# DOVER DIARY Newsletter of Dover Baptist Association Vol. LI, No. 8 August 2025

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Legendary college basketball coach, John Wooden is credited with saying, "If I'm through learning, I'm through." Wooden, also well respected for his devout Christian faith, was an avid reader of his Bible, which sat on his office desk. After an illustrious career, which included ten national championships, he co-authored a devotional (Coach Wooden's *Pyramid of Success: Building Blocks For A Better Life*) and continued to be a lifelong learner until his death at 99.

As pastors, church leaders, teachers, and members, it is important for each of us to be lifelong learners. This is especially important when it comes to being discipled. Every Christian should invest time and energy in being mentored and trained in the teachings of Jesus Christ, and knowledge of God's inerrant Word. For those of us privileged to be called into Christian leadership, it's also important to stay informed and abreast of continued opportunities for learning.

In August, the Dover Baptist Association will continue our support for pastors, church leaders, teachers, and members in their quest for lifelong learning. This includes continu-

ing theological education and degrees from accredited institutions. On August

14th at 10 a.m., Dover will host the webinar Remissioning Church: Growing Churches for the Flourishing of the Neighborhood. The webinar will be led by Rev. Dr. Josh Hayden, author of Remissioning Church: A Field Guide to Bringing a Congregation Back to Life, and Rev. Dr. Ken Pruitt, President of Leland Seminary. Dr. Hayden also serves as Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church Ashland (a Dover church).

In September, Dover will serve as a satellite campus for the Appalachian School of

Theology (AST). Classes will meet in the Dover Baptist Association conference room & via Zoom. AST classes offered this fall semester include Formation for Ministry and A Theology of Paul and His Letters. AST is a fully accredited theological institution and past recipient of Dover's New Work Grant. AST offers Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctorate degrees in

Theology. The Appalachian School of Theology would be a great next step if you or someone you know is pursuing a theology degree and/or considering professional ministry.

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Recently, the Dover Baptist Association hosted an open house and ice cream social for our Hepler and Fairmount Scholarship recipients and their families. Dover is helping support Christian students ranging from seniors in high school to senior citizens. We encourage everyone to be a faithful lifelong learner, because when you're through learning, you're through.

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.

Aug 2 - DWMU Spiritual Awareness – 6-7:30 p.m.

Aug 13 - CVRM cookie drop-off before 3 p.m.

Aug 15-16 - NASCAR Races @ Richmond Raceway

Aug 18 - DWMU Council Meeting – 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Sep 1 - LABOR DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

Oct 26 - Annual Meeting & Ministry Fair – 3-5:30 p.m.

### **LOOKING AHEAD:**

To access our Dover calendar, please check out our website homepage: <a href="https://www.doverbaptist.org">www.doverbaptist.org</a>

### **Pray For These**

#### **Our Dover Staff and all Dover churches:**

**August 3: North Run** - Dr. Adam Denny, Kerry M. Smith, Morgan Day, Noah Herritt, Diamond Cotman, Mindy Varner

**August 10: Northside** - Dr. Jeff Scott, Erick Schlaud, Debbie Scott, Amy Hunter, Jennifer Gray, Lauren Modlin, Crys Howk

August 17: Oak Hall - Eric Durden, Judy Pugliese, Clarence Grubbs

**August 24: Pamunkey Indian** - Ann Wallace, Arlean Wallace, Joyce Krigsvold

**August 31: Parham Road -** Kevin Branham, Josh Fletcher, Robin Kirkpatrick, Frances Whitlock

Lift up a special prayer for the following churches that are in transition:

Beulah Hopewell

**Pamunkey Indian** 

Ridge



# Dover Baptist Association's Annual Meeting and Missions & Ministry Fair

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

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4:30 - 5:15 PM: PRE-SESSIONS: MINISTRY TOOLKITS

5:15 - 6:05 PM: WELCOME & DINNER

6:15 - 8:00 PM: | 6:15 - 7:00 PM: SESSION 1 PASTOR SACRED SPACE | 7:10 - 7:55 PM: SESSION 2

8:00 - 8:15 PM: COMMUNION & CLOSING

## **NEWS FROM YOUR**



<u>Carolyn Hollins Camp Scholarships</u> are available to attend <u>Camp Crossroads in Amherst County</u>. Contact Beth Watson Ward at <u>wardbeth73@yahoo.com</u> to request a scholarship.

DO YOU/SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAVE A CALL TO PROFESSIONAL MINISTRY? WANT TO PURSUE A THEOLOGICAL DEGREE?



Consider Bachelor's or Graduate level class, **FORMATION FOR MINISTRY** beginning Sept. 4th, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Dover Office & via Zoom. Email Pastor Jeff Mills at pastorjmills@gmail.com for course info. Learn more about Appalachian School of Theology at www.astva.org



## **WAMO '25 UPDATE**



2025 MISSIONS OFFERING GOAL \$45,000

CURRENT GIVING: \_ **\$8,055.00** 

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

doverbaptist.org/wamo

2025 DEADLINE: OCTOBER 31ST

Tipi Wakan Church Ministry in Cannon Ball, ND focuses on meeting the needs of, serving, and bringing Christ to the Standing Rock Sioux people and is a 2024 Watson Missions grant recipient.





Looking to start or enhance your efforts to prepare individuals and families for mid-term and long-term missions and ministry? Join the IMB for Senders Summit September 15-17th.

Register by August 31st. Questions? Email info@imb.org or call (804) 353-0151. Event details: <a href="https://bit.ly/sendersummit">https://bit.ly/sendersummit</a>



Wish You Were Here Variety Show partners with Cure SMA. Upcoming Shows: Friday, December 5 @7PM (Christmas Show) and Saturday, February 28 @7 PM. Event Emcee Bryan Dupuis is the Cool Spring Baptist Church Mission & Discipleship Minister. For more: wishyouwereherelive.com



This is an easy act of service with a mega impact!

### **CHILD SAFETY INITIATIVE: NEXT STEPS**

Dover is committed to our children! Our churches have an exclusive member rate to join the Evangelical Council for Abuse Prevention (ECAP) in order to access resources and register at further discounted rates for fall and spring Dover church cohorts to refine your safety policy and procedures to protect from abuse. NOTE: For steps to join with discount or inquire about financial assistance for cohort, please email dover.info@doverbaptist.org.

	Non-Dover Rate	<b>Dover Rate</b>
ECAP Membership	\$399/year	\$260/year*
Cohort Registration	\$1600 for 2	\$800 for 2
Up to 2 Additional Cohort Registrants	+\$800 each	+\$400 each

\*For 2025, Dover churches receive a \$260 membership rate. For subsequent years, Dover churches will receive 20% off ECAP membership.



### CENTRAL VIRGINIA RACEWAY MINISTRIES

Sponsored by Dover, Middle District & River City Network

Ministry Service Opportunities Available
During NASCAR Race Weekend
Friday, August 15 and Saturday, August 16, 2025
Richmond Raceway | 800 EAST LABURNUM AVE

To learn more about this ministry and weekend plans
OR TO REPORT WHEN YOU WANT TO VOLUNTEER:
Call Charles Ward (804) 601-4463 OR email
INFO@VARACEWAYMINISTRIES.ORG

### Volunteers can sign up for a specific shift(s):

- Aug 14 Thursday: Load trailer at Dover Assoc. and take to RR. One SHIFT: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Aug 15 Friday: Kids CORNER and Main tent setup for RACE: HELP NEEDED FROM 9 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. & (Lost & Lonely)
- Aug 16 Saturday: Kids CORNER and Hospitality for the NASCAR Cup RACE: HELP NEEDED FROM 9 a.m. 7:00 p.m. (tear down site), & (Lost & Lonely)

#### ALSO NEEDED:

1,000s of Cookies! Drop off HOMEMADE ONLY cookies in 2-3 per ziplock-style bags with optional label saying "Compliments of \_\_\_\_\_\_ Baptist Church" at Dover Office (or River City Faith Network and Middle District Offices) by Wednesday, August 13th.



Dover Baptist Association PO Box 6128 Ashland, VA 23005 "A Resource Network for Baptist Churches since 1783"

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### **Positions Available**

Black Creek Baptist Church seeks a <u>Musical Accompanist (parttime)</u>. Interests, please email: <u>bliz0204@yahoo.com</u>

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

**Deep Run Child Development Center** seeks <u>Teachers/Assistant</u> <u>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>

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

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

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>churchofficeprbc@gmail.com</u> Attn: Elaine Lane.

Pioneer Baptist Church seeks a <u>Pianist (part-time)</u> Interests, please email: <u>office@pioneerbaptist.comcastbiz.net</u>

**Poplar Springs Baptist Church** seeks a <u>Children's Ministry</u> <u>Coordinator (part-time)</u>. Please submit resumes by August 3, 2025 to <u>mxbeck45@gmail.com</u> or call 804-677-9262.



### **Non-Dover Baptist Association Opportunities**

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

**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 <a href="https://mx.ncburg.ncbur

Gayton Baptist Church (Henrico, VA) seeks a <u>Facility Use</u> Coordinator (Part-Time), <u>Office Manager (Part-Time)</u>, <u>Piano Accompanist (Part-Time)</u>, and a <u>Church Administrator (Full-Time)</u>. Contact office@gayton.church for more info.