

## Marbleton Community Free Will Baptist Church

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### WELCOME

#### Week of February 22, 2026 Schedule of Services:

Sunday School	10:00 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship Service	10:45 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship Guest Singers: The Agee Family	6:00 P.M.
Wednesday, Mid-Week Worship Service	7:00 P.M.

Happy Birthday: Dawn Street (Feb. 17 <sup>th</sup> ) Nancy Ballard - (Feb. 21 <sup>st</sup> )
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### SMILE A WHILE:

**Flowers Wrongly Sent** - A businessman ordered flowers to be sent to the opening of his friend's new branch office. When the businessman got there, he was shocked to see the flowers with the inscription. "*Rest In Peace.*"

He was so outraged that he stopped at the florist to complain.

"It could be worse," the florist said, "Just think: Today someone was buried beneath a floral arrangement with the inscription. '*Congratulations on Your New Location!*' "

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Our lives now revolve around technology and it is earth shaking when our devices will not work the way we want them to. It is even worse when your technical support is asleep because it is past their bedtime!

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A law enforcement recruit was asked what he would do if he needed to arrest his mother. The recruit brilliantly stated "Sir, I would ask for backup!"

*The following two articles are reproduced from an August 1953 bulletin.*

### *The Great Weight-Lifter*

Your life has two great enemies: unforgiven sin and lingering fear. They are satan's atom bombs in his war against your soul. They will cloud your conscience, dim your spiritual vision, destroy your influence, and rob you of your power to live. They will leave you craven and defeated before your problems. They will bring death while you live and eternal torment when you die. They are your poison and your utter destruction—how can you escape?

There is no escape if you neglect the great salvation. Just what is this "great salvation"? The answer is plain. "We see Jesus crowned with glory and honor— that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man." Yes, Jesus is the great weight-lifter; he takes the load of unforgiven sin off our souls. And he is the great releaser, he breaks our tensions.

*Albert McClellan*

### *Strength for the Storms*

Beside the blue waters of Galilee Jesus told many stories to many people. One day, after telling about hidden treasures and priceless pearls, he suggested to his disciples that they cross the sea and rest a while. While the disciples sailed the boat, Jesus fell asleep.

A storm suddenly arose. The little boat rocked and tossed. It seemed it would sink. Something had to be done. They awakened Jesus with, "Don't you care if we perish?" He stilled the waves and disappointedly asked them, "How is it that ye have no faith?" They had been stampeded by fear.

Many people face storm periods in life: loss of loved things and loved ones, failures and frustrations, trials and temptations. Great courage and great faith are needed. And it is still true that the presence and power of Christ can still our inner tempests.

A young wife, mother of two children, sat with her pastor awaiting the hour to bury her husband. The pastor asked, "Is there some passage of Scripture you would like for me to use?" "Yes," she replied, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." The years show that she could for she did. And if she could, you can too.

*William Walter Warmath*

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A minister was once asked by an old-time friend, whom he met in a distant city, "How many members do you have in your church?" "One thousand," the preacher replied. "Really!" the friend exclaimed. "And how many of them are active?" "All of them are active," was the response. "About two hundred of them are active for the Lord; the balance are active for the Devil."

In which category do we fall when our pastor catalogs the people of his church? More important by far, where are we in the Lord's sight? "He that is not with me is against me," said our Lord; "And he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad" (Matt. 12:30). Line up actively on the Lord's side today.

*The Pilgrim*