



# Dover Diary

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## Central Virginia Raceway Ministries Needs Volunteers and Cookies

Central Virginia Raceway Ministries (CVRM) is gearing up for race weekend: Saturday, August 13 and Sunday, August 14. CVRM helps race fans, vendors, workers, and others know Christ is present. We need many volunteers to make this ministry possible. If you can help set up the site, greet guests, give away cookies and water, serve as a chaplain, or otherwise share your talents, then help us engage a multitude of people one by one.

Please contact Charles Ward at (804) 262-3612 or [abcdward73@yahoo.com](mailto:abcdward73@yahoo.com) for more information and/or sign-up to volunteer.

WE NEED COOKIES!! After an almost two year pause due to COVID, CVRM invites you to participate and asks for your help by making cookies. CVRM leaders ask that church mission groups, Sunday School classes, youth groups, and individuals make "homemade" cookies. Please bag these in small clear lock-style plastic bags, 2-3 medium sized cookies per bag. Put a label on the outside of each bag "compliments of \_\_\_\_\_ Baptist Church." (Dover Baptists may bring their bags of cookies to the Dover Office, August 8-11, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.)

**Food Allergy Alert:** CVRM appreciates all the cookies, but, if you use peanuts or a peanut product in your cookies, please note that on the bag. Please visit [www.varacewayministries.org](http://www.varacewayministries.org) for more information.



## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

Theme: "Stepping Into A Healthy & Hopeful Future"

**MONDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2022**

**5:15-8:30 PM  
HUGUENOT ROAD  
BAPTIST CHURCH**

10525 W. Huguenot Road  
North Chesterfield, VA 23235



**WWW.BAPTISTLEADERS.ORG (804) 314-0294**

### Schedule:

5:15 p.m.-6:25 p.m.—Dinner (Fellowship Hall)  
6:35 p.m.-7:30 p.m.—Break-out 1  
7:35 p.m.-8:30 p.m.—Break-out 2

### Registration: \$10

(Early Bird rate until September 6, \$15 after)

### Menu:

Box meal from Jason's Deli (Choice of: turkey/ham/chicken salad sandwiches, chips, cookie, water/tea/coffee)

\*Please let us know when you register if you need a gluten free or vegetarian box meal.

### Breakout Sessions:

"Dealing with Limited Financial Resources" — Kevin James  
"Avoiding/Surviving Burnout: Soul Care/Self Care" — Steve Allsbrook  
"Sabbath: The Rest of the Story for a Restless World" — Scott Spencer  
"SPACE Exploration: What Do You Do With Too Much Space?" — Ken Kessler  
"Attracting Talent Today: It's Everyone's Job!" — Laura Shreaves  
"Jesus, Juicing, and the Blessings & Benefits of Spiritual Fasting" — Win Davis  
"Anybody Out There? Experiencing Grief & Loss During the Pandemic" — Judith Cain-Oliver  
"Richmond's Racial History" — Ben Campbell  
"COVID and Kids: How Can I Help?" — Elizabeth Davis-Crane  
"To Be or Not to Be Online" — Jean Dart & Lindsay Ray

*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. (Romans 1: 16 NKJV)*

## Rated G for Gospel

by: Win Davis, Dover DoM

Last month, my wife took a tumble playing Pickleball. She broke this, sprained that, tore the ligaments there and bruised a lot of everywhere else. To her dismay, her doctors told her she needed to stay as immobile as possible for at least six weeks. Our date nights have been spent pretty much watching movies: with a rare special occasion of loading crutches and wheelchair and heading to the theater.

Now let me say for the record, I'm not a big movie guy. I'm sure I'll sound like the curmudgeon yelling "Get off my movie screen!" when I confess my favorite movies include titles such as *Casablanca*, *Gone With The Wind*, (the original) *West Side Story*, (the first) *Rocky* and *The Princess Bride*. For me, it's simple, boy meets girl, boy falls in love with girl, boy fights, sacrifices, or dances for girl, and sometimes girl saves boy or leaves boy (or visa-versa), to save the world, win the war, prove their worth, or just "Frankly, my dear, because they don't give a [dam]."

If you've streamed or been out to the movies lately, you know it's not exactly like that anymore. In the last few movies I've watched, the writers, directors, producers, or whoever has input on the final product seem to feel it's important that I'm made aware of today's secular and cultural norms, especially as it relates to sexuality.

In the last few weeks, I've watched and wondered. Does the leading man who gets the girl in the end, always have to get her in bed? Remember the closing scene from *The Princess Bride*? "Since the invention of the kiss there have been five kisses that were rated the most passionate, the most pure. This one left them all behind." And that was done on a

horse. Do I really need to know the sexual orientation of a superhero before they go out to save the planet? Can't young lovers consider running away and getting married before moving in together? Did I fall asleep after the Golden Age of Hollywood and just need to be "woke"?

I'm not naïve, and I think as Christians, we have often failed miserably at showing love, kindness and understanding to those whose sexual sins are condemned by Scripture. Many of us need to regularly remind ourselves of the words of Christian Reformer and martyr John Bradford, who upon watching condemned criminals being led to their death, observed, "There but for the grace of God, go I."

Do you want to watch the most intense love scene ever? Check out Jim Caviezel in *The Passion of the Christ*, or better yet, open the original script written by the greatest playwright in human history, and turn to Matthew 27, Mark 15, Luke 23, and John 19. Don't stop there. Show someone the happy ending in the chapters that follow so that when it's time to leave the scene, we may all have the confidence of Bradford, who affirmed, as he was being martyred, "Be of good comfort, brother, for we shall have a happy supper with the Lord tonight."

As Christians, we need to unashamedly share the Gospel of Christ. Even though it isn't always rated G, the Gospel, unlike some of the movies I've watched recently, is where you will never be ashamed to take along your momma, or child or even those whose sins, preferences and practices aren't the same as yours. God bless.

## Operation Christmas Child – Project Leader Workshop

**Location:** Fairmount Christian Church, 6502 Creighton Road, Mechanicsville

**Date:** Saturday, September 10, 2022 — **Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Come join us in the kick off Operation Christmas Child 2022!

We will be celebrating and sharing information and ideas for the upcoming season. There will be door prizes, free shoeboxes, and displays for you to enjoy. Optional: Bring some of your favorite crafts and instructions to show-off! We will be serving coffee and pastries with lots of fun and fellowship. RSVP to Sandy Weakley: [sandyweakley@comcast.net](mailto:sandyweakley@comcast.net)

## 2022 Baptist Ministry Assistants of Virginia — Fall Conference

**Friday, September 16, 2022 — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**Dover Baptist Association**, 11006 Lakeridge Pkwy., Ashland

Two workshops:

"Better Listening/Better Questions" — led by: Ken Kessler (BGAV)

"Design & Communications Resources" — Cecilia Jones (WMUV)

Followed by: lunch, business meeting, mission project for Celebrate

RVA. Cost: \$50. Register at: [www.bmav.org](http://www.bmav.org)

## College Worship Night

Worship Begins at 7:30 P.M.

All Richmond Area College Students Are Invited

Locations:

**Monday, August 1 @ Grace Chinese Baptist Church**

850 Broad Street Road, Manakin Sabot

**Tuesday, August 2 @ Cool Spring Baptist Church**

9283 Atlee Station Road, Mechanicsville

For more information, contact Matt Boschen:

[mboschen@mvcnnow.org](mailto:mboschen@mvcnnow.org)

# Pray For These

The leaders of **Famaden Memorial Institute**, our **Dover Staff**, **Karen Mills (former Clerk)**, and in **Dover's churches**:

August 7: **North Run Baptist Church**

Adam Denny, Pastor; Kerry Smith, Morgan Day, Mindy Varner, Diamond Cotman, Tammy Salyers

August 14: **Northside Baptist Church**

Jeff Scott, Pastor; Ashley Boschen, Nancy Schneider, Debbie Scott, Marlene Bresee, Jennifer Gray, Donise Boone

August 21: **Oak Hall Baptist Church**

Eric Durden, Pastor; Agnes Loyall, Judy Pugliese

August 28: **Pamunkey Indian Baptist Church**

Vance Shearin, Pastor; Joyce Krigsvold

A special prayer for the following churches that are in **transition** (either currently without a pastor or have an interim/intentional pastor):

Arabic Dover Hardy Central Mechanicsville  
Corinth Four Mile Creek Hopewell New Highland

## Dover WMU News

### Spiritual Enrichment Retreat

**Thursday, August 18 — New Bethesda Baptist Church,**  
9019 New Bethesda Road, Mechanicsville

Dinner: 6 p.m. \*Cost is \$7, Please make dinner reservation by calling Pat Chalkley at (804) 737-3125 by August 10th, giving her your name and the name of the church you attend. All dinner reservations requested need to be paid for at the door.

Program: Begins at 7 p.m. featuring Vallerie Carter Smith, Executive Director/Treasurer of the Virginia WMU. All are welcome to attend.

**OUTING for Senior Pastors, Associate Pastors, Music Ministers, Youth & Children Ministers/Leaders**  
**Thursday, October 6, 2022**

**Camp CrossRoads — Departure Time: 9 AM**  
Transportation provided from the Dover Office  
11006 Lakeridge Pkwy, Ashland, VA 23005

The Dover WMU Council invites you to an outing at Camp CrossRoads on Thursday, October 6. Lunch is available and the Dover WMU Council will pay for 2 ministers per church. For more than 2, the cost is \$10 per person. Wear comfortable shoes and clothing, because you never know what will happen at camp!  
Deadline to RSVP is Friday, September 16, 2022.

Contact Sharon McKinley: [wmumission@aol.com](mailto:wmumission@aol.com)  
please type in the subject area: "CrossRoads Outing"

## Personnel Changes

- Mike McMeniman concluded his service as Senior Pastor of **Four Mile Creek Baptist Church** on July 24.
- **Kentwood Heights Baptist Church** welcomed Nick Eason as their Associate Pastor for Children & Youth on July 19.
- **Ridge Baptist Church** welcomed Deanna Jenns as their Administrative Assistant/Financial Secretary on July 18.
- **Corinth Baptist Church** welcomed Dawson Bailey as their Minister of Administration on July 17.
- Ben Caldwell concluded his service as Senior Pastor of **Corinth Baptist Church** on July 11.

## Dover's Annual Meeting

**Sunday, October 23, 2022**

**Registration at 2:30 p.m., Program: 3-5 p.m.**

**Hillcrest Baptist Church**, 11342 Hillcrest Road, Hanover

The Dover Annual Meeting will begin with a brief business meeting followed by a Missions Fair.

The Missions Fair will feature many of the partners supported by the Watson Mission Offering. The Mission Fair will provide an opportunity to see first-hand many of the organizations in our communities that your church can connect and get involved. We look forward to seeing you there!

Save the Date!

## Dover Baptists Express Sympathy

...to the family of Janet Crane, who passed away on July 10. Janet was the step-mother of Steve Crane and the step-mother-in-law of Martha Crane; Steve serves as the Senior Pastor of **Poplar Springs Baptist Church**, Martha serves as the Worship Leader for **Poplar Springs Baptist Church**.

...to the family of Autrey Hoffmann who passed away on July 6. Autrey was the father of Brad Hoffmann; Brad serves as the Senior Pastor of **Cool Spring Baptist Church**.

...to the family of Cynthia Lawson, who passed away on May 23. Cynthia was the daughter of Gordon Harris; Gordon serves on the Executive Committee for **Dover Baptist Association** and is a member of **Emmaus Baptist Church**.

## Leslie and Hazel Watson Association Missions Offering

Goal: \$28,500

Received as of July 26:  
**\$29,180.78**

Thank You!!

Visit [www.doverbaptist.org/resources/amo](http://www.doverbaptist.org/resources/amo) or call us at (804) 550-1980 for more information.





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Win Davis, Executive Director of Missions  
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Sue Hall, Ministry Assistant  
Steve Smith, Associate for Ministry to Church Leaders

## Upcoming Events

Visit [www.doverbaptist.org](http://www.doverbaptist.org) or call the Dover office:  
(804) 550-1980 for more information.

## Positions Available

Visit [www.doverbaptist.org](http://www.doverbaptist.org) for all of the job openings.

**Black Creek Baptist Church** seeks a Minister of Music (part-time). Visit [www.doverbaptist.org/category/jobs](http://www.doverbaptist.org/category/jobs) for more information.

**Dover Baptist Church** prayerfully seeks a Pastor (full-time). Visit [www.doverbc.org/pastor-position](http://www.doverbc.org/pastor-position) for more information and/or apply. Dover Baptist Church also seeks a Youth & Children's Director (part-time). Visit [www.doverbaptist.org/youth-childrens-director-job-description](http://www.doverbaptist.org/youth-childrens-director-job-description) for more information and/or apply.

**Fort Lee Baptist Church** seeks an Associate Pastor (part-time). Visit [www.doverbaptist.org/associate-pastor-part-time](http://www.doverbaptist.org/associate-pastor-part-time) for more information. Fort Lee Baptist Church also seeks a Minister/Director of Music (part-time). Visit [www.doverbaptist.org/minister-director-of-music-part-time](http://www.doverbaptist.org/minister-director-of-music-part-time) for more information.

**Glen Allen Baptist Church** seeks a Music Director (part-time). The candidate will lead the sanctuary choir and have oversight of other areas of music leadership as needed. GABC's worship is generally traditional, but other styles of music are encouraged and appreciated. Responsibilities average approximately 10 hours per week, inclusive of rehearsals and worship leadership. For more information, visit [www.doverbaptist.org/category/jobs](http://www.doverbaptist.org/category/jobs). Please send a resume and cover letter to the pastor, Dr. Melissa Fallen ([melissa@glenallenbaptist.org](mailto:melissa@glenallenbaptist.org)), by August 22.

**Hillcrest Baptist Church** seeks a Director of Music Ministry (part-time). This position will average 6-10 hours per week. Responsibilities include planning and directing the musical aspects of our worship service and special events. For more information, visit [www.hillcresthanover.org/director-of-music-job-opening](http://www.hillcresthanover.org/director-of-music-job-opening). Interested applicants please email your resume to [hbcmusicsearch@gmail.com](mailto:hbcmusicsearch@gmail.com).

**Hopeful Baptist Church** seeks a Youth Minister (part-time). Visit [www.doverbaptist.org/youth-minister-part-time-3](http://www.doverbaptist.org/youth-minister-part-time-3) for more information and/or apply.

**Mechanicsville Baptist Church** seeks an Interim Contemporary Worship Leader (part-time, 12-14 hours per week). Please send resumes or inquiries to [judi.culver@gmail.com](mailto:judi.culver@gmail.com).

**Mount Olivet Baptist Church** seeks a Youth Minister (part-time), a Music Minister (part-time), and a Children's Minister (part-time). For more information and/or apply, visit [www.doverbaptist.org/category/jobs](http://www.doverbaptist.org/category/jobs).

**Mount Vernon Baptist Church** seeks an Associate Pastor for Missions & Outreach (full-time). For more information and/or apply, visit [www.mvbenow/jobs](http://www.mvbenow/jobs)

**North Run Baptist Church** seeks a Youth Minister (part-time). Visit [www.doverbaptist.org/youth-minister-part-time-north-run](http://www.doverbaptist.org/youth-minister-part-time-north-run) for more information and/or to apply.

**Northside Baptist Church** seeks an Office Administrator (part-time). This position is considered a 26 hour per week position. The hourly rate is \$20.00. For more information, please contact the church office at 804-746-4952.

**Ridge Baptist Church** seeks an Associate Pastor (full-time). The Associate Pastor shall assist the Senior Pastor in matters related to the pastoral leadership of the church. For more information, visit [www.ridgechurch.org](http://www.ridgechurch.org) [scroll to bottom of the page].

**Shalom Baptist Church** seeks a Family Minister (full-time). Visit [www.shalombaptist.net/employment](http://www.shalombaptist.net/employment) for more information. Shalom is also seeking an Administrative Position to Support Children & Youth (part-time). Visit [www.shalombaptist.net/employment](http://www.shalombaptist.net/employment) for more information and/or apply.

**Taylorsville Baptist Church** is prayerfully seeking a Pastor (full-time) who can effectively preach/teach the Word of God. The candidate must also be able to fulfill the spiritual needs of the church through engaging pastoral ministries and effective outreach programs. For more information, visit [www.taylorsvillebaptist.org/careers](http://www.taylorsvillebaptist.org/careers).