



Midweek at Woodmont

Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.
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
7:30-8:00 Christmas Choir Rehearsal

Meal Cost:
\$10 per adult
\$5 per child
2 and under - free
College Students - free
\$30 family max

FRONTRUNNERS’ OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

• DruAnne Freeman	• Joy Benton	• Lauryn Moody
• Cookie Schauman	• Kay Herring	• Chester Dixon
• Ted Wiser	• Judy Kennedy	
• Cheryl Gentry	• Patty Diehl	
• Bob Parks	• Kathy Sherrod	

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayer Requests:

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| • Randy Perkins | • Phoebe Harrison | • Frank Orr |
| • Barbara McCormick | • Mary Maddox | |

SEPTEMBER GIVING				
DURING THE WEEK OF:	9/6	9/13	9/20	9/27
Weekly Receipts	\$15,634	\$8,382	\$27,573	\$22,818
Year to Date Receipts	\$498,774	\$507,156	\$534,728	\$557,545
Year to Date Budget	\$524,653	\$547,464	\$570,275	\$593,086



WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDIES

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

OUR STAFF

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CONNECTING

General Information
Main Phone: 615.297.5303
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Facebook: facebook.com/wbcnashville
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.

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Nathan Parker
Senior Pastor

October Series: *The Real Deal: The Gospel is the Genuine Article*

We are taught from a young age that our nation is a meritocracy – people get what they earn. This is generally a good and true principle. Indeed, the United States of America has been blessed with vast natural resources. But the great source of American wealth has always been earned through the labor of her people. The massive financial crisis of 2008-9 was largely due to financial investors seeking to circumvent the traditional method of attaining wealth – work for it – and seek instead to gamble on “credit default swaps.”

We often see ads that promote various “get rich quick” schemes, and we rightly dismiss them. We have been trained to work hard for what we have, then to save and invest wisely.

I think perhaps this might lead to a resistance to the biblical reality of God’s grace. Shaped by our culture, we tend to develop a natural allergic reaction to grace. It sounds too good to be true! “You mean to tell me that God is willing to just take all the bad things I’ve ever done upon himself and, in exchange, give me the perfect righteousness that Jesus earned? No way!” But the Bible repeatedly insists that, in spite of our open rebellion to God’s will, he loved us so much that he sent his only Son to die for our sins and to give us abundant and eternal life.

Some folks hear this news and say, “Right, but all that’s for good people. I’m not good. You don’t know the terrible things I’ve done in my life.” But that’s the whole point of grace! “Good” people don’t need grace. When Jesus was seen hanging out with notorious sinners, the

THE REAL DEAL

The Gospel is the Genuine Article

October 4	2 Peter 1:1-4 “Granted to Us All Things”
October 11	2 Peter 1:5-11 “Confirm Your Calling”
October 18	Guest preacher, Jim Thomas
October 25	2 Peter 1:12-21 “We Have the Prophetic Word”

religious people of his day, the Pharisees, couldn’t believe it. “Why is he eating with them?” Mark 2:17 records Jesus’ reply, “And when Jesus heard it, he said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

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Sierra Leone Fund
The Sierra Leone Children's Fund provides scholarships for 250+ primary and secondary school students. These scholarships cost just \$100 per year.

If you are interested in donating or learning more about the program, visit woodmontbaptist.com/childrensfund on the Woodmont Baptist website.



Youth Fall Party
October 25 at 4 p.m.
Youth (6th-12th grade) are invited to the Newton's house to eat pizza, carve pumpkins, and celebrate the fall together on Sunday, October 25, from 4-7 p.m. Bring a friend!

Reach out to Beth Howe if you have any questions.



Senior Adult Recognition
Sunday, November 1
Sunday, November 1, Senior Adult Recognition Day! Our sensational seniors will be recognized in the worship service and honored at a catered lunch afterwards! The cost for lunch is \$10 per person.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Lil Cook at lilc@woodmontbaptist.com.

Stop by our bulletin board to see an homage to our 90+ amazing seniors!



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 ...

The irony is that the religious people were in the same boat as the worldly sinners. In the parable of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15), Jesus tells us about a son who ran off from home and indulged a sinful lifestyle, only to repent and return home to his loving father who embraced him and threw him a party. Meanwhile, the older, "good" brother resented his father and refused to go in to the party. Tim Keller reminds us that there are two ways to be far from the heart of the Father – through sinful indulgence or through moral performance that seeks to justify ourselves. Romans 3:23-24 assure us, "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus."

But grace is not only the unmerited pardon for our sins. God's undeserved favor is also the power of God to live like a Christian. In 1 Corinthians 15:10, the apostle Paul says, "But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me."

In our sermon texts for this month, in the first chapter of 2 Peter, we'll see how God's grace is the foundation for a life of godliness. If you're a Christian, then God's grace didn't simply forgive you; it enables you now to live, serve, endure, obey, persevere, and, one day, to reach your glorious inheritance. God's grace in the past has obtained our salvation through Jesus' death and resurrection. God's grace in the present sustains us in our Christian journey. And God's grace in the future assures us that God will finish the good work he started in us. My prayer is that 2 Peter would function like good medicine to guard against our grace allergies. Let's give up trying to be "good" on our own and allow God's grace to take the reins of our lives, empowering us each day to follow Christ with all that we are.

Grace and peace,

NATHAN



THINGS TO KNOW

Communion Opportunity
If you are unable to attend our worship service on the first Sunday of each month and would like to receive Communion, contact Lil Cook at lilc@woodmontbaptist.com.



Women of the Word Study
Wednesday Evenings at 6:30 p.m. Beginning October 21
We all know it's important to study God's word. But sometimes it's hard to know where to start. What's more, a lack of time, emotionally driven approaches, and past frustrations can erode our resolve to keep growing in our knowledge of Scripture. How can we, as Christian women, keep our focus and sustain our passion when reading the Bible?

Women of Woodmont, you're invited to join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. for our Women of the Word study led by Donna Whitt. The study will start October 21 and run through November 18.

The cost is \$5 per person. If you are interested in joining, please email Beth Howe at bethh@woodmontbaptist.com.



Father/Son Field Day
Sunday, October 25 at Noon
Calling all father-son combos! Come join us for Father - Son Field Day on Sunday, October 25, from 12- 2 p.m. at Woodmont. We will have lunch together after the church service before playing games on the west lawn (weather permitting). All ages are invited. Granddads are also welcome to participate or anyone who is like a father figure to your child. We also need moms/siblings to help as referees - RSVP to Rachel Gregory by October 11.

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS



Kennedy Lim



Leighton Duncan



Paul Edwards



Morgan & Collin Osborne



Glenda & Chester Dixon



Men's Breakfast
Saturday, October 10 at 8 a.m.
Men of all ages, you are invited to join us for a morning of food, fellowship and prayer on Saturday, October 10, at 8 a.m. in the fellowship hall. As always, we will begin cooking at 6:45 a.m. for those wishing to help. A donation of \$7 will help cover food costs. We hope to see you there!



Volunteer with the TV Ministry!
We need volunteers to help out in Woodmont's TV Ministry. No experience necessary! Whether you're technologically savvy or just want to help out, please reach out to Rebecca Prather at media@woodmontbaptist.com if you're interested. Each Sunday, we need someone to direct the broadcast, run the graphics, control the remote cameras, and man the sanctuary camera. All are welcome!



Habitat for Humanity Build
Saturday, October 31
Join us for our fall Habitat for Humanity build on Saturday, October 31! Everyone is invited - no experience necessary.

If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Andrew Southern at asouthern10@gmail.com.



DURING OCTOBER...
10/9-19 Sierra Leone Mission Trip
10/10 Men's Breakfast (Sat., 8 a.m.)
10/14 No Midweek (Wednesday)
10/25 Field Day (Sun., 12 p.m.)
10/25 Youth Fall Party (Sun., 4 p.m.)
10/31 Habitat Build (Saturday)