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Celebrates 240 Years!

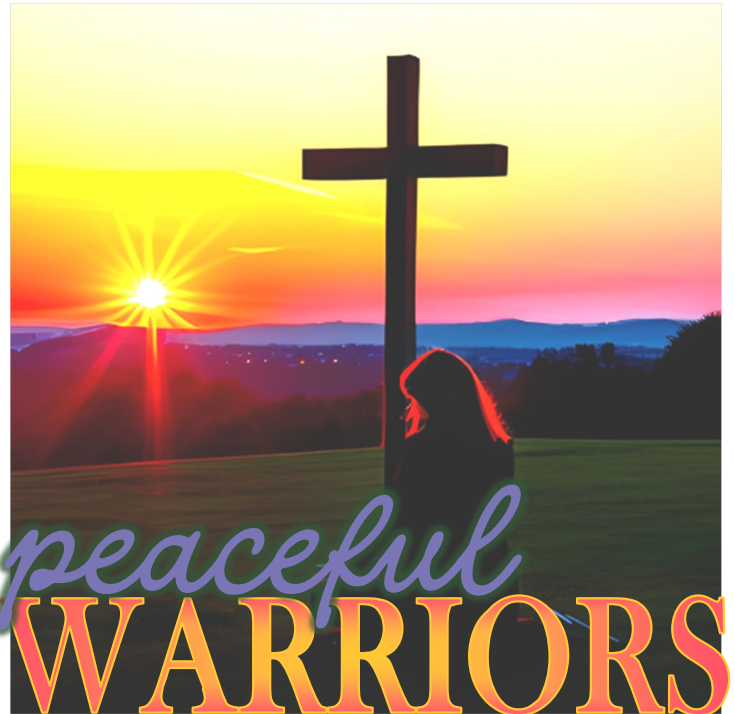
Make Plans Now to Celebrate The Dover Baptist Association's 240th Anniversary on Sunday afternoon October 22nd. More details to come!

New Bethesda Baptist Church II 9019 New Bethesda Rd, Mechanicsville, VA 23116

www.newbethesdabaptistchurch.org

“And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.” – Matthew 6:5-6

This past month I had the privilege of being invited into the inner circle of Dover's Prayer Council. There, a small group of ladies share a myriad of prayer requests that range from mission trips to members in hospice and health care. They celebrate service anniversaries of our current Dover pastors, and lament the death, disease, and other ravages of time upon our former Dover leaders and others. These prayer warrior women divide the plethora of petitions to be lifted in fervent prayer, and then boy, do they pray. For over two hours each petitions Jesus to hear their supplications and answer their pleas, all to the glory of God. Each pens anniversary cards with heartfelt encouragement to our Dover pastors, who are often under attack – sometimes from man, always from Satan.



they have also included me in their prayers. I leave them with one silent priestly prayer no one hears this side of Heaven.

“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. – 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18”

Each faithfully shows up at our Dover offices despite, at times, facing their own Goliaths. Each reflects the spirit of Matthew 6, verse 5 and 6, and thrives in the anonymity of our Dover makeshift “prayer closet” where they hunker down and get down to the business of praying. At the end of their session, I am given permission to pray specifically and fervently for each of them, their families and Dover churches. I feel my voice crack, still caught up in the emotion of their prayers. Each echoes my amen as I conclude. I walk them to the door, refreshed and renewed, for

May The Lord bless you and keep you. May He be gracious to you. May the Lord turn His face toward you Peaceful Warriors and give you peace! Amen and amen.

Director's note: If you have a specific prayer request you would like our Prayer Council to lift up in prayer, please send your confidential request to: Prayers@doverbaptist.org.

— A. Win Davis, Executive Director

2023 Watson Association Missions Offering (WAMO)

The Leslie & Hazel Watson Association Missions Offering supports the ministries of local and international organizations. *None* of the funds contributed to this offering go towards the Dover General Operating Budget! The Leslie & Hazel Watson Offering is named in memory of an amazing couple who were strongly dedicated to God and His Missions. The Watsons were long-time Dover Baptists as well as missionaries serving in Japan among other areas across the globe.

For Grant Application Guidelines and the 2023 WAMO Prayer Guide, please visit:

www.doverbaptist.org/resources/wamo



DBA August Events & Deadlines

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

Weekly Minister Support Group, Dover Office
Mondays, 9:30 a.m. or Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Ministry Assistants Luncheon, Dover Office
Tuesday, August 8, 11:30 a.m.

Spiritual Enrichment Event, North Run BC
Thursday, August 17, 6 p.m. Dinner, 7 p.m. Meeting

Financial Accounting Class, Dover Office
Thursday, August 24, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School Director Meeting, Dover Office
Monday, August 28, 7:00 p.m.

LOOKING AHEAD...

Dover Council, Dover Office
Tuesday, September 13, 1:00 p.m.

Leadership Development Conference, Shalom BC
Monday, September 18, 5:15 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

2023 WAMO Grant Application Info

Purpose: fund missions and charitable work outside of Dover's budgeted expenses, calling attention to missions and charitable work in and beyond the communities served by Dover churches, intended to benefit work that complements, rather than duplicates, the work of Dover and its churches in keeping with our biblical values.

Who May Apply: A Dover church that contributes to the association's General Budget may apply on behalf of a tax-exempt ministry or organization that provides services in keeping with our biblical values to a people group in the community that church serves.

For further Application Requirements and Process, please see details in our Dover Weekly New Blast or at the clickable link on the left.

Leadership Development Conference



"...and love your neighbor as yourself." Mark 12:31

Monday, September 18, 2023
www.baptistleaders.org

Shalom Baptist Church
8116 Walnut Grove Rd
Mechanicsville, VA

Tentative Schedule:

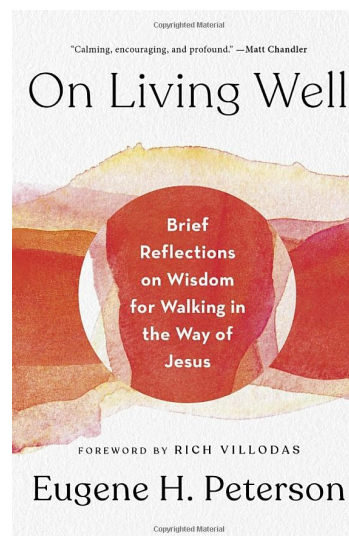
5:15—6:15 p.m. Dinner
6:30—7:30 p.m. 1st Breakout Session
7:30—8:30 p.m. 2nd Breakout Session

\$15

TEN featured speakers and leaders!

Early Bird Rate until Sep. 4

Pastor Health Network: August



Our August Meeting will be Wednesday 16th, brown bag it for lunch. This will follow the Pastor Support Group Meeting which begins at 10:30 a.m. Our August Book *On Living Well: Brief Reflections on Wisdom for Walking in the Way of Jesus* by Eugene H. Peterson.

Please get your own books and turn in the receipt to Dover for a partial reimbursement.

Hope to see you there,
Greg Soult
bowtiepastor@gmail.com

Pray For These

The leaders of Famaden Memorial Institute, our Dover Staff, and all Dover's churches:

August 6 North Run
Adam Denny (Senior Pastor)
Kerry Smith, Morgan Day,
Noah Herritt, Mindy Varner,
Diamond Cotman, Tammy Salyers

August 13 Northside
Jeff Scott (Senior Pastor)
Nancy Schneider, Jennifer Gray,
Debbie Scott, Crys Howk,
Lauren Modlin

August 20 Oak Hall
Eric Durden (Senior Pastor)
Agnes Loyall, Judy Pugliese

August 27 Pamunkey Indian
Without a Pastor
Joyce Krigsvold

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

Arabic	Indian View	Sharon
Corinth	Mechanicsville	Taylorsville
Four Mile Creek	Pamunkey Indian	Hopewell

Dover Expresses Our Sympathy

Our love and sympathy is extended to Kathryn Garner and family in the death of her husband, **Rev Michael Garner** of Denton, TX on July 8, 2023. Mike served as Pastor at **Dover Baptist Church** from 2007-2012 and as the **Director of Dover Baptist Association's Partnership Mission Council**.

Personnel Changes

Welcome...

Rev. Dr. Mac Jordan as pastor at **Poplar Springs Baptist Church**, whose first Sunday will be August 27th

Mark Simpson as Associate Pastor of Discipleship and Youth at **Mt. Olivet Baptist Church**

Rev. David Wade as Associate Pastor of Family Ministries at **Northside Baptist Church**



CELEBRATING 250 YEARS!

Dover Baptist Church

Community Revival

AMAZING GUEST SPEAKERS
AND AWESOME WORSHIP

VALARIE CARTER
D. JONATHAN LOTS
LT. COL. CHARLES REYNOLDS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3RD, 7:00 PM
FRIDAY, AUGUST 4TH, 7:00 PM
SATURDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 7:00PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 6TH, 11 AM

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DOVERBC.ORG

**Sylvia's
Sisters
Needs
You!**



**Sylvia's
Sisters**

**Thursday, September 21, 2023 from 10a.m.-Noon
Dover Baptist Association Office**

Dover will host a packing event for Sylvia's Sisters and is in need of volunteers. All items will be supplied – we just need people to pack!

Sylvia's Sisters is a local mission that provides quality period products to ladies, so they can thrive at home, school, and work without the added stress of healthfully managing their menstrual cycle every month. Even here in the US, a lack of period products can keep women and girls from going to work and school worry-free. There is currently no federal aid program which can be used to purchase period products. A 2021 study by U by Kotex shows that two in five people have struggled to buy these necessary items. (<https://sylviassisters.org>)

To register for the event:

Call Dover Office – 804-550-1980

Email – dover.info@doverbaptist.org



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Ashland, VA 23005

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Positions Available

Visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs for all openings or click hyperlinks below in electronic newsletter.

Dover Baptist Church seeks a Youth & Children's Director (part-time) for ages 10-18. Interests may send résumés to: laurajbwright@gmail.com

Ferry Farm Baptist (Fredericksburg) seeks a Children & Youth Pastor. Interests may send cover letters and résumés to: cyfpastor-search@ferryfarmbc.org

First Baptist Church, Richmond seeks a Payroll/Accounts Payable Coordinator (full-time). For more details, visit www.fbcrichmond.org/about/careers

First Baptist Church, West Point seeks an Office Manager (part-time). Hours are 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. Must possess computer skills to include Publisher, Word, etc. Interested applicants should contact office@fbcwestpoint.org.

Four Mile Creek Baptist Church seeks a Music Coordinator (part-time), and a Pastor (full-time). Interests may send résumés to: ChurchAdmin@FMCBaptist.com

Gravel Hill Baptist Church of Richmond seeks a Church Pianist/Keyboardist (part-time). Interests may send résumés to: kcyj.gravelhill@gmail.com.

Hillcrest Baptist Church seeks a Director of Music Ministry (part-time). Interests may send résumés to: hbcmusicsearch@gmail.com.

Hopeful Baptist Church seeks an Assistant Pastor (full-time). Interests inquire: HBC.assistantpastorsearch@gmail.com

Hunton Baptist Church seeks a Church Ministry Assistant (part-time). Interests may send résumés to: office@huntonbc.org

Little Elam Baptist Church seeks a Financial Secretary (part-time). Interests may call (804) 433-8688.

Mechanicsville Baptist Church seeks a Senior Pastor (full-time). Interests may send résumés to: searchteam.mbc@gmail.com

Mount Olivet Baptist Church seeks a Music Minister (part-time). Visit www.mtolivetbaptist.org

Mount Vernon Baptist Church is seeking Child Care Workers. For more information and/or apply, visit www.mvbcnow.org/jobs

New Highland Baptist Church seeks a Children's Ministry Director (part-time). Interests may send résumés to rjparrett@gmail.com with subject "Children's Ministry Director."

NHBC is also seeking a Preschool Director (part-time) for their Day School. Interests may send résumés and references to dayschoolatnhbc@gmail.com.

Samaria Baptist Church seeks a Sunday and event A/V Technician (part-time). Call 804-829-2280 for more info.

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

WMU News

*The **Woman's Missionary Union (WMU)**, founded in 1888 as an auxiliary of the Southern Baptist Convention, is the world's largest Protestant women's missions organization.*

Spiritual Enrichment Event

Thursday, August 17 | Dinner is at 6:00 p.m. and the guest speaker at 7:00 p.m. | North Run Baptist Church, 2100 Lydell Dr, Richmond, VA 23228

Reservations are required for the dinner by August 7. Participants should pay upon your arrival to NRBC \$8.00 per person. For groups, please make one check from each church. All reserved spots need to be paid even if not attending. Please make checks payable to NRBC. To register for dinner, call Beth Ward at 804-709-8395.

Week of Prayer for State Missions & Alma Hunt Offering

September 3 - 10 | a video will be available to show your church via the WMUV.org website

SAVE THE DATES:

- October 7, Saturday: 1 p.m. DWMU Council meeting at home of Beth W. Ward
- October 9 or 16, Monday: 7 p.m., Kathleen Sanderson Culpepper Group gathering, location TBA
- October 14, Saturday: BWA World Day of Prayer event, time/location TBA
- October 17, Tuesday: 10:30am Area 1 meeting at Dover B.C.
- December 2, Saturday: 2-4 p.m., Lottie Moon Christmas Tea at Cool Spring B.C. Registration by deadline November 24th. Special speaker is an IMB missionary couple.

All are welcome to WMU events: women, men, and children!