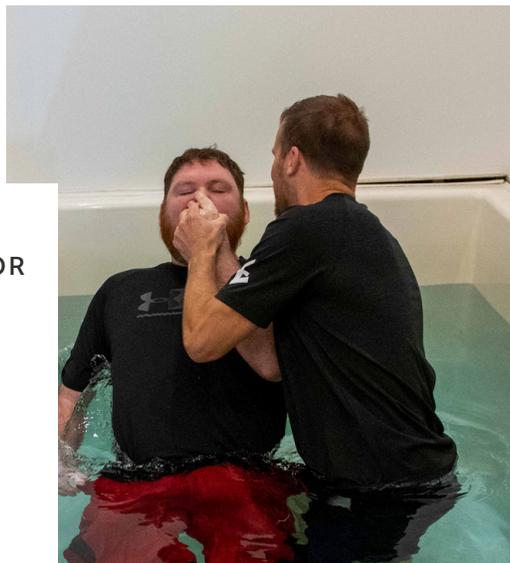


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June

2025



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we make disciples

UPCOMING EVENTS

June

05 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
10 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
11 | 3DKids Club End of Year Party | 6:45pm
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

07 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
12 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
21 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
24 | Church Picnic
26 | Heart to Heart | 9:00am
29-30 | Student Lock-In



dear church,

The phrase, “do not be afraid,” is used 30 times in the CSB Bible. In the KJV it is translated as, “fear not.” The phrase can be used in a context where fear should not exist at all, like:

“After these events, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield; your reward will be very great.” (Genesis 15:1, CSB)

In this sense, Abram should delight in the words of God because God is his protector. Yet, Abram feels like God is dangerous because of the overwhelming reality of a finite being following an infinite God. Abram truly should not fear the Lord in this way. Note that in other situations the fear of the Lord is appropriate, but it is a different type of fear. The phrase can also be used when fear is rational but should not stop action. For instance:

“Haven’t I commanded you: be strong and courageous? Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” (Joshua 1:9, CSB)



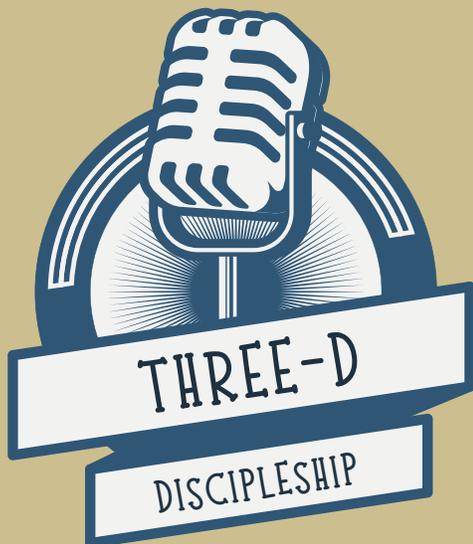
**a word from
the pastor**

Many humans would fear an enemy in battle, but Joshua is to have a courage not in himself but in the Lord. Often times our courage is not in our own abilities, but in the faithfulness of God to work through us. We can face situations that we could not overcome and have confidence that we will overcome because the Lord is with us. Notice that Joshua should not be afraid because “the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” Even when fear seems like the rational response, we often have courage because God is with us.

Are you facing a difficult situation and you are afraid? So was Joshua when he could see the promise land but also the people occupying that land. He could see what was right, but also what was dangerous. In life, we must make the decision in the face of danger to be courageous. My hope is that you will discern when God is calling you to be courageous because He is with you, and when God is calling you out of a battle you should not be fighting.

Have courage to fight the right fight, and God will be with you.

Grace and peace,
Dr. Matthew S. McMillan
Lead Pastor



DISCOVER

CHRIST ● COMMUNITY ● CHURCH



OUR YOUNG ADULT GROUP, SALT, AND THE GARY LEGATES SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ENJOYED A TIME OF GOOD FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!



“The reason no one can condemn you is because Christ was already condemned for you! The condemnation that He received was in your place on your behalf for your sin because He loves you.”
guest preacher, Robby Christmas

GATHER ● GROW ● GO



Looking for opportunities to serve as a group?
Check out local missions, SALT, and global opportunities.



Let's do LIFE in Community. Get Connected Today!



ALPHA

Your first step in Discipleship here at WBC is ALPHA! Learn more at discoverwbc.com/alpha. If you have attended ALPHA and DISCOVER and are ready to connect with a group, please contact us at groups@discoverwbc.com. Next ALPHA begins soon!

- ▲ 3 weeks
- ▲ Draw Near
- ▲ Be Challenged
- ▲ Meet Pastors

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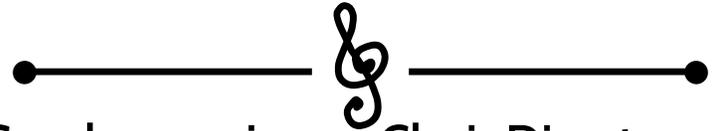


group updates

NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES



Truly Grateful for you.



Lynn Johnson's last Sunday serving as Choir Director

SAVE THE DATE

08-24-25
Summer Picnic

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



WBC will be presenting Lifeway's Magnified for Vacation Bible School this summer, July 14 -18. Magnified! VBS will encourage kids to look closely at the details of God's amazing world and magnify, or proclaim, the greatness of God.

*"Proclaim the Lord's greatness with me; let us exalt His name together."
Psalm 34:3 (CSB)*

**VBS 2025
JULY 14-18**

REGISTER NOW



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



John & Mellissa Dodson

Family: Son - Jay Dodson, 15 yrs old , Daughter - Violet Dodson, 13yrs old

Hometown: Westminster, MD

Favorite Scripture : Mellissa: "Be Still and know that I am God" - Psalms 46:10

John: " If God is for us, who is against us" - Roman's 8: 31

Hobbies : Hiking, road trips, trying new outdoor activities, and spending time with family.

We consider ourselves very blessed to find a new church community in the WBC



Katie Finnegan-Chen

Hometown: Finksburg, MD

Favorite Scripture :

"And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." - Philippians 4:7

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed," the Lord said, "you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you." - Luke 17:6

Jaineck & Pilila Kayombo

Family: a new baby boy, Mwampa

Hometown: Finksburg, MD

Favorite Scripture : Pilila: Jeremiah 29:11, Jaineck: Acts 2:37-42

Hobbies: Jaineck- soccer, acting, writing movie scripts, gym

Pilila- Cooking & Serving

Places you have served Locally/Globally: Both served at Riverside Chapel in Zambia



Matt Prokop

Hometown: Manchester, MD (River Valley Ranch)

Hobbies: Sports, Gadget wrangling and digital wizardry

Favorite Scripture : "I will not die, but I will live and proclaim what the Lord has done." - Psalm 118:17

Fun Facts: I am passionate about Apologetics.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Nohemi Athanas

Family: My mom, Tona, taught me to love and follow the Lord from a child.

Hometown: Westminster, MD

Favorite Scripture: "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving." - Colossians 3:23-24

Hobbies: Traveling, jet skiing, and cooking

Places you have served Locally/Globally: I served in food pantry at Glen Burnie Baptist Church and served meals and translated sermons from English to Spanish at New Hope Ministries in Naples, Florida.

Fun Fact: My husband and I moved to Westminster in July 2024. I feel blessed that the Lord brought me to Westminster Baptist Church.

Mike & Holly Reed

Hometown: Eldersburg, MD

Favorite Scripture: Holly: Jeremiah 29:11, Mike: Romans 8:28

Hobbies: Spending time supporting our family, watching Mason play baseball, walking our dog, Callie traveling and hosting friends & family

Places you have served Locally/Globally: Holly has been involved in global Missions, going to Australia. Savanna has served in local missions, both in downtown Westminster and with the Send Relief trip to Virginia Beach.



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

RILEY BLAND
CARLY BROWN
LOGAN CLAGGETT
SAVANNAH LINK
HANNAH LOVELL
BELLA LUCADO
BRAYDEN MARKLEY

OLIVIA MCDANIEL
DALLAS MULLIS
LUKE PETERSON
SAVANNA REED
MICHAEL SMITH
DEVIN WEAN
DARBAH WRIGHT

COLLEGE GRADUATES

JAINECK KAYOMBO
RACHEL STEEN



"For I know the plans I have for you"—this is the Lord's declaration—"plans for your well-being, not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope." - Jeremiah 29:11 (CSB)



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



**YOU AND I
CAN HELP**

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@alpha-pregnancycenter.org or call ALPHA at 410-833-7793.



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)!

**ministry
updates**



GO WITH US



**GLOBAL MISSIONS
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**



The Least of These Ministries (leastofthesemin.org) will be leading an open Christian mission trip to the Dominican Republic to serve the impoverished communities with food distribution and sharing hope.

If you are interested in going with TLOTM to the DR, please reach out to scott@discoverwbc.com no later than **June 6th**.

-  Where: Barahona, Dominican Republic
-  Who: All adults welcome
-  Trip Dates: August 2-9
-  Team Meetings: June 22, July 20



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

Friendship Valley Elementary

A big thank you to everyone who provided desserts for Teacher Appreciation Week at Friendship Valley Elementary School as a part of our "Good Neighbor" outreach!



THANK YOU!

**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.

START
HERE



LIGHT
IT
UP



BIRTHDAYS



June

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|----|-----------------|----|------------------|
| 01 | Deborah Cooley | 24 | Donna Repp |
| 01 | Rosina Jones | 24 | Adam Sparrow |
| 02 | Darrell Lambert | 25 | Grayson Shutt |
| 02 | Zachary Sweep | 26 | Leah Shutt |
| 04 | Joyce Mather | 27 | Betty Mather |
| 04 | Abigail Richman | 27 | Nancy Rictor |
| 07 | Elias Sweep | 28 | Charlotte Knouse |
| 08 | Ninette LeGates | 30 | Missy Cappadora |
| 08 | Jordy McNally | 30 | Tim Knorr |
| 09 | Peggy Faith | 30 | Suna Zellers |
| 09 | Mike Schmitz | | |
| 09 | Vivian Schmitz | | |
| 10 | Jacob Estes | | |
| 10 | Johanna Monka | | |
| 10 | Micah Scott | | |
| 11 | Virginia Leppo | | |
| 11 | Thomas Trcka | | |
| 12 | Peter Knorr | | |
| 13 | Linda Haugh | | |
| 14 | Mary Brklich | | |
| 15 | Ezra McGowen | | |
| 15 | Jes Steen | | |
| 16 | Diane Eney | | |
| 16 | Scott Parsons | | |
| 17 | Denio Blaney | | |
| 17 | Isaac Irons | | |
| 18 | Charlotte Reed | | |
| 20 | Ron Blaney | | |
| 20 | Mickey Scott | | |
| 21 | Ava Christian | | |
| 21 | Brenda Dembosky | | |
| 21 | Jim Reger | | |
| 22 | Travis Estes | | |
| 22 | Cecelia Haugh | | |



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SERMON NOTES:

TEXT

**MAIN
POINT**

NOTES

GOSPEL RESPONSE

MY NEXT