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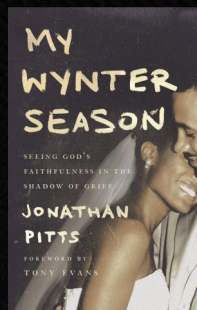
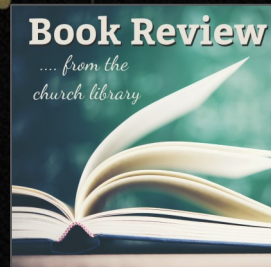
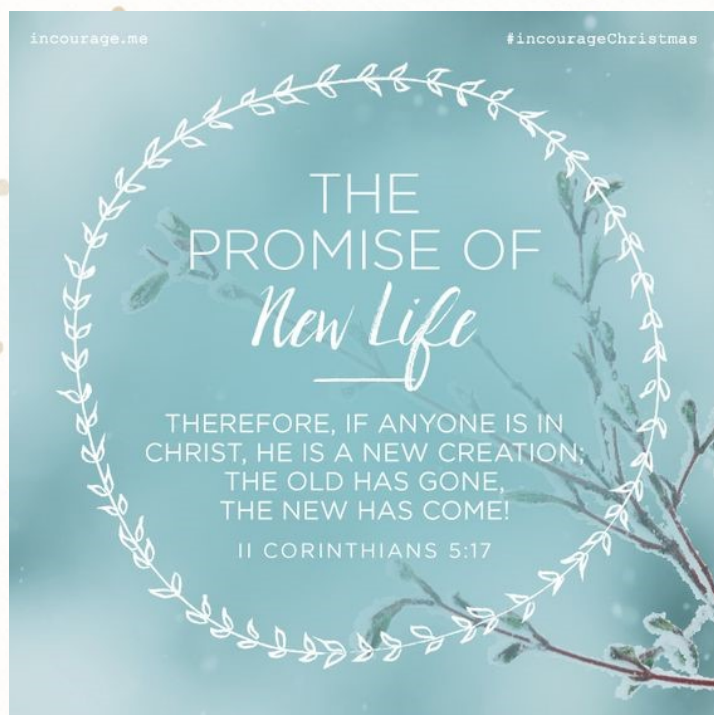
Jenny Wenzel
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Jay Shaffer
Brad Springer
Leah Bayes
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David and Bethanna Kwast and their three girls are serving in the Asia-Pacific region and are immersed in language study. They expect to have a language and culture evaluation in January. They have come along way in studying things that locals do such as motorcycle maintenance and meal prep. They have learned that when people get married, they move right in with the wife's parents until they are financially stable enough to move out.

They praise the Lord that their girls as doing their best where they are and were brave enough to stand up and sing a Sunday School song in a language they are learning.

Please pray as they move into another city in the region they will be serving, as well as for intentional relationship building. They would also appreciate prayers you do their best to study a culture and language that is so different.



My Wynter Season:
Seeing God's Faithfulness in the Shadow of Grief
By Jonathan Pitts

One of my goals this past year, and the year coming, is to read books written by people with diverse backgrounds (African Americans, Europeans, Asian, Women, Men, etc.) so I was very excited to see this book written by a black ministry director and pastor. Little did I know how much this book would open my eyes to God's faithfulness both in life and in death. Jonathan Pitts, an executive director at Urban Alternative (the ministry of Dr. Tony Evans) was living the perfect life. He had a loving wife, four amazing kids, and an incredible boss. But that was before tragedy hit. His wife of 15 years, Wynter, unexpectedly died at the age of 38. His life was turned upside down. He was not used to being alone in life and had now lost his best friend and companion. Pitts chose not to be bitter, but to see the way God was with him in the season of death. He tells of a certain article published the day Wynter died that encouraged him. He tells how relationships both he and his wife had cultivated were such a blessing to him and his young family after the loss of his most important earthly relationship. Most of all, he tells the story of how he realized God was his best friend and constant companion. Even though death might not yet be a part of the story of your life, I can guarantee trials and tragedy have impacted you.

My Wynter Season showed me that God's faithfulness isn't only apparent in the big miracles and big circumstances, but also in the mundane. His faithfulness is in the family picture that was taken just before Wynter's death. It is in the strong relationships that God placed in their lives. It is in the wall decor in Pitts' bedroom that says "Be Still." This book helped me see the mundane ways in my life where I can truly sing "How Great Thou Art!"

(reviewed by Grace Anderson)

P.S. We have many great new books (and old unappreciated books) in our church library and are looking for people to read and review them. If you would like to submit a review, please contact Vickie Smoker (savismoker@yahoo.com).

January Birthdays

Anna Yoder	1/2	Kylynn Witmer	1/22
Emily Hall	1/2	Jon Chevalier	1/22
Ryan Bedford	1/2	Charlie Jacobson	1/24
Bethany Bedford	1/5	Veronica Jordan	1/24
Tim Guest	1/6	David Kiel	1/25
Jeanie Jacobson	1/7	Sean Dickerhoof	1/25
Linda Duffy	1/8	Clara Hammon	1/26
Kevin Mayer	1/9	Charlotte Stepp	1/27
Ashley Hallam	1/9	Tim Swope	1/28
Noah Hallam	1/11	Donna Rezutko	1/31
Heather Kocher	1/13	Jeremy Miller	1/31
Heather Simon	1/17	Caleb Weaver	1/31
Diane Goss	1/20	<u>Missionary Birthdays</u>	
Barb Anderson	1/21	Brian Eastling	1/13

January Anniversaries

Jay & Linda Shaffer	1/1/2003
Jerry & Pamela Wenger	1/8/2011
George & Angie Oliver	1/12/1985
Jagadey & Cathy Skipper	1/26/2013
Derick & Shawna Dickerhoof	1/27/2006



**Are you in need of a phone
number or address of a
McCoy friend?**

Download the Realm Connect App!

Connect - Our Church Community by ACS Technologies Group, Inc.

(You can also log in through a website on a computer.)

The Realm Connect app has many great features but one of the most handy is having an up to date church directory at your fingertips! It also features communication with your McCoy groups, registering for McCoy events, private access to your giving history and more.

For more info and log in access, please contact Kristi Martin, MMBC secretary, by e-mail (secretary@mccoybaptist.org).



MISSIONS



Will You Pray for our Missionaries?

Our Missionaries need your prayers and the best way to keep up to date on what their needs are is to join our Missionary Prayer Letter e-mail list.

If you prefer to receive paper copies in your church mailbox, please let me know but do be aware that some of the prayer letters are photo heavy which are sometimes too much to print so you may receive a text only version. Also, often the prayer requests are time sensitive so by the time you are able to get the prayer letters from your mailbox it is old news. If you would prefer to receive these letters electronically, please e-mail Kristi at secretary@mccoybaptist.org and ask to be added to the Missionary Prayer e-mail list.



Remember, if we cancel services due to weather, (Sunday or Wednesday), It will be posted on the MMBC Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/McCoyMemorialBaptistChurch/> & on the MMBC website. <https://www.mccoybaptist.org/>

It will also be on WNDU TV and posted on the WNDU website and app. Also, if Elkhart Community Schools are closed due to weather, we will follow the same schedule for our weekday ministries. WNDU TV, Channel 16, Website: <http://www.wndu.com/closings>



Cardio Drumming Exercise Class
Thursdays at 6:30 --- FREE & FUN
Follow our Facebook page!

<https://www.facebook.com/McCoyCardioDrumming/>

This is a great way to introduce your friends to McCoy & have fun together!

Questions: See Esther Flora or Kristi Martin



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*Perfecting the saints for the work of ministry ...
McCoy Memorial Baptist Church is a community
of believers existing to honor God by becoming
fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.*

Therefore, as a church we purpose to:

- ♦ Exalt the Living God (Psalm 95:1-3)
- ♦ Explore the Word of God (2 Timothy 2:15)
- ♦ Encourage the Family of God (Hebrews 10:25) and
- ♦ Extend the Love of God (Mark 16:15)

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On YouTube:

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Sunday Morning Service: Find our livestream Sunday Morning at 9:30 AM on Facebook.

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Find Sunday school classes and other videos on our YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzAvEYMLjyGBbOhfc7MitIA>

You can also find videos along with teaching notes and much more on our website <https://www.mccoybaptist.org/>

Click on the link at the top for Sermon & Classes and click on the appropriate class link from the drop down.



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February 11/12, 2022

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