



Change, Maturity, and Telos

As we approach the end of 2023 and reflect on the past several years, we have to admit that WVBC has been in a season of change. It has been a challenge for us and it has brought discomfort. Yet, if we are to understand the Book of Hebrews and all of the Scriptures, change is what God desires from us. The change He really desires is our maturing together as a local body of Christ. The change God wants is that we all be conformed to the image of His Son. That is our goal, our fulfillment of His plan, our telos.

This kind of change is not easy and it challenges our complacency and desire to maintain the status quo. It takes work and it takes humility.

Let us pray together for our future at WVBC. God desires to bless our community, our families, and the world through us. To do so, we must press on towards maturity. It will be difficult and it will take work, but the results will be what God wants, a people who bring people from death to life.

~ Pastor Tom

Women's Ministries hosted an event on October 14 called "A Place at the Table." Much prayer and planning went into the preparation and God brought 70 women that morning! We shared a light breakfast together and then got right down to business. Each women's ministry team leader shared a bit about the ministry that they oversee, and others were encouraged to become involved as the Spirit leads. We arranged for two of our own to share with us, Katie Wardle and Kim Vestal. Their honest and encouraging talks were just what we ladies needed to hear. Katie and Kim also served on a worship team that provided God-honoring music in both English and Spanish. Childcare was provided, and some of our husbands volunteered to serve lunch so that each woman attendee was able to fully engage in the conversations we called Table Talk. We received some really good feedback from the attendees that will help us in the planning for next time. This event was the next in line of what will be a series of events along these same lines, God willing. Don't miss it, we're saving a place at the table for you!

~ Danita Hunter



A group of us went to the corn maze of Sauvie Island for a nighttime adventure. We were blessed with only a light rain. We had a great time joking around and getting to know each other within the stalks! It's always fun to see new faces and grow deeper community with familiar ones.

~ Pastor Patrick



TRUNK OR TREAT

Over 350 people (about 200 kids) flocked to our campus for Trunk or Treat on October 29. We had 24 trunks passing out candy, gave out 200 hot dogs, 250 stuffed bears, 175 packs of top ramen, had over 100 cake walk winners, over 50 bingo winners, had about 150 crafts made, and gave out 50 pumpkins that were donated by the city. A huge thank you to all the volunteers who made this special community night possible!

~ Vera Hallman



MEN'S COMMUNITY SERVICE

On Saturday, October 21, a host of 25 volunteers gathered for breakfast followed by an opportunity to serve our local Wood Village community. The volunteers, young and older, reflected Christ's love for this neighborhood through substantial clean-up efforts on two overgrown yards in the neighborhood, removing blackberry vines, grass and brush while filling three large landscaping dumptrucks with debris. Local landscaping professionals assisted in a major way, community neighbors greeted us with appreciation, and all were uplifted by God's Spirit who provided strength, safety and hearts of humble service. Much thanks to the Wood Village church family, Miguel Angel Alonso Landscaping and Grace Landscape Maintenance for their selfless giving of time and energy to the neighbors in our community.

~ Craig Crandall



NEW BABIES



PHILLIP LI
CHIN

Born 10.06.23
8.3 lbs, 20.6"

Parents: Nicholas Chin & Alisha Garcia
Grandparents: Mike & Lisa Garcia



LEILANI
MAGANA
DAMIAN

Born 10.13.23

Parents: Vicente Magana Ramos
& Juana Damian Angel

NEW MEMBERS



RAY & TAMARA
LUBECK

Welcomed 10.15.23

November
BIRTHDAYS

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PRIVACY**

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