

Superintendent's Update, Palm Sunday, April 5

Dear New South Family,

Well, we've had our time of worship here at the Diddle home via computer / TV screen and YouTube, then breakfast / brunch.

I find I don't like to watch myself speak, and the poor people at Wilmore have to do that every week.

I suppose we are all learning new things in these days; "forced innovation" it's been called.

I hope you are having / had a worshipful and restful Lord's Day today. In these weeks of worship-at-home, Annette, the boys and I have been taking Sunday drives in the afternoons – something my dad and mom would occasionally do with us when I was a child. Three weeks ago we drove east, two weeks ago, west, last week we made it only as far as the Peterson's farm (ha), and today we drove south...exploring Kentucky.

One thing I've learned is that you don't have to look far to see that there is a lot of fear in our world. Yet it's in days like this that Christians can really shine for Christ. I find Paul's words to the Romans playing again and again in my mind: "For none of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone. If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. For this very reason, Christ died and returned to life so that he might be the Lord of both the dead and the living."

It's this confidence in life or in death that gives Christians our confident witness of joy and calm. Even though we die, we live. So we have no reason at all to fear.

Blessings All,

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