

Marbleton Community Free Will Baptist Church

1703 Marbleton Road
Unicoi, TN 37692
Website: marbletonfwb.com
Rev. Cody Fox, Pastor

WELCOME

Week of July 20, 2025 Schedule of Services:

Sunday School 10:00 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:45 A.M.

Backpacks will be distributed after worship service this morning. Please allow our church youth the opportunity to pick their backpack before choosing for others that may need them.

The **Backpack Campaign Donation Jar** will remain in the vestibule until the end of July if you would like to make a donation to help with the cost of the campaign. We will once again pick up Wednesday night offering for the youth in August.

Board Meeting 5:00 P.M.

Sunday Evening Worship Service 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday, **Quarterly Business Meeting** 7:00 P.M.
followed by our Mid-Week Worship Service

Happy Birthday: Wayne McCauley (July 19th)

Happy Anniversary: Tim & Glenda Yarber (July 15th)

Dan & Angie Johnson (July 17th)

CHURCH NOTES:

Ladies Fellowship & Bible Study will begin Thursday, July 31st at 6:00 P.M. downstairs in the Adult Sunday School Class. Please feel free to invite friends and family – the more we have the better the discussions. Bible Study meetings will be scheduled on the last Thursdays of each month at 6:00 P.M.

There will be a **youth activity** scheduled for Saturday, August 2nd. Details will be announced. Mark your calendar and reserve that date.

We will be having **Communion** on Sunday morning, August 3rd.



What's Wrong with Booze?

Does the Bible oppose the use of alcohol? Can alcoholics be helped? Abraham Lincoln said it well: "Liquor has many defenders, but no defense." The facts prove him right. Thousands die annually on our highways because of alcohol. Homes are broken. Health ruined. Suffering increased.

Alcohol compounds the crime problem. A large percentage of all crimes committed by those who are now prisoners in state institutions were carried out when they had been drinking and/or using drugs. And that is only the tip of the iceberg. In cases of homicide, the effects of alcohol are even more evident, with booze being a factor in nearly two-thirds of all murders. Alcohol victimizes its user who in turn makes victims of others.

The Bible speaks out strongly on the use of alcohol and on the sin of urging others to use it: "Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder" (Proverbs 23:31-32). "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink" (Habakkuk 2:15).

While alcohol chains millions, the power of God has unshackled many who were once slaves to drinking habits. Mel Trotter is one of the most well-known converted alcoholics. So pitiful was Trotter's case that he once removed the shoes from his dead baby to sell them so that he could buy a drink. Let him share the miracle that faith in Christ brought to him: "There was not anything that I knew about that I had not gone through. I had taken cure after cure. I had taken everything known to science, and had made resolution after resolution. But just one glimpse of Jesus Christ, and I have never wanted a drink from that instant to this!"

Going Fishing

Lord I'm going fishing today
So give me spiritual bait
To help this living dying race
Before it's all too late
Let me cast a hopeful heart
Upon a lost and lonely soul
Give me peace and understanding
As I fiercely grip my pole
As Your Word becomes the light
My tackle box is full
And my rod is bending downward
From a sinner I feel the pull
Give me strength to reel him in
And take him off the hook

Then place him in Your loving arms
With his hand around Your book
Lord let my catch be bountiful
For it remains to be seen
That You will help me bring them in
But they are Yours to clean

