

Oak Level Baptist Church

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SHARING THE JOURNEY

October/November 2016

I hope you have a wonderful Fall season. I pray for many blessings in our church family and community as we plan Revival. Let us give thanks to the Lord for Paige Brown's baptism. We pray for her as she grows in her faith. You are encouraged to participate in a special prayer meeting on Monday evening, November 7 at 6:30 p.m. Pray about and make your choice as you vote on Tuesday, November 8.

Veteran's Day is November 11. Take time to pray for our Veterans and let them know how much you appreciate their military service.

Trunk or Treat is Monday, October 31 from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. in the church parking lot (weather permitting). You are invited to decorate your trunk, wear a costume, and come and give out candy and goodies to the children in our community. There will be a prize given to the best decorated trunk that evening, so begin thinking about how you can decorate your trunk(s). During the month of October we will collect candy and other treats for this event. You can place your donations in the labeled box in the foyer. In case of rain, we will move this event to the Fellowship Hall. Start inviting children to come and enjoy this fun, safe event.

Revival is only a few weeks away. Begin now to pray for Revival and plan to come to share in this spiritual renewal for our church and community! Mark the date on your calendar: November 20-22.

Rev. Roger Roller, evangelist, will preach the messages during the Revival services. Invite family and friends to join us at each service. A Fellowship lunch for everyone will be held immediately following the morning service on Sunday, November 20.

Plan ahead to celebrate together in a special service on Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m.

You are special and you can make a difference today for Christ! Happy Thanksgiving.

Peace and Blessings,

Pastor Joe

Psalm 103



Then He said to them,
“The harvest truly is great, but the
laborers are few; therefore pray
the Lord of the harvest to send out
laborers into His harvest.”

Luke 10:2



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. 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)
*Avis Gray - Room 204
*Thelma Nolen - Room 162
Jake Divers - Room 112 (Rehab)
Sue Meeks - Room 213 (Assisted Living)
Dorothy English

Fork Mountain Rest Home,
2925 Fork Mtn. Rd. Rocky Mt, 24151
*Wanda Stone Hazel Sizemore

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
*Lovylene S. Lewis

Trinity Nursing Health/Rehab, Hillsville, VA
24343
Arnold Hanks (Father of Esther Hanks)

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mary Hodges and the family and friends of Aaron Cannaday, who passed away Saturday, August 6, 2016. Mr. Cannaday was Mary's brother.



Sincere Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Steve Koger, who passed away Sunday, August 7, 2016. Mr. Koger was a cousin of Betty Jo Foley.

Sincere Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Jerry Gibbs, who passed away Saturday, September 10, 2016. Mr. Gibbs was a cousin to Betty Jo Foley and Carlos Coleman.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Welcome to Heaven Paige Brown as the newest member of Oak Level Baptist Church. Paige accepted Jesus as her personal Savior and was baptized on Sunday, September 18th. Paige is the grand-daughter of Debra Brown.

2017 BUDGET REQUESTS

The Stewardship Committee is beginning the process of working on the 2017 OLBC budget. All committee and organizational chairs are asked to submit their budget requests for the 2017 calendar year by **Sunday, October 2**. Place your requests in the Stewardship box in the Sunday School office or give them to Ben Morris, Ken Turner, or Donna Winebarger. The 2017 budget will be presented on the first Sunday in November. Any changes to the budget will need to be addressed at the November 16th business meeting. The 2017 budget will be presented for adoption on Sunday, November 20th.

"FRIEND DAY" AT OLBC

"Friend Day" at church will be **Sunday, October 9th**. Begin now by writing personal friends and family members names on a card and **pray** for them daily. Ask God for opportunities to **invite** people. Research shows that more than 80 percent of church attendees are there because they were invited by a friend or relative. God has called us individually to fulfill the Great Commission. We must develop trusting relationships with unchurched people as we share our testimonies and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Be a good friend and invite those you are praying for to come to church. Let's see if we can double our attendance that day!



HENRY COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the HCBA will be held on **Tuesday, October 18, 2016** at Hillcrest 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. The guest speaker will be Dr. John Chandler with the Spence Network. Messengers representing the church are Betty Jo Foley, Sue Young, Donna Winebarger, Joe and Kim Glass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Raceway Ministries Weekend At Martinsville Speedway

Saturday, Oct 29, 2016

Texas Roadhouse 200, Truck Race

Sunday, Oct 30, 2016

Goody's Fast Relief 500



Volunteers needed to provide and distribute refreshments, hand out gospel tracts, drive handicapped shuttles, and **PRAY** at the upcoming Race Weekend events. **Call the HCBA Office at 276-638-2951.**



TRUNK OR TREAT

The church is hosting Trunk or Treat this year outside on the church parking lot weather permitting on **Monday, 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. If you are unable to attend Trunk or Treat, please donate individually wrapped candy. For more information, see Peggy Morris.

REVIVAL

Begin to pray now who God wants you to invite to the revival beginning **Sunday, November 20 through Tuesday, November 22.** Pray also that God will prepare and begin a revival in each of our hearts here at OLBC. The service will start at 6:45 p.m. each evening. Rev. Roger Roller will be our guest evangelist. A covered dish meal will be held immediately following the Sunday morning worship service. Bring your favorite dish to share.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The purpose of the Church Council is important to the operational activities and programs of the church. The responsibilities of the council are:

1. Recommend to the church suggested church objectives and goals.
2. Recommend to the church action plans for reaching church goals.
3. Provide on a quarterly basis a calendar of events for church activities.
4. When necessary, appoint a Pastor Selection Committee with the advice and assistance of the departing pastor, and recommend the committee to the church.
5. Assist the Nominating Committee in filling vacancies in leadership positions during the year.

The Church Council will meet **Wednesday, November 2,** at 5:30 p.m. Come prepared to **plan and coordinate** events for the church calendar to March 2017. 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.

PRAYER FOR ELECTION DAY

"if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14 (NIV)

Election Day is fast approaching. There will be a prayer meeting on **Monday, November 7,** at 6:30 pm to seek God's will for our nation and its leadership. Remember to pray and vote as God leads you.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

The December Men's Breakfast will be held in the church fellowship hall on **Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 7:30 am.** Sheriff Lane Perry will be the guest speaker. All men of the church are invited to attend and invite your friends and neighbors to come also. There will be a sign-up sheet available to include your name and the number of guests coming with you. Please sign-up by Sunday, November 27 so we will know how many to prepare breakfast for.

WMU MEETINGS

Thursday - October 25 - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday - November 29 - 6:30 p.m.

PRAYER FOCUS

SERVING HIS CHILDREN-Renee Bach

SHC was started in 2008 in Uganda by Renee as a ministry focused on breaking the cycle of malnutrition by following the principles of Rescue, Mentor and Hope. Currently in transition, SHC is revisiting history, revamping their plan of action, and renewing their desire to be the hands and feet of Christ.

- RESCUE - Each year in Uganda, over 2.6 million children die - most from preventable causes related to malnutrition.
- MENTOR - Parents are taught life changing principles of nutrition and encouraged to make healthy lifestyle changes for their families while seeing Jesus through dedicated teachers.
- HOPE - Communities are reached through ongoing education where individuals and families are encouraged to participate and implement a collective approach to health and nutrition.

WOMEN'S GET-AWAY

Nov. 4-5 and 5-6, 2016

Eagle Eyrie Conference Center

Be sure to register for the Women's Get-Away in November. The theme for this year is **CONNECT THE DOTS**. Morgan McCoy will be the keynote speaker and Keith Tan will be the worship leader. 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>. There will be over 20 breakout sessions, missionary speakers, music, fellowship and much more! Contact Donna Winebarger for more information.



Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on **Saturday, November 5th!**

Give to the
CBF *Offering for*
GLOBAL MISSIONS 

OLBC 2016 Goal - \$2,000.00
Offering Received - \$1,235.90

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

Special "Literacy!" emphasis

December 4 - December 11

Please plan to give to this offering during this time and **help us reach our goal for 2016!**



"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 13th**.

ALMA HUNT STATE MISSIONS OFFERING

OLBC Goal - \$900.00
Amount Received To Date - \$685.00

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

October 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Communion Sunday Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm	3	4 Deacons' Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	5 Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	6	7	8
9 Friend Day 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 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm	17	18 HCBA Annual Mtg Hillcrest Baptist 6:30 p.m.	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 pm  Pennies for the Precious	24	25 WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	26 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	27	28	29
30 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm	31 Trunk or Treat 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.					

Deacon of the Month – Peggy Morris

Counters of the Month – Donna Winebarger & Brenda Ferguson

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		1	2 Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. Church Council 5:30 pm PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	3	4	5
		Women's Get-Away at Eagle Eyrie				
6 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm 2017 Budget Presented	7 Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.	8 Election Day Deacons' Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	9 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	10	11 Veterans Day	12
13 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Samaritan Purse Shoebox Collection	14	15	16 Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	17	18	19
20 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Church-wide Fellowship Luncheon after Worship Service 2017 Budget Vote	21	22	23 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	24 Thanksgiving Church Office Closed	25	26
	Revival at 6:45 pm nightly					
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Deacon of the Month – Ben Morris

Counters of the Month – Ken Turner & Lee Pettit