DOVER DIARY Newsletter of Dover Baptist Association Vol. LI, No. 10 October 2025

242nd Annual Meeting of Members and Missions & Ministry Fair



New Highland Baptist Church October 26th | 3 to 5:30 p.m.

...plus visit our ministry fair booths for **a chance to win \$242!**





we announced something unprecedented. In a struggling economy with an uncertain future, you blessed our ministry & mission partners with record giving. More food insecure folks were fed and given drink. More homeless people were provided with shelter. Those sick and in prison were aided by our Christian jail, rehab, and medical ministry partners.

As the Executive Director of Missions for your Dover Baptist Association, I am grateful for your presents, i.e. those generous gifts.

At your Dover Baptist Association's Annual Meeting last October,

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"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Hebrews 10: 23-25 (NIV)

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This October 14 and 26, and in the coming year, Dover can be even greater with your presence—the eyes, ears and voice of your church, and the head, heart and hands of your association. At these key meetings, and beyond, you will help discern our budget and give feedback on new investments. You will nominate key leaders who direct Dover assets into funding our scholarships, new works, mission trip support and more. You will learn more about your association's newest ministry and mission initiatives and learn firsthand how our ministry partners and your churches can serve together. You will acquire essential information on preparing for aging, including how to effectively steward your and/or your loved one's finances to address the ever-increasing cost of long-term Christian care. Most importantly your prayerful participation will help protect our children and raise up new pastors, churches and church leaders through continuing education.

Your Dover Baptist Association is "Grateful for Your Presents" of financial support, but we are even "Greater with your Presence" and participation! Thank you for the privilege of serving your Dover Baptist Association. God Bless.

ARNOLD "WIN" DAVIS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

DBA Upcoming Events & Deadlines

Visit www.doverbaptist.org or call the Dover office at (804) 550-1980 for more information.

Weekly Pastor/Minister Support Group, Dover Office & Zoom. Mondays, 9:30 a.m., and Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. Weekly Women in Ministry Support Group, Dover Office & Google Meet, Thursdays, 1:15 p.m.

Oct 3&4 - Disaster Response Training, Mount Vernon BC

Oct 5 - 250th Anniversary - Sharon BC

Oct 6 - DWMU Council Meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Oct 7 - Central VA Raceway Ministries, 9-11 a.m.

Oct 13 - DWMU Culpepper Night Group, 7-8:30 p.m.

Oct 14 - Dover Executive Committee, 7-8:30 p.m.

Oct 20 - Prayer Council, 10-11:00 a.m.

Oct 26 - Annual Meeting of Members & Ministry Fair, 2:30-5:30 p.m.

LOOKING AHEAD:

To access our Dover calendar, please check out our website homepage:
www.doverbaptist.org

Nov 2 - Daylight Savings Time ends

Nov 4 - Central VA Raceway Ministries, 9-11 a.m.

Nov 11 - Veterans Day

Nov 27 - Thanksgiving

Mount Vernon
Baptist Church
Disaster Relief
Regional
Training
Register today
AT NO COST!

Oct 3 @ 6 pm and

Oct 4 @ 2:30 pm



https://impactmissionsmovement.org/disaster-response/training/

Executive Committee Meeting& AgeSmart Pre-session

Dover Baptist Association Office Tuesday, October 14th | 6:30/7 p.m.

Member Churches are allotted 3 voting representatives, but all are welcome to attend the quarterly Executive Meeting via Zoom or in-person. Please provide the names and email addresses of your church Executive Committee members to receive materials in advance to: dover.info@doverbaptist.org

A Pre-Session @ 6:30PM will include a special presentation from AgeSmart, a Baptist non-profit inprovative program that



profit innovative program that supports planning to age in place at home by ensuring you or your loved

one get the services needed — while protecting assets from rising long-term care costs.

Our presenter:
Brenda Davis,
Community Outreach Coordinator



Attention Church Leaders: Have you longed to disciple marriages well in your church?

Join The Virginia Marriage Initiative and FamilyLife for a 1-day Marriage Ministry Workshop for Leaders and Marriage Champion designed to help churches to develop or re-tool their strategy to disciple marriages. And bring/send any couples that may be part of your marriage team. REGISTER HERE or contact Keith Tully (keithevamarriages.org).

NOTE: This is **not** a marriage conference but designed for those in marriage ministry.



WAMO '25 UPDATE

2025 MISSIONS OFFERING GOAL \$45,000

The Leslie and Hazel Watson Annual Missions Offering (WAMO) supports ministries of local and international organizations.

doverbaptist.org/wamo

2025 DEADLINE: OCTOBER 31ST

River City Faith Network Centers are three ministries serving those in need:
Oregon Hill Baptist Center, Church Hill Christian Wellness Center, and South Richmond Baptist Center. The Metro-Richmond Centers are 2024 Watson grant recipients.

Pray For These

Our Dover Staff and all Dover churches:

October 5:

Samaria: Rev. Jay Hurley, Donna Turner

October 12:

Second Liberty: Rev. Sean T. Young, Audrey P. Christian, Eugene Williams, Pattie Christian, Yvonne Jones, Bernard Williams, Clarice Williams, Earl Roberts, Larry O. Christian, Larry D. Christian, Spotswood Johnson, Morvitz Johnson, Patricia Paige-Robinson, Barbara Manuel, Lisa Williams-Nash

October 19:

Shalom: Rev. Mark Miller, Jean Dart, Kathy Seay, Jeff Farrier, Kelly Bittler

October 26:

Sharon: Rev. Chad Brannan, Lisa Nault, Melissa Barber, Kristen Fisher, Lynn Uzel

Lift up a special prayer for these churches in transition:

Berea Beulah Hopewell

Pamunkey Indian Ridge Oak Hall



Annual Lottie Moon Christmas Tea Saturday, December 6th, 2 p.m. Living Hope/Grace Chinese Baptist Church of Richmond (Manakin-Sabot)

> Culpepper Night Group: Monday, October 13th 7-8:30 p.m. Dover Baptist Association Office

Kathleen Sanderson Culpepper Night Group Meeting will be hosted from 7-8:30 pm at the Dover Baptist Association Office. The North Run Baptist Church Mission Team to Japan as represented by Diamond Cotman and Beth Watson Ward will share about their experience as well as about group namesake Kathleen S. Culpepper and her family respectively.

ALMA HUNT OFFERING

for Virginia Missions



Named for Alma Hunt (1909–2008), a native Virginian whose leadership, compassion, and vision inspired mission work in more than 90 countries, the Alma Hunt Offering is a year-round opportunity for Virginia Baptists to join together, equipping leaders, sustaining ministries, and extending the love of Christ to neighbors near and

Our sincere condolences

...to the family and friends of Kenny Carter, a faithful worker for Central Virginia Raceway Ministries for many years, who passed away September 12, 2025. We especially extend our sympathy to his wife Helen and daughters Kimberly Carter and Debbie Rasmussen.

far. Together, our gifts make an eternal impact.



...to the family and friends of Ruth Lassiter Stewart, wife of the late Rev. Donald "Don" Stewart of Mechanicsville Baptist Church, who passed away July 29, 2025.

...to the family and friends of Pollyanna "Polly" Hodges Deck, 98, mother of Dover Baptist Association Clerk Juanita Deck and of Dover Baptist Church, who passed away September 17, 2025.



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Positions Available

Berea Baptist Church seeks a <u>Senior Pastor (Full-Time)</u>. For more information visit: https://www.doverbaptist.org/jobs/senior-pastor-

Berea Baptist Church seeks a Pianist and an Administrative Assistant, both Part-Time. For more information, e-mail resume to personnel@bereabaptistva.com

Broadus Memorial seeks a Youth Minister (part-time). Send resume to the Personnel Committee, 5351 Pole Green Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23116 or email to phil@broadusmbc.org. Resumes should be received by October 15, 2025.

Deep Run Child Development Center seeks <u>Teachers/Assistant Teachers (full- and part-time)</u>. If interested, please send resumes to: <u>admdrbc@gmail.com</u>

Dover Baptist Church seeks a <u>Pianist/Keyboardist (part-time)</u>. Send resumes to: <u>ministryassistant@doverbc.org</u>

Goochland Baptist Church seeks a <u>Custodian (part-time)</u>. For more info, email the Administrative Committee: <u>admin@goochlandchurch.org</u>

Mechanicsville Baptist Church seeks a Church Administrative Assistant. To apply: please send your resume and a brief cover letter to <u>office@mechanicsvillebaptist.org</u>

Mount Vernon Baptist Church is seeking an **Audio/Visual Tech (part-time)** and a **Facilities & Grounds person.** For more info and/or apply: https://mountvernon.church/careers/

Mount Vernon Baptist Church is seeking <u>Child Care Workers</u> (part-time). For more info and/or apply: https://mountvernon.church/careers/

Mt. Olivet Baptist Church is seeking a Full-Time Associate Pastor of Youth. Submit resumes to Alice@mtolivetbaptist.org; All questions about this position can be directed to Cindy Weston, Search Team Chair westoncindy87@gmail.com

North Run Baptist Church seeks a <u>Ministry Assistant (part-time)</u>. Send resumes to <u>personnel.northrun.church@gmail.com</u>

Northside Baptist Church seeks a Director for Senior Adult Ministry (part-time). Please send resumes to: Lauren Modlin, Northside Baptist Church, P.O. Box 2857, Mechanicsville, VA 23116

Oak Hall Baptist Church seeks a <u>Pianist (part-time)</u>. For more info and/or apply: <u>info@oakhallbc.org</u> or call 804-737-5812

Parham Road Baptist Church seeks a <u>Choir Director/Pianist</u> (part-time). Please send résumés to <u>churchofficeprbe@gmail.com</u> Attn: Elaine Lane.

Pioneer Baptist Church seeks a **Pianist (part-time)** Interested? Please email: office@pioneerbaptist.comcastbiz.net

Non-Dover Baptist Association Opportunities

Branch's Baptist Church is in search of an **Office/Worship Assistant**. For more info, call office at (804) 276-5000.

Camp Alkulana seeks <u>Camp Counselors (seasonal)</u>. Please see https://alkulana.org/

Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church Richmond is in search of a pianist/worship leader. For more info call Tom Williams at (804) 490-1071.

Richmond's First Baptist Church seeks a <u>Director of Stewardship and Development (full-time)</u>. Visit: <u>www.fbcrichmond.org/about/careers</u>

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church (Clarksburg, WV) seeks a <u>Pastor (full- or part-time</u>). Please submit a resume to https://mbcpastsearch@gmail.com.