

Good Friday afternoon, New South Family. Welcome to the 34th edition of the Weekly Word – this for the week ending February 21, 2020.

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Announcements

- 1) Change of Venue for Annual Conference** Due to several factors, primarily the fact that your Interim Superintendent doesn't yet really know what he's doing, we are choosing to have Annual Conference at Wilmore instead of at Oakdale Christian Academy.
- 2) Memorials at Annual Conference** ...please forward to Timothy Thomas newsouthconference@gmail.com the names of members of your church who have passed on to Glory since last year's Annual Conference, so they might be remembered at Annual Conference 2020.
- 3) Ministerial Education and Guidance Interviews** are scheduled for March 21 in Wilmore and invitations to those who I know need interviewed have been sent via e-mail. If you did not receive one, and you want, or feel you need, to be interviewed, [please contact me ASAP](#).
- 4) Women's Retreat** Pastor Buffy Cole (Forrest Chapel) is investigating the possibility and interest in re-starting a conference women's retreat, about which you will find a survey below.

Pastor Buffy writes, *"Please distribute surveys to any ladies interested in each congregation whether they have attended a retreat or not, then send completed surveys to me at sblaw10210@gmail.com or 23 North Street, Scottsville, KY 42164. I'll be at the upcoming youth retreat if anyone wants to hand deliver them. I'd like the survey back by the second weekend in March so we can begin developing a planning team for this event."*

Church of the Week: Breckenridge Chapel (Louisville, KY) with Pastors John and Will Slider.

Conference / Superintendent's Calendar (all times eastern)

February 25:	MEG Zoom, 7:00p
March 12:	DL Zoom, 9:30a
March 14:	FMH&P – Gallatin #1 of 2
March 20:	District Leaders – Wilmore, 2:00 – 5:00 p
March 20:	BOA – Wilmore, 6:00 – 10:00 p
March 21:	MEG/MAC – Wilmore, 8:00 a - noon
March 31-April 2:	Global Overseers Team (GOT) - Indianapolis
April 9:	DL Zoom, 9:30a
April 18:	FMH&P – Gallatin #2 of 2
April 26-28:	ABS - Tampa
May 14:	DL Zoom, 9:30a
May 29-30:	New South Annual Conference, Wilmore FMC
June 7-9:	ABS - Indianapolis
June 15-20:	NSC Teen Camp
June 11-14:	NSC Family Camp
June 22-26:	NSC Kids' Camp
August 9-11:	ABS – Baltimore
August 25-28:	Starting Strong for new pastors - Indianapolis
September 23-25:	New Room Conference, Nashville, TN

And now...

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Resources, Articles and Attachments

- 1) **The Latest Edition of the FM History Update** – [can be found by clicking here.](#)
- 2) **Hymnals?** If you have 20-40 or so that you're no longer using, the Bowen FMC would love them. Shoot me a note [by clicking here](#) and I'll make the connections happen.
- 3) **Attention FM People in Wilmore/Nicholasville/Lexington Area:** The next FM Fellowship lunch will be held on Wednesday, March 4th, from 12pm to 1pm in the back of the Asbury Seminary cafeteria- in the Cordelia B Room. This is a simple time of connection and conversation open to any FM people or anyone interested in the FMC.
- 4) **The Latest FM Men's Ministry International** update / newsletter is below. Check out what MMI is up to these days.
- 4) **An Article I Found Helpful, "Homesick for Heaven,"** is also attached.

Job Openings

At this point, we have a pastor or interim pastor in every NSC church, although those interim situations are, well, interim.

However, [if you click here](#), you will find job opening listings at the FMC Human Resources web site.

February Birthdays (*that we know of)

Dean Cook – 24 – Elder, Retired, Wilmore, KY

Annette Diddle – 29 (my wife ☺)

*I would love to know the birthdays of all those related to the NSC who receive this communique – pastors, elders, delegates, special friends, etc. Please send month and day to Timothy at

newsouthconference@gmail.com

This Week's Passage, Quote and Joke

Passage: I am finishing a series on love, specifically, agape love, this Sunday, speaking from Mark 12:28-34.

Quote: *In all of my years of service to my Lord, I have discovered a truth that has never failed and has never been compromised. That truth is that it is beyond the realm of possibilities that one has the ability to out give God. Even if I give the whole of my worth to Him, He will find a way to give back to me much more than I gave.* ~ Charles Spurgeon

Joke: As my five-year-old son and I were heading to McDonald's one day, we passed a car accident. Usually when we see something terrible like that, we say a prayer for whoever might be hurt, so I pointed and said to my son, "We should pray."

From the back seat I heard his earnest voice: "Dear God, please don't let those cars block the entrance to McDonald's."

Blessings on your weekend and day of worship.

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