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We can find all that we need in God's Word!

Love and prayers, Pastor Joe

August Birthdays

Aug. 1	Ken Meeks Addis Mabe	Sept. 01 Sept. 04	Julie Hux Elmer Stone
Aug. 2	James I. Seay, Jr.	Sept. 05	Esther Hanks
Aug. 4	Victoria Lynn Chaney	C op CC	Alexis Donovant
Aug. 09	Matthew Thompson	Sept. 06	Maury Miles, Jr.
Aug. 10	Cheryl Newman		Edna Seav
Aug. 11	Breanna Lawson		Shirley Spencer
Aug. 12	Shirley Ramsey Gilbert		Kimberly Wingfield
Aug. 14	Joan Frith		JR Foley
Aug. 16	Dwayne Wright	Sept. 08	Ken Turner
Aug. 17	Sarah Surratt	Sept. 09	Abby Tilley
Aug. 19	Michelin Hall	Sept. 11	Kaylee Grace Pettit
	Joshua Rodgers	Sept. 14	Jim McMillian
	Louise Webb	Sept. 16	Dennis Ferguson
Aug. 22	Andy Webb	Sept. 17	Joseph Howell
Aug. 23	Mary Stegall	Sept. 22	Nicholas Martin
Aug. 24	Wayne Miles	Sept. 24	Ashley K. Stanley
Aug. 26	88	Sept. 26	Miranda Bousman
Aug. 27	Thelma Nolen	Sept. 27	Chuck LaBounty
Aug. 28	Allison Seay	Sept. 29	Lenzie Erin Boswell
Aug. 29	Darnell Boyd	Sept. 30	Amber Foley

September Birthdays

THANK YOU

Dear Oak Level Baptist Church: Thank you so much for the generous scholarship, the beautiful mug, and the great devotional. Your church family has done so much for me, I cannot thank you enough. I am so honored to be one of your scholarship recipients. I thank you for all of the prayers.

God bless, Katie Houston

Thank you so much for the graduation gift! Alanna Keaton

It is difficult to find words to express how thankful we are for your many expressions of love to our family during this truly difficult time. We want to personally thank you for the delicious food preparations or meals you provided for our family before and after the funeral. We wish to convey our sincerest appreciation for your prayers, cards, and support during Barbara's passing. We are blessed to have friends like you and are thankful for all you've done. With kindest regards, Jesse, Kim, Karen, and Family



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Calling all singers and musicians!!! During a special service time at 10:30 am at **Homecoming, September 30**, we invite you to sing, play an instrument, or simply reflect on how

OLBC has impacted your life through the years. Call or email the church office at 276-629-7973 or <u>olbc@comcast.net</u> to let us know if you are willing to participate.

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Blue Ridge Rehab Center, 300 Blue Ridge St., Martinsville, VA 24112 *Avis Gray - Room 364 *Thelma Nolen - Room 105 *Shirley Tobler - Room 341 *Mildred Ramsey - Room 211 Sue Meeks - Room 213

Fork Mtn. Rest Home, 2925 Fork Mountain Rd. Rocky Mt, 24151 Shelbern Meeks

King's Grant, 350 King's Way Road., Martinsville, VA 24112 Grady Snead - Room 312

<u>Franklin Health & Rehab,</u> 720 Orchard Ave., Rocky Mt, 24151 *Wanda Stone - Room 13

WITH CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is extended to Jesse, the family and friends of Barbara Plaster Cannaday, who passed away Saturday, May 26, 2018. Barbara filled many roles at Oak Level Baptist Church and will be missed by all.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Genevieve Branscome who passed away on Wednesday, June 27, 2018. Mrs. Branscome was the mother of James Branscome.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the Martha Sue, the family and friends of Rev. Wilbern Meeks, who passed away on Saturday, July 7, 2018. Wilbern will be missed by his church family. He was a longtime member who served his church and association in many areas.

THE HOLY SPIRIT BIBLE STUDY

Beginning in September, there will be a study entitled "The Holy Spirit" written by Billy Graham and will be led by Pastor Joe. This book will open your eyes anew to see how the Spirit can transform your life and give you the power "to be truly good" and "to live victoriously." You can join this study on Wednesday evening or during the NEW 11:00 AM Wednesday PTS. If you would like a book, please let Pastor Joe know.





New Year Kick-Off Saturday, August 18 4-6 PM Kindergarten – 12th Grade

Children and youth are invited

to come to the church and enjoy hot dogs, popcorn, sundaes, games, and fun fellowship!

NEW CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAM

On Thursday evenings beginning **August 23** from 6-7 PM, there will be new children and youth programs lead by Missy Thompson who will work with *Oak Level Beginners in Christ* (kindergarten - 5th grade) and Chuck LaBounty with the *Youth in Christ* (6 - 12 grade). Van transportation will be provided. When there is a Thursday holiday or when either Henry County or Franklin County schools are closed due to inclement weather, we will not meet. There will also be no meetings on December 20 or December 27. If you would like to volunteer to help with this ministry, please contact Missy or Chuck.

POOR MAN LUNCH FUNDRAISER

Immediately following the worship service on **Sunday**, **September 16**, the Youth Coordinating Committee is sponsoring a lunch to raise funds for a grill and other fall events coming up. The meal includes pinto beans, cabbage, fatback, fried potatoes, slaw, cornbread, dessert, and drink. The cost is \$6.00.



This year we have a unique opportunity to see and hear how God used an Operation Christmas Child shoebox in the life of one of it recipients. Irina Creek was born in the former Soviet Union and was placed in an

orphanage. When she was 10 years old, she received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox. A year later she was adopted by a family in South Carolina. Irina will be speaking at First Baptist Church, Collinsville on **Friday, August 27, at 7:00 pm**. Please RSVP by August 12th to the FBC, Collinsville church office at 647-3774 if you plan to attend. Light refreshments will be served.



Come Join the Ladies of the Horne Home For their Annual Rock/Walk-A-Thon! Saturday, September 15 418 Mulberry Road 10 a.m. - Noon Sponsored by: The Henry County Baptist Association Proceeds support Horne Home maintenance &

operational expenses Horne Home Services are provided through HopeTree Family Services Developmental Disabilities Ministry.

CBFVA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 Broadus Memorial Baptist Church, Charlottesville, VA

Make plans now to participate in this year's CBFVA General Assembly. The theme for 2018-2019 is Seeking Transformation. Mark Tidsworth, President of Pinnacle Leadership Associates, will be the keynote speaker. Mark is a frequent speaker, leadership coach, and congregational consultant. Mark your calendar now so you can engage in this time of learning, interaction, fellowship, and sharing. Stay tuned for additional details. Online registration opens soon!



On Sunday, September 30, 2018, Oak Level Baptist Church will celebrate a Homecoming service, beginning with a special service at 10:30 am (no Sunday School) and followed by the regular service at 11:00

am. A covered dish luncheon will follow the worship service in the fellowship hall.

Rev. Doug Ramsey will be the guest speaker. He is a graduate of Bassett High School, Wake Forest University, and the Seminary Extension Dept. of the SBC with a diploma in Pastoral Ministries. He is married to Sandra Richardson Ramsey. They have a daughter Deandra who lives in Northern Virginia. Doug retired from Hillcrest in 2010, after serving over 23 years and has served as Interim Pastor at Grace Baptist Church in Stuart, Henry Baptist Church in Henry, and Woodlawn Baptist Church in Danville. He is currently serving as Interim Pastor at Hillcrest Baptist Church where he began his ministry 31 years ago.



<u>WMU MEETINGS</u> Tuesday – August 28 – 6:30 p.m. Tuesday – September 25 – 6:30 p.m.

THANK YOU

In June, the WMU of OLBC sponsored a Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser to help support the Pregnancy Center of MHC. The church collected **\$336.83** that was donated to the Center.

In July, you had an opportunity to purchase resources for the Anna Julia Cooper Episcopal School located in the midst of three housing projects in downtown Richmond. OLBC collected several boxes of supplies to be sent to the school.

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving to missions in and around the state of Virginia.



September 14-16, 2018

CrossRoads Camp and Conference Center An Event for girls - middleschoolers and highschoolers and their leaders! Check it out on the WMUV website: wmuv.org/events/Shine2018

WOMEN'S GET-AWAY

Nov. 2-3 and 3-4, 2018

Eagle Eyrie Conference Center

Be sure to register for the Women's Get-Away in November. The theme for this year is **JUST US WOMEN: TAKING IT TO HEART.** The Women's Get-Away is WMUV's annual event for women and attended by women who come for inspiration, fellowship and equipping for ministry and missions! The link to register is <u>http://wmuv.org/getaway</u>.





Alma Hunt for Virginia Missions Emphasis

September 17-23, 2018

Our scripture passage as we focus on our work together is found in 1 John 3:18 which says, "Dear children let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." In other words, we are admonished to be love.

Be Love

Virginia Baptist churches continue in its legacy of meeting human needs and sharing Christ. Our prayers, offerings and involvement together continue to result in transformed lives. Being Love

New churches, disaster relief responses, missions education, after school ministries, summer camps, advocacy ministries with refugees are just some of the ways in which Virginia Baptists are being love.

In Virginia Baptist life, we know the name of the late Alma Hunt as a national and international champion for missions hailing from the Rosalind Hills Baptist Church, Roanoke. We proudly call our state missions offering by her name as it serves to propel us on to greater works for Christ! As I have the privilege to travel the state and to see many of you in your churches, at associational meetings and events, I know that you champion the cause of missions many times as unsung she-roes. As you promote the Alma Hunt Offering, remember that we stand as colaborers together with God who knows your name.

Let's celebrate state missions September 17 - 23, 2018 and throughout the year! Remember that Christ followers are called to be love. Gifts to the Alma Hunt Offering help us to love together as we live out the Great Commission and the Great Commandment in actions and in truth.

Dr. Valerie D. Carter WMUV Executive Director/Treasurer (Article from WMUV E-News July 2018 Used with permission)

August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	2 Choir Practice – 6:30 pm	3	4
5 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Deacons' Mtg 5:00 p.m.	6	7	8 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	9 Choir Practice – 6:30 pm	10	11
12 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Young/Pearson Reunion Fellowship Hall	13	14	15 Business Meeting 6:30 p.m. Vote on Officers, Teachers & Committees	16 Choir Practice – 6:30 pm	Deration Christmas Child Speaker at FBC, Collinsville 7PM	18 Children/Youth Kick-Off K-12 grades 4-6 PM
19 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm	20	21 Church Secretary on	22 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m. Vacation Aug. 21, 22, 23	23 Beginners in Christ Youth for Christ 6-7 PM Choir Practice –	24	25
26 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Pennies for the Precious	27	28 WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	29 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	6:30 pm 30 Beginners in Christ Youth for Christ 6-7 PM Choir Practice – 6:30 pm	31	

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