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SHARING THE JOURNEY

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Operation Inasmuch Will Soon Be Here

What is Operation Inasmuch?

Operation Inasmuch is a national nonprofit that employs proven models to motivate, train, and equip churches to move more congregants out of the sanctuary seats and into the streets to serve the neediest in their communities.

Operation Inasmuch is also a movement of churches across America, a Compassion Revolution. Over 1600 churches in 21 states have joined the Revolution. 405 of these churches reported that they collectively sent out more than 22,000 volunteers in 2011 to minister to 116,000 people in their communities, representing \$3M in labor hours and material costs. Lives within and without these churches changed! These churches joined the Compassion Revolution.

Operation Inasmuch has armed churches of all denominations and sizes — from 5 to 5,000 — to advance the Compassion Revolution in three stages:

Inasmuch Day – we deliver training and tools for churches to send a large number of their congregants out to serve those in need through a single day of projects

Inasmuch United – we encourage and equip a group of churches to work together and serve their communities on a single day

Inasmuch Life – we provide the strategy and training for churches to mobilize many volunteers to serve their neighbors in need on an ongoing basis: through a lifestyle of compassion. Three churches are currently piloting this program.

Jesus said in essence, "Inasmuch as you serve the least of these, you serve me."

Throughout the Bible, God shows His compassion for the sick, the poor, the hungry, orphans, prisoners, and immigrants, in short, anyone in need.

Jesus was the Great Samaritan who laid down His life to rescue us, His neighbors in deep spiritual need. And He commands the church to follow His example.

Learn more as we approach our day of involvement. Visit <u>www.OperationInasmuch.org</u> to read news and articles about this year's Inasmuch events. Watch videos or read testimonies of how compassion has changed lives and churches!

Operation Inasmuch in Virginia - October 11, 2014

What Is It?

Virginia Operation Inasmuch is a statewide hands-on missions' opportunity sponsored by the Virginia Network of Associational Workers. The goal is 80/80/80—80% of Associations with 80% of their churches involving 80% of their average Sunday School attendance across Virginia will conduct Inasmuch Day events serving 300,000+ people in need. Oak Level, along with a number of neighboring churches, will be out in mass representing Jesus Christ to their communities. The ministries will differ from place to place, but you will find acts of love ranging from home repairs and light construction to yard work, food delivery, homebound visitation, prayer, and many more creative ways to "*do unto Jesus*".

You are invited to join with us on October 11, 2014 for a full day of rewarding opportunities to serve those who live around us. You may sign up at any time at OLBC. For questions, see Jesse or Esther. Also, if you would like to contribute financially to our efforts, please visit the Operation Inasmuch toolbox in our foyer.

We appreciate your sacrifice and willingness!

By His grace, Sterse Manual

October Birthdays

Oct. 01 Oct. 05 Oct. 07 Oct. 10	Sherry S. Taylor Benny Young Paul McKee 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			
Nov. 21	Emily Sara Boswell			
Nov. 24	Dolores Thompson			

November Birthdays



WITH SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is extended to Betty Jo Foley and her family on the death of her cousin, Thomas Carter, who passed away Sunday, July 20, 2014.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Brenda Ferguson and her family on the death of her uncle, Posey Haynes, who passed away on Monday, July 21, 2014.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Pamela Thornburg who passed away on Sunday, August 3, 2014. She was the niece of Ann Stone

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Shirley Tobler and her family and friends on the death of her husband, John Tobler, who passed away Monday, August 18, 2014.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Linda Gusler and Audie Atkins, their family and friends on the death of our sister in Christ and longtime member, Lora Atkins. Lora went to be with the Lord on Friday, September 19, 2014.

Where in the Bible can you find what is commonly called the 'Beatitudes'?

- A. Matthew
- B. Mark
- C. Luke
- D. John

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

<u>Blue Ridge Rehab Center</u> <u>300 Blue Ridge St., Martinsville, VA 24112</u> * Dot Wray – Room 106

<u>Blue Ridge Nursing Ctr,</u> <u>P.O Box 459, Stuart, VA 24171</u> Thelma Love

Fork Mountain Rest Home,

<u>Rocky Mt, 24151</u>
*Lillian Forbes
*Wanda Stone
Hazel Sizemore

<u>Friendship Retirement Community</u> 327 Hersberger Rd. NW, Roanoke, VA 24102 Albert Meeks

<u>Golden Living Center,</u> <u>1607 Spruce St. Martinsville, VA, 24112</u> *Glen Young

<u>Hanson Home</u> <u>162 Krontz Dr. Bassett, VA 24055</u> *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. <u>Pittsboro, NC 27312</u> *Lovelene S. Lewis

Trinty Nursing Health/Rehab, Hillsville, VA. Arnold Hanks

Life's Purpose

Everyone has his own little niche no matter how tiny or small, for every life has a purpose or we wouldn't be here at all. Today examine your talents and, whatever they are, use them to help someone in some way. *Helen Steiner Rice*



Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 1st!





Our church will be participating in Operation InAsMuch again this year on **Saturday**, **October 11**, **2014**. The Association will need 180 homeless bags with the following items: bars of soap, shaving cream, deodorant, toothpaste, mouthwash, wet wipes, and Qtips. Each church is asked to provide approximately 30 bags. They will be distributed to the homeless at the Henry Hotel on October 11^{th} from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. In addition to the joint projects with the other churches in the association, a small construction project is planned. If you have an idea for a project involving 1, 2 or 10 people, please share that with us. There are NO restrictions on what can be done by any size group. See Jesse Cannaday and Esther Hanks for more information.

HENRY COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the HCBA will be held on **Tuesday**, October 21, 2014 at First Baptist Church, Collinsville. 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 church can send ten messengers and six more are needed. If you are interested in serving as a messenger, please let Donna Winebarger know by October 8th.

Raceway Ministries Weekend At Martinsville Speedway

Saturday, Oct 25, 2014 Kroger 200, Truck Race



Sunday, Oct 26, 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**.



<u>October Meetings</u> Sunday, Oct. 5 & 19 - 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

<u>November Meetings</u> Sunday, Nov. 2 & 15 - 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. (No meeting on November 30)



From 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on **Saturday**, **October 25**, the youth are sponsoring a fall festival for children. There will be fun activities such as face paintings, a pumpkin decorating contest, a costume contest, a treasure hunt, cake walks, live entertainment, and much more. Lunch will be provided. This is a free community-wide event, so be sure to invite the neighborhood kids!



TRUNK OR TREAT

The church is hosting Trunk or Treat this year in the Church Fellowship Hall on **Friday**,

October 31st from 5:00 – **7:00 p.m**. Everyone is invited to decorate a table, 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.



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING MEAL

A covered dish Thanksgiving meal will be held on **Sunday**, **November 23**, **2014**. 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.



<u>WMU MEETINGS</u> Thursday - October 23 - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday - November 25 - 7:00 p.m.

All ladies are invited to join in our WMU meetings. Come and see what Oak Level Baptist Church WMU is all about. Check out the dates and times of our meetings. You will have a great time of Christian fellowship while you give back by being involved in local church, state, and world missions. See Donna Winebarger or any WMU member for more information.

Women's Get-Away Nov. 7-8 and 8-9, 2014



Be sure and register online for the Women's Get-Away at Eagle Eyrie at <u>http://wmuv.org/getaway</u> or you can mail-in a registration form. Jennifer Kennedy Dean will be the keynote speaker. The Get-Away begins with dinner at 5:00 p.m. and ends the following day with lunch. See Donna Winebarger for more information.

Christmas Friendship Boxes

This fall WMUV is launching a coordinated effort to provide Christmas Friendship Boxes for our Standing Rock children and teens. We are



piloting this effort in the Cannon Ball community in 2014 and hope to expand to the other communities in 2015.

There are several ways to engage:

- Donate individual items from list and include \$5 for shipping (copy of list located on 2nd floor hallway bulletin board)
- Donate funds to purchase items

The donated items will be brought to the Women's Get-Away at Eagle Eyrie on **November 7-9**.



OLBC 2014 Goal - \$4,000.00 Offering Received - \$1,521.00

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



"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. A copy of what to include in your shoebox is located on the 2nd floor hallway bulletin board. The ingathering of the boxes will be **Sunday**, **November 16th**.



ALMA HUNT STATE MISSIONS OFFERING

OLBC Goal - \$1,250.00 Amount Received To Date -\$370.00

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

October 2014								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
			1 Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	2	3	4		
5 Communion Sunday Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Youth Mtg. 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	6	7 Deacons' Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	8 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	9	10	11 OPERATION INASMUCI A Compassion Revolutio		
12 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am	13	14	15 Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18		
19 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Youth Mtg. 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	20	21 HCBA Annual Meeting 6:30 p.m. First Baptist Collinsville	22 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	23 WMU Meeting 7:00 p.m.	24	25 FESTIVAL 10 am - 2 pm Raceway Ministries Weekend at Martinsville Speedway		
26 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Pennies for the Precious	27	28	29 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	30	31 Trunk Treat 5:00 - 7:00 pm			
Raceway Ministries Weekend at Martinsville Speedway	Church Office	Closed – Secretar	y on Vacation		Fellowship Hall			

Deacon of the Month – Lee Boswell

Counters of the Month – Brenda Ferguson & Donna Winebarger

November 2014								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
2 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Youth Mtg. 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	3	4 Election Day Deacons' Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	5 Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	6	7 Women's Get-/	8 Away at Eagle Eyrie		
9 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am	10		12 Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.	13	14	15 Youth Bake Sale		
16 Vote on Budget Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Samaritan's Purse Shoe Box Collection Youth Mtg. 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	17	18	19 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	20	21	22		
23 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Covered Dish Thanksgiving Meal Pennies for the Precious	24	25 WMU Meeting 7:00 p.m.	26 PTS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	27 Grivc Ihanks	28 Church Office Closed	29		
30 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am <u>No</u> Youth Meeting								