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**Re: 22.New South Weekly Word, November 15, 2019**

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Good Friday morning, New South Family. Welcome to the latest issue of the Weekly Word.

As always...first:

-----**The Critical**-----

**Announcements**

**1) Note From Church Planter, Joe Ritter (Waynesville)**

*As part of our evangelism and follow-up efforts in the community, we are going Christmas caroling and welcome the help of other churches to pull a group of singers together.*

*When: December 8th and 22nd*

*Time: 3:30pm to 5:30pm*

*Where: 75 Oak Street, Waynesville (meet at the church)*

*Refreshments will be provided.*

**2) History and Polity Class** A reminder of the upcoming Free Methodist History and Polity Class...FM H&P is necessary for ordination and really a great way to understand Free Methodist history and the ways and whys of our denomination.

Cost is \$150.00 to the instructor (Dr. Craig Saunders.)

Details:

Friday, February 7, 2020 - 6-9 p.m.

Saturday, February 8, 2020 - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Friday, February 21, 2020 - 6-9 p.m.

Saturday, February 22, 2020 - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday, March 7, 2020 - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Wilmore FMC, Room B103

Sign up by e-mail to me - [ddiddle@wfm.net](mailto:ddiddle@wfm.net).

Deposit of \$75.00 due by January 1, then the balance due on the first day of class."

**3) Supt in Nashville** I will be in the Nashville area from noon, November 21 to the early evening of November 22. If anyone would like to schedule a meeting with me, please shoot me an e-mail and we'll try to work that out.

**4) A Financial Word** As you prepare your budget for 2020, do you know how much your pastor should be paid? Are you doing the very best that you can, payment-wise, for your pastor and staff? It is honoring to the Lord to do so.

Attached you will find an Excel Compensation Calculator that you can download, borrowed from the Genesis Conference. (Thanks Supt. Pam!).

Related to this, you who are involved in your church finances, are you planning to give your pastor a Christmas gift of some kind? It would be much appreciated!

5) **Resources Site** In the month ahead, we will be working on developing our conference web site to include a resources page for any in the conference to use. Watch for that to come!

### **Calendar**

November 21-22 Daryl in Nashville Area  
 November 22: MEG South Meeting - Bowling Green  
 December 11-14: Daryl at Superintendents' Retreat  
 February \_\_: Strategy Day  
 February 7: FM History and Polity class begins  
 March 20: District Leaders – Wilmore, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.  
 March 20: BOA – Wilmore, 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.  
 March 21: MEG/MAC – Wilmore, 8:00 a.m. - noon  
 May 29-30: New South Annual Conference, Oakdale Christian Academy  
 June 15-20: NSC Teen Camp  
 June 11-14: NSC Family Camp  
 June 22-26: NSC Kids' Camp  
 September 23-25 New Room Conference, Nashville, TN

And now...

## -----The Important-----

### **Resources, Articles and Attachments**

- 1) Attached is an article by Mark Bauerlein that I sent my sons this week on the importance of reading and what technology is doing to us regarding reading. Somewhat related to this, I've also attached a paper written by a church member here at Wilmore a few years ago (when she was 22 years old) on some smartphone research.
- 2) Also attached is a piece about the people (Christian brothers and sisters of ours) who live in Garbage City, Cairo, Egypt. A very moving and engaging piece, especially considering our observance of Thanksgiving in the days to come.
- 3) I would love to know all the conference elders' birthdays. If you have not already done so, please send your birthday (no need for the year if you prefer) to Timothy at the conference office ([newsouthconference@gmail.com](mailto:newsouthconference@gmail.com)) You can also send him praises and requests for prayer that would be relevant to the conference and he'll pass those along in the FOCUS.
- 4) Attached is a revised Expense Reimbursement Form in both fill-able .xls and .pdf. I had the wrong mailing address on it last week...sorry!

- 5) [Here is a great word from Dave Ramsey on Thankfulness.](#)
- 6) Just one last thing...that really could go in the "Joke" category below - see the attachment, "KY on a map."

### **Job Openings**

We are still looking for lead pastors for the following churches:

McMinnville

Gallatin

### **This Week's Passage, Quote and Joke**

Passage: I do not preach this Sunday. In the morning, we have a guest, Jerry Coleman, and in the evening, our delegates at Wilmore are recognizing my having served the church here for 20 years, Pastor Dwight for 15 years, and Pastor Andrea for 10 years this year. A "service" anniversary, if you will.

The passage I've been thinking about this week, however, is Luke 13:29-30, where Jesus talks about how people will arrive at the feast of the Kingdom of Heaven from all "four corners" of the earth...and how, in those crowds, those we think of last will actually be the first, and those we tend to esteem will be last. The upside down way God's Kingdom values things.

Quote: "All their life in this world and all their adventures in Narnia had only been the cover and the title page: now at last they were beginning Chapter One of the Great Story which no one on earth has read: which goes on forever: in which every chapter is better than the one before." ~ C.S. Lewis, [The Last Battle](#)

Joke: A policeman pulls over a car full of nuns. "Sister, this is a 55 MPH highway," he says, "Why are you going so slow?"

The Sister replies, "Well sir, I saw a lot of signs that said 40, not 55.

"Oh, Sister," the officer says, "that's not the speed limit, that's the highway you are on!"

The Sister says, "Oh! Silly me! Thanks for letting me know. I'll be more careful."

At this point, the officer notices the other nuns in the car shaking and trembling. "Excuse me, Sister, what's wrong with your friends back there?"

The Sister answers, "Oh, we just got off Highway 101."

Peace and Blessings Friends,

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"We must always be ready to make sacrifices for the great causes; only in that way shall we live to keep our souls alive." ~Winston Churchill