

WSBC NEWS March, 2026



Giving for North American Missions: Our 2nd Priority in Giving in March

The Easter season has dawned. The Savior of the world was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification. His church is to take this good news to all people, and we're in partnership with devoted gospel workers who are doing exactly that.

The Easter season is our annual time for faithful generosity in giving to support our missionaries who serve with the North American Mission Board (NAMB) of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC). Troy and Chanel Gause are two of these missionaries. They have planted a new church and experienced revitalizing a dying one. Troy says that a church dying is a poor testimony of God's power to the surrounding community, but when a church is raised from the dead or revitalized it is a testimony that God is not finished with the community. It's our privilege to stand with Troy and Chanel through our Annie Armstrong Easter Offering giving.

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering giving is a high priority for us. In fact, it's our second giving priority for the coming weeks. Our first responsibility is for our regular tithes and offerings that we give to support Walnut Street's gospel ministers and ongoing ministries.

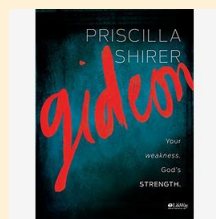
When Walnut Street adopted her Articles of Faith in 1849, our forebearers in this church had the biblical wisdom to say, "We believe ... that the Christian ministry is divinely appointed means for the spread of the gospel throughout the world, and that it is the duty of all Christians according to ability to contribute to its support" (Article IX of our Articles of Faith). We support our gospel ministers locally. We also support our gospel ministries. Additionally, we join with other SBC churches to fund gospel workers in proclaiming Christ throughout North America.

Our goal for Annie Armstrong giving this year is \$7,000. We surpassed \$7,000 in our giving to this offering last year, and I'm confident can do so again as the Lord enables us.

We're asking you to give a generous Annie Armstrong Offering gift over and above your tithe. In other words, first give the tithe, then give an additional Annie Armstrong gift.

Will you join me in first giving the tithe and then cheerfully giving a generous gift through the Annie Armstrong Offering during March? Let's do this together.

Dr. Coye Still, III



WOWS Bible Study

Gideon

It's not too late to join Sherra Still as she leads this 7-week Bible study on Gideon. We have three weeks left (Tuesdays, 1:00 - 2:30 pm at the church) and Thursday evenings (6:30 - 8:00 pm at Sherra's home.)



Blessing Blankets

Several of the WOWS will gather on Thursday, March 26 from 10 am to 2:30 to make Blessing Blankets. As each knot is tied to make the blanket, the maker prays for the person who will receive the blanket

If you would like to participate in this ministry or need more information, please contact Linda Hook, 502-339-7129.



Easter Basket Ministry

As Easter falls on April 5th this year, WOWS will soon be preparing baskets/bags for children and homebound members. This is a reminder to our members at home that the church hasn't forgotten them, and to a child it may be an introduction or reminder of why we celebrate Easter. Either way, it's an opportunity to share the love of Christ, and *you can be a part:*

Volunteers needed - March 16-18*:

10:00am - 4:30 daily (lunch provided)

Location - Activities Building, Second floor

- Monday March 16 - Sort and organize inventory

- Tuesday-Wednesday* March 17-18* - Basket/bag assembly

*Wednesday if needed

Suggested donations:

Small gifts for seniors, individually wrapped candies or cookies (please check expiration dates), note pads, note cards, pens, tissues, stuffed animals, medium sized gift bags, large print puzzle books, devotional books or magazines, Christian story or coloring books, etc. Donations can be left at Crossroads.

Home Member Deliveries - March 22 thru April 4:

Volunteers are needed to deliver Easter gift bags to home members. The bags will be sorted by zip code and can be picked up during the following times:

Bag pickups - Activities Building, 2nd floor

- Sunday, March 22 - After morning service

- Wednesday, March 25 - between 5:15-6pm

- Sunday, March 29 - After morning service

Deliveries can occur any time between March 22nd and April 4th.

Thank you for your support of the Easter Basket ministry. For more information contact Linda Hook (502.339.7129) or Ms. Billie Payne (502.635.7103).

Community



Ministries

Infant Resource Center

The Infant Resource Center is running very low on clothes for toddlers (size 2T-5T, both boys and girls). If you don't have a toddler outgrowing clothes, ask relatives, grandchildren, friends and neighbors to pitch in. The donated clothes could not go to a better place than the WSBC Infant Resource Center.

The Center is also totally out of diaper rash ointment, children's toothbrushes, bibs, infant & toddler socks. These are just a few things we are always in need of and the needs keep growing.



Women on Mission

Tuesday
March 10, 2026

WMU will meet Tuesday March 10 at 10:30 in the WMU History Room. Our speaker will be Michael Matala. Michael is a pastor and is currently involved with the Louisville Regional Association. His work generally focuses on church planting, leadership development and missions coordination. He previously served as Executive Director of Missions. A collection will be taken, the mission project to be determined.

Lunch will follow. All are welcome.

If JCPS is closed due to inclement weather, we will not meet. Thanks.



OASIS
March 23, 2026

OASIS will meet on Monday, March 23.

Millie Goodman will provide our devotion.

Bob Mueller, a motivational speaker, will be our guest speaker. Bob is known for his series on "positive living" which he will share with us.

Reservations must be made by noon Wednesday, March 18th, by giving your name to your caller or calling the Church office at 502-589-5290.

Lunch is \$5 per person.

Reminder: we will be collecting canned goods for Community Ministries.

**NOTE: If JCPS schools are closed due to inclement weather,
OASIS will not meet.**



March is Nutrition Month

Winter is on the way out to make room for Spring. Our thoughts turn to eating more healthily and being outdoors. Your health ministry team shares the following benefits of eating well:

- *Disease Prevention & Management: A nutrient-rich diet reduces the risk of obesity, heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes, and osteoporosis. It also helps manage existing conditions.*
- *Boosts Physical & Mental Health: Healthy eating provides necessary fuel for energy, improves brain function, supports memory, and stabilizes mood.*
- *Immune System Support: A diet rich in nutrients helps the body fight off illnesses and recover faster from injuries.*
- *Better Physical Appearance & Function: Healthy eating promotes healthy skin, teeth, and eyes. It supports digestive health and strengthens muscles.*
- *Weight Management: Helps achieve and maintain a healthy weight, reducing the burden on bones and organs.*

Tips to realize the benefits of healthy eating:

Look for healthier options – choose pretzels over potato chips, try raw vegetables with a low-calorie dip.

Stick with regular mealtimes and fill your plate wisely. To offset temptation, be mindful of portion sizes, avoid heavy sauces and maintain a normal eating schedule.

Plan to have high-fiber, high-protein snacks. Read the labels of “granola bars” for example. Low sugar and low sodium items are good choices.

Stay hydrated. Drink at least 8 – 10 8oz glasses of water a day. Avoid drinks with sugar. Sometimes, you may feel hungry but many times it is thirst. Drink a glass of water before eating that snack.

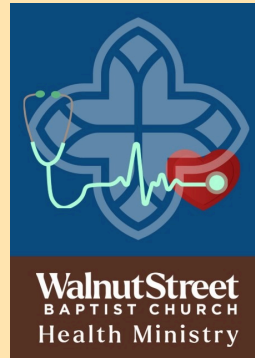
Be kind to yourself. Sometimes that “unhealthy” food looks good. Indulging occasionally is okay.

John wrote to Gaius and ultimately to us in 3 John 1:2:

“Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul.”

Information from various sources.

Health Ministry Team: Jan Dempsey, Donna Mitchell, Anne Partenheimer, Charolette Rock.



SPRING FORWARD ***March 8, 2026***

Remember to Spring Forward this weekend.

Sunday March 8 will begin daylight savings time for 2026. Set your clocks forward one hour before going to bed on Saturday night or you will be late for Sunday's Bible Study and Worship Services.



Church Financial ***Summary*** ***February, 2026***

Church Financial Summary

Month of February, 2026 Tithes, Budget & Offering	\$59,643.75
Designated Offerings	\$13,082.89
Total Offerings	\$72,726.64



WAYS TO GIVE

If you would like to support the gospel ministry of Walnut Street Baptist Church, you can do so in one of three ways:

1. Drop your contribution in the offering plate when it is passed during the worship service.
2. Go online to walnutstreet.org and click on "Give".
3. Mail your contribution to the church offices at 1143 S. Third Street, Suite A, Louisville, KY 40203.

Church Ministerial Staff

Dr. Coye Still III - Senior Pastor

Rev. Gang Li (Martin) - Minister to Chinese

Rev. Jimmy Bledsoe - Pastor of Disciple-Making

John Borengasser - Interim Worship Minister

Rev. Steve Skaggs - Interim OASIS Coordinator

Herbie Ramsey - Media Ministries Director

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Janet Pearson - Director of Community Ministries

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Dr. Coye Still III, Senior Pastor

<https://www.walnutstreet.org>



Important Addresses You Might Be Interested In

Community Ministry WSBC: www.cmwsbc.org

Kentucky Baptist Convention: <https://www.kybaptist.org/>

Louisville Regional Baptist Association: <https://www.lrba.org/>

(Formerly Long Run Baptist Association).
Southern Baptist Press
<https://www.baptistpress.com/resource-library/news>



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For info on giving to the Foundation, call
Harvey Ragland, Foundation President at 502-727-4962.

EMERGENCY CONTACT

To alert the ministerial staff after hours and during the weekends of an **emergency situation** (death in family, medical emergency), please call the church office, 502-589-5290, press 1 and leave a voicemail with details and your contact information. Someone from our church staff will reach out to you to provide assistance.

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