

Oak Level Baptist Church

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SHARING THE JOURNEY

June/July 2019

It is hard to believe we are 5 months into 2019! Soon it will be the summer season. May the Lord bless each of us with a refreshing, safe summer. We have prayed and invited children to VBS. To God be the glory for how He will bless during vacation bible school. Take time to pray for the children and their families now. (Matthew 19:14)

Let us remember to pause and give thanks for our families, especially our dads either living or gone on - June 16 is this special day on the calendar. If your dad is still living, tell him that you love and appreciate him.

On July 4th we pray for and give thanks for our nation. We celebrate our freedom, especially the freedom to worship Jesus Christ. Thank the Lord for our military, men and women who have served or are serving now in the armed forces. Be safe and enjoy times of worship, picnics, and fireworks as we make precious memories with family and friends. (Psalm 33:12)

Kim and I are thankful for Hannah and Jacob as they serve in Christian ministry this summer. Hannah serves as the youth intern at First Baptist Church, Collinsville. Jacob's ministry is serving as camp counselor at Phoebe Needles Camp and Conference Center in Callaway, VA. Pray for them as they serve as missionaries for the Lord and represent Oak Level Baptist Church. We pray for a summer of many blessings in the name and power of Jesus Christ. Many years ago I was blessed to serve as Royal Ambassador camp counselor in Bedford, VA and Kim served as a summer missionary in Louisville, KY. We have many good memories of ministry during those summers.

Thank you for giving to missions and serving together in doing the missions project here. Many people will be blessed at the Standing Rock Indian Reservation because market bags were made here for them.

Please plan to participate in and pray for deacon nominations on June 16. Pray for this important ministry in the life of the church.

Be willing to reach out to others and serve with all your heart as often as you have the opportunity. Be faithful to pray, give, call, send cards, and to encourage someone each day. Every deed of love and kindness you share will be a blessing to someone and you can be the person to witness to them about Jesus Christ.

Blessing and Peace,

Pastor Joe

John 14:6

Psalm 103

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

June 2 Penny Martin
Andrew Thomas
Chad LaBounty
June 3 Lauren Monday
June 5 Lisa Slate Ackerman
June 6 Ben Workinger
June 7 Linda Poore
June 8 Peggy J. Ramsey
June 9 Judy Nester
June 11 Tammy Lynn Reel
June 18 Jeffrey Ferguson
June 19 Brittany Hausley
June 23 Kenneth Keen, Jr.
Allen Beach, Jr.
June 24 Alice S. Brown
June 27 Daisy Barnes
Lois T. Ferguson
June 28 Heather Piel
June 29 Garry Barrow

JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 2 Tracey M. Foley
July 3 Brenda Ferguson
July 9 Violet Frith
Sharon M. Hall
Della Chapman
Bill Young
July 10 Tamie Foley
July 13 Jesse Cannaday
July 17 Brandi Barrett
July 18 Imogene McMillian
July 21 Betty R. Martin
July 22 Jean Swain
July 24 Nell Cannaday
July 25 David Keen
July 26 Sherri Mason
July 27 Betty Jo Foley
July 29 Beth Howell
July 31 Mike Weaver

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
*Bill Young - Room 264
Sue Meeks - Room 213

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

*Wanda Stone

King's Grant, 350 King's Way Road., Martinsville, VA 24112

*Betty Metz - Room H7
Grady Snead - Room 312

Raleigh Court Healthcare, 1527 Grandin Rd, SW, Roanoke VA 24015

Allison Seay

WITH SYMPATHY

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Robin, the family and friends of Mike Lawrence, who passed away on Wednesday, May 8, 2019.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Shelbern Meeks, who passed away on Sunday, May 5, 2019. Shelbern was the brother-in-law of Martha Meeks.

THANK YOU

Dear Members of OLBC: Thank you so much for the Jones Scholarship for 2019-2020. This will help me further my education at Ferrum. Your generosity is overwhelming!

Thank you so much, Jacob Glass

The Family of Mike Lawrence would like to thank all of you for your many acts of kindness. In Mike's short time at Oak Level Baptist Church he formed many friendships that meant so much to him. A special thank you to Pastor Joe. He was always there with a card, call, or visit. Mike loved to hear from him. May God Bless each of you.

In Christ's Name, Robin and Family

"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 15: 5-6



OAK LEVEL OLYMPICS

Vacation Bible School will be held **Sunday, June 2 through Wednesday, June 5**. Registration will begin on Sunday at 5:30 p.m. and VBS will start each evening at 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. There will be crafts, music, and Bible lessons about Paul's missionary journeys. The van will be available for anyone that needs transportation. There will be a meal provided each evening. Wednesday night will be Family Night with a cookout and presentation of the certificates. *There is a sign-up sheet in the church foyer if you would like to help by donating some of the food and paper items.*



There will be Deacon Nominations on **Sunday, June 16**. Start now to prayerfully seek God's guidance on who He is calling to serve you at Oak Level Baptist Church. Current deacons serving are: Ben Morris (rotating off), Lee Pettit (rotating off), Lance Frith, Brenda Ferguson, Robert Gillespie, and Donna Winebarger.



- Lois Gary, Piedmont Virginia Community College Associate of Science in General Studies and General Education. WMU has been mentoring Lois.
- Alana Keaton, Associate Degree at PHCC. Alana will be attending Longwood University in the fall.

RECEIPIENTS OF THE JONES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Oak Level Baptist Church awarded two scholarships from the Jones Educational Fund. The recipients of the fund are:

1. **Jacob Glass** - Son of Pastor Joe and Kim Glass.
2. **Alanna Keaton** - Daughter of James and Beverly Keaton and grand-daughter of Riley and Geraldine Williams.

June 16, 2019



"A good father is one of the most unsung, unpraised, unnoticed, and yet one of the most valuable assets in our society."

-Billy Graham

NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!

The Nominating Committee will soon begin enlisting Officers, Teachers, and Committee members for the 2019-2020 church year. Prayerfully consider how God can use you to serve others at Oak Level Baptist Church and minister to the community. Officers, Teachers, and Committee members will be voted on at the August 14th Business Meeting.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The Church Council will meet **Wednesday, July 3rd**, at 5:30 p.m. Come prepared to plan events for the church calendar through December 2019. Those on the church council include: Pastor, Deacons Chairperson, Music Director, Stewardship Chairperson, Sunday School Director, WMU Director, and Youth Coordinating Chairperson. Other committee chairpersons are encouraged to attend if they have items to add to the calendar.



Happy Independence Day!

The Church Office will be closed **Thursday, July 4th**. Please have your items for the bulletin turned in to Sheila by Wednesday morning before 10:00 am.

LOG SUNDAY

Log Sunday is the day we observe the beginning of Oak Level Baptist Church. At that time, Sunday Services were held outside under the trees and the congregation had to sit on logs and wooden benches. **Log Sunday will be Sunday, July 14; with Sunday School starting at 9:45 a.m. and the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service will be at the Church Picnic Shelter.** Everyone is invited! Bring a covered dish, drinks, or dessert and we can share them together. Dress is casual, bring a lawn chair, invite your family, neighbors and friends to come and enjoy wonderful Christian Fellowship as we celebrate this special day together.



The one day event will be on **Saturday, August 24, 2019**. This is a designated day that we share Christ's love with the community; at the local grocery store, laundry mat, fire and rescue station, nursing home and many others. Begin praying now how God will lead you to minister to our community on this special day.

Have a great





WMU MEETINGS
 Tuesday - June 25 - 6:30 p.m.
 Tuesday - July 23 - 6:30 p.m.

STANDING ROCK SEWING PROJECT
MARKET BAGS/ VINYL TOTES

Oak Level's WMU is collecting String Backpacks for children and Market Bags and/or Totes for the women of Standing Rock



Indian Reservation. Please help us by providing one or more of these items by **Sunday, June 30th**.

A team of volunteers will be going to Standing Rock in July to minister to the Native Americans. Other items that the team will be collecting are: Athletic style shoes for boys and girls and teens; Underwear for girls and boys - girls like the pretty and bright colored panties and boys really like boxers; Socks for the children and teens - girls like the bright colored ones (no show and low cut) and boys like the dark colored ones (no show and low cut); Prizes for games (balls, match box cars, small stuffed animals) and Walmart \$25 gift cards.



Our WMU ladies met on Saturday, May 18, and made 30 market bags for Standing Rock Indian Reservation.

Give to the
 CBF *Offering for*
 GLOBAL MISSIONS

OLBC 2019 Goal - \$2,000.00
Received To Date - \$1,305.00

 **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

SHINE

September 20-22, 2019

CrossRoads Camp and Conference Center.

SHINE is an all-girls retreat for students 6th-12th grade!

Women's Get-Away

November 1-2 or 2-3, 2019

Eagle Eyrie Conference Center, Lynchburg

Registration opens August 1, 2019



CROSSROADS
 Intersecting Life and Mission

CROSSROADS

CAMPER

SCHOLARSHIP


FUNDS NEEDED

The Bell Tower Scholarship and The

CrossRoads Scholarship funds are in need of a boost so that we can ensure that children can attend summer camp at our beloved CrossRoads. Both of these scholarship funds are not limited to children in WMU age-level missions organizations. Your support makes it possible for persons to experience this place of Christian hospitality where lives are transformed through renewal of soul, mind and body. Connecting children on a spiritual journey of faith in Christ through a Christian camping experience results in transformed lives and the development of future Christian leaders. WMUV owns CrossRoads and is a 501(c)(3) organization. Gifts are tax-deductible.

WMUV inspires and equips women to influence the world for Christ.

June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Deacons' Mtg. - 3:30 p.m.	3	4	5 Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m.	6	7	8
June 2 – 5 - Vacation Bible School – 6:00 – 9:00 pm						
9 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm	10	11	12 Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	13	14	15
16 Father's Day Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Deacon Nomination	17	18	19 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	20	21	22
23 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30	24	25 WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	26 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	27	28	29
 Pennies for the Precious						
30 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 Church available for baptisms	Deacon of the Month – Lance Frith			Counters of the Month – Ben Morris & Nancy Turner		

July 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. Church Council 5:30 PM PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	4 Independence Day – Office Closed	5	6
7 Communion Sunday Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Deacons' Mtg. - 5:00 p.m.	8	9	10 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	11	12	13
14 Log Sunday Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Newsletter Info Due	15	16	17 Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	18	19	20
21 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Brown Family Reunion Fellowship Hall	22	23 WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	24 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	25	26	27 Stultz Family Reunion Fellowship Hall
28 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm  Pennies for the Precious	29	30	31 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.			

Deacon of the Month – Donna Winebarger

Counters of the Month – Donna Winebarger & Lance Frith