

ROUGE FREE WILL BAPTIST

MASTER'S MEN NEWSLETTER

MASTER'S MEN REPORT: SEPTEMBER 2025

John Zubor & Roger Phillips: Directors

Happy Autumn!! It has been a very busy and wonderful Summer, but this month Fall begins. We would like to take the time to thank all of the men who assisted in keeping the church cleaned during VBS. Your efforts greatly contributed to the success of that week and are greatly appreciated!

A very special thank you to Buck and Kirsten for planning and implementing VBS, "Wonder Junction.." It was a true blessing to see a return of this program! To all the men and ladies who helped decorate, you did an amazing job! And we know this is something that will not soon be forgotten. Thank you for planting seeds in our young people.

After taking the Summer months off the Master's Men will be resuming our meetings this month. We will meet on Tuesday, September 9th at Leon's Restaurant, located at 8787 Telegraph Rd., in Taylor at 6:30 p.m.

We will be discussing the events that are already planned as well as some to be considered. And we will once again enjoy our question of the month, which usually gives us some lively discussion and insights. The question of the month is yet to be determined at this time. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to offer their input. We invite all the men of the church to plan on attending. We will have a wonderful time of fellowship with one another and with our Lord!



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MASTER'S MEN MISSION STATEMENT

The Master's Men of the Rouge Free Will Baptist Church are called to lead men to a mature spiritual relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In doing so, it is our intent to nurture Christian fellowship with each other, enrich the relationships with our families and support the ministry of the church.

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SPECIAL LADIES LUNCHEON

It is the time of the year when we will once again honor our Special Ladies in Christ with a luncheon devoted to them. The Master's Men will be hosting our ladies at Pia's Ristorante Italiano on Saturday, October 18th at 1:00 p.m. The Master's Men will act as waiters for this special occasion and will be serving Antipasto salad, Fettuccini Alfredo, Gnocchi with Meatballs and meat sauce with garlic rolls. Along with a special Sweetest day dessert! Invitations have already gone out and we are looking forward to pampering our very special ladies.

WATER'S EDGE ADVANCE 2026

Although our yearly Water's Edge Advance is still some time in the future it will be here before you realize. The scheduled dates are for arrival on Sunday, February 22, and departure on Wednesday, February 25, 2026. A sign up sheet will be in the church vestibule soon. Please look for it and sign up early.

We hope that all men will plan on attending. If you have never gone before and are considering it we urge you to talk to any of the Master's Men who have attended in the past. I know we will all tell you that this is a blessed time of worship and fellowship. We do hope you will join us.

Before we move on to the events to come we have included pictures from VBS and the Women's Retreat in this edition for you to enjoy and hopefully participate n next year. There is also on article reporting on our Trail Life Chapter. Our young men are being taught leadership and outdoor skills to foster them into a life of service. We are so thankful for all of these programs. May God truly bless each and everyone!

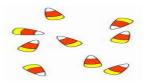
Praying Autumn brings as many blessings and memorable times as the Summer did.

John & Roger



Trunk or Treat





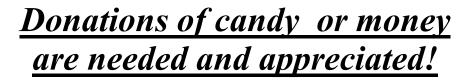
October 25, 2025

At 4:30-6:30 p.m.

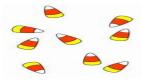
Start making plans to join us! See Darrell or Kirsten Buckner



So, dust off that old costume, decorate your trunk and join us to hand out treats!!



(No candy with peanut butter products, please.)







Trail Life

Trail Life USA Troop MI-0611 Conquers New Heights and Celebrates Achievements

Trail Life USA Troop MI-0611 has been busy, pushing their limits on the trail and celebrating significant accomplishments during their recent Court of Honor ceremony.

Earlier this month, the troop embarked on their longest hike to date, conquering a challenging 5-mile trek through the beautiful Waterloo Recreation Area. The trailmen demonstrated remarkable perseverance and teamwork as they navigated the extensive trails, marking a significant milestone in their outdoor adventures.

Later in the month, the troop gathered for a memorable Court of Honor ceremony, a time to recognize the dedication and progress of each trailman. During the ceremony, all boys proudly received their joining awards, signifying their official entry into the troop and the start of their Trail Life journey. In addition, several trailmen were honored with Heritage Branch awards, acknowledging their commitment to personal growth and skill development. A select group also earned their highly anticipated Wood Tools badge, demonstrating proficiency and safety in using essential outdoor tools.

Troop MI-0611 continues to foster character development, leadership, and outdoor skills in its members, preparing them for a lifetime of adventure and service.





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MASTER'S MEN NEWSLETTER Trail Life







The Ten Commandments: Commandment V

"HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER"

Even if you don't feel like it... The Fifth of the Ten Commandments reads: "Honor your Father and your Mother."

This commandment is so important that it is one of the only commandments in the entire Bible that gives a reason for observing it: "That your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you."

Many people read that part of the Fifth Commandment as a reward, the fact remains that it is a reason: if you build a society in which children honor their parents, your society will long survive. However, it is inevitable that a society in which children do not honor their parents is doomed to self-destruction.

In our time, this connection between honoring parents and maintaining civilization is not widely recognized. On the contrary, many of the best-educated parents do not believe that their children need to show them honor, since "honoring" implies an authority figure, and that is a status many modern parents reject. In addition, many parents seek to be loved, not honored, by their children. Yet, neither the Ten Commandments nor the Bible elsewhere commands us to love our parents. This is particularly striking given that the Bible commands us to love our neighbor, to love God, and to love the stranger.

The Bible understands that there will always be individuals who, for whatever reason, do not love a parent. Therefore, it does not demand what may be psychologically or emotionally impossible. But it does demand that we show honor to our parents. And it makes this demand only with regards to our parents. There is no one else whom the Bible commands us to honor.

So then, why is honoring parents so important? Why do the Ten Commandments believe that society could not survive if this commandment were widely violated? One reason is that we, as children, need it. Parents may want to be honored—and they should want to be—but children need to honor parents. A father and a mother who are not honored are essentially adult peers of their children.

They are not parents. No generation knows better than ours the terrible consequences of growing up without a father. Fatherless boys are far more likely to grow up and commit violent crimes, mistreat women, and act out against society in every other way. Girls who do not have a father to honor—and, hopefully to love as well—are more likely to seek the wrong men and to be promiscuous at an early age.

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Commandment V concluded

Second, honoring parents is how nearly all of us come to recognize that there is a moral authority above as to whom we are morally accountable. And without this, we cannot create or maintain a moral society. Of course, for the Ten Commandments, the ultimate moral authority is God, who is therefore higher than even our parents. But it is very difficult to come to honor God without having had a parent, especially a father, to honor. Sigmund Freud, the father of psychiatry and an atheist, theorized that one's attitude toward one's father largely shaped one's attitude toward God.

There is one more reason why honoring parents is fundamental to a good society. Honoring parents is the best antidote to totalitarianism. One of the first things totalitarianism seek to do is to break the child—parent bond. The child's allegiance is shifted from parents to the state. Even in democratic societies the larger the state becomes, the more it usurps the parental role.

Finally, there are many ways to honor parents. The general rule is this: they get special treatment. Parents are unique; so they must be treated in a unique way. You don't talk to them in quite the same way you do anyone else. For example, you might use expletives when speaking to a friend but, you don't with a parent. You don't call them by their first name. And when you leave their home and make your own, you maintain contact with them. Having no contact with parents is the opposite of honoring them.

And, yes, we all recognize that some parents have behaved so cruelly—and I mean cruelly, not annoyingly—that one finds it morally impossible to honor them. There are such cases, but they are rare.

And remember this, if your children see you honoring your parents, no matter how difficult it may sometimes be, the chances are far greater that they will honor you.

NEXT MONTH: COMMANDMENT VI..."DO NOT MURDER."





WAC Retreat





Welcome to the World







Brayden Matthew Pascarella
Made his entry into this world on August 2nd!
Dady and Mommy, Emily and Noah,
could not be more thrilled!
Grandparents Roger and Linda
are so ready to love and spoil the
newest member of their family!
May God bless you all the days of your life, Brayden!

"A baby is blessing sent from Heaven above. A precious little angel to cherish and to love."

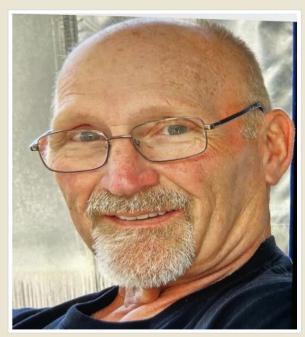


VBS 2025-Wonder Junction





In Loving Memory



Gary Slater
Precious brother
of Pastor Slater.
Free from all pain and safe in
the arms of Jesus.





Beaulah Brancheau
One of our precious Golden Girls
Is now walking on streets of gold.





In Loving Memory







Josing a mother is one
of the deepest sorrows
a heart can know.

But her goodness, her caring,
and her wisdom live on-like a legacy
of love that will always be with you.

May that love surround you now

and bring you peace.

Fayetta Slater

Beloved mother of

Pastor Slater.

Devoted wife and mother,

saint of God.

Reunited with family and her

Lord.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Bro. Mike Ringel Bible Study. 7:00	4	5	6
7	8	6:30 p.m. Master's Men Meeting	Bro. Mik d 0 Ringel Bible Study. 7:00 PM	11	12	13
Baby Dedication	Advisory Board Meeting 6:30 PM	16	Bro. Mike Ringel Bible Study. 7:00 PM	18	19	20 WAC Meeting 10AM
21	Happy FIRST DAY	23	24 Bro. Mike Ringel Bible Study. 7:00 PM	25	26	27
Birthday 28 Celebration after Evening Worship Service	29	30				