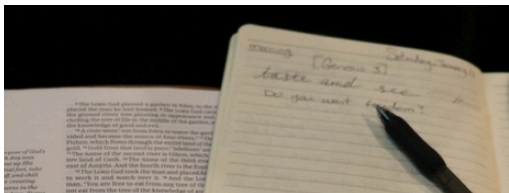


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2025

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*we make disciples*

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## February

- 05 | ALPHA 1 | 6:45pm
- 06 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
- 07 | Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen | 12:00pm
- 11 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
- 12 | ALPHA 2 | 6:45pm
- 13 | FVE Teacher's Conference Dinner | 2:00pm
- 16 | Kids Ministry to Carroll Lutheran Village
- 16 | SALT "DEEPER" Training | 5:00pm - 11:00pm
- 19 | ALPHA 3 | 6:45pm
- 20 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
- 23 | Global Missions Interest Meeting | 12:15pm | Student Wing
- 25 | Heart to Heart | 9:00am
- 26 | ALPHA 1 | 6:45pm

## March

- 05 | ALPHA 2 | 6:45pm
- 06 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
- 06 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 11 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
- 12 | ALPHA 3 | 6:45pm
- 13 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 19 | DISCOVER Christ | 6:45pm
- 20 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
- 20 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 21 | Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen | 11:00am
- 25 | Heart to Heart | 9:00am
- 26 | DISCOVER Community | 6:45pm
- 27 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 28-30 | Send Relief Serve Tour in Virginia Beach/Norfolk

## April

- 02 | DISCOVER Church | 6:45pm
- 03 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
- 03 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 08 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
- 09 | 3D Kids Grand Prix
- 10 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 17 | Grief Share | 2:00pm
- 17 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
- 18 | Good Friday Service
- 20 | Easter Sunday
- 22 | Heart to Heart | 9:00am
- 24 | Grief Share | 2:00pm

## dear church,

Are challenges beneficial or detrimental to my life? Do I need to find victory or is it okay to battle? Should others expect me to be perfect or be in the process?

*“Consider it a great joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you experience various trials, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking nothing.” (James 1:2-4, CSB)*

In order for endurance to lead to maturity and completion, it must have its “full effect.” Often times the battle we face isn’t over because it hasn’t taken its full effect. How often was Jesus persecuted and tested, but it wasn’t time for Him to reveal His glory or take the cross? The journey is necessary to arrive at the right destination. And, we are not unable to fight in our battles.

*“No temptation has come upon you except what is common to humanity. But God is faithful; he will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation, he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to bear it.” (1 Corinthians 10:13, CSB)*

A photograph of a man with a beard, wearing a grey zip-up jacket, standing behind a wooden podium. He has his arms outstretched to the sides. In the background, there is a drum set and a microphone stand. The setting appears to be a church or a stage.

**a word from  
the pastor**

God provides a way to bear it. Not to escape it, but to bear it. I'm not going to be a slave to it (Romans 6:17-18) but I am equipped with the weapons to fight it (Ephesians 6:11). I always want to remind people that God defends those who cannot defend themselves, so not every situation is your situation to bear, but not every situation is your situation to escape. It takes great wisdom from God to discern when it's right to bear a situation and when it's right to escape. The good news for us is that the same God who came as a human and submitted to hard battles is also pouring out wisdom into your life. Just look at the verses after James 1:1-2...

*"Now if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God—who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly—and it will be given to him." (James 1:5, CSB)*

Thanks for going through our "Re:NEW" series with me. I hope you grew with me, and will continue to grow throughout this year. If you did not utilize our Re:NEW plan, you still can. Just consider implementing it into a new month. God's not finished with you, the journey and battle are just part of you becoming mature and complete for the day He returns. This is our hope.

*"There is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me, but to all those who have loved his appearing." (2 Timothy 4:8, CSB)*

Grace and peace,  
Dr. Matthew S. McMillan  
Lead Pastor

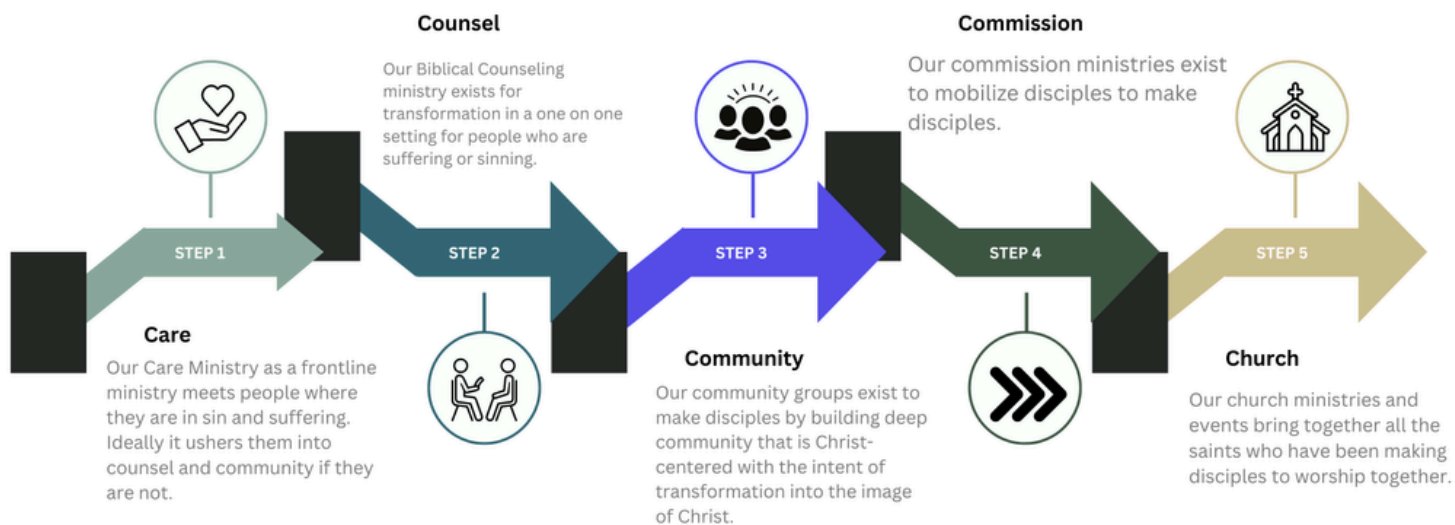


If you missed any of the Re:NEW Series or need to begin, please scan to view or visit [discoverwbc.com/renew](https://discoverwbc.com/renew).



## C5 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Discipleship for the Kingdom



GATHER • GROW • GO



Looking for opportunities to serve as a group?  
Check out local missions, SALT, and global opportunities.



## Let's do LIFE in Community. Get Connected Today!



# ALPHA

Your first step in Discipleship here at WBC is ALPHA! Learn more at [discoverwbc.com/alpha](https://discoverwbc.com/alpha). If you have attended ALPHA and DISCOVER and are ready to connect with a group, please contact us at [groups@discoverwbc.com](mailto:groups@discoverwbc.com). Next ALPHA begins this month!

- ▲ 3 weeks
- ▲ Draw Near
- ▲ Be Challenged
- ▲ Meet Pastors

▶ READ MORE



# group updates

# NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES



**THURSDAYS**

2:00 - 3:30pm  
beginning March 6

**HELP AND ENCOURAGEMENT AFTER THE DEATH OF A SPOUSE, CHILD, FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND.**

*A 13-week program that includes video seminars, group discussions, and a personal workbook.*

Signup in the lobby or online at [discoverwbc.com/griefshare/](https://discoverwbc.com/griefshare/)



Mark your calendars! You don't want to miss our Good Friday and Easter Sunday Worship Services.

Good Friday | April 18  
Easter Sunday | April 20



**Send Relief Serve Tour- Virginia Beach**

**March 28-30**

The Serve Tour, in partnership with churches, associations, your state convention, and Send Relief seeks to inspire Southern Baptists across North America to engage in compassion ministry by providing opportunities for churches to participate in ministry projects in one specific city. The goal of the Serve Tour is to be the vehicle through which churches demonstrate the love of Christ in the city by engaging in compassion ministry.

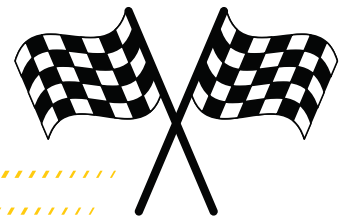


Email Kim Duvall at [kim@discoverwbc.com](mailto:kim@discoverwbc.com) for more information or to signup- so excited to serve together!





Be sure to save the date for 3D Kids Grand Prix scheduled for April 9th at 6:45pm.



Please contact Barbara Harrison at in person or at [barb@discoverwbc.com](mailto:barb@discoverwbc.com) if interested in the **Kids Ministry** visit to Carroll Lutheran Village on February 16.



# DEEPER

## An Intensive Training for Young Adults

Join us as we dive into Sound Theology, equipping young adults to better understand the Bible as a whole and use it to answer life's biggest questions. Don't miss this night of learning, fellowship, and great food!

# 16 FEB

### 5 PM - 11 PM AT WBC

Please bring a potluck dish or snack to share, your Bible and a notebook.



## VBS 2025 | JULY 14-18

VBS planning has begun and we are ready to help children learn about the **BIGNESS** of God! **MAGNIFIED** will encourage kids to look closely at the details of God's amazing world and magnify, or proclaim, His greatness.

# ministry updates



# GO WITH US

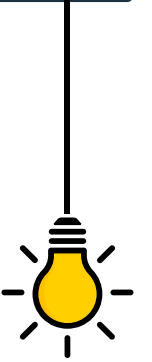
## Pray for the Nations

Sindhi in Belize  
Population: 6,700  
World Population: 182,000  
Total Countries: 8  
Main Language: Sindhi  
Main Religion: Islam



## GLOBAL MISSIONS INTEREST MEETING FEBRUARY 23 | 12:15PM | WBC STUDENT WING

Interested in learning more about how to Pray, Give, or Go on mission Internationally? On February 23 at 12:15pm in the Student Wing, we will hold an International missions meeting (open to all) to discuss, where, when and what opportunities God has planned for our church in 2025. If you have interest in learning more, please email Scott Pierson for more details at [scott@discoverwbc.com](mailto:scott@discoverwbc.com).



## Pray for Haiti

- Pray for the Staff and students at Cap Haitien Christian School.
- Pray for the children of Idadee and Ebac orphanages, for their teachers, and their house moms. If you would like to sponsor a child at Idadee, please contact Scott Pierson at [Scott@discoverwbc.com](mailto:Scott@discoverwbc.com).
- Pray for the believers in Haiti to actively engage the communities to cultivate and influence culture to better serve God. Pray for transformed hearts.
- Pray for the Lord to disrupt the efforts of the enemy to discredit and shut down the work. Pray for those who fight against the ministry that God will open their eyes and heart to the truth.



# missions updates



*let's talk about*  
**YOUR NEXT**

Our Church has a mission and vision that is accomplished through intentional strategies making disciples who gather, grow, and go to bring God glory and enjoy His goodness forever. If you would like to learn more about who we are and what we do then **START HERE!** Either scan the code below or visit [discoverwbc.com/start](https://discoverwbc.com/start) to begin **YOUR NEXT** journey.

**S T A R T  
H E R E**



**LIGHT  
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UP**



# BIRTHDAYS



## February

- |    |                     |    |                   |
|----|---------------------|----|-------------------|
| 02 | Lara Graves         | 27 | Marie Evans       |
| 03 | Nancy Bickel        | 27 | Danielle McDaniel |
| 03 | Joshua Smith        |    |                   |
| 03 | David Zihmer        |    |                   |
| 06 | Jessica Haugh       |    |                   |
| 07 | Savannah Keiffer    |    |                   |
| 07 | Jonah Scheffel      |    |                   |
| 07 | Bess Uhlig          |    |                   |
| 08 | Laura Hudson        |    |                   |
| 08 | Jason Penton        |    |                   |
| 11 | Koltyn Blouse       |    |                   |
| 11 | Haven Shoemaker III |    |                   |
| 12 | River Hubbard       |    |                   |
| 12 | Jeanne McGillis     |    |                   |
| 13 | Reed Fogarty        |    |                   |
| 13 | Debbie Maynard      |    |                   |
| 13 | Brecken McMillan    |    |                   |
| 14 | Joseph Lambert      |    |                   |
| 15 | Blanche Barth       |    |                   |
| 15 | Elliott Janifer     |    |                   |
| 15 | Vincent Zombro      |    |                   |
| 16 | Martha Lewis        |    |                   |
| 17 | Barbara Harrison    |    |                   |
| 17 | Javier Lopez-Nunez  |    |                   |
| 18 | Hannah Lovell       |    |                   |
| 19 | Elijah Akinrosotu   |    |                   |
| 20 | Lisa Hinton         |    |                   |
| 22 | Bryce Davey         |    |                   |
| 23 | Levi Weber          |    |                   |
| 25 | John Branham        |    |                   |
| 25 | Eric Davis          |    |                   |
| 25 | Trudy McDaniel      |    |                   |
| 26 | Donna Knorr         |    |                   |
| 26 | Mary Reeb           |    |                   |



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# SERMON NOTES:

**TEXT**

**MAIN  
POINT**

**NOTES**

**GOSPEL RESPONSE**

**MY NEXT**