Dear WRBC Family and Visitors



What is a biblical revival? The term revival has, unfortunately, been misused by many Christians. For many, revival is often associated with external factors, such as emotional reactions, worship services that have a start time but not an end time, unintelligible languages (which, biblically, don't even exist), and many other things that don't truly demonstrate that the Spirit is bringing revival.

When I think of a clear example of biblical revival, I think of what happened in Ephesus in Acts 19. After arriving for the first time in that city known for being one of the places of greatest idolatry and occult magic in Asia Minor due to the presence of the Temple of Artemis, dedicated to the Greek false goddess Diana—Paul preached there for over two years without interruption. After this intense period of teaching the Word and discipling new converts, the revival was clear. And what was the sign? Salvation, repentance of sins, and transformation of lives. A clear and fervent pursuit of holiness by all those to whom the Word was ministered. The text says: "And fear fell upon them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was extolled. Also, many of those who were now believers came, confessing and divulging their practices. And a number of those who had practiced magic arts brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all. And they counted their value and found it to be fifty thousand pieces of silver." (Acts 19:17b-20) The people repented of their sins and abandoned their sinful practices, even at significant cost. What mattered for them now was to live for the glory of Christ Jesus.

Beloved, a true revival happens when sinners turn from their sins and abandon them to follow Christ fully; and this only occurs consistently and lastingly through the teaching and preaching of the Word of God. Today, I want to encourage you with the humble impression of my heart that the Lord is doing precisely this among us, in our church. I have witnessed salvation and regeneration among brothers and sisters in our church family, convinced of the truths of the Holy Scriptures. That is a biblical revival! Let us continue praying like Habakkuk, "Your work, O Lord, do I fear. In the midst of the years revive it!"

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September 7, 2025

Welcome



### **Wading River Baptist Church**

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# (1) elcome to Wading River Baptist Church

We are glad you are here, and we extend our warmest greetings and appreciation for your choice to worship with us today. We invite you to worship with us every Lord's Day.



Please use the moments before the worship service for reverent and prayerful preparation.

**Greetings and Announcements** 

Call to Worship and Prayer of Gathering (Psalm 117)

→ "Come, Praise and Glorify!" →→ "How Great Thou Art" – Hymn #4

Offerings & Tithes (Matthew 7:21-27)

Congregational Prayer

▶ "Blessed Assurance" – Hymn #345▶ "O Lord, My Rock and Redeemer"▶

Exposition of the Word:

1 Peter 4:1-6 - (Pages 1205 - 1206)

"Living For the Will of God"

♪ "The Power of the Cross" ♪

Benediction (Numbers 6:24-26)



<sup>\*</sup> Infant nursery available upstairs (no drop off) during the whole service

#### **Weekly Events**

Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 am

**Sunday Morning Worship** at 11:00 am

**Wednesday: Prayer Meeting** 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm **Youth Bible Study and Fellowship** (12 to 17 y.o.) 6:30 pm to 8 pm

#### **This Week**

Happy Grandparent's Day: Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025 East Life Group: Tuesday (9/9) 7pm - Thonsens' house West Life Group: Thursday (9/11) 6:30 pm - Dikranians' house

## **Upcoming Events**

Observance of the Lord's Table: Sunday, Sept. 14, 2025
Celebration of Baptisms + Cookout: Sunday, Sept. 14, 2025
(Cookout will be after the service – Donations welcome | Please contact Melissa)
Women's Discipleship: Saturday, Sept. 20, 2025, at 10:00 am



September 7: Rose Gonzalez

September 8: Mickey Cusker September 10: Ariella Hart

• **September 12:** Pastor Ivan Chagas 10 years in Ministry



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Sermon Time (Younger Kids)	M. Barget	No class today	
Ushers	D. Tyska / B. Campo	B. Barget / R. Abella	
Music Ministry	M. Caputo / G. Ehmann	M. Caputo / G. Ehmann	



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Weekly Offering Needed:	\$3,900.00	Yearly Budget Needed so far:	\$85,800.00
Weekly Offering Received:	\$3,340.61	Yearly Budget Received so far:	\$91,048.25
Fellowship Fund:	\$0.00		

<sup>\* \*</sup>Class for 3-7yo downstairs (with drop off)