

Oak Level Baptist Church

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SHARING THE JOURNEY

October/November 2015

The words of the hymn, "Revive Us Again" remind us to praise the Lord for Jesus. "Hallelujah! Thine the glory, Hallelujah! Amen; Hallelujah! Thine the glory, revive us again." Pray for Evangelist Roger Roller and the Revival October 25-28. Invite family and neighbors to come to this Revival. My prayer is for people to become Christians and for all Christians to become stronger in their walk with the Lord. Revival is a great opportunity for outreach and growth in the life of the church.

Our Revival will begin each evening at 6:45 p.m. Each evening before the services begin there will be a special fellowship meal for various groups: Sunday, October 25: Youth (4:45 p.m.); Monday, October 26: Deacons (5:30 p.m.); Tuesday, October 27: W.M.U. (5:30 p.m.); and Wednesday, October 28: Church wide potluck (5:30 p.m.) Make plans to join us for these fellowship meals.

Thanksgiving is November 26 on the calendar. This is a day to give thanks to the Lord for our blessings. Every day should be a time to give thanks for all the Lord has done. You are invited to come to the special Thanksgiving Worship Service on Sunday, November 22 and then share in the Potluck Fellowship Lunch following the worship service.

Be sure to read the beautiful words in Psalm 100. Thank you for all you do in service to Christ here at church and in the community. May we experience many blessings together as a church family. "To God be the Glory, Great Things He hath done." Let us rejoice in the Lord together as He gives us opportunities to serve and witness. Psalm 103:1

Pastor Joe

THE GOLDEN CLUB

Rev. Wilbern Meeks
10570 Virginia Ave.
Bassett, VA 24055

Wilbern has served many years as a minister in several churches. He has served the Lord faithfully here at church. He has been a member of Oak Level for 64 years. His favorite foods are vegetables, beans, and potatoes. He enjoys fruit as his favorite snack. Wilbern collects caps. John 3:16 is his favorite Bible verse and "Amazing Grace" is his favorite hymn. The Birth of Jesus is his favorite Bible story. Wilbern has also worked as a car salesman and a barber. Martha Sue is his wife. They have served Christ together for many years.

Mr. Elmer Stone
701 Fairfield Rd.
Bassett, VA 24055

Elmer has served the Lord for many years. He has been a member at Oak Level for 65 years. He continues to serve faithfully at church. His favorite color is blue. He enjoys apples and peanut butter crackers as snacks. Elmer's favorite foods are seafood and hamburgers. He enjoys fishing and gardening as hobbies. John 3:16 is his favorite Bible verse and his favorite hymn is "Amazing Grace". His favorite Bible story is Samson. Elmer and Ann have been married for many years.

October Birthdays

Oct. 01 Sherry S. Taylor
Oct. 05 Benny Young
Oct. 07 Paul McKee
Oct. 10 Jody Keaton Underwood
James Keaton
Oct. 12 Linda Whitten
Oct. 14 Rhonda Seay
Oct. 15 Moir Foley
Oct. 16 Rosa D. Stone
Oct. 20 Shirley Tobler
Ryan Wingfield
Oct. 23 Dot Wray
Oct. 24 Joanne Hurd
Caleb Howell
Oct. 30 Betty S. Sparks
Oct. 31 Jed Coleman

November Birthdays

Nov. 02 David Hurd, Sr.
Nov. 03 Gary Thomas
Nov. 04 Marcia Miles
Barbara Mabe
Nov. 08 Jason Howell
Nov. 10 Nancy Turner
Nov. 11 Jordan Gilley
Nov. 12 Bettie Snead
Nov. 13 Brandon Keen
Nov. 17 Bunny Thomasson
Nov. 20 Kristi Thomas Carter
Nov. 21 Emily Sara Boswell
Nov. 24 Dolores Thompson

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Blue Ridge Rehab Center 300 Blue Ridge St., Martinsville, VA 24112

* Dot Wray - Room 106 (Assisted Living)
Jake Divers - Room 106 (Rehab)
Sue Meeks - Room 213 (Assisted Living)

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

*Wanda Stone
Hazel Sizemore Howard Hodges

Live Laugh & Love Home Care 2634 Fork Mtn. Rd. Bassett, VA 24055

*Pauline Martin

Hanson Home 162 Krontz Dr. Bassett, VA 24055

*Betty Sue Sparks

Harmony Hall P.O. Box 1614, Bassett, VA 24055

Louise Turner Betty Pagans

Stanleytown Health Care Ctr. 240 Riverside Drive, Bassett, VA 24055

Blandean Akers - 9 Grace Mullins - 12

The Laurel, 72 Chatham Business Park Dr. Pittsboro, NC 27312

*Lovelene S. Lewis

Trinity Nursing Health/Rehab, Hillsville, VA 24343

Arnold Hanks (Father of Esther Hanks)
Carrie Mae Harold (Aunt of Brenda Ferguson)

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Stultz family for donating a Eureka vacuum cleaner for the fellowship hall. This is given in memory of Jesse Ben and Mary Lou Stultz.

I just wanted to share with you guys how thankful I am of your contribution to my college career. You all have helped ease financial stress for the past three years! For that I am eternally grateful. Thank you so much! Tyler Stone

Thank you so much for your generous scholarship. It means so much to me as it will help to pay for my education at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. Brianna Rouse

Dear Oak Level Baptist Church, I would like to thank you all for taking the time to review my application and for honoring me with this scholarship. By receiving this scholarship it is giving me the opportunity to move forward in my future career path in the medical field. Miranda Bousman

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Sincere Christian sympathy is extended to Esther Hanks and the family and friends of Ella Farmer. Mrs. Farmer passed away Monday, July 27. She is Esther's aunt.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Grover and Hazel Harrison and their family and friends. Hazel's brother, George Kinsey, Sr., passed away on Saturday, August 1, 2015.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the Seay family on the loss of their uncle, Glenn Holt. Mr. Holt passed away on Friday, August 7, 2015.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Peggy and Ben Morris and their family and friends on the death of her nephew, James Edward DeHart, Jr. Eddie passed away on Monday, August 24, 2015.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Dianne Chitwood. Dianne passed away on Thursday, September 10, 2015. Dianne was a member of OLBC.



CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY (Continued)

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Erselle Seay, who passed away on Sunday, September 13, 2015

Sincere sympathy is extended to Shirley Young and the family and friends of Glen Young, who passed away on Monday, September 14, 2015. Glen was a charter member of OLBC.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Ersie Hurd, who passed away on Saturday, September 19, 2015.



The Youth are sponsoring a Toy Drive beginning October 4th to benefit Community Storehouse in Ridgeway. Please bring new unwrapped toys for a boy or girl and place in the box located in the church foyer by December 6th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE OCTOBER 2015 - AUGUST 2016

Oak Level Baptist Church is inviting everyone to attend Sunday School every Sunday beginning the FIRST SUNDAY IN OCTOBER. If you attend another church, simply bring a church bulletin from that church - this will count towards your PERFECT ATTENDANCE. Let's see how many can achieve Perfect Attendance!!!

HENRY COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the HCBA will be held on **Tuesday, October 20, 2015** at Chatham Heights Baptist Church. Registration begins at 5:00 p.m. followed by a meal at 5:30 p.m. The evening session will begin with pre-service music at 6:30 p.m. Messengers representing are church are Betty Jo Foley, Sue Young, Donna Winebarger, Wanda Stone, Wilbern & Martha Sue Meeks. Joe and Kim Glass are serving as alternates.



October Meetings

Sunday, Oct. 11 - 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

November Meetings

Sunday, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
3:00 - 5:00 p.m. (Christmas Play Practice)

Raceway Ministries Weekend
At Martinsville Speedway

Saturday, Oct 31, 2014
Kroger 200, Truck Race

Sunday, Nov 1, 2014
Goody's Headache Relief Shot 500



Volunteers needed to provide and distribute refreshments, hand out gospel tracts, drive handicapped shuttles, and **PRAY** at the upcoming Race Weekend events. **Call Eldred Davis at 276-340-4844.**

SCAREMARE

The Youth will be traveling to Liberty University to attend Scaremare on **Saturday, October 10**. They will be leaving the church at 4 pm.

At the University's website it states, "Scaremare is sponsored by Liberty University's Center for Youth Ministries, and uses a unique horror fun-house experience to confront people with the question of what happens after they die."

"Made possible by hundreds of Liberty student, staff, and faculty volunteers, Scaremare takes visitors through dark woods and creepy trails, eventually entering the House of Death. At the end of the experience, visitors are presented with the life-changing message of Jesus Christ."

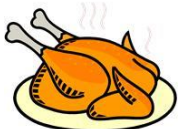


TRUNK OR TREAT

The church is hosting Trunk or Treat this year outside on the church parking lot weather permitting on **Saturday, October 31st from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.** Everyone is invited to decorate their trunks, wear a costume, and give out candy to the children. There will be prizes for the best decorated trunks. If you are unable to attend Trunk or Treat, please donate individually wrapped candy. For more information, see Peggy Morris or Missy Thompson.



From 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on **Saturday, October 17**, the youth are sponsoring a "Happy Hallelujah" fall festival for children. There will be fun activities such as games, cornhole, hayride, live entertainment, and much more. Lunch will be provided. This is a free community-wide event, so be sure to invite the neighborhood kids!



COMMUNITY
THANKSGIVING MEAL

A covered dish Thanksgiving meal will be held on **Sunday, November 22, 2015**. After a service of sharing about blessings from God during the year, we will gather together around the table in the Church Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite dish to share as we celebrate this Thanksgiving season. If you can assist the Hostess Team with preparations, please contact anyone from that committee.



YOUTH CRAFT SALE
AND SILENT
AUCTION

Check out the crafts for sale and baskets available at the silent auction the youth have put together for their November fundraiser. Located at the Lucky 2 Market on US 220 at Fork Mountain Road on **Saturday, November 21**, the sale will begin at 7 am and end around 1 pm.

WMU MEETINGS

Thursday - October 22 - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday - November 24 - 6:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S GET-AWAY

Nov. 6-7 and 7-8, 2015

Eagle Eyrie Conference Center

Be sure to register for the Women's Get-Away in November. The theme for this year is **ALL FOR YOU!** Beverly Carroll will be the keynote speaker. Get-Away begins with dinner at 5:00 p.m. and ends following lunch the next day. The link to register is <http://wmuv.org/getaway>. Some of the breakout sessions include: Risk, Back to the Future, Standing Rock, CrossRoads: Sowing into the Lives of the Next Generation through Christian Camping, All for You in Appalachia, All for You: Advocacy and Mentoring, Discovering Your God Given Gifts, Our God of Second Chances: Ministry Among the Roma, and many more. Contact Donna Winebarger for more information.

HORNE HOME "WALK FOR HOPE"

On September 19th, 7 members of OLBC walked a mile or two in support of the local home for the developmentally disabled. Nineteen churches participated this year to raise \$11,744. This was 4 more churches than last year and \$2000 more in funds than last year. The funds raised go directly toward the upkeep and maintenance of the home itself. OLBC raised \$160 for this worthy cause.

Located at the corner of Mulberry Rd and Oakdale St, the Horne Home is a residence for women who are not able to live independently due to developmental disabilities. The Horne Home is funded through HopeTree Family Services in Salem, which operates about 18 residential homes throughout the state.

The Horne Home currently has four residents and a fifth comes occasionally for respite care. The ladies keep busy by working at locations such as the MARC Workshop or visiting non-profits such as Stepping Stone and Horizons.



Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, October 31st!

Give to the
CBF *Offering for*
GLOBAL MISSIONS 

OLBC 2015 Goal - \$2,000.00
Offering Received - \$821.80

100 percent of your gift to CBF Offering for Global Missions will help people hear and experience the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Special "Stop Hunger Now!" emphasis

November 29 - December 6

Please plan to give to this offering during this time and help us reach our goal for 2015!



"What goes into an Operation Christmas Child shoebox is fun. What comes out can change lives forever."

Oak Level Baptist Church will again collect shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.

Start collecting your items to go into the boxes and begin praying for the child that will receive your box. Go the website at www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/ or ask a WMU member for appropriate items to put in the shoe boxes.

The dedication and ingathering of the boxes will be **Sunday, November 15th**.



**ALMA HUNT STATE
MISSIONS OFFERING**

OLBC Goal - \$800.00
**Amount Received To
Date - \$875.00**

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


October 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 Communion Sunday Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am	5	6 Deacons' Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	7 Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	8	9	10 Community Meal – 11 am Youth trip to Liberty University for Scaremare
11 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Youth Mtg 3:00 - 5:00 pm 	12	13	14 Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	15	16	17 Happy Hallelujah Fall Festival 10 am – 2 pm
18 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am  Pennies for the Precious	19	20 HCBA Annual Mtg. Chatham Heights Baptist Church Registration at 5 pm	21 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	22 WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	23	24
25 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> Revival with Rev. Roger Roller – October 25 – 28 – 6:45 PM Nightly </div>	26	27	28	29	30	31 Trunk or Treat 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Deacon of the Month – Sue Young

Counters of the Month – Brenda Ferguson & Donna Winebarger

November 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Savings Ends Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Youth Mtg. 3:00 - 5:00 pm	2	3 Deacons' Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	4 Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	5	6 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> Women's Get-Away at Eagle Eyrie </div>	7
8 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Youth Mtg. 3:00 - 5:00 pm	9	10	11 Veterans Day Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	12	13	14 Community Meal – 11 am
15 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection Youth Mtg. 3:00 - 5:00 pm	16	17	18 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	19	20	21 Youth Craft Sale and Silent Action at Lucky 2 Market 7 am – 1 pm
22 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Thanksgiving Luncheon  Pennies for the Precious Youth Mtg. 3:00 - 5:00 pm	23	24 WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	25 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	26 Thanksgiving Church Office Closed	27 Church Office Closed	28
29 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Youth Mtg. 3:00 - 5:00 pm	30 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 100%;"> CBF Offering Emphasis November 29 through December 6 </div>					

Deacon of the Month – Lee Boswell

Counters of the Month – Martha Meeks & Ken Turner