. Darkness fell upon your faith, your mind, your heart, your integrity, your health, your finances, your family. Even today, you confronted darkness.

Here's a word for you as you read this article:

Rise up and shine, for your light has come. The shining-greatness of the Lord has risen upon you. For see, darkness will cover the earth. Much darkness will cover the people. But the Lord will rise upon you, and His shining-greatness will be seen upon you. (Isaiah 60:1, 2 – NLV)

Your breakthrough is not coming; it has come. It's here! The shining greatness of the Lord's glory has risen upon you. It has covered and overtaken you!

Everyone will see God's light and glory upon you, whether they like it or not! Everyone—friend and foe, lover and hater. Everyone!

Do you understand what God just said?

Your season of darkness is over. Where people once saw pain in your life, they will now see praise. Where they saw failure, they will see favor. Where they saw hurt, they will see healing.

But it's your job to get up. Rise up and shine! When you understand that you are light because of who you are in Christ and who Christ is in you, then you understand the next part of the Matthew 5 passage: a city on a hill cannot be hidden! (see Matthew 5:14)

Get up and shine, not for people to see you, but so they can see what God is doing in you and, more importantly, who He is in you. Arise and shine for a city on a hill cannot be hidden!

"We are called to share the light, not just sit and worship the light."
-Rev Jimmy Hood

Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday

Sunday, February 5

After 11am service

Since 1990 young people have been leading the charge and inspiring others to give toward the hunger situation in their local communities. Join us for a soup lunch in the WCGym and a free-will donation to help the hungry in our community. CLUB345 will be providing dessert at a bake sale to support Children's Ministry missions.

UM Homeless Special Offering Feb 26



Thursday, February 16
at 12noon in the WCGym
 Entertainment provided by
 The Treble Makers
 Sacred, secular and pop music
 Bring a side dish or dessert!

YARD SALE

Friday & Saturday
 March 24—25 9am-1pm
 Intake begins Sunday March 19
 Proceeds for Youth Missions

Chick Night

Dinner and fun for all ladies 5th grade and older
Saturday, March 11 6-8:30pm
 Registration forms are located outside the
 church office **\$35 per couple**

Youth News

When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. Isaiah 43:2

February 5 is SOUPER BOWL OF CARING! The WCYouth will host a soup and salad lunch at noon to benefit our hungry and homeless neighbors at MUST MINISTRIES. Wear a WCYouth or Mission Trip t-shirt! All WCYouth are needed to help set up, serve and clean up at lunch. We will set up during Sunday School and then attend the 11 am Worship Service. Praise Band immediately following Souper Bowl lunch. NO UMYF tonight so that you may watch the Super Bowl with family and friends.

February 12 Sunday School at 10 am in the WCGym
 Worship at 11—See you on the front pew!
 UMYF will meet 5-7pm in the WCGym for Cupcake Wars

February 19 Sunday School at 10 am in the WCGym
 Worship at 11—See you on the front pew!
 Praise Band 4pm in the Sanctuary
 UMYF 5-7 p.m. in the WCGym

February 24-26
 WCYouth Winter Retreat in Maggie Valley NC

February 26 No Praise Band or UMYF due to WCYouth Winter Retreat
 Please watch the WCYouth Facebook page for the latest info
 and pictures!
 We have a WCYouth Instagram, too!!!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Feb 3 Joan Hancock
- Feb 4 *Dave & Sue Peters*
- Feb 8 Amanda Gibson
- Feb 9 Jo Bryan
- Feb 10 Ann Thompson
- Feb 12 Beth Guckert
- Feb 13 *Currey & Pat Gayle*
- Feb 14 Richard Roper
- Feb 15 David Burrell
- Feb 15 Sanford Mabry
- Feb 16 Edith Barnwell
- Feb 16 Geoff Lambousis
- Feb 17 DeDe Reilly
- Feb 19 Katherine Posey
- Feb 24 Dan Jones
- Feb 25 Jackson Bramblett
- Feb 28 Karl Mattle
- Feb 28 *Alan & Mary Lynn Mabry*

The church daily activity calendar can be found at www.wcmmc.info



Upcoming Sermons

February 5 "Live In The Light"
 Ephesians 5:8-14

February 12 "Keeping Sabbath Time"
 Genesis 2:1-3

February 19 "A Just Sabbath"
 Leviticus 25:3-12

February 26 "The Example"
 Matthew 17:1-9

Wesley Chapel Academy

Children's Ministry had the first life-skills class: Housekeeping Basics. Students learned and practiced dusting, sweeping, folding clothes, ironing (gotta have a sense of danger, right?), making the bed with hospital corners, and washing dishes (there really is a proper order to handwashing dishes and loading the dishwasher). Thank you to amazing station leaders: James Hood, Christine Reilly Peaden, Sarah Harrison, Katherine Posey, and Wyatt Phillips. The next class will be Basic Cooking in March!

2017 Winter Ball

65 students
5 UM churches
300 cake balls
6 amazing moms
15 fab WCYouth
3 terrific 345 leaders
Multiple chaperones
1 fantastic speaker
Altogether made for a wonderful night of fun and fellowship.

"God says you are a 5-star recruit!"
- Dan Farr

USHERS Needed
VOLUNTEER TODAY
For 11am service and 8:45am service. Please contact Ann Holley or the church office for more information.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Thank you for your continued financial support of the ministries as well as the local and global missions of Wesley Chapel UMC. If you are not able to attend weekly services, you can make your giving online through your bank's

bill pay service or mail a check directly to the church. Our mailing address is 4495 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta, Georgia 30066.

**SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 12
7:30AM**
MEN'S MONTHLY BREAKFAST



All 3rd-5th graders are invited to join CLUB345 for a meal, games, a lesson, and fun on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month 5-7pm in The Great Room.

February 5
SUPER BOWL
BAKE SALE
In the WCGym after the 11am service

February 12
BLUE NIGHT

February 26
WHITE NIGHT

Ladies Monday Morning Bible Study

Meet in The Great Room on Monday mornings 10am-11:30am
New short-term study begins Monday, February 6.

Dear Wesley Chapel Family,

Peggy Withrow and the family of Todd Gibson express their sincere appreciation for all of the prayers, love, food, flowers, and so many kind expressions of sympathy. Your support has truly sustained us during such a difficult time.

Wesley Chapel Church is known in our community as a group of very loving, caring people. You have certainly proven that to us again and we so very much appreciate everything you have done. We cannot imagine going through this loss without this precious church and loving people.

Thank you seems to be inadequate, but it is most sincere.
Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

In Christ's Love,
Todd Gibson Family

Homeless Special Offering

The North Georgia Housing and Homeless Council awards capital and operational grants to ministries throughout North Georgia who are working to alleviate poverty and homelessness in their communities. These grants are made possible by your contributions to the Homeless Offering, collected each February across the conference.

100% of the offering goes to support programs that serve persons experiencing poverty.

These ministries include housing programs, food pantries, Habitat for Humanity builds, and many others. Your contribution to the offering allows you to make a difference in the life of someone in need. Prayerfully consider how you will respond. We thank you for your support!

**Pastor Jimmy's Adult Sunday school class begins a new study at 10:10am in February.
Stop by The Great Room ...
The coffee is on!**

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