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People to People

Wesley Grove United Methodist Church

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From the Pastor's Desk . . .



Mission, Ministry and Purpose

The building of a mosque close to ground zero calls for all houses of worship to state with clarity their mission, ministry and purpose. I say all houses of worship because all congregations need to be clear as to why they are building a church or mosque. Reflecting on the history of Wesley Grove we know that Friendship and Ridge Chapel were existing congregations.

Friendship was located where BWI Marshall Airport is now, from 1866-1951. Ridge Chapel was starting to show some age and the congregation needed to expand with more space for Christian education.

The mission of Wesley Grove was to build a new church on Dorsey Road. The mission was to combine the two congregations to worship

in one place. Our mission today continues to be to make new disciples for Jesus Christ and to go into the world and preach the good news. This is our purpose. We need to hear what the mission and the purpose of the mosque. I challenge all of us to define our mission.

-Rev. Kenneth Valentine

Why Sunday School?

Kid problems are tough to kids. Knowing that there is someone there who is strong and kind and loving and forgiving is a great comfort.

Knowing that doing wrong can bring punishment is a great comfort, really!

It is hard, and sometimes disappointing, to get good grades, be popular, make a team and especially be brave. Brave enough to believe in a God, to be a Boy or Girl Scout, to study instead of party, to resist temptation, to

lend a hand, and to be nice to all.

Why Sunday School? If you are in a good 'know' zone, you will be in the right 'no' zone.

Winter Hours Begin Sunday, September 12th

Contemporary Service – 9 am
Traditional Worship Service – 11 am

SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES



Sunday, Saturday 12th
9:30 am
Bring-A-Friend Breakfast

The summer schedule is over and it's back to Sunday School! Sunday, September 12th starts another new and exciting Sunday school year at Wesley Grove with Promotion Sunday and 'Bring-A-Friend' Breakfast. We'll meet downstairs for breakfast at 9:30am and please...BRING A FRIEND (or 2 or 3)!

After breakfast, we will have our annual Sunday School Promotion exercises, with students receiving their certificates and getting a chance to meet their teacher and classmates!

Also, please remember that we have classes for all ages! Our adult

Sunday School class, led by Steve Temple, meets downstairs in room 32. Their studies are thought-provoking and lead to meaningful discussion.

So, **mark your calendars for September 12th at 9:30am.** We are looking forward to another exciting year of sharing the stories of Jesus, the Word of God and the Love of Christ with the children and fellow adults! We've missed them and you!

See you on September 12th!

-Miss Vickie, Mr Mike
and Miss Donna

Letter from Abebe

"Hello Wesley Grove UMC Sunday School. How are you doing? I and my family are doing good. Thanks be to God. I have taken the final exam. It rains heavily. It's a cold but beautiful climate, how about yours? At this school vacation I have planned to work on sewing.

The Compassion Project supplies me with "tiff" in kilos, edible oil in liters, hair oil in bottles, bars of soap, exercise books, clothes, underwear, t-shirts, pairs of shoes and socks. I am grateful for the gifts and support. At Sunday school we learned about Job. Job passed through hardships.

Please pray for my success at school. Pray for my family's life so that they get Jesus in their lives.

Goodbye until the next letter"

Abebe Kebebe

NCEON (North County Emergency Outreach Network)

NCEON needs several volunteers to pick up food on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays (the busiest day for picking up food). They have lost a couple of volunteers and need someone with a pickup truck or van. It doesn't require a lot of time, the pickup locations range from Pasadena to Glen Burnie, with one in Annapolis. They are in danger of losing the donations if they cannot get the food from Giant, BJ's, Shoppers and a couple of other places. Please email Dianne Tabor (minnie742049@msn.com) and she will get the information to the food director at NCEON. Please consider this if you are able. Thank you and God Bless. Dianne Tabor

Everyone is so busy nowadays and commitments of time are at an all-time high, but please prayerfully consider helping if you're able. Dianne's email address.

Yes, the “Nutty Ladies” are at it again!



The Nutty Ladies will be selling nuts as a fundraiser for the Wesley Grove Trustees. This will be our 11th year selling these Georgia Pecans, but we will also have Cashews and Walnuts.

Come see us at the Fall Festival on September 18th. If the weather permits, we will be at our usual place by the big fir tree on the front lawn of Wesley Grove.

Hope to see you then!

Ann and Norma Lee



28th Annual Harvest Festival

Saturday, September 18th – 9 AM to 2 PM

(Rain or Shine)

Wesley Grove United Methodist Church

- Featuring food, desserts, local produce table, White Elephant table and more!
- Bake Table with homemade pies, cakes and cookies
- Craft, Vendor and Flea Space Available \$10.00 per-space call 410.761.9119
- Wesley Grove is located at 1320 Dorsey Road in Hanover, MD. It is on the north side of Dorsey Road west of Route 170 (the BWI airport access road) and 1 mile east of Arundel Mills. Church telephone number is 410-761-9119.



Inside Dining Room:

- Pit Beef Dinner
 - Pit Ham Dinner
 - Beef BBQ Dinner
- (Dinners include coleslaw, green beans, roll and iced tea)

Outside at the Grill:

- Hotdogs
- Sausage Sandwiches
(with green peppers and onions)
- Ice cold sodas

We look forward to seeing you!

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Bud Bowers	9/1	Billy Allison	10/1
David Allen	9/2	Robin Romer	10/1
Brian Everhart	9/3	Kathy Harris	10/4
Linda Turney	9/6	Lori Rayman Nichols	10/4
Heather Harshbarger	9/8	Sandra Boyd	10/5
Abigail Stanco	9/10	James Bray	10/11
Brenda Solloway	9/11	Sharon Stratton	10/11
Butch Rey	9/15	Kwame Kwakye	10/12
Dareline Groff	9/16	Wendi O'dea	10/14
Kimberly Taylor	9/16	Judy Degreenia	10/15
Anthony Monforte	9/17	Daniel Gyandoh	10/16
Margo Mitchell	9/18	John Allen	10/19
Kevin Dooley	9/20	Woody Boyd	10/22
Bob Brown	9/21	Brian Merritt	10/22
Charles Baillargeon	9/22	Michael Livingston	10/23
Ridgley Boyer	9/24	R.J. Blackstone	10/25
Michael Gowen	9/26	Anne M. Goodwyll	10/28
Renee Heatwole	9/28	Betsy Koerner	10/28
Vickie Rey Williams	9/28	Hannah Bromery	10/29

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

04	Saturday	1:00 PM	Jedi Rehearsal
05	Sunday	8:30 AM	Contemporary Service
		10:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		3:00 PM	N.A.
06	Monday	8:30 PM	A.A.
07	Tuesday	9:00 AM	Pre-Kindergarten classes begin
		6:30 PM	Boy Scouts
08	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts
09	Thursday	6:30 PM	T.O.P.S.
10	Friday	PM	Prep - Men's Breakfast
11	Saturday	8:00 AM	Men's Breakfast
		1:00 PM	Jedi Rehearsal
12	Sunday	9:00 AM	Contemporary Service
		9:30 AM	Sunday School with <i>Bring A Friend Breakfast</i>
		11:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		3:00 PM	N.A.
13	Monday	6:30 PM	Girl Scouts
		8:30 PM	A.A.
14	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Boy Scouts
15	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts
16	Thursday	6:30 PM	T.O.P.S.
17	Friday	PM	Prep – Harvest Festival
18	Saturday	9:00 AM	HARVEST FESTIVAL
19	Sunday	9:00 AM	Contemporary Service
		9:30 AM	Sunday School
		11:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		12:10 PM	Ladies Luncheon
		3:00 PM	N.A.
20	Monday	6:00 PM	T.O.P.S.
		6:30 PM	Girl Scouts
		8:30 PM	A.A.
21	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Boy Scouts
		7:15 PM	Administrative Council
22	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts
23	Thursday	6:30 PM	T.O.P.S.
25	Saturday	1:00 PM	Jedi Rehearsal
26	Sunday	9:00 AM	Contemporary Service
		9:30 AM	Sunday School
		11:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service – CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY
		3:00 PM	N.A.
27	Monday	6:00 PM	T.O.P.S.
		6:30 PM	Girl Scouts



		8:30 PM	A.A.
28	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Boy Scouts
29	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts
30	Thursday	6:30 PM	T.O.P.S.

OCTOBER

02	Saturday	1:00 PM	Jedi Rehearsal
03	Sunday	9:00 AM	Contemporary Service
		9:30 AM	Sunday School
		11:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		3:00 PM	N.A.
04	Monday	6:30 PM	Girl Scouts
		8:30 PM	A.A.
05	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Boy Scouts
06	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Back-to-School Night for Pre-K
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