

Oak Level Baptist Church

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SHARING THE JOURNEY

January/February 2021

A Happy, Peaceful 2021 to everyone! May the Lord give us courage, wisdom, and grace each day. We must trust the Lord every moment to help us to pray more and study the Bible faithfully. Let us show to others what Jesus Christ has done for everyone and He is always present to provide the help and strength that we need. Psalm 46:1-11; Philippians 4:19; Philippians 3:13-14.

I hope the message of this poem by M.S. Lowndes is a blessing to you. Please read the words prayerfully now.

A New Year with the Lord

*A new year is about to unfold
With new opportunities to explore
Doors will open for new
experiences,
New adventures with the Lord*

*Remember not the former things,
The things of this past year,
The Lord will do new things in us,
Much more than we are aware*

*For He will make a way for us
As we put our trust in Him
And He will guide our every step
By His presence we have within.*

*What God has placed in our
hearts,
We find we'll be able to do
If we look for the opportunities,
We'll see the door to go through.*

*We mustn't let anything hold us
back
But rise up and take our place
And be all that God wants us to be
With a fresh touch of His grace
(Used by permission)*

Let us always remember Philippians 4:6-7. The Lord gives us peace and joy as we trust in Him always. The promises we read in the Bible are true. The Lord is always faithful.

Blessings and Peace for the New Year,
Pastor Joe

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

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

*Shirley Tobler – Room 341
*Mildred Ramsey – Room 201
*Bill Young – Room 264
Sue Meeks – Room 213

Please remember to pray for our shut-ins and nursing home residents daily. They always appreciate cards and phone calls.

January Birthdays

Jan. 02	Shirley C. Young Heaven Brown Eliza LaBounty
Jan. 05	Ben Morris
Jan. 08	Donna Winebarger
Jan. 10	Ann Stone Hayden Robertson
Jan. 11	Lori Keen Pruitt Kyrie LaBounty
Jan. 12	Lewis Turner Grover Harrison
Jan. 14	James Wray Gloria Keen
Jan. 16	Ryan McKee Hannah Glass
Jan. 17	Lance Frith
Jan. 18	Kelly Webb
Jan. 19	Tommy Thompson
Jan. 20	Jacob Gray Eva Dale Searce
Jan. 21	Amy F. Jarrell Heidi Hodges
Jan. 28	Frances Barnes
Jan. 30	Geraldine Williams

February Birthdays

Feb. 01	Jon Mark Atkiins
Feb. 02	Joe Glass
Feb. 05	Tena B. Cassady
Feb. 06	Holly Thompson
Feb. 08	Sara Seay Toby LaBounty
Feb. 09	Dennis Wray
Feb. 10	John K. Ramsey
Feb. 13	Sheila Ramsey
Feb. 14	Martha Sue Meeks
Feb. 16	Jean Martin Lydia Baumgardner
Feb. 18	Sara Gill Martha Jane Gunter
Feb. 19	Debra Workinger Cierra Underwood
Feb. 20	Marvin Seay
Feb. 24	Amy Lawson
Feb. 25	Arthur Foley Linda McMillan
Feb. 26	Mildred Ramsey
Feb. 27	H.L. Snead
Feb. 29	Jacob Glass

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The Church Council will meet **Wednesday, January 6, 2021**, at 5:30 p.m. Come prepared to plan events for the church calendar to June 2021. 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.





FOCUS ON WMU
FEBRUARY 7 – 14, 2021

WMU MEETINGS

Tuesday - January 19 - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday - February 16 - 6:30 p.m.

OLBC WMU wants to engage our church in mission's discipleship and radically involved all age groups in God's mission. WMU provides opportunities to pray throughout the year for missions, as well as opportunities to apply knowledge and passion through giving, serving, and supporting missions.

THANK YOU FOR
YOUR FAITHFULNESS!

LEARN-WMU promotes missional living by teaching church members of all ages to see the world through God's eyes

THANK YOU for helping us reach mission goals and the many other ways that you have given **EVEN WHEN** we were not here full time. The Grace Network collection box has been full multiple times with items carried to them and the collection box for the Samaritan Shoeboxes resulted in **62 boxes** being shipped. We collected **\$686** of the \$900 goal for the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions! Again, thank you for your many acts of faithfulness shown throughout 2020!


PRAY-Through WMU, believers learn how to apply the power of prayer for the spread of the gospel and pray specifically for needs around the world as they learn of missions needs and current social issues as we also pray daily for missionaries on their birthdays.

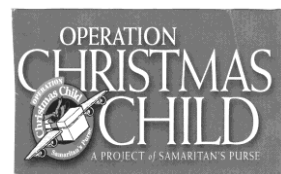
GIVE-By encouraging gifts to the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and the Alma Hunt Offering for VA Missions, WMU supports these and other mission personnel as they share the gospel at home and abroad.

SERVE-WMU ministries provide opportunities to engage in redemptive, loving service in the name of Jesus to people who need to hear the gospel.

SUPPORT-mission efforts through, Samaritan Purse Shoe Box, Standing Rock, Good News Jail Ministry, Children's Ministry Day, Christmas in August, CBFVA Mission Box, and many more.

ALL are invited to join us at our meetings on the **THIRD** Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM.

Give to the
CBF *Offering for*
GLOBAL MISSIONS 
OLBC 2020 Goal - \$2,000.00
Offering Received - \$1,824.00



We will continue to collect items for the Shoeboxes throughout 2021 again. Below is a monthly list for your consideration.

- JAN Hats, Scarves, Gloves, Socks, Underwear
- FEB Stuffed Animals
- MAR Soap, Washcloths
- APR Combs, Brushes
- MAY Toothbrushes
- JUN Girl Toys
- JUL Boy Toys
- AUG Accessories
- SEPT School Supplies
- OCT Monetary Gift

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



February 13th is Children's Ministry Day and from 9-12:00 noon on that day, we want to invite all the young people of the church and the young at heart to join us in making craft items for the shoeboxes. We will have craft supplies for everyone to be socially distanced in the fellowship hall. If you have a craft idea in mind, please share so we can make sure we have enough supplies on hand. Children ages 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

January 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day	2
3 Communion Sunday Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Deacons' Mtg. -5:00 p.m. Church Doctrine Study – 6:30 pm	4	5 Church Secretary – Off (New Year's Day)	6 Church Council 5:30 PM PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	7	8	9
10 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Church Doctrine Study – 6:30 pm	11	12	13 Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	14	15	16
17 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Church Doctrine Study – 6:30 pm	18	19 WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	20 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	21	22	23
24 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am  Pennies for the Precious Church Doctrine Study – 6:30 pm	25	26	27 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	28	29	30
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Deacon of the Month – Lance Frith

Counters of the Month – Donna Winebarger & Brenda Ferguson

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Focus on WMU Week February 7 - 14						
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