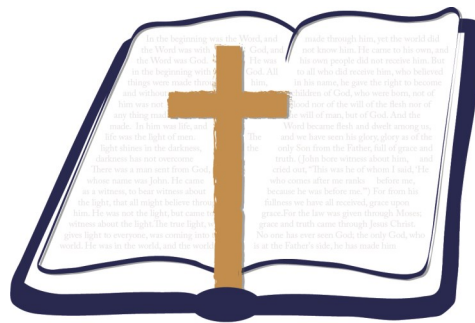


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Sun, March 2nd

8:30 am - WMU Breakfast
 3:15 pm - Deacon Meeting

Sun, March 9th

12:00 pm - Potluck Lunch
 Sunday School with Homebound (following lunch)

Wed, March 12th

6:00 pm - Business Meeting

Sun, March 16th

4:00 pm - VBS Volunteer Meeting

Wed, March 19th

4:30 pm - Discovery Club End of Year Party

Thurs, March 20th

SonShiners

Sun, March 23rd

11:00 am - Lord's Supper (Benevolence)

Wed, March 26th

No Youth or Children's Services (Spring Break)



Church Family,

Do we know our neighbors?

There is a comical experience that I frequently have as the pastor here at Westmont. Very frequently I am given directions that sound something like, "You know it's over there by where _____ used to live." And the reality is, I don't know where _____ used to live. To be sure those are just the landmarks that people have been familiar with for years or decades. If you were to ask me to describe the neighborhood I grew up in, I would do it in the exact same terms. But that experience has caused me to reflect on something: "Do we know our neighbors today?"

I am ashamed to say having lived here for 7+ years there are people on my very own street that I couldn't tell you their name. Now, I have knocked on their door, spoken to them, invited them to church in the past. But I ask myself the question, "Have I truly made an effort to get to know all my neighbors and have a relationship with them?"

At this point we all (me included) start to object: "Well that neighbor isn't very sociable" or "I just don't see them very much" or "I am not sure what I have in common with that neighbor" or "I'm just not a very outgoing person myself." All of those and more are real obstacles to overcome. But are we willing to try to overcome them in order to make disciples to the glory of God? Are we willing to do more than just invite people to church, but to strive to show love and hospitality with the prayer that in some way God opens a door for the proclamation of the gospel.

Will you join me in being more intentional this year to get to know our neighbors with the hope that we might reach our neighborhood with the Gospel of Jesus Christ?

Pastor Landon

MARCH
 Birthdays

- 4 Bonnie Chambers
- 8 Billy Lankford
- 11 Darrel Holcombe
- 14 Sheila Lankford
- 19 Kathy McCowan
- 20 Micah Brown
(Missionary)
- 22 Linda Dees
- 30 Bre English



Budget Report (through February 23, 2025)

<u>Receipts</u>	Month - \$14,516.96 YTD - \$26,969.52
<u>Budget</u>	Month - \$18,670.35 YTD - \$37,340.70



