

MID-WEEK @ WOODMONT

Wednesdays at 5:30pm

Midweek Activities Resume January 14

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Each Wednesday, will have a 5:30 p.m. dinner, kids and youth activities, prayer, adult Bible study, and choir rehearsal.

Check out the schedule and dinner cost below:

Schedule

- 5:30-6:15** Dinner
- 6:15-6:30** Adult Prayer Time
- 6:15-7:30** Kids and Youth Activities
- 6:30-7:30** Adult Bible Study
- 6:30-7:30** Choir Rehearsal

Meal Cost:

\$10 per adult

\$5 per child

2 and under - free

College Students - free

\$30 family max

FRONTRUNNERS' JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- Dorian Gray
- Barbara Costain
- Allison Dalrymple
- Nancy Houge
- Chuck Sherrill
- Roger Duffy
- Marcia Wainman
- Sue Foster
- Jack Robinson, Sr.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayer Requests:

- There are no prayer requests at this time. Please let us know how our staff and congregation can pray for you!

DECEMBER GIVING

DURING THE WEEK OF:	11/30	12/7	12/14	12/21
Weekly Receipts	\$39,592	\$22,121	\$34,716	\$51,231
Year to Date Receipts	\$839,219	\$861,340	\$896,056	\$947,287
Year to Date Budget	\$778,925	\$845,695	\$912,466	\$979,237



WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDIES

Sundays

- 9:15 a.m. Morning Bible Studies, Preschool/ Children Activities
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service

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Weekly eNews: To receive our eNews, sign up on our website or email Lil Cook.

Text Alerts: Text "wbctextalerts" to 833.242.4172 to receive emergency info from us about church closings due to inclement weather.

Woodmont's Live TV Broadcast

Sundays, 10:30 a.m. on MYTV30 (Comcast Channel 14)

Live streaming on Facebook and on our website! You can also view our past services online on our website.

The Woodmont Herald

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January Series: "Promise Keepers: God's Faithfulness to His People"

I read one Bible scholar who said that THE most important event in the thousands of years in between the fall of Adam and Eve and the birth of Christ is found in Genesis 12 – the call of Abram. Here the Story of Everything Ever shifts from the dramatic, global events of Genesis chapters 1-11 and zooms in on one family. In Genesis 12, the Lord seems to change tactics in his mission to reverse the curse of sin and death throughout the cosmos. No longer would he send global judgments (like a great flood) to deal with global sin. His

plan now is to create a special people for himself from one man, Abram of Ur, whose offspring will become the conduit of God's blessing to the sin-sick world. God tells Abram, "in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed" (Gen. 12:3). The family of Abram would become "a great nation" (Gen. 12:2).

This promise from Genesis 12 gets fleshed out in Genesis 13-22. We see that it involves three key aspects: blessing, land, and offspring. So how's it going? Let's take each one in turn. Blessing: God told Abram, "I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse." So far we've seen this play out in multiple ways. The strange priest, Melchizedek, blesses Abram after his military victory in which he rescued his nephew, Lot, in chapter 14. And Abram subsequently tithes his fortune to Melchizedek. He gives him a tenth of his considerable net worth. In Genesis 20, we saw King Abimelech, the king of Gerar, bless Abram (now Abraham), and consequently his household is healed and begins to flourish like never before. Even the pagan

PROMISE KEEPER

God's Faithfulness to His People



January 2026

January 4

Guest Preacher - Carter Crenshaw

January 11

Property for a Burying Place

January 18

Behold, Rebekah is Before You

January 25

The Older Shall Serve the Younger

nations are invited to partake in God's blessing through Abraham. And yet we've also seen Lot, Abraham's nephew, and Ishmael, the son of Abraham and Sarah's servant, Hagar, both walk away from God's program, rejecting the blessings of God. We're still waiting for one who can bring blessing to the world and overcome the curse of sin and death. Blessing status: Partially fulfilled.

What about the land that God had promised to Abraham? God had told him, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's

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January Jubilee

January 24 at 9 a.m.

Preschool families - come join us on Saturday, January 25, from 9-11 a.m. for a fun and free activity in Woodmont's chapel. We'll have the bounce house, serve snacks, and have a simple devotional. Please RSVP to Rachel Gregory to let us know you'll be there!



Youth Bible Study

Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m.

Who is the real Jesus? Most people have an opinion about who Jesus is. The truth is our opinions don't change who He is, but faith in the real Jesus of the Bible will change everything about who we are. Are you ready to meet the true Jesus? Are you ready to have your life changed? Join us in 2026 on Wednesday nights from 6:15-7:30 p.m. to reclaim the truth about Jesus. Reach out to Beth Howe with any questions.



Youth Retreat Registration

February 20-22

Our Youth Ministry is invited to join us at Deer Run Retreat for a weekend to experience freedom in Christ, February 20-22, 2026! The cost is \$100 and due by February 1 to attend. Please be mindful that this retreat will fill up allowing for 13 female teens and 13 male teens with 6 adult leaders, so register online at woodmontbaptist.com/youth.



Celebrate Recovery

Mondays, 7 p.m. in the youth area

This program is designed to help those struggling with hurts, hang-ups, and habits. Get more information here: woodmontbaptist.com/celebraterecovery.

Continued from Pastor Nathan ...

house to the land that I will show you" (Gen. 12:1). Abraham was a wandering patriarch – remember he ended up in Egypt where he lied to Pharaoh? Then he ends up parting ways with Lot who chooses the land of Sodom. We know what happened there ... But Abraham winds up back in Canaan, but he has no land of his own. He's basically renting someone's space and biding his time.

When my car was in the shop a while back, my warranty covered a rental car. At first, they put me in the smallest car I could imagine. I barely fit in it, and my family certainly did not. I had to floor it just to get up a hill. I called and asked them if they had anything bigger. "The only option," they said, "is a big, brand-new pickup truck." "I'll take that," I said. It was awesome! I drove that thing around town and felt like a big deal. But the truth was it wasn't mine. That's how Abraham felt in Canaan, the Promised Land. Even though he lived there, he had nothing to call his own. Land status: Unfulfilled.

But, in Genesis 21, we finally saw the beautiful story of God's fulfillment of his promises in the birth of Isaac, the long-awaited promised child of Abraham and his wife, Sarah. He is the miracle only-child whose birth made his parents and everyone around them laugh – Isaac, the son of laughter. We ended our series in September of last year with the example of Abraham's growing faith in God's promises displayed in Genesis 22. He was willing to take Isaac, his only son, up to Mount Moriah and sacrifice him to the Lord, yet the Lord provided the sacrifice in Isaac's place. Offspring status: Fulfilled.

What will become of these promises? Will God do what he said he would do? This month, as we pick back up the story of Genesis, we are going to see Moses, the great storyteller, tie up a few loose ends as the Lord passes the baton from Abraham to Isaac. In Genesis 23, we see Abraham finally come to possess a piece of the Promised Land. And then in chapter 24, we see the Lord provide for more offspring through providing a wife for Isaac. Finally, in chapter 25, we will see the blessing of the Lord pass down, not through the half-dozen sons of Abraham's concubine, not through the dozen royal sons of Abraham's mistress, but through the fledgling, solitary line of Isaac. The lesson for us is the one that Abraham finally learned – the Lord is both sovereign and good. He has a plan, and it's infinitely better than ours. He can do anything, and it's our job to simply trust and obey. May that be our aim this January and beyond.

Grace and peace,

NATHAN



Upcoming Bible Studies

Collecting through December 31

We have two upcoming Bible studies for our Woodmont adults!

First, on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. starting January 14, Ed and Becky Fulcher will be leading a marriage study called *A Better Us*. This four-week study is designed to present simple and practical truths and exercises for couples to move toward a healthier marriage. Each couple will need to purchase a book for this study. Visit woodmontbaptist.com/marriagestudy to register.

Then, on Sunday afternoons at 3 p.m. starting January 18, a women's study focusing on Revelation will take place. Led by Kirstin Covington and Beth Howe, this study digs into the final book of the Bible. To register and purchase your study book, visit woodmontbaptist.com/women.

If you have any questions about either study, reach out to Beth Howe.

Life Group Leader Lunch

Sunday, January 25 at 12 p.m.

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Woodmont wants to thank all its Life Group leaders with a free lunch on Sunday, January 25, in the fellowship hall after the service.

Childcare is available upon request. Please register at woodmontbaptist.com/lifegroups to let us know if you'll be attending. Thank you for all you do for our church family!

WoodmontWomen

Bible Recap Ladies Lunch

Saturday, January 10 at 8 a.m.

Woodmont ladies, we are celebrating our year of Bible Recap with a special lunch in the fellowship hall on Sunday, January 4! Please join us for this time of fellowship.



Our annual Christmas music service was a huge success! Thank you to all our choir members, musicians, and congregation for making this wonderful service possible.



Register for CentriKid

June 15-19

It seems early, but it's time to start thinking about CentriKid! This year, we'll go to Campbellsville, Kentucky, from June 15-19. A deposit is due by January 15. Check out woodmontbaptist.com/kids for details, registration information, and payment options.

POW-WOW FRONTRUNNER'S LUNCH

POW-WOW Senior Adult Event

January 15 at 11:30 a.m.

Join us for lunch Thursday, January 15, at 11:30 a.m. in fellowship hall (\$10) and afterward for our very own "Antiques Roadshow." Please bring one item from "yesteryear" to show and tell! Please let Lil Cook know if you plan to attend by January 12.



Men's Breakfast

Saturday, January 10 at 8 a.m.

Men of all ages are invited to join us for a morning of fellowship and food on Saturday, January 10, at 8 a.m.! As always, we will start cooking at 6:45 a.m. for those who wish to help. A suggested donation of \$7 will help cover the cost of food.

Upcoming EVENTS

IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY...

- 1/3 Room In The Inn (Saturday)
- 1/4 Bible Recap Ladies Lunch (Sun., Noon)
- 1/10 Men's Breakfast (Saturday, 8 a.m.)
- 1/14 Midweek Resumes (Wed., 5:30 p.m.)
- 1/15 POW-WOW Event (Thurs., 11:30 a.m.)
- 1/17 Room In The Inn (Saturday)
- 1/18 Revelation Study (Sunday, 3 p.m.)
- 1/24 January Jubilee (Saturday, 9 a.m.)
- 1/25 Life Group Leader Lunch (Sun., Noon)
- 1/31 Room In The Inn (Saturday)