

# The Levy Update

Pastors are Off on Fridays

## Wednesday, August 20th

Library Hours 5:15 p.m.—5:45 p.m.

Call to Dinner at 5:30 PM—Cost: \$10.00 for Adults; \$5.00 for kids 4-12 & kids 3 & under are free (R.S.V.P. by noon Tuesday)

Menu: Ham, Deviled Eggs, Sweet Potato Casserole, Rolls/ Cornbread & Watergate Salad

Missions Class for Kids at 6:00 p.m. in Children's Library

Midweek Prayer & Praise at 6:15 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.

## Sunday, August 24th

Library Hours 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship at 10:15 a.m.

Summer Sunday Luncheon

Torchlighters for Kids at 6:00 p.m.

Levy at Nite at 6:00 p.m.

S.N.A.C.

## Wednesday, August 27th

Library Hours 5:15 p.m.—5:45 p.m.

Call to Dinner at 5:30 PM—Cost: \$10.00 for Adults; \$5.00 for kids 4-12 & kids 3 & under are free (R.S.V.P. by noon Tuesday)

Menu: Lasagna, Green Beans, Caesar Salad, Garlic Bread & Cheesecake

Missions Class for Kids at 6:00 p.m. in Children's Library

Midweek Prayer & Praise at 6:15 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.



Memorial gifts are necessary to the well-being of any congregation because of what they represent – one person's legacy, one congregation's act of worship.

A memorial gift has been received in memory of  
Roger Nitschke by:  
Life Truths 2 Sunday School Class  
Susan Quattlebaum



Do a quick google search for “things that get better with age,” and you’ll find a list as long as your arm—wine, blue jeans, leather, cast iron skillet. But there’s one thing that ought never be on that list... people.

Now, I’m not saying it’s impossible. Some folks do ripen in virtue. Some grow sweeter in compassion and richer in wisdom as the years pass. But, friend, we’ve all seen the other side of it—people who grow older without growing better.

Age, in and of itself, is no guarantee of godliness. Thomas à Kempis once said, “If it is a fearful thing to die, it may be yet more fearful to live long.” And he’s right. I’ve known some who, instead of their souls ripening, let them wrinkle, shrink, and shrivel until all that’s left are the dry, grotesque chambers full of nothing but the gasping wheezes of ego.

But Psalm 71 shows us another way. The psalmist looks back on a life that began with God’s hand upon him before he was even born. And as he faces the realities of old age, he prays: “Do not cast me off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength is spent... Even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim Your might to another generation.”

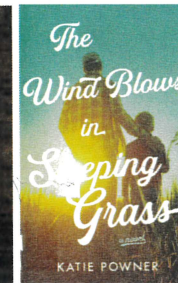
This man wasn’t living in a hammock under the shade tree of ease. He had enemies who mocked him, accused him, and even said, “God has forsaken him.” But he could say, “I have been a marvel to many, for You are my strong refuge.”

Oh, that we might finish like that! That we would spend our last breath telling the next generation about the mighty works of God. My dear friend, the greatest legacy you can leave behind is not a bank account, a name on a building, or a photo on the wall—it is a life that proclaims the saving power of Jesus Christ to all who come after you.

May that be our prayer: “Lord, let me live in such a way that, when the silver threads of my hair shine in the sunlight, I’m still telling the old, old story of Jesus and His love.”

*R. B. T.*

## New In The Library



Pete, a garbage truck driver in a small Montana town, who is trying to rebuild his life after a troubled past. He finds himself unexpectedly reunited with his estranged sister and navigates themes of family, forgiveness, and

second chances while forming unexpected bonds with the quirky residents of Sleeping Grass.

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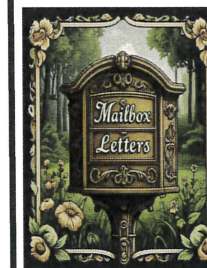
“Time spent in prayer is never wasted.”  
—François Fénelon

## AUGUST 30TH • BACK TO SCHOOL CHILDREN AND YOUTH POOL PARTY

MEET AT CHURCH AT  
10 AM TO LEAVE AND  
GO TO RICHARD AND  
DONNA MCCALLS HOME.

PLEASE BRING A SACK LUNCH.  
POOL PARTY 11AM-2PM

PLEASE BRING YOUR LIFE JACKET/GOGGLES/  
SUNSCREEN/TOWELS/LUNCH AND BE PREPARED  
FOR A FUN DAY OF FELLOWSHIP



Thank you to all who honored Roger & our family. Your love & gifts of kindness were greatly appreciated. A special thanks to the Women on Missions, Robert & the kitchen crew for the delicious meal & your expressions of love, we appreciate you.  
Karen Nitschke & Family





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## Summer Church Luncheon: A Shared Table of Fellowship

Sunday, August 24th | Following the 10:15 a.m.  
Service | Waymack Hall

You are warmly invited to join us for a luncheon immediately following morning worship. The church will graciously provide chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, and rolls.

To ensure a bountiful and diverse table, we ask Levytes to bring a dish to share, based on the first letter of their last name:

- **A–G:** Vegetable or Side Dish
- **H–N:** Salad
- **O–Z:** Dessert

In order to prepare appropriately, we kindly ask that you notify the church office of your attendance by Thursday, August 22nd. This will help us ensure that there is ample food and seating for all.

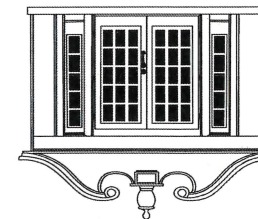
Let us gather in joy and gratitude as a church family around the table of fellowship.

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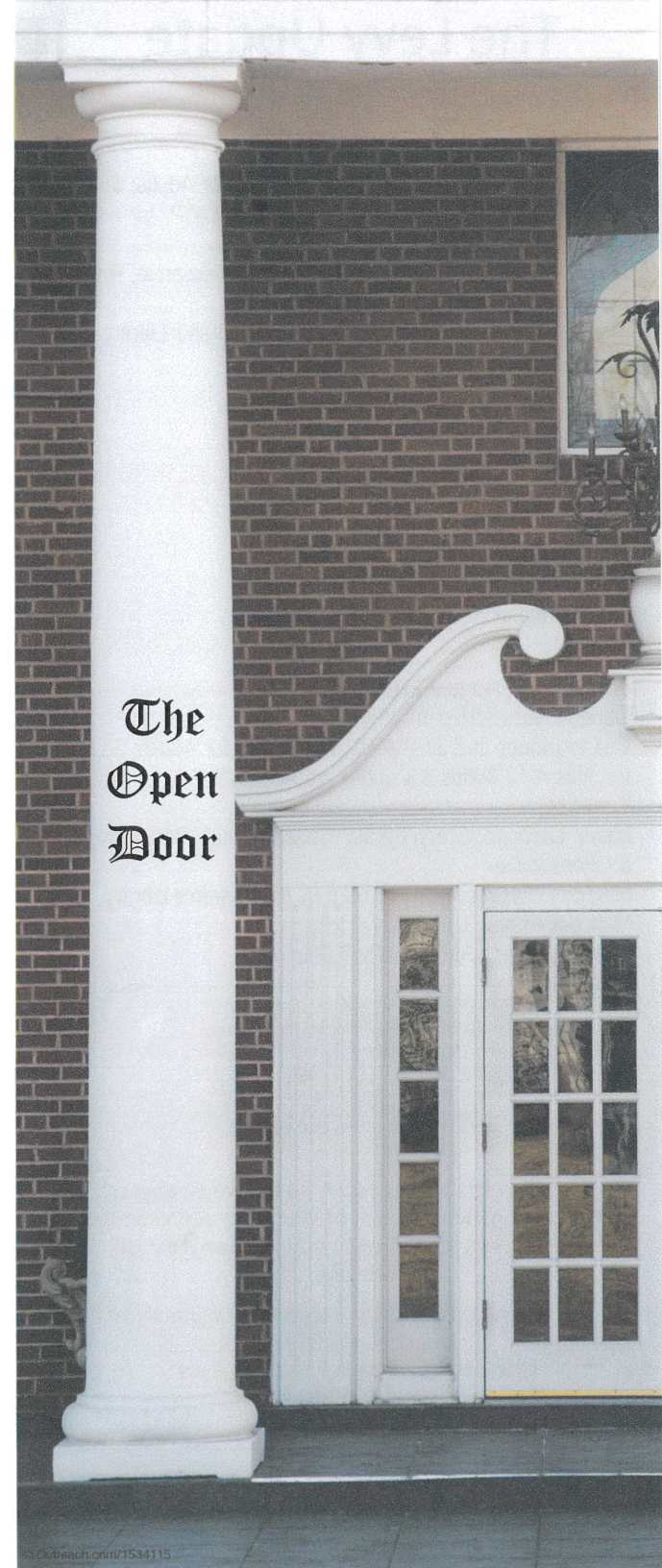
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