



# Dover Diary

## Newsletter of Dover Baptist Association

*"a resource and ally for churches and their leaders"*

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### Partnership Missions

Saturday, June 6, 2020  
Cannon Ball, North Dakota  
Tipi Wakan Ministries Community Day Event  
Tipi Wakan Ministries needs up to 25 people to help with this exciting opportunity. Volunteers are needed to help with games, preparing and serving meals, and whatever else needs to be done. There will be plenty of opportunities to love and connect with the families living in the Cannon Ball Community.  
For more information, please contact Alan Ray by calling (804) 288-5805 or email [partnership@doverbaptist.org](mailto:partnership@doverbaptist.org)

### Paper Shred & Cool Treats

Tuesday, June 16 from 1:00-3:00 p.m.  
Dover Baptist Association Office  
Bring up to 3 grocery bags of paper to shred.  
Enjoy a cool treat and hang-out with your friends.

### Dover Executive Director Search Committee Announcement

The Dover Search Committee meets regularly. Our first priority is to secure an Interim Executive Director for the Association. The committee has completed a position profile and compensation package to discuss with potential candidates during the interviewing process. Once the committee has found a potential candidate for the Interim Executive Director's position, the candidate, along with the position profile and compensation package will be presented to the Dover Executive Committee for approval.

The Search Committee is now ready to receive resumes for the position of Interim Executive Director. If you know of a potential candidate, resumes can be sent to [searchcommitteeDBA@gmail.com](mailto:searchcommitteeDBA@gmail.com).

Please continue to pray for the search committee, our Association and staff as we work together to find an Interim Executive Director and eventually our new Executive Director.

### CONTINGENCY PLAN

The April Executive Committee on April 14 will need to be held via Zoom (internet/phone conferencing) -- this Executive Committee will be necessary for a vote to reschedule the Semiannual Meeting to June 7, 2020.

Instructions will be sent to all Executive Committee members at least two weeks in advance. The meeting will take place by Zoom, but those who cannot participate via the internet may still do so by phone. Please do not hesitate to contact Sam Duenckel with any questions by calling (804) 550-1980 or email: [sam.duenckel@doverbaptist.org](mailto:sam.duenckel@doverbaptist.org). Thank you!

### Dover Baptist Association Semiannual Meeting

**\*\*Sunday, April 26, 3:00-5:00 p.m.\*\* (see Contingency Plan above)**

**Registration opens at 2:30 p.m.**

**Kentwood Heights Baptist Church, 2607 New Kent Highway, Quinton 23141**

Dover churches may send voting messengers to this meeting (see below). In addition to voting messengers, the Association invites any Dover Baptist and their guests to share in this inspiring meeting.

**Elect your Messengers!** Article 4 of Dover's Constitution states:

*Each member church shall be entitled to send two messengers to Annual, Semiannual and special Called Association Meetings. A church that contributes at least \$400 to the General Fund during the Association's previous fiscal year shall be entitled to have three (3) messengers. An additional messenger is added for each additional \$400 contribution to the General Fund up to a maximum of seven (7) messengers for any church.*

# CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATES & RESOURCES

Dear Dover Family,

Most of us could never imagine how quickly life can change, not just for ourselves, but literally across the world! What began in China in December, 2019, has literally touched nearly every corner of the globe by March, 2020. There has been a flood of emails, news briefings, and much more in recent days. We learned new vocabulary such as “social-distancing.” Many compare the coronavirus (COVID-19) to the Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918.

I wonder how Dover churches reacted in 1918 and the following years. Dover churches must currently adjust to a new normal. Many Dover churches are utilizing technology such as Facebook, YouTube, and Zoom. Many pastors are emailing devotionals on a regular basis. Most are exploring other ways to minister to their communities during this “new normal.” We can all help combat loneliness, already considered a major issue by the World Health Organization long before COVID-19, by checking on friends, neighbors, and family.

Don't forget about your neighbors! Public schools are asking for assistance with delivering meals to families. Senior Adults are isolated in retirement/nursing homes. Reach out to

them with a card or a phone call. How can you minister to your community?

Remember that you are not alone! By God's grace and strength, we will get through this!! If you need help with considering resources to record and distribute worship content, please let me know. If your church is struggling financially and needs some assistance, such as covering the cost of a one host plan with Zoom (or other platform), so that your small groups can meet or worship together, please let me know.

Dover now has a subscription with Zoom, and several of our scheduled meetings have been shifted to that platform. The Executive Committee on April 14 will meet via Zoom. Executive Committee members will receive instructions on how to join. The primary reasons for this meeting are to vote on the Hepler Scholarship recipient(s) and a contingency plan for the semiannual meeting if current restrictions are still in place by late April.

Below are some resources to help during this time. Remember we are all in this together, and God will get us through!

—Sam Duenckel

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## COVID-19 Updates & Resources

The following list is not an exhaustive list, but just a few recommendations. If you have other suggestions, please share them by email: [sam.duenckel@doverbaptist.org](mailto:sam.duenckel@doverbaptist.org). Thank you!

<https://bgav.org/church-resources-amid-covid-19/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/guidance-community-faith-organizations.html>

<http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/>

<https://www.churchlawandtax.com/web/2020/march/legal-considerations-coronavirus-church-gatherings.html>

<https://www.techsoup.org>

<https://churchmarketinguniversity.com/the-ultimate-coronavirus-guide-for-churches/>

<https://www.ubahouston.org/>

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/livestream-church-service-practical-guide>

## So Who are the Men In Ministry? I'm glad you asked...

They are a group of men from Dover churches who have been building wheelchair ramps for people in need for 35+ years. They use their talents to help people in need in our area. In 2019, they built 180 ramps!

Last year, Hanover County awarded Men in Ministry the Spirit of Volunteerism Award.

If you know of someone in our area that needs a ramp, call (804) 533-3046 and leave a detailed message, or email: [ramps@doverbaptist.org](mailto:ramps@doverbaptist.org)

### DWMU News

Dover WMU Annual Meeting  
POSTPONED until Fall 2020

## Pray For These

The leaders of **Tipi Wakan Ministries**, our **Dover Staff**, and in **Dover's churches**:

April 5: **Grace Chinese Baptist Church**

Carter Tan, Pastor; Ro Penaranda, Peter Li, Evelyn Yao

**Grace Community Baptist Church**

Chris Jones, Pastor; Paul Sheaffer, Kathleen Cantwell,

Steven Ryan, Brenda Burnett

April 12: **Gwathmey Baptist Church**

Bob Collins, Interim Pastor

April 19: **Hardy Central Baptist Church**

Sam King, Pastor; Martha Ligon, Mary Paul, Charles Long

April 26: **Hillcrest Baptist Church**

Clarke Hawkins, Pastor; Mary-Jane Smith, Debra Edwards

### Additional Prayer Concerns:

Coronavirus victims and those caring for them.

President Donald Trump and government leaders.

All church leaders as they work quickly to adjust to lead in a sudden age of "social distancing."

Teachers and school administrators as they adjust to meeting many new needs and norms.

Healthcare and food service workers (especially at restaurants and grocery stores)

Law enforcement and other first responders, especially for safety.



## Nonprofit Savings on Zoom Videoconferencing Plans

Is your organization switching to remote work in response to COVID-19? Stay connected with your colleagues using **videoconferencing solutions from Zoom**.

Chat and collaborate with coworkers, share your screen, and more. Get a 50 percent discount on select Zoom plans through TechSoup.

**\*\*If you need assistance applying for qualification with TechSoup, please contact Sam Duenckel by email [sam.duenckel@doverbaptist.org](mailto:sam.duenckel@doverbaptist.org) or call (804) 550-1980\*\***



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*vacant*, 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  
Jacquie Alleva, Office Assistant

## Positions Available

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

**Corinth Baptist Church** seeks an Administrative Secretary (part-time) for approximately 16 hours per week. The candidate must be a person of integrity, devoted to Christ above all else. Should be dedicated to the work of the ministry as a competent professional person who can manage his or her time wisely. Must be a high school graduate, and skilled at writing and editing, possessing proficiency in grammar usage and style. Must be proficient in Microsoft Office Suite.

Previous experience using Quick Books and Servant Keeper preferred, but not necessary. If interested, email resume and contact information to [office@corinthbaptist.us](mailto:office@corinthbaptist.us)

Please note ATTN: Personnel in the subject line.

**New Bethesda Baptist Church** has an exciting vacancy for a Minister of Music (part-time). This position will average 15-20 hours per week. Primary duties include planning, coordinating, promoting and evaluating the Music Program of New Bethesda. Interested applicants email their cover letter and resume to [personnel@newbethesda.org](mailto:personnel@newbethesda.org) or contact the church office at 804-779-2101.

**Pioneer Baptist Church** seeks a pastor (full-time) and a music director (part-time). For more information and/or apply, contact Steve Davis at (804) 318-1344 or email [Office@pioneerbaptist.comcastbiz.net](mailto:Office@pioneerbaptist.comcastbiz.net)

**Walnut Grove Baptist Church** seeks a Minister to Families (part-time). Responsibilities include: overseeing and leading in the development and implementation of comprehensive ministries for the children, youth and young adults. Visit [www.doverbaptist.org/minister-to-families-part-time](http://www.doverbaptist.org/minister-to-families-part-time), or call (804) 746-5081 for more information.

*From our neighbors:*

**The Caroline Detention Facility (CDF)** seeks a Facility Chaplain (full-time). The role of the Facility Chaplain is to plan, direct and supervise all aspects of the detainee religious program, including approval and training of both lay and clergy volunteers from faiths represented in the detainee population. For more information, visit [www.doverbaptist.org/facility-chaplain](http://www.doverbaptist.org/facility-chaplain)

**Oak Forest Baptist Church** in Chesterfield seeks a Director of Music (part-time). For more information and/or apply, visit [www.doverbaptist.org/director-of-music-part-time](http://www.doverbaptist.org/director-of-music-part-time)

## CHAPLAIN AND SPIRITUAL CARE TRAINING — **POSTPONED**

Due to concerns for the health of our chaplains and their families, the Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care Training Event has been postponed until June.

Visit [www.texasbaptists.org/events/2020-bgav-chaplain-and-spiritual-care-training](http://www.texasbaptists.org/events/2020-bgav-chaplain-and-spiritual-care-training) for more information.

## CVBM Raceway Ministries Race Weekend—**POSTPONED** **\*Please Do Not Send Cookies\***

Richmond Raceway and NASCAR have postponed the April 17-19, 2020 races. The rescheduled dates have not been determined.

## Dover Senior Adult Luncheon CANCELLED

Due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Health Concerns and Safety Precautions, the 2020 Dover Senior Adult Luncheon is cancelled.