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This year has started off wide-open at WBC. There are lots of great things happening I believe that we are on the edge of greatness and God has got great things in store for us. Our teams have been meeting and working diligently on their assignments; the property team has done great work on the building itself, growth in Sunday School, and our youth group is on a spiritual high.

I am so excited about God's work that I can hardly write this article. Probably the best thing that I can say is keep listening to God's calling and not only will our church be on the edge of greatness, but our community can also be on the edge of greatness. We have an adult that we will be licensing to preach the gospel and several youth and children to baptize in the coming days. As you can see we serve an AWESOME God and I get to serve in an awesome church. Jesus told His disciples that the harvest is plentiful but the laborers were few. Pray for more laborers. We still need workers for our Lord.

In His service,



*Rev. James Denton*

**Take The Name of Jesus With You  
1870  
Baptist Hymnal page 576**

Lydia Baxter  
(1809-1874)

William H. Doane  
(1809-1915)

Lydia Baxter was born in Petersburg, New York on Sept. 2, 1809. She and her sister found the Lord as their personal savior when they were young girls. Her parents were Baptist Home Missionaries. As they grew older, they were dedicated to doing the work of the Lord, and started a church in a village where they lived. For the rest of their lives, they were active in the work of their Lord.

After Lydia married Colonel John C. Baxter, they moved to New York City where she lived the remainder of her life. She led her husband to

**WYTHE VEGAS SHOOTOUT**

**Saturday, February 18, 2012**

**Location:** Numerous Wytheville Locations

**Description:** February 18-19, 2012. 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament. For more information, please contact Barry Catron at 228.2030. There will be 60 Teams participating in the event! This is a great way to help promote Wythe County and the town of Wytheville with our fabulous restaurants, hotels, shopping, etc.!

**Phone:** 276.228.2030

**Email:** [bcatron@coldwellbanker.com](mailto:bcatron@coldwellbanker.com)

**FREE GED CLASSES**

**Thursday, February 23, 2012**

**Location:** Wythe County

**Phone:** For more information call 1.800.322.7748

**FIRST THURSDAYS WITH HISTORY**

**Thursday, March 1, 2012**

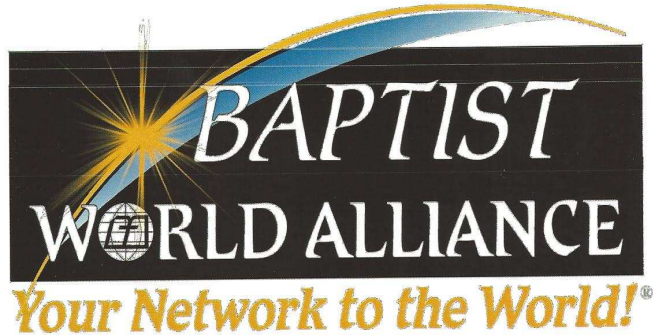
**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Heritage Preservation Center

**Address:** 115 West Spiller Street, Wytheville

**Description:** The Town of Wytheville Department of Museums proudly presents the ninth season of the First Thursdays with History Performance Series. For ages 12 and up. Tickets: \$5 per person. Frank Emerson Performing professionally since 1972, Frank Emerson has had nine record albums produced, which reviewers have characterized variously as "eclectic", "highly entertaining", and "this CD seldom leaves my player". Although a good amount of his material is in the Irish mould, he also embraces Scottish, Canadian, American, Australian and even British cultures. He is co-author of a collaborative anthology of short stories, CLEAN CABBAGE IN THE BUCKET And Other Tales From the Irish Music Trenches, detailing reminiscences of the past nearly 40 years on the Irish music scene. Dublin is a long time past, and he has resided in the States for a considerable length of time. Since 1986, Frank has made his home in Wytheville.

**Phone:** 223-3330



You are invited to a  
very special night  
of fellowship  
at the

## Window on the World Banquet 2012

Date: SATURDAY EVENING  
MARCH 3, 2012  
Time: 7:00 pm

Sheraton National Hotel Ballroom  
Arlington, Virginia

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Email: [bwa@bwanet.org](mailto:bwa@bwanet.org)

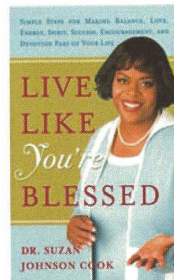
Special Music  
Testimony by Pete Stickl  
Baptists around the world report

Tickets: \$75 per person  
Purchase by Feb. 19 deadline  
[www.bwanet.org](http://www.bwanet.org)

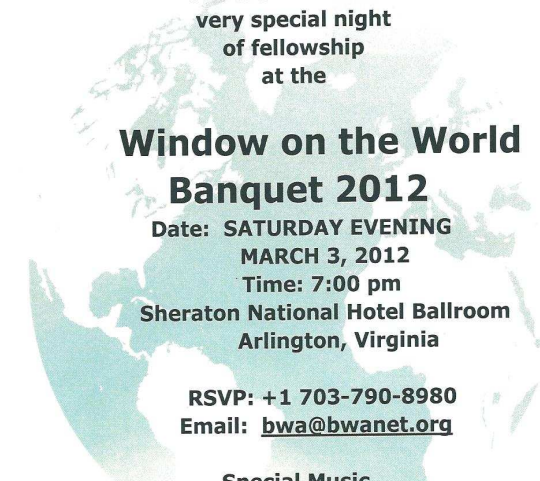
Baptist World Alliance  
405 N. Washington Street  
Falls Church, VA 22046  
USA



Sheraton National Hotel Ballroom  
900 S. Orme Street  
Arlington, Virginia



**Our Keynote Speaker:**  
Hon. Suzan Johnson Cook,  
U.S. Ambassador at Large for  
Religious Freedom, author,  
Baptist minister, founder of  
Bronx Christian Fellowship  
Baptist Church, and formerly  
chaplain to the New York  
Police Department.



If you would like a map and directions to the Sheraton National Hotel or a reservation form, please stop by the church office.

the Lord early in their marriage. Lydia's life was not without its problems of pain and suffering. She was often bed ridden with pain and at times it was so severe that she would be confined to her room for days at a time. However, her many friends came to see her and found comfort from one whom they came to comfort.

"What is the secret of your sunny disposition, and spirit?" her friends would ask. He reply was, 'I have the name of Jesus, and when the tempter comes to try to make me despondent, and depressed because of my pain, I breathe the name of Jesus as my special protection from temptation. I breathe the name of Jesus and the tempter can't get through anymore. When I am in so much pain and wonder if I will ever get a good night's sleep again, I take the name of Jesus, and ask Him to give me the soothing balm of His presence. After I pray, Jesus touches me, and I drift off to sleep. The very name of Jesus means savior, and when I remember that He is my savior, the pain I suffer is in His hand, and I can overcome any foe."

Lydia knew many famous evangelists and hymn writers of her day and they were often guests at the Baxter home. It was a delight for one and all to converse with Lydia because of her knowledge of the Bible, and particularly her firm faith in the power of her savior and His power to save from sin and temptation and give comfort to all those who believed.

Her outlook on life, although her body was tormented with pain, was to call upon Jesus and find strength for today and hope for tomorrow. Her testimony was so encouraging that we should read and concentrate on it. "When my journey is completed and I meet Him face to face, there will be no more pain, no more tears, no more sorrow for Jesus; Himself will be our strength and joy. We shall see Him, and shall be satisfied. What a day of rejoicing that will be."

Lydia wrote this hymn, "Take the Name of Jesus With You," from her sick bed four years before her death in 1864 at the age of sixty-five. The hymn was set to music by the great composer, William H. Doane, and soon became well known throughout all Christian churches. The Rev. Dwight L. Moody and Ira Sankey used this hymn in their great revivals in England.

*104 of My Favorite Hymn Stories*  
By Warren Shiver

*Sara Wingard*  
Minister of Music



**CHILDREN'S GROUPS** (Weekly Worship and Activities ages 3 to Grade 6)**Sundays:**

- 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Praise Service  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

**Wednesdays:**

- 5:30 p.m. Sonshine Singers (Preschool—6 Grade)  
 6:00 p.m. Church wide Dinner  
 6:45 p.m. Team Kids-in-Action Mission Group (Grades 4-6);  
 Mission Friends (age 3-3 Grade)

**HIGHER GROUND (Grades 7-12)****Sundays:**

- 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Praise Service  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
 6:30 p.m. Higher Ground Youth Group

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**ATTENTION HIGHER GROUND:**

We have a new Bible study drawing from the movie *The Grace Card*. This movie tackles the topics of prejudice, loss, and grief and relates to how everything can change in an instant and take a lifetime to unravel. When Mac McDonald loses his son in an accident, the ensuing 17 years of bitterness and pain erodes his love for his family and leaves him angry with God and just about everyone else. Mac's rage stonewalls his career in the police department and makes for a combustible situation when he's partnered with Sam Wright, a rising star on the force who happens to be a part-time pastor and a loving family man. This earnest evangelical drama draws inspiration from the Bible verse Hebrews 4:16—"We will find grace to help us when we need it." We only have three sessions left of this awesome study, so make plans to join us every Sunday night in the youth room from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.



The youth are making plans to go roller skating in February. Watch your bulletins and your Higher Ground page on Facebook for date, time, and place.

**OUR PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

Our Property Committee goes quietly about the job of keeping our building repaired and seeing that any thing pertaining to WBC property is taken care of. They are called on when there is any kind of a leak in the building, a plumbing issue, an electrical issue, when cement needs to be poured, when the insurance policy needs to be examined, when windows need to be caulked, and the list goes on and on. These men and women never say no, they sacrificially step up and get the job done.

Please say a big thank you to the Property Committee and let them know how much we appreciate all the time and effort they have put in to keep the WBC property the best it can be.

Guy Sutphin—Chairperson  
 Chris Bracknell  
 Glenna Trner  
 Betty Robinette  
 Lee Montgomery  
 Jenny Stoker

**BGAV SCHOLARSHIPS AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUNDS**

Through Cooperative Missions offerings, the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV) provides scholarships and ministerial education funds for eligible Virginia Baptist students who need aid in financing their education. BGAV Scholarships and Ministerial Education Funds can help students earn an undergraduate degree, pursue undergraduate or graduate education in preparation for vocational ministry, or access training and continuing education opportunities.

**Online Scholarship Applications**

The BGAV Scholarships and Ministerial Education Funds Committee oversees these funds and makes the following awards to Virginia Baptist Students who meet all established criteria:

BGAV Academy Scholarships  
 Achievement Scholarships  
 Ministerial Educational Funds  
 Nontraditional Ministry Educational Scholarships

**Please Note**

Applications are currently being accepted  
 for the 2012–2013 academic year.

For more information log onto: <http://www.vbmb.org/Services/Scholarship/>

**SOUP AND THE WORD GATHERING**

Our Easter celebration is quickly approaching. Our first gathering of Soup and the Word will be Tuesday, February 28, at Wytheville Presbyterian Church beginning at 12 noon. Doris Terry is usually in charge of gathering food when WBC hosts Soup and the Word; however, at that time she will be undergoing knee surgery and will not be able to help. She requests that anyone willing to make sandwiches or cookies for the WBC hosted Soup and the Word please contact Linda Sutphin as soon as possible.

**WHAT IS SOUP AND THE WORD**

Soup and the Word was a ministry of love organized by a group of people, one being the late Rev. Michael Wingard who was on the original board, and is a gathering with our brothers and sisters in Christ in breaking bread and celebrating the Easter season together. We have six Tuesdays leading up to Easter, and Christians from all over our town and surrounding areas gather at either Wytheville Presbyterian, St. Paul’s Methodist, or Wytheville Baptist Church to share a hot bowl of soup, a sandwich, and a devotion reminding us of the glory of this wonderful season. We meet at 12 noon to accommodate people’s lunch hour and have a wonderful time of fellowship. The schedule this year is as follows:



- February 29—Wytheville Presbyterian Church
- March 6—St. Paul United Methodist Church
- March 13—Wytheville Baptist Church
- March 20—Wytheville Presbyterian Church
- March 27 —St. Paul United Methodist Church
- April 3—Wytheville Baptist Church

*Make plans to join us as we prepare ourselves for the Resurrection Celebration of our Lord!*

**FEBRUARY 2012 BEACON ARTICLES**

*All March Beacon Articles and announcements need to be in the office no later than Thursday, February 16. Thank you for your help in this matter.*



We're on our way to Resurrection 2012



We've arrived at Gatlinburg for our Youth Retreat.

We stayed in a beautiful cabin.



It's time to praise the Lord, worship Him, and pray together.



Time to reflect and be together.



There were five youth from our group that “RAN” to the altar to accept Christ as their Savior and one youth who received Christ over a simulcast of this event; plus one of our adults rededicated their life to Christ. What an awesome experience! The youth are working toward the goal of taking 50 to Resurrection 2013. **PRAISE THE LORD!!**

### KATHRYN ISAACS AND MABEL CRABTREE CIRCLE

The Kathryn Isaacs and Mabel Crabtree Circle will meet on Monday, February 6, 7 p.m. in Williams Fellowship Hall. Norma Jean Wolford will serve as hostess and Betty Robinette will present the program The Mission Action projects for February are college cards and transient coupons. Please join us for fellowship and ministry for all women of WBC.



There will be "Focus on W.M.U." during Worship Services on Sunday, February 19. Look for more information on "Week of Prayer for North American Missions" for March 4 - 11.

WMU functions as a missions organization believing that missions is the telling, communicating, and acting of God's love as expressed in Christ to the people of the world in need that they may, through the words and ministries of those sent, find hope in Christ. WMU has been incorporated as an autonomous Virginia Baptist entity since 1935. Its mission is to challenge the whole church family to live out the biblical concept of radical Christianity and lead individuals to be dynamic, relevant, caring witnesses connecting to a needy world.

Sunday, February 19, is WMU Sunday. Linda Lively will bring a short informational presentation during the 8:30 a.m. service; and Nancy Herndon and Betty Robinette will speak during the 11 a.m. service. Come celebrate with us as we recognize the women of our church as they serve and minister to many.

### NEW BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDY ON JAMES

Beth Moore has published a new Bible Study entitled "James: Mercy Triumphs". This study began on January 29 and will continue for seven more sessions. Linda Lively and Cathy Valley are leading this in-depth women's study on the book of James. James, the brother of Jesus, was a skeptic until one glimpse of the risen Savior turned an unbeliever into a disciple. Bible scholars compare James to the prophet Amos. In other ways, James is more like the book of Proverbs than any other New Testament book. Topics in this study include joy, hardship, faith, reversal of fortunes for rich and poor, wisdom, gifts from above, single-mindedness, dangers of the tongue, humility and prayer. Sessions include discussions and video. Workbooks are available for \$15.



*There is still time to join us for this wonderful opportunity to be in the Word.*

### CARRINGTON PLACE WORSHIP

February 4 and 18—2:30 p.m. in Unit B Lounge

Please join us as we lead worship with these wonderful folks who are unable to attend worship at their home church. We meet in the Unit B Lounge at 2 p.m. to visit our church members who live there and invite them to join us for worship, which begins at 2:30 p.m. You will be blessed as we endeavor to share the Lord's blessings with others.

### AGAPE FOOD PANTRY

Please bring Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti Noodles, and Peanut Butter for the months of February and March to help feed those in need in our community. Please, no glass containers.

WBC considers it a privilege to help the Agape Food Pantry distribute food on the second Saturday of every month beginning at 10 a.m. and the fourth Thursday of each month beginning at 12 p.m. If you would like to be part of this vital ministry, please contact Chris and Rhonda Bracknell or Guy and Linda Sutphin.

### CHILDREN'S CLOTHES CLOSET

The WBC Children's Clothes Closet has an abundance of good clothes to give to any child in need. These clothes are free. We always have new families that utilize this ministry. If you have any new or gently used children's winter clothes, shoes, new underwear, t-shirts, or socks, please bring them to the clothes closet down stairs next to the nursery. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please earmark your check "Children's Clothes Closet" and place it in the offering plate. The Children's Clothes Closet will be open Thursday, February 23, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

### DON'T FORGET OUR BENEVOLENCE OFFERING

The purpose of the Benevolence offering—to help others in need. Last month our offering helped with the following needs:

- You helped one family with their electric bill.
- You helped provide a motel room for four people.
- You helped provide four families with gas for their cars.
- You helped pay a water bill for a mother and her small son.

*It is truly amazing how God takes a little bit of money and stretches it when you use it to help others.*

The first Sunday of this month, February 5, we will receive an offering at the doors as you depart the 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Service and the 11 a.m. Worship Service. We ask that you once again give from the heart. This offering is never hoarded up or put in a savings account but always used to help others for the glory of God.

*Thank you for giving from the heart.*



## RELIGIOUS HERALD

It's time to renew your subscription or become a new subscriber.

### *A Basic Orientation*

**History** The *Religious Herald* is the journal of the Baptist General Association of Virginia. It is published by the Religious Herald Publishing Association, Incorporated, a nonprofit corporation which operates under a charter issued in 1950 by the Corporation Commission of Virginia.

Established in 1828 and privately owned and operated until 1950, as were most state denominational journals, the *Religious Herald* apparently is the oldest religious publication in America to have been published continuously under the same name and from the same city.

The first two editors served for a total of only five years. Since 1833, there have been only eight editors: William Sands, 1833-1865; Jeremiah Bell Jeter, 1865-1880; Alfred E. Dickinson, 1880-1906; Robert H. Pitt, 1906-1937; Reuben E. Alley, 1937-1970; Julian H. Pentecost, 1970-1992; Michael J. Clingenpeel, 1992-2004; and current editor James E. White.

**Purpose** In the *Religious Herald's* masthead each week our purpose is clearly stated: "The mission of the *Religious Herald* is to inform, interpret, and inspire in the context of the witness and work of the Baptist General Association of Virginia. Trustees of the paper ensure unrestricted editorial freedom."

Twenty-four trustees hold the Religious Herald in trust for the Baptist General Association of Virginia. Each trustee nominee is submitted for approval to the BGAV in annual session by the Committee on Boards and Committees with subsequent election by Herald trustees. All trustees are active members of Virginia Baptist churches.

**WBC orders by the Group Rate, which is \$13.50 per subscriber. Renewal letters will be sent to subscribers that have a standing order. Anyone who has never subscribed, but would like to receive this magazine, please contact the church office between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. You may also place your payment in the secure mail box outside the church office door. Please make your check payable to WBC and earmark it "Religious Herald". All payments are due by Saturday, February 22, 2012.**

*No other resource can connect you to these important issues and events the way the Religious Herald does!!!*

To find more information go to [www.religiousherald.org](http://www.religiousherald.org)

## YOUNG-AT-HEART

The Young at Heart will meet Tuesday, February 21, at 12 noon in Williams Fellowship Hall. Bring a sandwich; drinks and dessert will be furnished.

## BAPTIST MEN ON MISSION

Every third Sunday of each month the men of our church meet in the fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m. for Baptist Men on Mission. The men have a time of devotions, fellowship, refreshments, and planning for mission projects. Our next regular meeting will be Sunday, February 19.

### Who are Baptist Men On Mission?

Baptist Men On Mission (BMEN) are the men of the church taking seriously God's call to be the husbands, fathers, mentors and churchmen who He has charged them to be. Being a godly man is the foundation to being part of the Baptist Men On Mission, because a godly man will be a godly husband, a godly father, and a godly mentor.

The BMEN mission statement guides Baptist Men On Mission.

*My mission as a Baptist Man On Mission is to:*

- Worship God with all my life.
- Obey Christ by serving others through my church.
- Resolve to build relationships that strengthen my family and my church.
- Keep my commitment to join other men in God's mission.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING FOR TEACHERS AND THEIR HELPERS

Our Sunday School Director has called a meeting for all teachers, co-teachers, substitute teachers, and their helpers for Monday, February 13, at 7 p.m. Please make a special effort to attend this meeting.

Wytheville Baptist Church is committed to fostering spiritual growth by creating small group communities we call Sunday School. Sunday School is not only a place to get to know what we believe but a place to build friendships that will encourage us throughout life. The focus of Sunday School can be boiled down to three tasks: **Reaching, Teaching, and Ministering.**

**Reaching**—our community for Christ and church membership

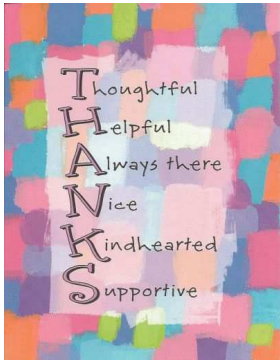
**Teaching**—teaching God's Word

**Ministering**—to people's needs within the church and serving locally, regionally, and globally through missions.

If you are not currently involved in one of our Sunday School classes, we encourage you to become a part of a group at **Wytheville Baptist Church** as we grow as disciples together.



# Thank You



On the bulletin board outside the church office you will find this card. It was lovingly sent by the youth to the church body. The message reads:

Wytheville Baptist,  
Thank you for all you do to support our youth group.

Higher Ground

It has been signed by the youth of our church.

Please continue to pray for, love on, and support our youth as they grow in the Lord.

Dear Church Family and Deacons:

Thank you for the beautiful and delicious fruit basket that George and Wanda delivered to my home during Christmas. I appreciated the fruit and enjoyed the visit immensely.

Nancy Herndon

Dear Church Family:

Thank you for my nice Christmas Fruit Basket. I have enjoyed the delicious fruit.

Margaret Moore

Dear Church Family and Deacons,

Thank you very much for my wonderful fruit basket. I enjoyed this gift very much. How blessed I am to have such a caring and loving church family.

Henrietta Price

Dear Deacons and Church Family,

I received such a wonderful surprise with a beautiful fruit basket from the church. Your thoughtfulness will be remembered always.

Madeline Catron

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the beautiful fruit basket. The fruit was delicious and your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated.

Katie Robson

## The Nellie Bausell Library Notes February 2012

**The O'Reilly Factor for Kids** is a survival guide for America's families. Bill O'Reilly, a former school teacher, speaking to America's youth brings them a code of ethics by which to live. He takes to task bullies, cheaters, advertisers who target youth irresponsibly, and parents who fight for their children to win undeserved honors instead of earning them on their own merit.

He lays bare the unvarnished truths about, money, smoking, drugs, alcohol, sex and friends. What he has to say may well surprise you. He offers coping devices for those enduring a divorce, struggling with teachers, parents, or sibling relationships, and planning their futures. He also shares wisdom on such subjects as death, politics, and God.

He talks straight to the readers most likely to appreciate his direct style—teens. He addresses their most pressing concerns, he responds to actual letters from kids.

**Attic Treasures** is a book of four stories with four authors including Wanda Brunstetter. Long forgotten family treasures are brought to the center of four romances as Lydia Dunmore prepares to sell her old home in the Wyoming countryside and invites her four granddaughters to choose something to keep from the dusty attic.

**Sheila** seeks Grandma's doll, but it has already been sold as an antique. **Kimber** is intrigued by an old fishing tackle box and was thrilled to learn the value of the lures inside. **Lauren** cherishes a christening gown her great-grandmother wore. **Jessica** takes an antique dresser from grandma's attic and finds some old papers and photographs inside that lead her to a painful discovery about her past. What will each woman learn from the past that may shape the future of the way they treasure faith...and love?

**Tortured for Christ** written by Richard Wurmbrand is about one man who dared to stand up. Months of solitary confinement, years of periodic physical torture, constant suffering from hunger and cold, the anguish of brainwashing and mental cruelty—these are the experiences of a Romanian pastor during his fourteen years in Communist prisons.

His crime, like that of thousands of others, was his fervent belief in Jesus Christ and his public witness concerning that faith. Meeting in homes, in basements, and in woods—sometimes daring to preach in public on street corners—these faithful souls persisted in their Christian witness knowing full well the ultimate cost of their actions.

This is their story—a classic account of courage, tenacious faith and unbelievable endurance. This history of the Underground Church reflects the continuing struggle in many parts of the world today.

Carroll Stewart

**HOME:** Trooper Jim Porter, Ann Collins, Glenna Turner, Rufus Williamson, James Wassum, Charles Dunford, Velma Roberts, Doris LeGuin, Joel Campbell-Hilton.

**EXTENDED CARE:** Rev. and Mrs. James Massey, Nancy Bryant, Lloyd Linkous, Virginia Watts, Mary Evelyn Whitt.

**FAMILY:** Linda Lively's mother, Betty Smith, and her and Bill's son-in-law, Sam Obermiller; Glenna Turner's son-in-law, Mike Bridges; Sylvia McGhee's brother-in-law, Edward Tayman; Rick Tucker's mother, Jean Tucker; Margaret Moore's son, Joe; Cathy Valley's mother, June Taylor; Veronica Lopez's mother, Maria Hernandez; Dee Nolan's father, Bud Edge; Lisa Crowgey's mother, Linda Mask; Debbie Grubb's father, James Ingo, and uncle, Eddie Dean.

**FRIENDS:** JoEllen Fowler, six-year old David Robinson, four-year old Marshall Jones, Reese Johnson, George Johnstone, Sr., Calvin Robbins, Bland Ministry Center.

**THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES:** Thomas Munsey, Ryan Shupe, Gregory Carson, Kevin Dalton, Rob Bracknell, Benjy Bird, Cory Todd, Thomas Collins, Brandon Wood, Deloris Romero, and all the others who serve our nation.

**PASTORAL CARE:** Pastor Jim is accessible for any pastoral need. If you would like to make an appointment with the Pastor please notify our church



**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO:**

Danny and Sharon Sowers and their family upon the passing of Sharon's niece, Karen McKibben.

Jamie and Diane Sanders and their family upon the passing of Jamie's brother, Joe Saunders.

Tony and Bonnie Wright and their family upon the passing of Bonnie's cousin, Amy.

**February 1:** Chili, Loaded Baked Potatoes, Tossed Salad, Broccoli and Cheese, Peach Fluff. Pizza for the children.

**February 8:** Baked Potato Soup, Pimento Cheese and Ham Salad Sandwiches, Crackers, Chips, Pickles, Fruit Salad, Cottage Cheese, Texas Sheet Cake. Corn Dogs for the children.

**February 15:** Broccoli Cheddar Chicken, Bread, Jell-O Salad, Gingerbread and Lemon Sauce. Chicken Nuggets for the children.

**February 22:** Spaghetti, French Bread, Tossed Salad, Chocolate ÉClaire Cake. Hot Pockets for the children.

**February 29:** Pancakes, Sausage and Bacon, Fruit Toppings, Ice Cream Sundaes. Hot Dogs for the children



- Wednesday, February 1:** Personnel Committee—4:45 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 8:** Property Committee—5:00 p.m., Ad Hoc—7:40 p.m.
- Monday, February 13:** Teachers and Helpers—7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 15:** Ad Hoc Committee—7:40 p.m.
- Monday, February 20:** Deacons—7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 22:** Church Business—6:40 p.m.
- Monday, February 27:** Worship Team—7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 29:** Ad Hoc—7:00 p.m.

**Meetings**

**FEBRUARY'S BIRTHDAYS**

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|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1: Velma Roberts  | 11: Rebecca Mullins   | 21: Robert Herndon     |
| 4: Chad Carter    | 11: Jim Fletcher      | 21: Lauren Horney      |
| 5: J.D. Hall      | 11: James E. Porter   | 24: Margaret Moore     |
| Vanessa Lopez     | 12: Jennifer Glass    | David Martin           |
| Linda Sutphin     | 13: Cole Throckmorton | 25: Bill Valley        |
| 8: Randy Johnson  | Brandon Wood          | 27: Sharon Sowers      |
| John Willis       | 17: Dale Wood         | Holly Wolford          |
| 9: Michelle Garst | 18: Ivey Burke        | Vivian Blankenship     |
| Timmy Waller      | Chandra Ashlin        | 28: Christian Newberry |
|                   | 19: Denise Burton     | 29: Terry Moore        |
|                   | 20: Ty King           |                        |

**NURSERY 8:30 AM**

- February 5: Michelle Garst
- February 12: Sue Talbott
- February 19: Sue Talbott
- February 26: Bonnie Wright

**NURSERY 11:00 AM**

- February 5: Venita Wolford
- February 12: Brenda Tucker
- February 19: Phillip and Kim Aker
- February 26: Cindy Jarmul and Claire

**EXTENDED SESSION 11:00 AM**

- February 5: Rachel Crowgey and Daniel Cassell
- February 12: Ty King
- February 19: Maria Stoker
- February 26: John and Cynthia Willis

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

- February 5: Guy Sutphin
- February 12: Jody Taylor
- February 19: Robert Blankenship
- February 26: Chris Bracknell

**USHERS**

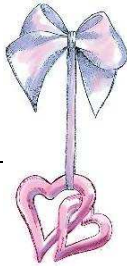


- 8:30** Team I: John Willis, Tommy Hilton Zack Aker
- 11:00** Team I: Jody Taylor, Team Leader Tommy Hilton, Brian Wolford Guy Sutphin, Tom Smith

**TELLERS**

Mary Helen Porter and Michelle Garst

**GREETER**

Norma Jean Wolford and Elton Robinson

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 5:00pm Personnel Committee meeting 5:30pm Sonshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:40pm Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, Kids-in-Action	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 2:30pm Carrington Place Ministry
<b>5</b> 8:30 am Contemporary Service 9:45 am Sunday School and Pastor's class 11:00 am Traditional Worship 12:00pm Adult Choir Practice 5:00 pm Handbell Practice 6:00pm Beth Moore Bible Study 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 	<b>6</b> 7:00 pm Kathryn Isaacs and Mabel Crabtree Circles	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 5:00pm Property Committee meeting 5:30pm Sonshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:40pm Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, Kids-in-Action 7:40pm Ad Hoc meeting	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 10:00am WBC helping at Agape Food
<b>12</b> <b>WMU FOCUS WEEK February 12-19</b>  8:30 am Contemporary Service 9:45 am Sunday School and last Pastor's class 11:00 am Traditional Worship 12:00pm Adult Choir Practice 5:00 pm Handbell Practice 6:00pm Beth Moore Bible Study	<b>13</b> 7:00pm Sunday School Teachers and Helpers meeting	<b>14</b>   11:00am Fellowship Hall reserved by Dottie Alexander	<b>15</b> 5:30pm Sonshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:40pm Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, Kids-in-Action 7:40pm Ad Hoc meeting	<b>16</b> <b>DEADLINE FOR MARCH BEACON</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 2:30pm Carrington Place Ministry
<b>19</b> <b>WMU DAY</b> 8:30 am Contemporary Service 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Traditional Worship 12:00pm Adult Choir Practice 5:00 pm Handbell Practice 6:00pm Beth Moore Bible Study 6:30pm B-Men, Youth Bible Study	<b>20</b> 7:00pm Deacons' Meeting	<b>21</b> 12:00pm Young-at-Heart lunch meeting in the fellowship hall	<b>22</b> 5:30pm Sonshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:40pm Church Business meeting, Mission Friends, Kids-in-Action	<b>23</b> 12:00pm WBC helps at Agape Food Pantry  2:30pm Children's Clothes Closet	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> 8:30 am Contemporary Service 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Traditional Worship 12:00pm Adult Choir Practice 5:00 pm Handbell Practice 6:00pm Beth Moore Bible Study 6:30pm Youth Bible Study	<b>27</b> 7:00pm Worship Team meeting	<b>28</b> 12:00pm Soup and the Word hosted by the Wytheville Presbyterian Church	<b>29</b> 5:30pm Sonshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:40pm Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, Kids-in-Action 7:40pm Ad Hoc meeting		