

Dover Diary

Newsletter of Dover Baptist Association "a resource and ally for churches and their leaders"

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Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Drop Off Collection Centers

Dover Baptist Association 11006 Lakeridge Parkway, Ashland

Mon, Nov. 14: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Tue, Nov. 15: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Wed, Nov. 16: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Thu, Nov. 17: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Fri, Nov. 18: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Sat, Nov. 19: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Sun, Nov. 20: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Mon, Nov. 21: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Mount Vernon Baptist Church 11220 Nuckols Road, Glen Allen

Mon, Nov. 14: 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Tue, Nov. 15: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Wed, Nov. 16: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Thu, Nov. 17: 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Fri, Nov. 18: 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Sat, Nov. 19: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sun, Nov. 20: 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Mon, Nov. 21: 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

New Bethesda Baptist Church

9019 New Bethesda Road, Mechanicsville

Mon, Nov. 14: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Tue, Nov. 15: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Wed, Nov. 16: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Thu, Nov. 17: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Fri, Nov. 18: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sat, Nov. 19: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Sun, Nov. 20: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Mon, Nov. 21: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

If you are outside of Dover's area, you can check www.samaritanspurse.org for additional Drop Off Collection Centers.

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 6



Leslie and Hazel Watson Association Missions Offering

Goal: \$28,500

Received as of October 20: \$34,038,78

Thank You!!

Carolyn Hollins Memorial Camper Scholarship

The Dover WMU is now accepting applications for the Carolyn Hollins Memorial Camper Scholarship for Crossroads Camp. The application deadline is Wednesday, March 1.

Visit www.doverbaptist.org/wmu to apply, or contact Beth Ward at (804) 262-3612 or Jessica Moore at (804) 787-4434 for more information.

SHIELD Program: A Local Resource for Church Security

The Hanover County Sheriff's Office has a wonderful resource in the SHIELD Program -- providing timely information regarding scams and other threats that may endanger our communities.

Dover Baptist Association has been a proud member of Hanover's SHIELD program for several years, and since Dover's churches are in 7 counties near Richmond (not just in Hanover) -- ALL are welcome to join the SHIELD Program. Visit www.hanoversheriff.com/362/HCSO-SHIELD -Program for more information.

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen. (Ephesians 3: 20-21)

"God Can" (An Inspired Blog)

by: Win Davis, Dover DoM

As I conclude my "rookie year" as the Executive Director of Missions for our Dover Baptist Association, I find myself both celebrating the successes of many of our churches, and yet, ceaselessly praying for our congregations who are struggling or mourning or needing a pastor to fill their vacancies and shepherd their flocks. During our recent Executive Committee Meeting leading into our 2022 Annual Meeting, I reported on a few of the celebrations I recently attended at our churches, some, who have faithfully served God for over a century or even two. We rejoiced for one of our churches, who was on the brink of closure 5 years ago, and yet prayerfully followed the leading of the Holy Spirit to open a clothes closet. The result, a ministry that made front page news as they regularly clothe hundreds of people on any given Saturday. As a family of churches, we not only celebrated with them, but voted unanimously to provide the funds to build two additional storage units on church grounds to store the over-abundance of clothes that are regularly donated.

Conversely, one of the individuals I'm praying for is the young widow of one of our pastors who passed a year ago in October and was the first pastoral visit I made in my new position as a pastor to pastors. This young woman also

recently announced that she is battling cancer, and yet through her blog and social media posts, she continues to praise her Savior amidst the crashing waves of adversity that comprise her storms of life. She recently unveiled a theme accompanied by a beautifully designed graphic. It simply expresses what we all know, but if we're honest, occasionally question amid our own storms - "God Can!"

In the days, weeks, months, and years ahead, there are and will continue to be successes, but also storms that will test the resolve of our churches, pastors, and association, physically, financially, emotionally, and spiritually. As I stated during my opening observations last year (and in my very first Dover blog), my intent is to continually encourage and help facilitate regular prayer (and fasting for those so led) in the hope that God will hear our hearts, give us direction, and that our Dover Baptist Association churches, communities and all lives we influence, will see and experience that Dover Cares. During these days in which we are still reeling from the effects of a global pandemic, a divisive spirit amidst many of our leaders, and a current economic crisis for many, it's more important than ever, to remember, recall, and rejoice in the fact that "God Can!"

Pray For These

The leaders of Famaden Memorial Institute, our Dover Staff, Karen Mills (former Clerk), and in Dover's churches:

November 6: Tabernacle of Praise Ministries International

Joe Reeves, Pastor

Taylorsville Baptist Church

Melissa Miller-Haley, Interim Pastor; Debbie Taylor, Betsy Hawkins

November 13: Tree Ridge Community Church

Brad Harris, Pastor; Craig Suiter

November 20: Tsena Commocko Baptist Church

Ed Preston, Pastor

November 27: Walnut Grove Baptist Church

Colby Whittaker, Pastor; Craig Simpson, Jeremy Meads, Mary Pollard, Eric Schlaud,

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 Four Mile Creek Mechanicsville Taylorsville

Corinth Hopewell New Highland

Dover Baptists Express Sympathy

...to the family of Don Fields, who passed away on October 1. Don was a Trustee for **Dover Baptist** Association from 1985-2020, and was a member of Ashland, First Baptist Church.

Personnel Changes

- Mount Vernon Baptist Church welcomed Gary Robertson as their Associate Pastor for Missions and Evangelism on October 23.
- Dover Baptist Church welcomed Hardin Crowder as their Pastor on October 16.
- Hopewell Baptist Church welcomed Rusty Mullins as their Interim Pastor on October 16.
- Jane Crawford retired as the Minister of Music for Walnut Grove Baptist Church on October 2.

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!

Positions Available

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

Atlee Church seeks a Children's Ministries Director (full-time). The role of this director is to provide a place where children will want to come so they will learn, grow and develop in their faith. For more information, visit www.atleechurch.org/employment.

Corinth Baptist Church seeks an Administrative Secretary (part-time). For more details, visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs.

Dover Baptist Church seeks a Youth & Children's Director (part-time). Visit www.doverbaptist.org/youth-childrens-director-job-description for more information and/or apply.

Four Mile Creek Baptist Church seeks a Music Coordinator (part-time). Visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs for more information and or apply.

Glen Allen Baptist Church seeks a Youth Director (parttime). The candidate will guide the youth ministry through regular Bible study, missions, and fellowship events. The candidate will engage with students outside of programmed activities to build relationships and support faith development. For more information, visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs.

Hardy Central Baptist Church seeks an Administrative Assistant (part-time, 15 hours per week). Please send resumes or inquiries to pastor@hardycentral.church

Hillcrest Baptist Church seeks a Director of Music Ministry (part-time). For more information, visit www.hillcresthanover.org/director-of-music-job-opening. Interested applicants please email your resume to hbemusicsearch@gmail.com.

Hopeful Baptist Church seeks a <u>Youth Minister</u> (part-time). For more information, visit www.doverbaptist.org/youth-minister-part-time-3.

Mount Olivet Baptist Church seeks a <u>Youth Minister</u> (part-time), and a <u>Music Minister</u> (part-time). For more information and/or apply, visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs.

Mount Vernon Baptist Church seeks a <u>Children's Ministry Assistant (part-time)</u> and a <u>Ministry Assistant for Pastoral Care and Memorial Park (full-time)</u>. For more information and/or apply, visit www.mvbcnow/jobs

New Highland Baptist Church seeks a Children's Minister (part-time). The purpose for this position is to develop and implement effective programs and activities from the ground up that will minister to families and children in the community and thereby expand other areas of the church. The programs should be age-appropriate, fun, relevant, and effective in instructing, training, nurturing and launching children into Christian service. For more information, visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs.

North Run Baptist Church seeks a <u>Youth Minister</u> (<u>part-time</u>). Visit www.doverbaptist.org/jobs for more information and/or to apply.

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

Walnut Grove Children's Learning Center has an opening for <u>Support Staff</u> position. This position will support the center with classroom duties as well as light administrative duties as needed. Please contact us at (804) 730-6324 or wgclc.office@gmail.com for an application.

Dover Ministers and Leaders Enjoy Camp Crossroads with the Dover WMU

What a beautiful day that God blessed us with for the Outing on Oct. 6 at Crossroads with Pastors and leaders. Some took time to get up on the big Swing, Archery, hiking and some even played a little basketball in the gym. Got some spicy chili, corn bread, salad and cookie to fill our stomach. Got to see the bench (from recycling challenge), Ukrop Hotel, gym, cabin and the Happiness House. No one wanted to take a swim, but we got to see God's beautiful surroundings. Big Thank you to Colosse Church for loaning us a van and driver and thanks everyone that took the time to spend with us. Thanks, Crossroads (Sara and Team) for making the outing fun.







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Dover WMU News

Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer

Monday, November 7 — 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Mechanicsville Baptist Church, 8016 Atlee Road, Mechanicsville

Dover WMU Annual Lottie Moon Christmas Tea Saturday, December 3—2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Colosse Baptist Church, 23945 King William Road, West Point

Broadus Memorial Baptist Church Ramp Ministry

Our ramp ministry is made up a group of volunteers who work together to provide aluminum ramps for families that need them in the greater Richmond area. Dan Johnson is the point of contact for anyone who needs a ramp for short term like surgery recovery or long term for relatives who will need them for a long time at absolutely no cost to the home owner. You can contact Dan at (804) 244- 0480. We then repair/recycle the ramp parts for use in the next home on our list. Thank you for your support!

Mission Trip: Operation Christmas Child Processing Center

Join Cool Spring Baptist Church as they travel to Boone, NC, to serve in the Operation Christmas Child processing center on December 8-11. Be a part of this exciting ministry opportunity as, together, we help to process thousands of shoeboxes for boys and girls waiting to hear the gospel.

Please pray about being involved in this next phase of helping to prepare shoeboxes for international shipment to children all over the world. If you have any questions, please call Pastor Glen at 804-789-5534 or Linda McNally at 804-789-5509. For more information and to register, visit www.doverbaptist.org/occ-boone.