# THE BULLETIN









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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### May

- 01 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
- 01 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 06 | Friendship Valley Elementary Cookie/Muffin Drop
- 08 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 09 | Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen | 11:00am
- 09 | C5 Leadership Training | 6:00pm
- 11 | Mother's Day Fellowship | 9:30am
- 13 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
- 15 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 15 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
- 22 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 26 | Memorial Day | Church Office Closed
- 27 | Heart to Heart | 9:00am
- 29 | Grief Share | 2:00pm

#### June

- 05 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
- 10 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
- 15 | Father's Day
- 19 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
- 24 | Heart to Heart | 9:00am
- 30-04 | Students at MFUGE VA Beach

#### July

- 30-04 | Students at MFUGE VA Beach
- 03 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
- 08 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
- 11 | Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen | 11:00am
- 14-18 | VBS Magnified
- 17 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
- 22 | Heart to Heart | 9:00am
- 25 | C5 Leadership Training | 6:00pm

August 3-9 Global Missions Trip Dominican Republic/Haiti

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#### dear church,

As the world around you is shaken, remember we serve an unshakeable Kingdom (Heb. 12:28). When your hope is in this world and it is shaking, your hope is shaken. When your faith is in the nations and the nations are rising or falling, then your faith is rising and falling. When your joy comes from the state of the economy, then your joy will ride the roller coaster of the stock market. Nations, and economies, politics, and defense organizations are a blessing to the world that came down from God's instructions. God put these things in place as an extension of Himself, but not to replace Himself. Our world is not to become our god, but is rather an expression of the love and majesty of God as we get to enjoy all of its awe inspiring features.

As you consider the world around you, remember to control only what God has given you to control. Things outside of your control need to be in God's control. Be careful that you don't allow the world to take control over something God has given you to control.

# awoidfiom the pastor

My hope is that this letter will be a blessing to you of encouragement not to step into anxiety or depression over what you see in or around you. God is in control, and we only need to be faithful to steward what He has given us, not what He has not given us. Be faithful with what you have to steward, your spiritual gifts, disciplines, talents, time, emotions, finances, relationships, etc. The more you try to control what is God's to control, the more you will become anxious. The more you try to find joy from things God hasn't given you, the more you will become depressed. God has given you what you need to steward for life. That is an unshakable kingdom that you can place your hope, trust, and joy in for eternity!

"Come, let's worship and bow down; let's kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, the sheep under his care. Today, if you hear his voice:" (Psalm 95:6-7, CSB)





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- 3 weeks
- Interview Of Arrow Draw Near
- Be Challenged
- Meet Pastors





## group updates

### **NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES**





Family: I live in Columbia, MD with my daughter & grandsons.
Favorite Scripture : Nehemiah 8:10 & Matthew 6:33
Hobbies : I crochet, and have been actively downsizing for 3 years. I read, and love cooking for my family.

**Fun Facts:** I am a veteran of the U.S. Army; I was in the last WAC (Women's Army Corp) unit before the Army integrated men and women. I am a transplanted Texan. I love music, people, and listening.



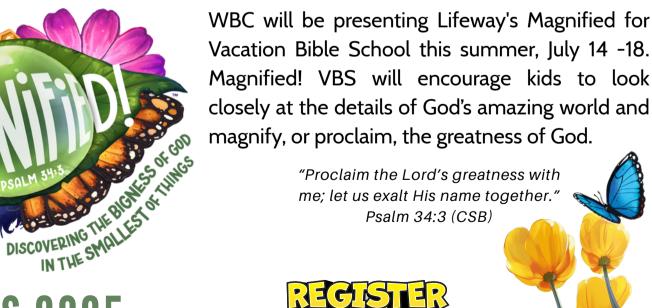
A big thank you to all who participated in the blood drive, whether as a donor or a helper. We were pleased with 30 participants and the Red Cross received 26 units of blood. Our next drive is September 16th.

We praise God for this opportunity to serve the community and save lives!

**BS 2025** 

JULY 14-18





Cookies and Muffins Needed!





Are you good at baking or just love cookies and/or muffins? **The next cookie/muffin drop is scheduled for May 6th.** Please drop home-baked goods off at the church office by Monday, May 5th.. Thank you for your support to FVE.



"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." – 1 Peter 4:10



Scan for opportunities or email Kim at kim@discoverwbc.com if you are interested in learning more!

The Westminster Rescue Mission has announced that they are launching a Recovery Home for Pregnant Women and Women with Children. It is specifically designed to support mothers and their children as they embark on their journey to recovery. It is a group housing model that includes a live-in caretaker. Please pray for these families and for those who will care for them! Are you a woman interested in serving these moms? Email kim@discoverwbc.com.

Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you...-Jeremiah 1:5







YOU CAN HELP with Prayer.

Groups can volunteer to pack diaper bags.

Individuals can go through training to work with expecting moms.



If you are interested in serving or have questions, please email info@alphapregnancycenter.org or call ALPHA at 410-833-7793.

## ministry updates

#### A note of thanks from ALPHA staff...

We always count your partnership with our ministry as one of our greatest blessings! Without your prayers and your involvement in this ministry, Alpha would cease to exist. Over the past thirty-eight years, God has shown Himself faithful through the hands of His people. Our shelves have never gone bare because of the Body of Christ working to meet the needs of our moms and their babies. Because of you, women entering the center will always be given life-saving options for their pregnancies. When the little ones are born, their moms will have the security of knowing that they will always have a place to go when they are in need of materials or just a word of encouragement during challenging times. Thank you for always sharing the Love of Christ with our clients and their families!



As part of our support to moms and their babies, Westminster Baptist Church will launch our Baby Bottle Campaign in May! Grab a baby bottle from the lobby, and fill it up with cash, coins, or a check made out to ALPHA Pregnancy Center. Return your bottle to the basket in the lobby no later than June 15th (Father's Day)!









Join WBC as we partner with Zeal Mission Society and The Least of These Ministries to serve the Batay communities near Barahona, Dominican Republic. Our mission includes evangelism, food distribution, and church renovations.

📍 Where: Barahona, Dominican Republic

📌 Who: All adults welcome

🗂 Trip Dates: August 3-9

🃅 Team Meetings: May 18, June 22, July 20



For more info or to get involved, please contact Scott Pierson at Scott@discoverwbc.com.

Let's go and be the hands and feet of Jesus!

"Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation." Mark 16:15

#### Haiti Update

As gang violence continues to spread throughout Haiti, please pray for transformed hearts in those who are lost.

We thank the Lord, our brothers and sisters in Cap Haitien, to continue to be separated from the violence. However, basic food and medical supplies are at a low in this community with gangs controlling the transport roads from all but one port. If you are interested in supporting efforts to sustain those on the ground in Cap Haitien, please reach out to <u>scott@discoverwbc.com</u>

## missions updates

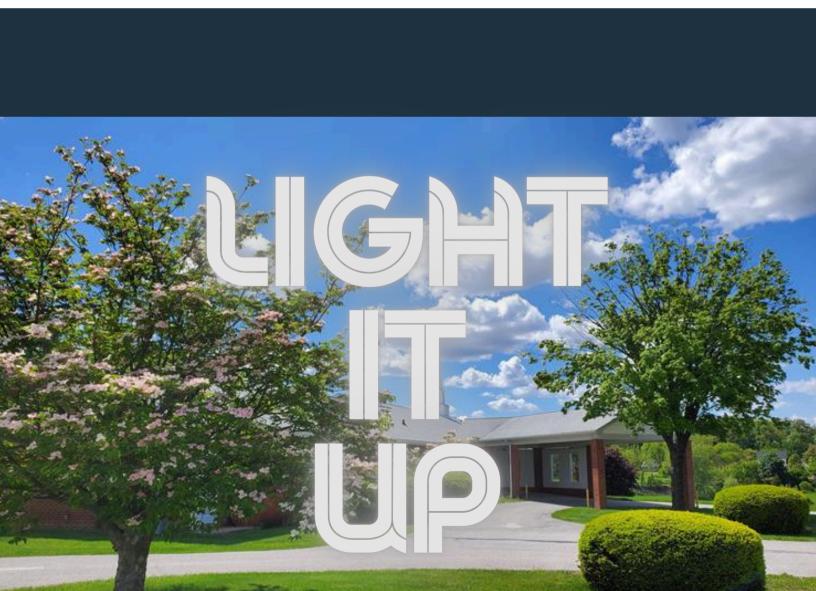
## let's talk about YOUR NEXT

Our Church has a mission and vision that is accomplished through intentional strategies making disciples who gather, grow, and go to bring God glory and enjoy His goodness forever. If you would like to learn more about who we are and what we do then START HERE! Either scan the code below or visit discoverwbc.com/start to begin **YOUR NEXT** journey.

## S T A R T H E R E







# BIRTHDAYS



#### May

- 01 Jaxon Williamson
- 01 Caleb Keiffer
- 01 Matthew McMillan
- 01 Larry Wagner
- 02 Andilynn McGowen
- 02 Carson Fogarty
- 02 Ed Hobbs
- 03 Reagan Fogarty
- 03 Lisette Garcia
- 03 Gary LeGates
- 07 Brandon Fitzgerald
- 07 Marly Branham
- 08 Matthew Eikenberg
- 09 Finnley Hubbard
- 09 Steven Mike
- 11 Marcus Shin
- 11 Cheryl Webb
- 12 Jaxson Koslosky
- 13 Jake Dupre
- 13 Javier Lopez
- 14 Michael Byrd
- 16 Max Hinton
- 16 Matthew Davis
- 18 Sharon Fogarty
- 19 Bristol Shade
- 19 Oksana Hamm
- 20 Adelaide Shade
- 20 Alan Jones
- 22 Lyla Weber
- 23 Carly Brown
- 23 Kaitlyn Zombro
- 24 Jakob Richman
- 25 Dave Maynard
- 26 Ava McIntyre



- 26 Burley Johnson
- 27 Reagan Hamm
- 28 Jayson Kerr
- 28 Matthew Pekar
- 29 Zoey Holtschneider
- 29 Barbara Lambert
- 30 Caden Clatterbuck
- 30 Jacob Brown
- 30 Simeon Wright Sr
- 31 Joe Zellers



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