



Ain't Nobody Gonna Break My Stride, Oh No!"

I have acted very puzzled by hearing young people today singing this song that was a one-hit wonder from 1983. The 67 year old singer Matthew Wilder is excited about the resurgence of popularity of this fast-paced song that is like riding a musical rollercoaster down a steep hill. Oh no! It has been played more than 62 million times on TikTok, don't ask me what that is other than a social network.

***"Ain't nobody gonna break my stride /
Nobody gonna slow me down!"***

Whatever might be a possible negative influence you can place in the "nobody" spot of this song. "Ain't Corona Virus gonna break my stride / no germ gonna slow my down."

If you have forgotten this song, or never heard it before, please locate it on YouTube, "Break My Stride" by Matthew Wilder. This can be our pep song during this pandemic.

Don't let this virus, depression, loneliness, frustration, or anger break your stride as you walk in pace with Christ. "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?" (Romans 8:35) No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. (8:37)

Remember who your-running-through life partner is? Jesus! Whatever perceivable problem you may encounter along the path let Christ conquer it! With Jesus you can run over it, run pass it, or run through it. Ain't gonna let nobody or nothing break my stride with Jesus.

Church Services Not to Begin Until After May 17th And We Must Take Precautions

Change in Way of Receiving Holy Communion

Rev Ed will wash his hands, wear rubber gloves, break the portion from the bread loaf and drop it in your hands cupped together.

The assistants will serve the cup wearing rubber gloves. The cup will be placed in front of you on the altar railing. You will pick up the cup and drop it into disposal containers placed at the altar.

Only six persons can come to the altar to receive Holy Communion at a time. Be sure to distance yourself from others.

Change in Way of Receiving Tithes and Offering

A set of offering plates will be placed at either end of the altar. A set of offering plates will be placed in the vestibule. The plates will not be passed by ushers or from one church member to another.

Change in Worship Assembly Time

You are encouraged to enter the front door during between 10:45 a.m. until 11:15 a.m. to prevent a cluster of people in a small area at one time.

No Choir Assembled in Choir Loft for Now

The small recessed area of choir loft would confine people in too close of a proximity with another. Add the fact that mouths would be open and sweetly forming angelic notes to distribute air particles would create a risk of spreading the virus.

Change of Seating Locations in Sanctuary

You are encouraged to distance yourself from others in the pews. Families sharing household space should certainly feel free to sit together.

Consider Attending the Early Service at 8:30 a.m.

This would allow more opportunities for you find space to distance yourself in the pews. I think you will enjoy the early service just as much as the 11 a.m.

You Are Welcome to Wear Protective Gear

Face masks and rubber gloves will not be a distraction for me. I understand this is a serious situation and precautions must be taken until the pandemic ends.

Bulletins Already Placed in Pews

The ushers will not handout bulletins. A person who has washed their hands and worn rubber gloves will already place them in the pews on Friday. If you need a bulletin, then locate one in a pew near you and pick it up.

Don't think it rude that we may not shake hands, give hugs, or maintain a distance as we meet for worship services at this time.

Children's Bulletins Distributed Differently

Children's bulletins and crayons will be placed in sealed zip log bags and located in the foyer inside a box. A parent or responsible adult should retrieve the bag being cautious not to touch others stored in the box.

Thank you for making these adjustments during this Corona Virus Pandemic. We want to make sure that no one contracts the virus in our church worship setting.

Still Posting Worship Services on Facebook and YouTube



Go to **www.brundidgeumc.org** and click on the picture of the church to find the Facebook. You can go to YouTube and type "Brundidge church" in search to find our services. Thank you for your responses to the services as we worship in certainly a very different way.

Thank You For Supporting the Church

Many of you have mailed your tithes to: Brundidge UMC, 140 N Main St, Brundidge, AL 36010. Some drop their tithes in envelopes via the small mail receptacle door outside the education building in the breezeway. Melanie (secretary) is working from her home and is in the church office on Thursdays. I, Rev Ed, am usually in the pastor's office Monday through Friday. If you need me for any reason please feel free to call my cell phone (334) 313-3176 or the church number (334) 735-3180.

Work on the Church Continues

If you have passed by the church recently, you will notice that the lower half of the sanctuary building has been painted. It looks very nice.

Church Roof Damaged in Storm

The roof on the sanctuary building and parsonage were damaged in the recent storms. We are thankful to report that this damage has already been repaired!

Good News: "Christ is King of kings!"

Tom T. Hall used to sing "Me and Jesus got our own thing going. Me and Jesus got it all worked out." "The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth." Psalm 145:18



Memorials and Honorariums

In Memory of Betsy Bowden

Bo & Daphne Coppage– Mason McLendon fund

Jessie & Edna Dorrill– We Care

June Aronson– BUMC

Don & Martha Price– Mason McLendon Fund

Chip & Helen Wallace– Building Fund

In Memory of Jean Barr

Rev. James & Dr. Laura Carpenter– UMW

Jimmy & Johnnie Ramage– Prayer Cushions

Ruth Henderson-UMW

Barb Homann– UMW

Mr. & Mrs. Neal Maraman-UMW

Barbara & Donald White– UMW

Lawrence & Sara Bowden– Choir fund

In Memory of Nellyene Weston

Lawrence & Sara Bowden-Mason McLendon Fund

In Honor of Chip & Helen Wallace

Frank & Wynnette Fryer– Building Fund

In Honor of Mike & Sue Richards

Frank & Wynnette Fryer– Building Fund



May Birthdays

Hunter Hatfield-6th, Jimmy Ramage-8th, Margaret Ross-9th, Madelin Paez-11th, Payson Minton-13th, Amanda Keenan-14th, Stacey Hollis-14th, Robert Hudley-15th, Amy Ramage-16th, Riley Ramage-17th, Ann Webb-18th, Bettye Brooks-18th, Charles Adams-19th, Missy Strother-22nd, Linda Jackson-23rd, Erika Strother Moncrief-23rd, Judy Jackson-27th, Connors Minton-27th, Huck Treadwell-28th, Ty Tyson-28th, Cassidy Coppage-29th, Garrett Hatfield-31st

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Smiles From Mrs. Sara

1. Why would someone in jail want to catch the measles?
2. How do you keep a rhinoceros from charging?
3. What is a doughnut?
4. What is a crazy duck?
5. Why did the golfer wear two pairs of pants?



Genesis 21:6

Answers: 1.) So he could break out. 2.) Take away his credit cards. 3.) A person crazy about money.
4.) A wacky quacky. 5.) Just in case he got a hole in one.