

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

CE Board Meeting – Tues. / Aug. 11th 6:00 pm

Men's Fellowship Group – Wed. / Aug. 12th 6:00 pm

Pray for Our Church – Thursday / 9:00 am

COMING NEXT WEEK

NEXT SUNDAY -

9:00 am – Sunday School

10:15 am – Worship Service

Trustee Board Meeting – Wed. / Aug. 19th 6:00 pm

Fellowship on Fire – Fri. / Aug. 21st 7:00 pm

LOOKING AHEAD

Executive Board Meeting – Tues. / Aug. 25th 6:00 pm

GOD NEVER SAID THAT

WEEK 2

FORGIVE, *Don't Forget*

God never tells us to erase
our memories or act as if
nothing happened.



What He does call us to is genuine
forgiveness, which releases bitterness
and entrusts justice to Him.

Forgiveness
releases us
so God can
restore us.



FORGIVENESS IS
A CHOICE.

Empowered by God's
grace, not our strength.



FORGIVENESS
ENTRUSTS JUSTICE
TO GOD.

We release our right
to revenge.



FORGIVENESS DOES
NOT MEAN FORGETTING
OR IGNORING.

It allows us to remember
without being controlled
by the past.



FORGIVENESS
LEADS TO FREEDOM
AND RESTORATION.

God heals, strengthens,
and renews.



WESLEYVILLE
BAPTIST CHURCH





August 09, 2026

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Praise Song - *"The Wonderful Cross"*

Special Music - *"Who Am I"*

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Offering / Doxology

Children's Message / Children's Church

Praise Song - *"Jesus Paid It All"*

Sermon - *"Forgive Don't Forget"*

Closing Song - *"Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone"*

Benediction

God Never Said That

Week 2: Forgive, Don't Forget

Scripture: Ephesians 4:31-32 • Colossians 3:13

Three Biblical Truths About Forgiveness

1. Forgiveness Does Not Mean Forgetting

- God never asks us to deny our pain.
- Remembering is human; healing is a process.
- Forgiveness is choosing not to let your wounds define your future.
- Healthy boundaries are biblical and wise.

2. Forgiveness Is a Choice, Not a Feeling

- We forgive because God first forgave us.
- Forgiveness is an act of faith empowered by God's grace.
- You may have to choose forgiveness more than once.
- Forgiveness says, **"I refuse to let what happened control my future."**

3. Forgiveness Brings Freedom While Keeping Wise Boundaries

- Forgiveness and reconciliation are not the same.
- Reconciliation requires repentance, change, and safety.
- Forgiveness releases revenge and trusts God with justice.
- God desires hearts that are free from bitterness.

Remember This

Forgiveness doesn't excuse the offense—it releases the offender to God's justice and frees your heart to experience God's peace.

This Week's Challenge

Ask the Lord:

- Is there someone I need to forgive?
- Am I holding onto bitterness?
- What hurt do I need to surrender to God today?

Take Home Truth

God never said, "Forgive and forget."

He invites us to forgive, trust Him with justice, and experience the freedom that comes through His grace.