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"a resource and ally for churches and their leaders"

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Upcoming Events

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

Weekly Pastors Support Group

Mondays, 9:30 a.m. or Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Dover WMU—World Day of Prayer

Tuesday, November 1, 10:30 a.m. to Noon
Mechanicsville Baptist Church

A/V Tech Support Group

Tuesday, November 2, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Zoom only. Contact Sam Duenckel to join.

Pastors Health Network - Book Discussion

"Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas" by: Adam Hamilton
Tuesday, November 16, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Dover Office & Zoom

Dover Youth Ministers Lunch Meeting

Thursday, December 2, Noon to 1 p.m.
Dover Conference Center

Annual Church Profile Update

The Annual Church Profiles (ACPs) are in the mail, or you can complete the form online. Questions? Please contact Sue Hall at the Dover office: sue.hall@doverbaptist.org or (804) 550-1980. Thank you!



Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Drop Off Collection Centers

Dover Baptist Association
11006 Lakeridge Parkway, Ashland

Mon, Nov. 15: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Fri, Nov. 19: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Tue, Nov. 16: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Sat, Nov. 20: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Wed, Nov. 17: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Sun, Nov. 21: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Thu, Nov. 18: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Mon, Nov. 22: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Mount Vernon Baptist Church
11220 Nuckols Road, Glen Allen

Mon, Nov. 15: 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Tue, Nov. 16: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Wed, Nov. 17: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Thu, Nov. 18: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Fri, Nov. 19: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Sat, Nov. 20: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Sun, Nov. 21: 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Mon, Nov. 22: 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

New Bethesda Baptist Church
9019 New Bethesda Road, Mechanicsville

Mon, Nov. 15: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Tue, Nov. 16: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Wed, Nov. 17: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Thu, Nov. 18: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Fri, Nov. 19: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Sat, Nov. 20: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Sun, Nov. 21: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Mon, Nov. 22: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Interest Meeting: Associational Mission Trip to Standing Rock Reservation

Dover Baptist Association is planning an association-wide mission trip to the Standing Rock Reservation next summer and hope you will join us! Dover partnered with Tipi Wakan Ministries for the last 5 years and several of our churches made an exploratory trip last summer. Maria Lynn will be leading an interest session for those who would like to know more about participating with a mission team in late June 2022.

We hope you will join us!

Please RSVP for one of the interest meetings by calling the Dover office at (804) 550-1980 or email: dover.info@doverbaptist.org

Please let us know if you plan to attend in-person or on Zoom.

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

Location: Dover Baptist Association office or Zoom

11006 Lakeridge Parkway Ashland, VA 23005

Meeting Option 1: 10 - 11 AM

Meeting Option 2: 6-7 PM

From Appreciation to Thanksgiving

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:3-6 NIV)

As I'm writing this blog, many Christian communities are concluding Pastor Appreciation Month. I'm not sure when or where, or by whom Pastor Appreciation Month was created. I can't seem to find it in the Bible, so I'm assuming Hallmark, or some Christian retailer or church who loved their pastor, or pastor whose love language was "receiving of gifts," put a bug in someone's ear. As a pastor, I loved Pastor Appreciation Month. For me, it was like Christmas when I was a little kid. I received both presents and cards. The main difference between my Christmas cards and appreciation cards, is that the latter often contained gift cards instead of the money I'd get over Christmas from my grandma or favorite aunt. Like Christmas, I also ate a lot more during Pastor Appreciation Month, because "If you bake it, I will come."

Now at the risk of reducing the potential for future favorite foods, snacks, goodies, gifts, and gift cards for my fellow pastors, I'll let you in on a little secret. The greatest joy a pastor gets during Pastor Appreciation Month and throughout the year, are the cards, notes, words of affirmation, encouragement, and prayers of the church they have been called to shepherd. Most pastors, at times, feel inadequate, given that their example is the Perfect Shepherd Jesus. Pastors often beat themselves up each time they feel they have let down even one church member or fall short with the often too high expectations they put upon themselves.

Every pastor I have ever met is thankful for their church

family and friends who support them. Their sentiments are akin to the words of the Apostle Paul, who wrote to the Philippian church, "I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

As we begin this next month of Thanksgiving, I want to thank you for supporting your pastor, and pastors, I want to thank you and your wonderful churches for supporting our Dover Baptist Association. Together, we can continue to help build the Kingdom, share the life changing Gospel of Jesus Christ, and serve those Jesus called "the least of these."

Thank you, all of you, for all you do! God bless

~Win Davis, Dover DOM

(As we transition from a month of appreciation to a month of thanksgiving, we also want to thank everyone who attended our Dover Baptist Association's 238th Annual Meeting as well as those who 'Zoomed' in. We recognized the hard work and contribution of several folks including Mrs. Sue Hall, who has faithfully served on our DBA staff for 40 years. Thank you "Miss Hall!" We also want to thank our many volunteers and servant leaders. We appreciate you and are thankful for your faithful service to our Savior, your churches, and our association. God bless.)

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 7



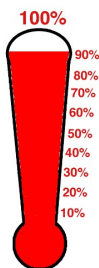
Pictured (left to right): Sue Hall and Ed Shepard

Leslie and Hazel Watson Association Missions Offering

Goal: \$30,000

Received as of
October 23: \$28,508.27

Thank You!!



The 2021 Watson Association Missions Offering closed on Friday, October 29. Any gifts received after this date are applied to the 2022 Offering. The final receipts and disbursement will be posted in the December 2021 Dover Diary. Thank you!

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

Pray For These

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

November 7: **Tabernacle of Praise Ministries International**

Joe Reeves, Pastor

Taylorsville Baptist Church

Melissa Haley, Interim Pastor; Debbie Taylor,
Betsy Hawkins

November 14: **Tree Ridge Community Church**

Brad Harris, Pastor; Craig Suiter

November 21: **Tsena Commocko Baptist Church**

Ed Preston, Pastor

November 28: **Walnut Grove Baptist Church**

Colby Whittaker, Pastor; Craig Simpson,
Jane Crawford, Mary Pollard,
Kristi Bowles, Pam Burris

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

Arabic

Beulah

Dover

Hopewell

Indian View

Mechanicsville

Mount Olivet

New Bethesda

Taylorsville

Western Hanover

Personnel Changes

- Lonnie Brawley concluded his service as Pastor of **Western Hanover Church** on October 10.

Dover Baptists Express Sympathy

...to the family of Jeremy Smith, who passed away on October 12. Jeremy served as pastor of Hopewell Baptist Church in New Kent.

Positions Available

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

Berea Baptist Church seeks a Children's Assistant (part-time). For more information for each of the positions, visit www.doverbaptist.org/category/jobs. To apply, email: personnel.berea@gmail.com with your resume.

The Child Care Center at Cool Spring Baptist Church is accepting applications for highly motivated, nurturing individuals interested in working in a positive environment while engaging and growing relationships with the children at our center! Available positions: lead teacher (full-time) for 2 ½-3-year-olds with generous benefits; cook (part-time) (8:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m.); Afternoon (2:30-6:00) lead teacher with elementary school children. Great starting pay and perfect resume builder for teachers! For more information, email childcarecenter@coolspring.org or call (804) 746-4179.

Hopeful Baptist Church seeks a Youth Minister (part-time). In partnership with their parents and families, the Youth Minister of Hopeful Baptist Church will lead the development of biblical content, activities, and plans for middle/high school students and college-age young adults. Visit www.doverbaptist.org/youth-minister-part-time-3 for more information and/or apply.

Mount Olivet Baptist Church seeks a Pastor (full-time). The candidate should have graduate theological training in an accredited seminary; five or more years of successful experience as Pastor of a Southern Baptist Church, or in a significant denominational

leadership position.

Visit www.doverbaptist.org/pastor-full-time-2 for more information and/or apply.

The Day School at New Highland Baptist Church, a licensed half-day preschool for children ages 2½ to 5, is seeking a Preschool Director (part-time). This position oversees the administration, education program, fiscal responsibilities and safety compliance for the preschool. The successful candidate should meet the requirements set forth by the Virginia Licensing Standard 22VAC40-185-190. Interested candidates, please send your resume and references to: New Highland Baptist Church, Attn: Preschool Committee, 9200 New Ashcake Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23116, or via email at dayschoolatnhbc@gmail.com.

Sharon Baptist Church seeks a music director (part-time). Responsibilities include playing piano for worship services, directing choirs, providing music for special events, etc. If interested please email your resume to jwhjuice@aol.com or mail to J. Hulbert 2399 Enfield Rd., Aylett, VA 23009.

Walnut Grove Baptist Church seeks a Minister to Families and Youth (part-time) to assist the pastor with supporting and innovating youth and children's ministries. Visit www.doverbaptist.org/category/jobs for more information.



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

Dover WMU News

World Day of Prayer

Monday, November 1—10:30 a.m. to Noon
Mechanicsville Baptist Church
8016 Atlee Road, Mechanicsville

Update on Recycling Challenge

Goal: 500+ pounds
Received as of October 18: 276.35 pounds
Visit www.doverbaptist.org/wmu for more details.

Dover WMU Annual Lottie Moon Christmas Tea

Sunday, December 5—2:00 p.m.
Berea Baptist Church
15421 Pouncey Tract Road, Rockville

Sign up by: November 21
Send an email to: wmumission@aol.com
subject: "WMU Christmas Tea"

Sunday School Teacher & Facilitator Training

Sunday, November 14—4 to 6 p.m.
Glen Allen Baptist Church, 3028 Mountain Rd., Glen Allen

Glen Allen Baptist Church is pleased to host Dr. David Cassady, President of Baptist Seminary of Kentucky, on **November 14, from 4-6 p.m.** Dr. Cassady will use his expertise in Christian education to highlight ways for laity to best facilitate adult faith formation classes like Sunday School or small group studies.

Dr. Cassady will be with us in-person. We will follow recommended Covid protocols for this session. If you are more comfortable participating via Zoom, we will make a link available after registration.

Please register here: <https://glenallenbaptist.org/training>

Glen Allen received a generous grant to fund this event allowing us to share this free training with other congregations. We hope to welcome your congregation leaders!

"Room in the Inn 2021" Moments of Hope Outreach Ministries (MoHope)

Christmas is quickly approaching and so is MoHope's annual Room in the Inn program! With the belief that no one should have to spend Christmas Eve and Christmas Night outside, MoHope's goal is to provide Room in the Inn packages to at least 100 unsheltered households. Given the number of unsheltered children we are seeing, this could impact 150 or so individuals.

Packages will include the following:

- One private motel room per household for Christmas Eve and Christmas Night
100 rooms (2 nights) @ \$90/night=\$18,000
- One fast food gift card per family member
150 gift cards @ \$20/card=\$1,200
- Four microwavable meals per family member
600 meals @ \$2/meal=\$1,200
- A warm MoHope hoodie for each family member
150 hoodies @ \$20/hoodie=\$2,000
- Two pairs of new socks for each family member
Donated by Bombas sock company!

For more information, visit www.momentsofhopeoutreach.org/room-in-the-inn

