

Wesley family,

Have you ever seen a commercial for a Mexican restaurant? Or a Chinese restaurant? I never have. And yet...there are always people there. At every one. You can go all around Tupelo and see folks parked at every single Mexican and Chinese restaurant. Chips and salsa and egg drop soup all around.

But have you ever really stopped and thought about that? There are plenty of commercials for Outback or Red Lobster trying to get traffic in there. But no Loco Taco commercials. No D'Casa commercials. No China Capital or Mt. Fuji commercials. How do people know about all these places without a TV commercial or a radio ad?

It's because of word of mouth. Telling your friends and family how good that restaurant was is what makes people want to go check it out. Hearing you talk about how delicious it is or how different it is or how AUTHENTIC it is...THAT is what gets people curious and interested and intrigued. It'll make them think of that place when they get hungry or need a good place to have an amazing dinner.

Friends...this is one way we can GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES. By using our words...word of mouth...to tell others how great our God is. We are quick to go on social media and talk about how wonderful the new chicken tender place is. We're even quick to tell how BAD a restaurant or their food or service was. Yet how quick are we to share the amazing things God has done for us this week? Why can't we talk about the ways God has blessed us today? What God-winks did we see? Do we run and tell others hoping they'll get to experience it too like we would if Chick-Fil-A opened a restaurant on the west side of town?

We SHOULD.

We should get out there and tell others about all the ways God is working in our lives and in our church. There are people out there LOOKING for somewhere to go to experience God's grace and His mercy. People are out there LONGING for a church family. They may even go to church now but don't feel very connected where they are and are looking for a change. Our church has so much to offer those out there. And the potential to offer so much more. Our Lord and Savior has so much to offer and people out there need to hear about Him.

So I say all that to say this...go out there and tell others about Jesus. Tell others about our church. Let people that there's a God that loves them and there's a church they can go to worship Him. A church that will love them no matter what because we love like Christ at Wesley.

If cheese dip will fill up Mexican restaurants all around town, think about how much communion with Christ would fill up our churches.

If we would just go out there and tell others about it.

This week, Bro. Jim will be preaching from Proverbs about what comes out of our mouths and the power that words possess.

Choose your words carefully this week. Start off by using them to tell others how much God loves them.

Watching God work,  
Trae

Sunday's Message:  
"Oh Be Careful Little Mouths What You  
Say..."  
Proverbs 17-18

### August Events

#### Wednesday, August 20th

- 5pm.....Youth
- 6pm.....Brown Bag Bible Study, Man Church
- 7pm.....Choir Practice

#### Sunday, August 24th

- 9:00am....Coffee and Donuts in Holy Grounds
- 9:30am.....Sunday School
- 10:30am.....Worship Service
- 4pm.....Choir Practice
- 5pm.....Prayer Ministry

#### Monday, August 25th

- 3pm....Traceway Birthday Party

#### Tuesday, August 26th

- 8:30am-10am.....Food Pantry



### Prayer List

We have a new Prayer Ministry starting up and we'd love for you to be a part of it! We'll meet for prayer every Sunday at 5pm in the Good News Sunday School class. There are new prayer cards available for you to fill out and put in the prayer box in the foyer. They will be prayed over at our meeting every Sunday and will be held close to our hearts.

Praying for others is an important part of our ministry as the body of Christ. Please incorporate this list as a part of your personal prayer life.

#### Prayer Requests for August 17th

Friends of those who visit our Food Pantry

#### Prayer Request for August 10th

Haley Warren

#### Prayer Requests for August 3rd

Brenda Pearce

Family of Wesley Wyatt Sr. (Death of Trae's granddad)

#### Prayer Requests for July 27th

Errol Tootle

Brenda Pearce

Kay Collins (recovering from surgery)

Thistle family

Clint Davis (Randy Davis's dad)

Kathy Byrd

Ben Hubbard (Debra Bradsher's son)

Kimberly Jo Vance and family

**Florist Contact Info:**  
**Rachel Davis**  
**419-6868**

*Arrangements are \$50 to be paid before the Sunday needed.*  
*Cash, check or digital options below!*

#### Flower List

- August 10 - The Coons
- August 17 - The Walker/Heyer/Herndon family
- August 24 - Open
- August 31 - Madie Morton

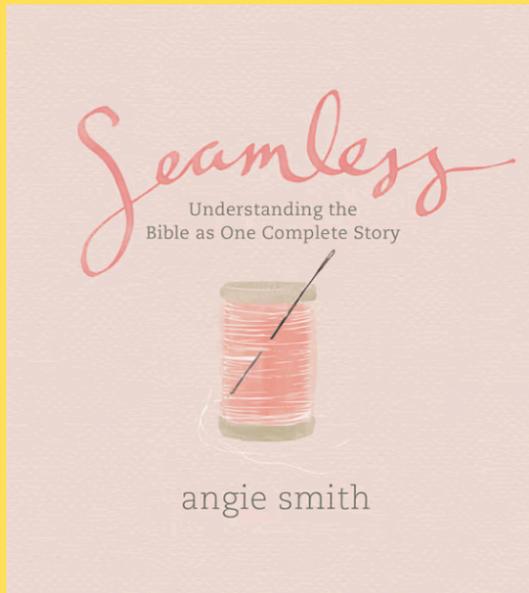


# SUMMER

## BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

### LADIES BOOK CLUB

With Anna Garner



- WE WILL MEET TO DISCUSS OUR POTENTIAL NEXT BOOK OVER A DELICIOUS POTLUCK ON 8/27 FROM 5:00PM-7PM!

- WE ARE GOING TO START WITH SEAMLESS BY ANGIE SMITH.\*

- THE STUDY COVERS MAJOR EVENTS FROM THE BIBLE, TYING THEM TOGETHER INTO THE GREATER STORY OF SCRIPTURE. IT REALLY HELPS UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE AS ONE COMPLETE STORY AND REPLACES SOME INSECURITY OR UNEASINESS ABOUT BIBLE STUDY WITH MUCH MORE CLARITY AND CONFIDENCE AND UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE.

## BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY

SUMMER WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT WESLEY CHURCH

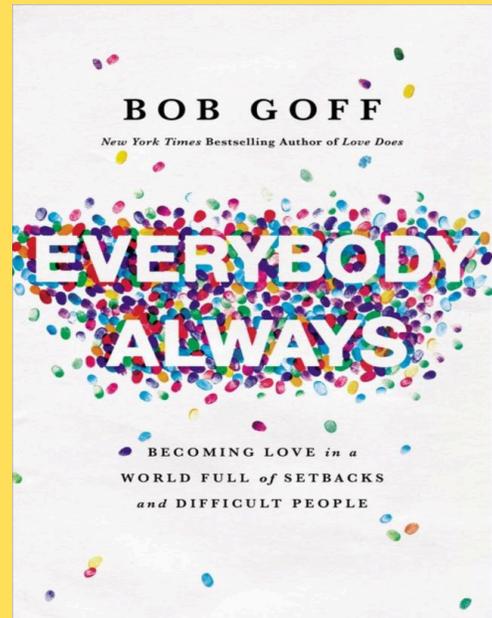
# BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY

Bring Your Own Dinner  
5:30-6:00 Dinner  
6:00-7:00 Study

JUNE 4, JUNE 11, JUNE 18, JUNE 25,  
JULY 9, JULY 16, AND JULY 23

A study for adults of all ages!

If you would like to lead one week, please contact Wendy Frazier (662.322.1027) or Anna Taylor (662.871.4236)



"THE MAN CHURCH" IS A PROGRAM COMPRISED OF FIELD-TESTED SOLUTIONS FOR CHALLENGING AND EQUIPPING MEN TO BECOME THE PEOPLE GOD CREATED THEM TO BE. JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 6PM AS WE ENGAGE IN SOME HEARTY CONVERSATION DISCUSSING BEING STRONG, CHRISTIAN MEN IN TODAY'S SOCIETY.

# Rummage and Bake Sale!



Our Annual Fall Rummage and Bake Sale is September 13<sup>th</sup> which is right around the corner! Be looking for things to donate and recipes to bake to help support this great fundraiser! Furniture, household goods and decor, kitchen items, outdoor equipment of all kinds, coats, jackets, purses, shoes, books, etc! If you have any items to donate, please bring them to the back of the CLC! We already have some things back there so go ahead and start dropping off your things!

**H A P P Y**  
**B I R T H D A Y**

8/2 - Chris Thistle	8/11 - Tag Hart	
8/2 - Vickie Legg	8/11 - Hunter Heatherly	8/22 - Bobbie Schreppel
8/7 - Ann Castile	8/11 - Travis Patrick	8/22 - Chuck Foote
8/7 - Jack Counce	8/12 - Lindsey Tedford	8/25 - Harry Collins
8/7 - Elaine Herrington	8/13 - Chesley Heatherly	8/29 - Beth Tedford
8/7 - Raymond Webb	8/15 - Walker Herndon	8/29 - Morgan Darby
8/8 - Brenda Chase	8/17 - Carolee Armstrong	8/31 - Riley Baker
8/8 - Jonah Counce	8/18 - Hayes Heatherly	
8/9 - Trish Thistle	8/20 - Cherie Walker	
8/11 - Jameson Armstong	8/21 - Sue Chaney	



# WESLEY YOUTH

## WESLEY YOUTH UPCOMING SCHEDULE

<b>WED, JULY 23</b> SUMMER JAM 2:00-5:00 @ WESLEY	<b>WED, JULY 30</b> NO YOUTH!
<b>SUN, AUG 3</b> BACK TO SCHOOL BASH 5:00-7:00	<b>WED, AUG 6</b> ART WITH ANNA GARNER
<b>SUN, AUG 10</b> NO YOUTH	<b>WED, AUG 13</b> YOUTH 5:00-7:00
<b>SUN, AUG 17</b> POOL PARTY @ THE HERNDON'S	<b>WED, AUG 20</b> YOUTH 5:00-7:00
<b>SUN, AUG 24</b> NO YOUTH	<b>WEN, AUG 27</b> YOUTH 5:00-7:00
<b>SUN, AUG 31</b> YOUTH BOWLING	<b>NO WOW WEDNESDAY MEALS UNTIL SEPTEMBER - EAT BEFORE YOU COME OR BRING FOOD WITH YOU!</b>



We are adopting the Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) here in Tupelo and will be supporting the students and teachers in some fun and unique ways so stay tuned for ways you can help out!

# WAYS TO SERVE

5TH SUNDAY  
**POTLUCK!**  
 SUNDAY, AUGUST 31ST



## Stay Young

Stay Young will meet on THURSDAY, SEPT 4<sup>TH</sup> at 10am! If you are a "mature" adult and at all able to attend, then you are asked to be present to help plan the activities for this year. Lunch will be potluck style so please bring a dish to share!

**Traceway Birthday party!**  
**Monday, Aug 25<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm**

## FOOD PANTRY

- 8/5/25 - Pam Shields, Wentriss Alford, Martha Webb, Errol Tootle, Bob Walker
- 8/12/25 - Ruth Dobbs, Errol Tootle, Wentriss Alford
- 8/19/25 - Pat Pearce, Wentriss Alford, Errol Tootle
- 8/26/25 - Errol Tootle, Wentriss Alford, Pam Shields

For the month of August, our Food Pantry will be collecting CANNED VEGETABLES so be sure and drop off some this month in the Food Pantry bin in the foyer!



### OFFERING COUNTERS

- 8/3/25 - Martha Clay & Brenda Pearce
- 8/10/25 - Pat Pearce & Blake Hill
- 8/17/25 - Bill Austin & Trish Thistle
- 8/24/25 - Rachel Davis & David Hutson
- 8/31/25 - Martha Clay & Brenda Pearce

### TRUSTEES

- 8/3/25 - Leo Hamm
- 8/10/25 - David Hutson
- 8/17/25 - Amelia Foote
- 8/24/25 - William Darby
- 8/31/25 - Cherie Walker



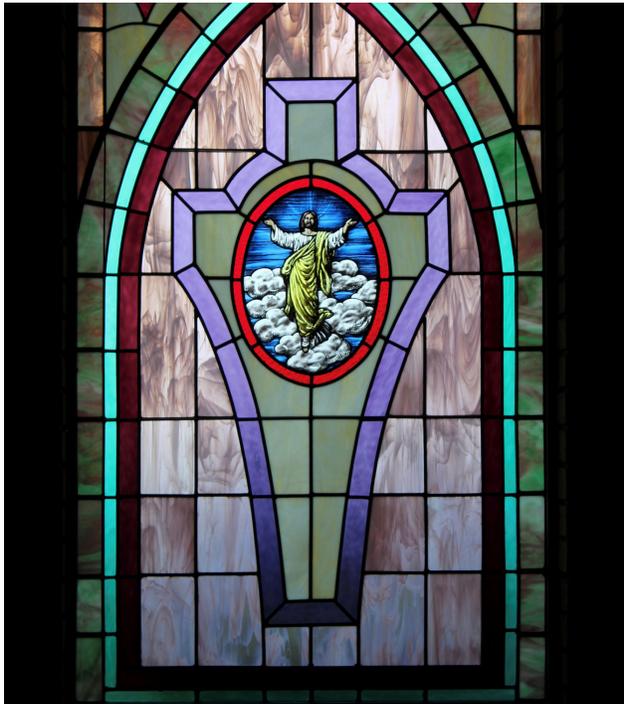
Join us for Men's Breakfast THIS Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> @ 8am! Our Cook Team will be Bill Austin, Trae Wyatt, James Taylor, Dewaine Card, Jim Gentry, and William Darby. Our guest speaker is Robert and Sue Chaney's grandson, Austin Bailey, who serves as a pastor at Hope Church!



Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 4:30 pm  
 Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am

# WESLEY CHURCH

A Global Methodist Congregation



## FOR THE RECORD

### **Attendance (In - Person)**

Morning Worship....83 in person

### **Stewardship**

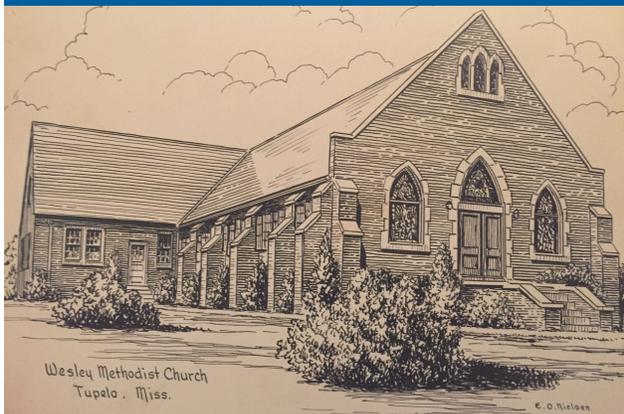
2025 Operating Budget.....\$261,816\*

YTD Budget Receipts.....\$154,983.01

Needed Weekly.....\$5035.68

Weekly Budget Receipts.....\$3804

\*Budget will be adjusted to account for line of credit payment\*



## WESLEY CHURCH CONTACT INFO

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## CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Jim McClurkan - Senior Pastor

Rev. Trae Wyatt - Associate Pastor

Rev. Chip Frazier - Associate Pastor

Linda Austin - Director of Music Ministries

Debbie Clark - Financial Secretary

Martha Webb - Pianist

Sandi & Doug Haire - Custodians

Ameera Young & Ashley Wilson-Nursery

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Christ-Like Through Discipleship.