



Dover Diary

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"a resource and ally for churches and their leaders"

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Dover's Annual Meeting & Missions Fair

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 Annual Meeting and Missions & Ministry Fair is open to everyone including pastors, staff, lay leaders and church members. It will feature many of the partners supported by the Watson Mission Offering and will provide an opportunity to see first-hand many of the organizations in our communities that your church can connect to and get involved with. We look forward to seeing you there!



Leslie and Hazel Watson Association Missions Offering

Goal: \$28,500

Received as of September 22: \$32,950.69

Thank You!!

Deadline For Watson Grant Application: Monday, October 31

Visit www.doverbaptist.org/resources/amoo or call the Dover office at (804) 550-1980 for more information. Nominations for this grant must come from Dover churches on behalf of ministries and organizations of their choice.



By: Sam Duenckel, Associate for Missions

Churches provide children with the opportunity for personal and spiritual growth surrounded by a strong, supportive network of volunteers from the congregation. Unfortunately, the reality of child sexual abuse casts a shadow on all youth serving organizations, including communities of faith. It is a heartbreaking truth that predators seek out places providing access to children. Faith-based organizations that do not have a child sexual abuse prevention policy and training increases the risk of abuse occurring within their organization.

Darkness to Light is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to empower adults to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse, so that more children have a chance to grow up happy and healthy. Their flagship program, Stewards of Children® uses a practical, five-step approach to provide individuals with the tools they need to

protect the children in their lives and organizations. Stewards of Children® is the only evidence-informed, third-party evaluated prevention training program of its kind and is available in all 50 states and more than 76 countries. Dover Baptist Association is able to provide this training thanks to the partnership of the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV) and Families Forward Virginia.

As an Authorized Facilitator, I would like to invite you to the following training opportunity:

**D2L Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Training (In-person)
Saturday, October 1 — 9:30 am-Noon**

****Limited Space Available: FREE for the first 20 registrants****

Visit www.doverbaptist.org/abuse-prevention-training to learn more and register. Please let me know if your church would like to schedule a training opportunity at your church's location.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. (Acts 1:8 NIV)

Mission & Ministry Minded

by: Win Davis, Dover DoM

As I began my rookie year at Dover last August, our country was ending its 20-year occupation of Afghanistan. Hundreds of Afghans fled and were evacuated with Americans serving and living in the country. Many Afghan parents sent their children ahead hoping that they would eventually join them. Some would, but sadly, many have not, and several never had a chance as they lost their lives in random and intentional acts of violence. As my heart broke, one of my first acts as Dover's new Executive Director of Missions was to ask our church leaders to pray and fast for these folks and those brave Americans serving in an untenable situation. Secondly, I asked for Dover members to consider donating art therapy supplies to help those unaccompanied Afghan refugee minors cope with the trauma of separation from their parents & families. Dover WMU and our churches stepped up as a number of those children entered foster care in Virginia.

Shortly after the evacuation and arrival of Afghan refugees, my wife offered our home as a drop-off and pick-up location for folks wishing to donate household items, and refugee families/sponsors stopping by to select from the plethora of goods. As different culturally as we are, I smiled at our similarities as wives "shopped" so to speak (although there was no charge) and husbands had items stacked upon them and faithfully marched to their sponsor's car to drop off the items before returning for another armful. Since then, one war ended (for the US anyway) and another one began as Russia invaded Ukraine, and once again, I asked you to pray and fast, as people scattered, with many seeking refuge from the storm in our communities.

The events over the last year are nothing new. Folks have and will continue to weave into the fabric of America. Take a walk through Walmart. Our communities now reflect the world. International Missions can now be done at home and abroad. Since the pandemic, I've had more refugees and immigrants at my house than guests. Most of the skilled laborers who come to my house to repair and/or build those

things that I can't (which is just about everything) speak predominantly Spanish and hail primarily from Central and South America. Since coming on board at Dover, I've met and/or worshipped with brothers & sisters-in-Christ from Africa, Myanmar, China, and Egypt. I've been in the same service with folks from both Russia and Ukraine, whose heart breaks and prayers cry out for peace. I've worshipped in our Dover churches with chiefs and tribes, whose native ancestors originally inhabited the land, and praised Jesus with those whose ancestors came to this land against their will.

One thing everyone has in common is need. In some cases, such as our refugee friends and those who our Dover churches minister to, the need is a helping hand i.e., food, clothing, shelter, medical care, etc. For others who may have made poor choices with their lives, the need might be

addiction counseling, pregnancy resources, help getting a job after incarceration, etc. For all of us, the greatest need is Jesus, His love, mercy, and guidance provided by His Holy Spirit. As Christians, we also need to be involved. We need

to lead by word, action, and attitude.

On Sunday, October 23rd, beginning at 3 pm, Hillcrest Baptist Church will host our Dover Annual Meeting. One thing that will be different this year is our Missions & Ministry fair which will feature our Watson Mission partners and other ministries. The idea is to get folks, all folks (pastors, staff, lay leaders and members) in to learn about the myriad of ministries and missions we can plug into locally, regionally, nationally, and abroad. In other words, opportunities to obey Jesus, who told his followers "YOU (emphasis mine) will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." I hope to see you there. God bless.



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Dover WMU News

Area I—Olive Riddell WMU Group Meeting

Tuesday, October 4 — 10:30 a.m.

Mount Olivet Baptist Church, 15583 Coatesville Road, Beavertown

Speaker: Terry Graham, "Little Dresses for Africa"

Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer

Monday, November 7 — 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Mechanicsville Baptist Church, 8016 Atlee Road, Mechanicsville

Legacy Men's Conference (for men & boys)

October 21-22, 2022 — Rosedale, VA

Sponsored by the WMU of Virginia

Join us for two days (Friday evening- Saturday lunch) on October 21-22 in Rosedale, Virginia at Rosedale Baptist for worship, bible study from Experiencing God speaker Richard Blackaby, and enriching breakouts for Men.

Visit www.wmu.org/legacy for more information and registration.

Pray For These

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

October 2: **Ridge Baptist Church**

Alan Ray, Senior Pastor; Robert Coffman,
Phyllis Coffman, Lindsay Ray, Robert Blaylock,
Deanna Janss, Neven Kalda

October 9: **Samaria Baptist Church**

Jay Hurley, Pastor; Donna Turner, David Adkins

October 16: **Second Liberty Baptist Church**

Sean Young, Pastor; Audrey Christian

October 23: **Shalom Baptist Church**

Mark Miller, Pastor; Dan McFaden, Jeffrey Farrier,
Jean Dart, Kelly Bittler

October 30: **Sharon Baptist Church**

James Sevon, Pastor; Lynn Uzel, Kristen Fisher,
Luke Fisher

Personnel Changes

- **Four Mile Creek Baptist Church** welcomed Tom Gaskins as their Interim Pastor on September 1.

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

Arabic Dover Hopewell New Highland
Corinth Four Mile Creek Mechanicsville Taylorsville

Dover Baptists Express Sympathy

...to the family of William Whitlock, who passed away on August 12. William was the husband of Frances Whitlock, who serves as the Ministry Assistant for **Parham Road Baptist Church**.

Congratulations

...to Stephen & Erika Kendrick upon the birth of their son, Jacob Daniel on September 18. Stephen serves as the Pastor of **Black Creek Baptist Church**.

North Run Baptist Church Celebrating 190 Years

October 8-9, North Run Baptist Church will celebrate their 190th anniversary. All are welcome to join in this special occasion. For more information, visit www.northrun.church or call (804) 266-3076.

Activities include:

Saturday, October 8 at 6pm there will be a concert. The Virginia Baptist Women's Chorale will be singing.
Sunday, October 9 the morning service will include some former pastors followed by a luncheon for all.

VCLA FALL CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2022

8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

IN-PERSON OR ONLINE (ZOOM)

Conference Information



Sponsored by:

Virginia Church Library Association

Conference Leader

Hope Ferguson
Church Librarians Network -
Church Library Ministry Specialist

Guest Author

Rev. Kathy Fogg Berry

Location

Dover Baptist Association
11006 Lakeridge Parkway
Ashland, VA 23005

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Drop Off Collection Centers



Dover Baptist Association

11006 Lakeridge Parkway, Ashland

Mon, Nov. 14: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Tue, Nov. 15: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Wed, Nov. 16: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Thu, Nov. 17: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Fri, Nov. 18: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Sat, Nov. 19: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Sun, Nov. 20: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Mon, Nov. 21: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Mount Vernon Baptist Church

11220 Nuckols Road, Glen Allen

Mon, Nov. 14: 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Tue, Nov. 15: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Wed, Nov. 16: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Thu, Nov. 17: 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Fri, Nov. 18: 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Sat, Nov. 19: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sun, Nov. 20: 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Mon, Nov. 21: 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

New Bethesda Baptist Church

9019 New Bethesda Road, Mechanicsville

Mon, Nov. 14: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

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If you are outside of Dover's area, you can check www.samaritanaspurse.org for additional Drop Off Collection Centers.



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

Carolyn Hollins Memorial Camper Scholarship

The Dover WMU is now accepting applications for the Carolyn Hollins Memorial Camper Scholarship for Crossroads Camp. The application deadline is Wednesday, March 1.

Visit www.doverbaptist.org/wmu to apply, or contact Beth Ward at (804) 262-3612 or Jessica Moore at (804) 787-4434 for more information.

Positions Available

Visit www.doverbaptist.org for all of the job openings.

Dover Baptist Church seeks a Youth & Children's Director (part-time). Visit www.doverbaptist.org/youth-childrens-director-job-description for more information and/or apply.

Glen Allen Baptist Church seeks a Youth Director (part-time). The candidate will guide the youth ministry through regular Bible study, missions, and fellowship events. The candidate will engage with students outside of programmed activities to build relationships and support faith development. For more information, visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs.

Hardy Central Baptist Church seeks an Administrative Assistant (part-time, 15 hours per week). Please send resumes or inquiries to pastor@hardycentral.church

Hillcrest Baptist Church seeks a Director of Music Ministry (part-time). For more information, visit www.hillcresthanover.org/director-of-music-job-opening.

Interested applicants please email your resume to hbcmusicsearch@gmail.com.

Hopeful Baptist Church seeks a Youth Minister (part-time). Visit 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.

Mount Olivet Baptist Church seeks a Youth Minister (part-time), and a Music Minister (part-time). For more information and/or apply, visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs.

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

New Highland Baptist Church seeks a Children's Minister (part-time). The purpose for this position is to develop and implement effective programs and activities from the ground up that will minister to families and children in the community and thereby expand other areas of the church. The programs should be age-appropriate, fun, relevant, and effective in instructing, training, nurturing and launching children into Christian service. For more information, visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs.

North Run Baptist Church seeks a Youth Minister (part-time). Visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs for more information and/or to apply.

Ridge Baptist Church seeks an Associate Pastor (full-time). For more information, visit www.ridgechurch.org [scroll to bottom of the page].

Shalom Baptist Church seeks a Family Minister (full-time). For more information and/or apply, visit www.shalombaptist.net/employment.

Taylorsville Baptist Church is prayerfully seeking a Pastor (full-time). For more information, visit www.taylorsvillebaptist.org/careers.

Walnut Grove Children's Learning Center has an opening for Support Staff position. This position will support the center with classroom duties as well as light administrative duties as needed. Please contact us at (804) 730-6324 or wgclc.office@gmail.com for an application.