

Dover Diary

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Dover Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, May 21 — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Antioch Baptist Church

3868 Antioch Church Road, Sandston

Entertainment: Hanover Harmony

Hanover Harmony is a Christian men's choir formed in January 2017. They are a community choir in the Ashland/Hanover area, with members from many churches. For more information, visit www.hanoverharmony.com

Menu:

BBQ, coleslaw, or grilled chicken, green beans, tossed salad, rolls, variety of desserts, coffee, tea, water, and more!

Cost: \$9.00

Make reservations by Monday, May 13.

Call the Dover office at (804) 550-1980 or e-mail dover.info@doverbaptist.org

If your church comes as a group, please have one person collect the money, register, and pay for the group at the door.

Dover Office Closed

The Dover Office will be closed on Monday, May 27 for Memorial Day.

2019 Leslie and Hazel Watson Offering for Dover Baptist Association Missions

Offering Goal: \$35,000

Ministry to Our Baptist Community

Inner City Ministry

\$3,000

Share ministry costs of Oregon Hill Baptist Center, Church Hill Wellness Center, and South Richmond Baptist Center to help meet spiritual and physical needs of some of the poorest inner city residents.

Tipi Wakan Ministries Partnership

\$5,000

Help fund ministry projects or positions in partnership with Tipi Wakan Ministries

Ministry to Ministers and Their Families

\$1,500

Help pay for needs of Dover ministers and their families (e.g., counseling, unexpected bills, etc.)

Raceway Ministries

\$500

Share the costs of providing Gospel witness and ministry at Richmond Raceway

Partnership Missions

\$1,200

Share the costs of partnership mission trips to encourage more Dover Baptists to participate.

Base Goal: \$11,200

Ministry to Our Faith Community

Christian Leadership Development

\$1.800

Help educate and develop Christians in the areas of developing future Christian leaders, minister to refugees and immigrants God has placed across the communities we serve, and learning to reconcile our differences.

Jail Ministries \$1,000

Contribute to ministries that help people find true freedom in Christ

Medical Ministries

\$2,000

Contribute to ministries that help provide healthcare for underprivileged persons

Pregnancy Resource Center Ministry

\$1,000

Help educate and minister to women and men facing difficult decisions regarding pregnancy and family planning.

Faith Goal: \$17,000

Ministry to Our Greater Community

Community, Benevolent, Housing, and Other Ministry Grants \$18,000

Grants that help local cooperative ministries serve the communities served by Dover churches and that supplement current recipient ministries or support additional ministries

Hallelujah Goal: \$35,000

LOCAL NEW KENT CHURCHES START "THE FIX" MINISTRY TO COMBAT OPIOID EPIDEMIC

In 2018, Sheriff Joe McLaughlin of New Kent County, VA, invited leaders from local churches to attend a meeting at his office to address the county's opioid epidemic.

Different county agencies were represented: Fire and Rescue, EMS, Education, the Sheriff's Office, and the Henrico Jail East -Henrico Sheriff's Office staff. Each leader described specific ways substance abuse was affecting their departments. After hearing from county leaders, the Sheriff concluded, "I believe these people who are abusing substances need Jesus. So I have invited the Church to the table to help us."

The degree to which the county was being impacted by substance abuse was a surprise to many, including myself. I was also surprised that an elected official would speak so openly about Christ and acknowledge the potential impact of the church to help.

As I began to pray, I felt that God had just given me a summons. To quote Esther, I believed I was there for "such a time as this."

The people who were gathered in that room at the Sheriff's department divided into two groups. Some volunteered to help work with teens and children to help prevent substance abuse problems. Others of us volunteered to work with those who already have addictions.

My church, Corinth Baptist, agreed to work with two other churches, New Covenant Community Church and Journey Christian Fellowship, to help those who have drug addictions.

Fred and Casey Weymouth were instrumental in leading our group. Both Fred and Casey are recovering addicts who acknowledge that God saved them spiritually and helped them recover from addiction. Already working with those fighting addiction, they were constantly getting calls from families with teenagers, asking them for support.

They felt that starting a substance abuse recovery facility was an important step. Leaders at Corinth had been looking toward involvement in a ministry called New Life For Youth, a faith-based substance abuse recovery facility in Richmond. Inspired by their work with addicts and facing the reality that most treatment facilities were at maximum capacity already, we decided that we needed to begin a local facility of our own.

We formed a leadership team with the Weymouths and decided to open The Fix Ministry. Fred best explains the meaning of the name, "Nothing worked for me until I found Jesus. He's The Fix!"

Since we felt God leading us to open this facility, the Lord has blessed us with a 3,000-square-foot house on 25 acres in King William County. We formed a board of directors, which I now chair. We have incorporated and are waiting for our 501(c)(3). The government shutdown unfortunately delayed this process.

Currently, eight men are living in the house, under the supervision of the Weymouths, who live onsite, and Jason Swezey, who is a recovering addict and veteran worker in faith-based treatment facilities.

Our program is based on other faith-based programs that boast an 80% success rate for those who complete the ninemonth program. We are hopeful that this ministry will make a difference in the lives of recovering addicts and believe that God will continue the work he has started in the county.

—Ben Caldwell, Pastor Corinth Baptist Church

Dover Baptists Express Sympathy

...to the family of Harry Campbell Rush who passed away on March 25. Harry was the father of Jackie Horst, Children's Ministry/Church Administrator at Four Mile Creek Baptist Church.

...to the family of Joan Stalls who passed away on April 14. Joan was the wife of Ken Stalls, former Interim of Pastoral Care at **Mount Vernon Baptist Church** and previous Interim Pastor for **Goochland Baptist Church**.

Personnel Changes

Emmaus Baptist Church welcomed Michael Poole as their Interim Pastor on April 1, and Heather Torrence as their Administrative Assistant on March 12.

Hardy Central Baptist Church welcomed Martha Ligon as their Church Secretary on April 9.

Deep Run Baptist Church welcomed Nicole Flournoy as the Director of the Child Development Center on April 2.

Dover WMU Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 9, 2019 Four Mile Creek Baptist Church 2950 New Market Road Henrico, Virginia 23231

4:00 & 7:00 p.m. Sessions Guest Speaker: Ruth Graham (Daughter of Rev. Billy Graham)

Both sessions are the same program.

Dinner is at 5:30 p.m. Dinner is sold out, we apologize for the inconvenience.

Visit www.doverbaptist.org/wmu for more information.

Men In Ministry Nominated for Hanover's Spirit of Volunteerism Award

Dover's Men in Ministry are nominated for the 2019 Hanover Spirit of Volunteerism Award - Spirit of Team category. The awards ceremony is on Tuesday, May 14 at 7 p.m. -Hanover High School.

The Men in Ministry have built over 1,500 wheel chair ramps for people in need throughout Central Virginia for 35+ years.

Pray For These

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

May 5: Hopeful Baptist Church

Leroy Davis, Pastor; Charles Waldrop, Cathy Waldrop, Sean Fabling, Connie Cover

Prayer: May God pour out His Spirit on the church and revitalize our passion and commitment to glorifying Him. May God open doors to homes in our community.

Praise: Thank God for the opportunity to bless families in our community with home repairs and roof installations. Thank God for an amazing WMU Day. Thank God for keeping Hopeful faithful to Him since 1807.

May 5: Hopewell Baptist Church

Jeremy Smith, Pastor; Rhonda Boggs, Beverly Foreman

Prayer: Pray for God's clear will and God moving as we revitalize our outreach to our community.

Praise: God is blessing us as we seek to move into our beautiful new auditorium, shortly. Between His blessings and our faithful giving we are meeting financial goals quickly.

May 12: Hunton Baptist Church

Frank Goare, Pastor; Eric Fulcher, Drew Nagy, Cheryl Douglas-Walker, Bruce Swartz, June Eanes, Cathy Truslow, Vi White

Prayer: Pray for Bernie and Kitty Willis, Ann James and other members of the Willis and James and Nicolette families in the tragic deaths of their daughter (and granddaughter) and son (and grandson), Holly and AJ Nicolette on Monday, April 1st.

Praise: Our Associate Pastor, Eric Fulcher's ordination to the Gospel Ministry on Sunday, April 28.

May 19: Indian View Baptist Church

Joshua Lewis, Interim Pastor; Carol Lewis

Prayer: Please pray for our continual revitalization as a church community. Specifically however, we are praying for our worship team to expand to enhance our attendees encounter with God through the gift of music and song.

Praise: Sunday average attendance has nearly doubled in the past 16 months from 22 to 40! Our congregation is in the process of remodeling our worship and classroom spaces, and are developing and implementing ministries that are community oriented.

May 26: Kentwood Heights Baptist Church

Dave Smith, Pastor; Mike Bailey, Lori Taylor, Jenne Bickett

Prayer: We will be more intentional about sharing the gospel.

Praise: We are getting consistent feedback from guests about how friendly the Kentwood family is.

Positions Available

Visit www.doverbaptist.org/tag/church-jobs for all of the job openings.

Hunton Baptist Church seeks a part-time

Children's Ministry Director. Visit

www.doverbaptist.org/tag/church-jobs for more information, or call (804) 266-0100.

Mount Olivet Baptist Church seeks a part-time

Children's Minister (20 hours per week). Visit the church

website: www.mtolivetbaptist.org for more

information or call (804) 883-5950.

Mount Olivet Baptist Church seeks a part-time Youth

<u>Minister</u>. For more information, email youth.minister.search@mtolivetbaptist.org

New Bethesda Baptist Church seeks a part-time

Nursery Coordinator. For more information and/ or

apply please email resume and references to

personnel@newbethesda.org

New Bethesda Baptist Church seeks a part-time

<u>Nursery Worker</u> with experience in caring for children between the ages of birth to 5 year olds during worship time. For more information and/or apply, please email personnel@newbethesda.org The Day School at New Highland Baptist Church

seeks a Preschool Director. This 20-hour/week position oversees the administration, education program, fiscal responsibilities and safety compliance for the preschool. The successful candidate is a mature Christian who actively serves in a local church, has a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education or the equivalent experience, and meets all requirements and qualifications set forth by the Virginia Department of Social Services' Licensing Standards. Interested candidates please send resume and references via e-mail to Joan Purdy of the NHBC Preschool Committee at richarda.purdy@comcast.net

Walnut Grove Children's Learning Center is hiring for the following positions: <u>Pre-school Teachers and Teacher Assistants - Full and Part-time</u>.

Email: office@wgclc.com or call (804) 730-6324 for an application.

Westhunt Baptist Church seeks <u>part-time Music</u> <u>Minister</u>. For more information, please email resume and references to personnel@westhunt.com



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Bob Dale, Intentional Interim Director of Missions Rose Mary Stewart, Intentional Interim 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, (Temporary) Office Assistant

HEAR DOVER'S EXCITING MISSIONS' STORIES! DOVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, May 5, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Registration opens at 2:30 p.m.

Westhunt Baptist Church, 3801 West End Drive, Henrico

Dover churches may send voting messengers to this meeting (see below). In addition to voting messengers, the Association invites all Dover Baptists 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.

Notice

The Church Directory and Book of Report materials will not be printed for distribution at the Semi-annual and Annual meetings, respectively. These materials will be available online.

1-DAY SEMINARY ON TUESDAY, MAY 14 RESERVE YOUR MEALS & MATERIALS NOW

May 14 is the date of Dover's first 1-Day Seminary for pastoral leaders, featuring 3 classes and 2 meals, including an evening session focused more toward lay leaders. Join us at Dover's Conference Center.

- 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Biblical Studies: "Throwing Curves for the Kingdom of God: Jesus' Parables for Our 2020 World" with Scott Spencer formerly with BTSR. Lunch is included.
- 2-5 p.m., Leadership Studies: "Naming the Distortion(s) of Love: A Brief Introduction for Leaders to the 7 Deadly Sins" with Bob Kruschwitz from Baylor University. Dinner is also included.
- 6-7:30 p.m., Congregational Enrichment: "Cultivating Prayer as a Church-Wide Lifestyle" with Mark Miller, pastor at Dover's own Shalom Baptist Church. The audience for this part of the day is tailored for lay leaders as well as pastors.

A minimal fee of \$95 covers the cost for all 3 sessions (including lunch and dinner). A reduced fee of \$20 covers the cost for the evening session only.

Call the Dover office (804) 550-1980 or email dover.info@doverbaptist.org to RSVP by Thursday, May 9.