

# Oak Level Baptist Church

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SHARING THE JOURNEY

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Are you ready for Easter? How do you plan to celebrate Easter? Let us examine our lives as we prepare for Easter this year. Do you need peace and victory in your life now? The Lord has promised to supply all our needs and to give us victory as we trust in Him.

You are invited to participate in several special celebrations in the next few weeks at church. The Henry County Baptist Association WMU Annual Meeting is here Tuesday, April 9. Everyone is invited to this exciting time together. The celebration of Communion is Sunday, April 14, Palm Sunday. The wonderful celebration of Easter is Sunday, April 21. Invite (and also pray for) family, friends, and neighbors to come to church with you. Share one of the special brochures with people you meet. You will find these brochures available at church on the foyer table.

The Lord is at work bringing good out of evil, light out of darkness, joy out of pain, order out of chaos, and life out of death. What do you need Jesus Christ to do in your life today? Trust Him to provide your needs today. Take time to pray for others who need Jesus Christ to transform their lives now. You will have the opportunity to witness to others this Easter season. You can tell others your Christian testimony as you meet them. Be alert to people who have no hope and peace in their lives. Many people have no purpose and real joy today.

Please take time to read these Bible verses then reach out to help others whenever you have the opportunity.

1. Believe God and His Word – Romans 5:1, 15:13;
2. Live by the power of the Holy Spirit – Galatians 5:16, 22-23;
3. With the help of God, always do what is right – Romans 14:17.

It will make a difference in a life this Easter as you share the good news of Jesus Christ as often as you can.

Remember to begin praying now for VBS, June 2-6. Pause often to pray for the children and teachers who will come to VBS. How will the Lord guide and convict you to help in VBS this year?

Thank you for being faithful to serve the Lord in the ministry of OLBC.

Praise the Lord – Jesus is Risen!

With Hope and Peace,

Pastor Joe

John 11:25-26

### April Birthdays

Apr. 3 Shirley Draper  
April Draper  
Apr. 5 April Gammons  
Apr. 7 Meaghan Poore  
Apr. 8 Christopher Howell  
Apr. 10 Mary Hodges  
Deborah Thomas  
Apr. 11 Brittany Flanagan  
Apr. 15 Alexandra Gill  
Apr. 16 Kim C. Dickerson  
Joseph Pierce  
Jonathan Pierce  
Sherry Y. Stone  
Melissa Thompson  
Apr. 17 Dana Young  
Apr. 20 Virginia Metz  
Apr. 23 Robert Gillespie  
Apr. 26 Carroll Draper  
Apr. 28 Caroline Snead  
Apr. 29 Bruce Thompson  
Apr. 30 John Wilson

### May Birthdays

May 5 Audie Atkins  
Debra Brown  
May 8 Mearl Boswell  
May 12 Carolyn S. Fardell  
David Hurd, Jr.  
May 14 Michael Snead  
Hazel Harrison  
Nancy Felter  
May 15 Erma McKee  
Kasey Viars  
May 18 Patricia Handy  
Teresa D. Seay  
May 19 Regina Atkins  
May 22 Allison Snead  
May 23 Logan Coleman  
May 24 Marie F. Hall  
Jeanette Crum  
May 25 Tyler Tilley  
May 30 May Seay  
Whitni Wriah

### 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 210  
Sue Meeks - Room 213

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

\*Wanda Stone  
Shelbern Meeks

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

Grady Snead - Room 312

Stanleytown Health & Rehab, 240 Riverside., Bassett, VA 24055

Allison Seay

## WITH SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Blake Hanks. Blake was the cousin of Esther Hanks.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Kenny Wayne Franklin, who passed away, Monday, March 18, 2019. Continue to remember Tammy, Beth, and Franny in the difficult days ahead.



### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to Kristyn, Will, and Bentley on the birth of their daughter and sister, Emma Danielle Warner, born Wednesday, March 13, 2019. She weighed 6 lbs. 1 oz. and was 18 $\frac{3}{4}$

inches long. She is the granddaughter of Randall & Kim Wingfield and the great granddaughter of Addis & Barbara Mabe.

I AM THE Resurrection  
AND THE Life,  
HE THAT  
Believeth  
IN ME, THOUGH HE WERE DEAD,  
YET SHALL HE  
Live.  
~JOHN 11:25

## CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The Church Council will meet **Wednesday, April 3rd**, at 5:30 p.m. Come prepared to plan events for the church calendar through September 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.

## HCBA SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING

The Henry County Baptist Association is sponsoring Sunday School Leadership Training with Tony Brooks, Sunday School Specialist with the BGAV. All Sunday School directors, teachers, co-teachers, and helpers are encouraged to attend on **Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at Starling Avenue Baptist Church from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.** Register with the HCBA office by Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> by calling 638-2951 or email at [hcbaptist@gmail.com](mailto:hcbaptist@gmail.com).



**Sunday,  
May 12, 2019**



Join us as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus at an Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday, **April 21<sup>st</sup>**.

Sunrise Service starts at 7:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast to follow

Sunday School starts at 9:45 a.m.

Worship Service starts at 11:00 a.m.



### DO YOU HAVE ANYONE GRADUATING?

If you know someone that is graduating from high school or college this year, please call the Church Office at 276-629-7973 to give your information or email the church at [olbc@comast.net](mailto:olbc@comast.net) by **April 28<sup>th</sup>**. Graduates will be recognized during the worship service on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.

### NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

The National Day of Prayer is **Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**. The theme for 2019 is LOVE ONE ANOTHER. The theme comes from the words of Jesus in John 13:34, "Love one another. Just as I have loved you." This is a day we as Americans and Christians come corporately to pray for our nation and its leaders. Pray God will move in a mighty way in the life of our nation and in our lives. There will be several venues that day around the area to participate. There is a flyer on the bulletin board in the Sunday School hallway with a list of venues and times.



There will be training for all volunteers for OIAM on **Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 10 am until noon** at the Henry County Baptist Association on King's Mountain Road.



April Showers  
Bring May Flowers



Oak Level Baptist Church will host their annual **Easter Egg Hunt** on **Saturday, April 13, 2019**, from 4:00 until 6:00 p.m. All children are invited to come and enjoy game and fun! Prizes will be awarded for each age group. Your help is needed with Easter candy. Please bring candy and put in the box located in the church foyer by Sunday, April 7.

### **CHILDREN'S CRAFT DAY SATURDAY, MAY 4 2-4:00 PM**

All children and youth are invited to join us as we make a craft. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Adult volunteers are needed! See Missy Thompson if you can help!

### **CHILDREN'S DEVOTION AND LUNCH SUNDAY, MAY 19**

All children, youth, parents, and church family are invited to stay after church for a brief devotional time. We will then head to The Sirloin House for lunch (Dutch treat) around 1:00 PM.



### OAK LEVEL OLYMPICS

Vacation Bible School will be held **Sunday, June 2 through Thursday, June 6**. Registration will begin on Sunday at 6:00 p.m. and VBS will start each evening at 6:30 p.m. until 8:45 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. Thursday night will be Family Night with a cookout and presentation of the certificates. Please contact Missy Thompson if you can help with food, teach, or if you need more information. **A planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.** if you are interested in helping with this year's VBS.





### WMU MEETINGS

Tuesday - April 23 - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday - May 21 - 6:30 p.m.

### WMU ANNUAL MEETING

Everyone is invited to attend.

The HCBA Annual WMU meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, 2018** at Oak Level Baptist Church and co-hosted by New Vision Baptist Church. Registration and refreshments begin at 5:15 p.m. The program will start at 6:15 p.m. with music. Special guest speaker will be Roberta Damon, who is a writer and speaker. She holds a doctorate in marriage and family counseling from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Her career includes missionary service in South Brazil, thirty years of counseling at First Baptist Church in Richmond, Virginia, and a time of serving on staff at the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Her books will be available for purchase at the meeting.

### 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 30<sup>th</sup>**. A team of volunteers will be going to Standing Rock in July to minister to the Native Americans and hand out the backpacks and market bags.

A pattern for backpacks is available, but purchased backpacks are inexpensive and acceptable. They are requesting a nice bag for women to carry groceries and other items when shopping. Please click the link below to find a video for a Market Bag made of laminated vinyl, with strong handles and a wide flat bottom.

<https://www.professorpincushion.com/professorpincushion/market-bag/>

Give to the  
CBF *Offering for*  
GLOBAL MISSIONS

**OLBC 2019 Goal - \$2,000.00**  
**Received To Date - \$680.00**

**"SEEKING TRANSFORMATIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT"**  
Special offering emphasis will be  
**May 12 - 19, 2019**



CrossRoads is dedicated to providing a quality camping experience for campers ages 9-17 from all types of backgrounds. Every summer, boys and girls get to experience high ropes course, giant swing, rock faces, finger darts, and more all while being in a safe environment. CrossRoads summer staff are passionate about sharing Christ's love and message with campers.

They were founded over 30 years ago by the Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia with a vision of offering missions centered camping for girls. CrossRoads is proud to continue that vision through one week of camp during the summer designed especially for girls while continuing to focus on missions. We also offer several weeks of coed camp. The camp dates run from June 10 through July 13.

They host missionaries during the summer, collect a missions offering, and attempt to integrate times where campers can learn about God's love for them. Many are called to accept the Gospel or call to ministry. The cost for registration is \$375. This is all-inclusive and includes a themed Summer Camp T-shirt. The link to register is below:

<http://www.crossroadscamp.com/summer-camp/parent-info/forms-registration>

### **RA FAMILY WEEKEND** **STATE RA RACE** **MAY 31-JUNE 1, 2019** **KINGS DOMINION**

The cost is \$50 per person. This will include ticket for Kings Dominion, Program, Music, and State Royal Ambassador Race. You can register online at <https://wmuv.org/RAevent>. Contact Donna Winebarger if you need additional information.

# April 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m.  Church Council 5:30 PM  PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>4</b> VBS Planning Mtg. 6:30 p.m.	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> WMU Annual Mtg. Choir Practice – 10 am
<b>7</b> Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Deacons' Mtg. - 5:00 p.m.	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> HCBA WMU Annual Mtg. – Here at OLBC Beginning at 5:15 p.m.	<b>10</b> PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Easter Egg Hunt 4-6 pm  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Beth Moore Living Proof Live at Berglund Center, Roanoke</div>
<b>14</b> Communion Sunday Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21 EASTER</b> Sunrise Service – 7:00 am Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>24</b> PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Sunday School Training at Starling Ave. Baptist 9-11 am
<b>28</b> Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm   Pennies for the Precious	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>				

Deacon of the Month – Ben Morris

Counters of the Month – Donna Winebarger & Lee Pettit

# May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m.  PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>2</b> National Day of Prayer	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Children's Craft Activity 2-4 pm  OIAM Training at HCBA 10am - Noon
<b>5</b> Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Deacons' Mtg. - 5:00 p.m.	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>  PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> Mother's Day Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
CBF Offering Emphasis – Seeking Transformational Development - May 12 - 19						
<b>19</b> Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm Ingathering of CBF Offering Children's Devotions/Lunch – 12:30 pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>22</b> PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Choir Practice – 12:30 pm  Pennies for the Precious	<b>27</b> Memorial Day	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

Deacon of the Month – Brenda Ferguson

Counters of the Month – Ken Turner & Brenda Ferguson