

# The Beacon

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# National Day of Prayer

## May 3, 2012



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Address Change Requested

I recently read an interesting blog from J.R. Briggs that I thought I would share with you. It is called **7 Things Churches can learn from Firefighters.**

**Firefighters are trusted in the community.** There is fundamental trust and respect. They are trusted because they exist to protect the community. They are a friend of the community. When a problem arises people think of them immediately. They care about the safety of people.



**They train their people.** They undergo hours of required and constant training to help keep their people sharp and informed so that they are prepared to face any emergency.

**They train others in the community.** Education is important. Firehouses host classes, teach seminars, and post reminders. On the sign out front it would sometimes read **March is National Child Safety Month. Come in and we'll show you how to properly install your child's car seat.** They are equipping people constantly.

**They use their facilities to bless the community.** Firehouses are often-times the places where emergency shelters are first established in times of great crisis. But it's also a social gathering space. Numerous times I would drive by and the marquee would read: **Middle School Dance Friday Night 8 pm or Bingo Night every Thursday.**

**They help communities celebrate.** They know how to throw parties. They host elementary school field trips. They sponsor pancake breakfasts and bingo nights. They are involved in every small town parade and fourth of July fireworks shows.

**They are willing to give their lives away for other people.** They are always on call – all hours of the night – to provide help when it is needed most.

**They fight evil rather than run from it.** The thing a firefighter hates more than anything else is fire...and so therefore he or she rushes towards it, not away from it. He/she wants to do everything in his/her power to stamp it out because it knows its power and the destruction it is capable of causing. (The same could be said with a doctor who hates cancer or a social worker who hates domestic violence. They do what they do not because they like cancer or domestic violence but because they hate it and want to eliminate it.)

Imagine if the church was viewed with the same amount of trust as firefighters. If that were to occur, what would have to happen in our church?

*Pastor Jim*

### 2012 RELAY FOR LIFE

The 2012 Wythe County Relay For Life will be held on May 4 and 5 in Withers Park. Relay for Life is an international campaign of the American Cancer Society. It began in 1985 when Dr. Gordy Klatt, a colorectal surgeon in Tacoma,

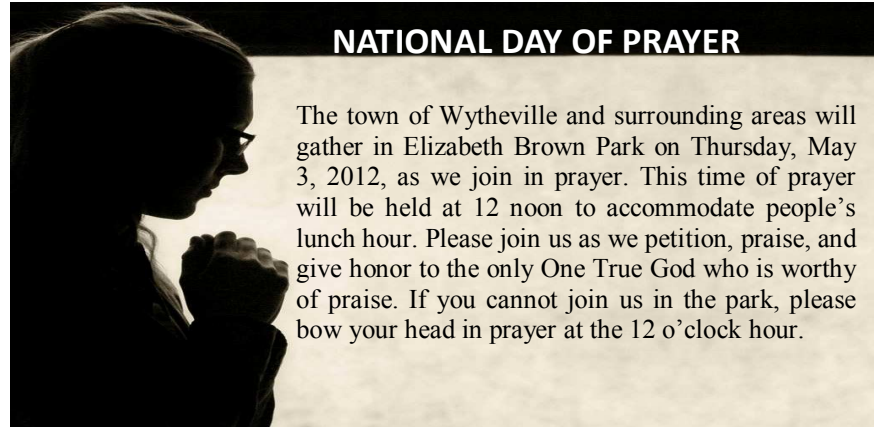
Washington, ran and walked around a track for 24 hours to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Since then, Relay has grown from a single man's passion to fight cancer into the world's largest movement to end the disease. For more information about participating, please call 276-228-3549 .



Relay for Life

### NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

The town of Wytheville and surrounding areas will gather in Elizabeth Brown Park on Thursday, May 3, 2012, as we join in prayer. This time of prayer will be held at 12 noon to accommodate people's lunch hour. Please join us as we petition, praise, and give honor to the only One True God who is worthy of praise. If you cannot join us in the park, please bow your head in prayer at the 12 o'clock hour.



### MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

The Town of Wytheville Memorial Day Ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 27, 2012, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the Wall of Honor in Withers Park.



**CRISIS CARE CHAPLAIN TRAINING**

VBMB Crisis Care Chaplains offer assistance to individuals and to groups that experience trauma. Our Chaplains may respond to local crises that affect only a few or as a part of Disaster Relief when the crisis affects many. Their objectives are to offer listening ears, a kind presence, and affirming words to aid victims toward a restored sense of control of their lives. Crisis Care Chaplains are trained with a model that draws from theological and spiritual principles of pastoral care and from several recognized models of crisis intervention:

**Psychological First Aid (PFA)****National Organization for Victim Assistance (NOVA)****Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM)**

The current model for training will incorporate a program known to us as Operational Stress First Aid (OSFA). There will be some required reading and other work that must be completed by each participant prior to attending the training. Individuals with prior experience and training in fields of human relations, pastoral care, and/or developmental caregiving are best prepared for this type of ministry opportunity.

Crisis Care Chaplain Training	
Date/Time	<b>June 11–13, 2012</b>
Location	<b>Virginia Baptist Resource Center</b> (Richmond, VA)
Cost	<b>\$125/person</b> – Includes, meals, materials, Disaster Relief Certification, T-shirt, and hat (hotel accommodations are an additional expense)
Registration	<b>Now Open!</b> – A Letter of Recommendation from your pastor will be required to complete your registration. More information regarding this process will be given to you after your initial registration.
Contact	<b>Jeannette Hildebrand</b> can assist with any related questions.

**\* Please Note \***

**Crisis Care Chaplaincy Training often reaches full capacity quickly, so please plan to register quickly when registration opens.**

Please continue to monitor the Glocal Missions website for future training announcements.

**Please Note:** Virginia Baptist Disaster Relief volunteers are unpaid individuals who receive specific training and volunteer their time and efforts to minister to the victims of disaster.

Disaster Relief ministries are supported by gifts to the Baptist General Association of Virginia's Cooperative Missions budget and the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions, as well as by individual donations specifically designated for Disaster Relief.

**HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW**

Theme for the Women's Spring Banquet

1905

Lyrics by **Civilla Martin**  
(1866-1948)

Composed by **Charles Gabriel**  
(1856-1932)

King David said in the book of Psalms, "If it were not for the Lord, who is on our side, when we stumble and fell and our enemy rose up against us, we would have no hope." How many of us have felt at times that there was no hope, and God had forsaken us? If you have ever felt that way take heart, for the Lord, Himself, has said that we are more valuable than the birds of the air, or the lilies of the field, and not one sparrow falls from the air that God does not know about it. How much more does he care for us?

Mr. and Mrs. Doolittle lived in Elmira, New York. Mrs. Doolittle had been an invalid for twenty years, bedfast for most of that time. Her husband, also a partial invalid, managed a business from a wheelchair. A mutual friend sent visitors to their home, Rev. Stillman Martin, a Baptist evangelist and his wife, Civilla. Mrs. Martin, who was born in Nova Scotia, usually accompanied her husband on his evangelistic tours. Shortly before they met the Doolittles, they sat down and together they wrote the words and music for "God Will Take Care Of You." This hymn often reminds us if we put our trust in God, He will supply all our needs.

The visit to the Doolittle's home gave Rev. and Mrs. Martin a comfortable feeling because, although they were both invalids, they seemed so happy. After several visits, Rev. Martin asked Mr. Doolittle why he and his wife always seemed so happy all the time. Mrs. Doolittle spoke up and the answer she gave inspired Civilla Martin to write a song that is just as comforting as "God Will Take Care Of You." Mrs. Doolittle's reply was simply, "His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me." Mrs. Martin was so overcome with these words that she could hardly contain herself. Many times she had failed to show the joy and faith that she should in the face of lesser trials.

Later that day in the quiet of her room, she thought over the words of Mrs. Doolittle. She had asked many times why this or why that. Now she asked, "Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come? Why should my heart feel lonely?" She thought again, "Why should I feel discouraged when Jesus is my portion, a constant friend is he. His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me." She wrote these words on paper and the rest just seemed to follow.

This song was titled "His Eye Is On The Sparrow." The next day after writing these words, Mrs. Martin mailed them to music composer, Charles Gabriel, who wrote the music for this wonderful song. Miss Ethel Waters sang this song in several Billy Graham Crusades, and loved it so much that she titled her autobiography, HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW.

104 of My Favorite Hymn Stories by Warren Shriver

*Sara Wingard, Minister of Music*

## WEEKLY WORSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

**CHILDREN'S GROUPS** (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

**Wednesdays:**

- 6:30 p.m. Higher Ground Youth Group

**May 6 – Graduate Sunday**

If you are graduating or if you know of anyone affiliated with the church graduating high school or college, please let Bonnie Wright or the church office know as soon as possible.

***SCHEDULE FOR MAY 6 COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE***

- 8:15 a.m. Higher Ground Praise Band practice  
 8:45 a.m. Sunday School  
 9:30 a.m. Adult Choir practice  
 9:45 a.m. Gathering Music by the Higher Ground Praise Band  
 10:00 a.m. Combined Graduation and Worship Service

**Rural Retreat High School Graduation:**

Friday, May 18, 6:00 p.m. at Community Stadium

**George Wythe High School Graduation:**

Friday, May 18, 8:00 p.m. at Pendleton Field

**Fort Chiswell High School Graduation:**

Saturday, May 19, 10:00 a.m. at C. F. McKinney Field

## HIGHLANDS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

## PRAYER GUIDE

The Missions Committee of the Highlands Baptist Association requests all the congregations remember these Pastors and Staff in their prayers

May 6	BCM—VA Tech	Rev. Rev. Darrell Cook
	BCM—Radford	Jennifer Mullins
May 13	Calvary	Rev. Randy McDaniel
May 20	Cambria	Rev. Keith Crowgey
May 27	Castle Rock	Rev. Chung Hyun

## HIGHLANDS BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

HBA Executive Board Meeting will be held Thursday, May 10, 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church Radford, 215 Third Avenue, Radford, VA 24141, (540) 639-4419.

**EAST RIVER AND HIGHLANDS JOINT DAY OF WORSHIP**

East River and Highlands Associations will begin celebrating the Week of Prayer for Associational Missions with our Joint Day of Worship, on Sunday June 3, at Claytor Lake Baptist Assembly. The gates will open at 3:00 p.m. with the covered dish supper at 5:00 p.m. and the Worship Service at 6:00 p.m. Special music will be brought to us by Jerry Stone of Wytheville, VA. Coffee, tea, and eating utensils will be supplied.

**TEACH ENGLISH IN CHINA**

Volunteers are needed July 4—August 4, 2012, for the Amity Foundation's Summer English Program. The cost is \$3,000. If interested, please call Craig Waddell at (804) 921-5604.

**LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING**

Our Leadership Council meeting will be Thursday, May 10, at 6:30 p.m. All leaders of the church, please be present as we plan for the future of our church. The Council consists of: the Pastor, Minister of Music, Sunday School Director, Youth Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Baptist Men's Director, Chair of Deacons, all Committee Chairpersons, all Ministry Team Leaders, and Church-elected officers.



Leadership Council

**SACRED CHORAL CONCERT**

The youth choir from First Baptist Church of Forsyth, Forsyth, Georgia; their director and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Gregg; their pastor, Dr. H. Darrell Watson; their youth director, Diana Lane; along with other chaperons are traveling north and will visit our church on Wednesday, May 30, presenting a Sacred Choral Concert. Many of our church families have volunteered to open their homes to accommodate this group for the night. Our guests will be joining us for Wednesday night supper to allow us time to get to know them. Join us for dinner and a time of meeting our visitors on Wednesday, May 30, at 6:00 p.m. and then stay for the concert which will begin at 7:00 p.m. To see more about this youth choir and their church, log onto [www.fbcforsyth.com](http://www.fbcforsyth.com).



***Deadline for all June Beacon Articles will be Thursday, May 21. Thank you for your help in this***



*The Williams Fellowship Hall and the sanctuary have been reserved by Margaret Baumgardner on Thursday, May 3, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.*

*The Williams Fellowship Hall has been reserved by Mary and Debby Hall on Thursday, May 17, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.*



*The church office will be closed Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day.*

**May 20 – Bicycling on the New River Trail.**

Get those bikes out and get them trail ready as we will spend the day biking the beautiful New River Trail. We will leave the church at 1:00 p.m. Come to the church fed and ready for a full day of adventure. Trail snacks will be provided.

**May 24 – SCHOOL IS OUT!!!!!!**

*Let the summer begin!*

The youth are beginning a new youth ministry kit by Bluefish TV featuring studies by Max Lucado, Francis Chan, and Doug Fields. We are very excited to begin these challenging sessions. These studies will share testimonies of teenagers who have experienced a lot of the same issues our own teens are facing followed by digging into the scriptures to find answers on how God would have us respond. We are prayerful the program will offer Biblical insight into how God has uniquely created youth with passions, talents, and interests to impact the world for Christ.

Our youth and the youth of our community will be reaching new milestones in their lives in the coming weeks by graduation, visiting college campuses, and making decisions of transition, etc. This is uncharted waters for some and we ask that our church family be much in prayer for them during this adventurous but somewhat uncertain time in their lives. As their church family and members of this community, I would challenge you to remember them in prayer daily, offer support, and let them know that now, more than ever, as their church family and Christians in this community, “we have their back” in every aspect of their spiritual, faith-filled journeys.

I would ask that you also remember me in prayer, be patient with me, and support me as I continue to pray for, pray with, lead, teach, and guide our youth as we work and play together to know Christ more.

*Bonnie Wright*

Part-time Youth Director



Point the kids  
to Jesus

Vacation Bible School 2012  
July 8-13

Get Ready, Get Ready, Get Ready!!!

This year is going to be packed full of  
fun, food, crafts, music,  
and most of all **JESUS!**

If you would like to help in this awesome adventure, contact our VBS leaders: Vivian Blankenship, Penny Mitchell, and Katie Wright



### KATHRYN ISAACS AND MABEL CRABTREE CIRCLE



Kathryn Isaacs and Mabel Crabtree Circle will meet on Monday evening, May 7, in Williams Fellowship Hall, at 7:00 p.m. Barbara Booher will be hostess and Linda Lively will be the program leader. Our Mission Action project for May will be Resource Center and Transient coupons. Please join us as we finalize plans for Women's Spring Banquet, and look forward to summer months. A huge "thank you" to each member of this hard-working group of women for your participation in our WMU projects, helping with food for Soup and the Word and funerals, and your continued prayer support for our church and her members.

### COMMUNITY FOOD KITCHEN

The Community Food Kitchen is in the planning stages. Our purpose is to feed those who are hungry. Andy Kegley, Executive Director of H.O.P.E. ministries spoke to the Steering Committee and explained the procedure for us to follow to umbrella under their non-profit status. We have agreed to umbrella under H.O.P.E.

We plan to start with a noon meal twice a week. We are in the process of finding a location for this project.

We are asking Wytheville churches, civic groups, and individuals for donations to aid in financing this project. People in Wythe County are going to bed hungry each night and we want to help this situation. All donations should be made to H.O.P.E. with the notation for COMMUNITY FOOD KITCHEN. P.O. Box 743, Wytheville, Va. 24382

*The Steering Committee consists of the following:*

<b>Chair</b>	Betty Robinette	<b>Sub-Committee Chairs:</b>
<b>Vice-Chair</b>	Bryan Walker	<b>Location Investigation</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	Venita Wolford	Sousin Cottrell
		<b>Volunteer Coordinator</b>
		Carol Bailey

*Other members of the Steering Committee:*

Mary Jane French	Brad Simpson	Mildred Stafford
Sister Kim Szogl	Diane Tibbs	Annette Washburn
Norma Jean Wolford		

We do pray that Wytheville Baptist Church will be generous with their donations to this project and with their prayers. Please keep this committee in your prayers as we seek to follow the guidance of our LORD and SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST in feeding the hungry.



Betty Robinette

## Thank You!

Dear Church Family,  
Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, cards, phone calls, and visits that I received for my birthday. These expressions of kindness were all a joy. I love you all.

Rufus Williamson

God blessed our church with a beautiful and meaningful Easter season. Thank you to everyone who had a part in making this experience as beautiful and significant as it was.

**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. The Children's Clothes Closet will be open Thursday, May 24, 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 provide a motel room for one person.
- ◆ You helped provide eight families with gas for their cars.
- ◆ You helped five families with their electric bill.
- ◆ You helped two families stay in their homes by providing rent money.

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

We will receive a Benevolence Offering Sunday, May 6, following our combined 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.*

**AGAPE FOOD PANTRY**

Please bring Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti Noodles, and Peanut Butter for the months of May and June 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.

**MINISTRY TEAMS**

Would you like to make a difference in people lives both young and old. Join the Outreach, Van, or World Mission/Evangelism Ministry Teams and help make a difference in our church and community.

**WOMEN'S SPRING BANQUET**

The Women's Spring Banquet will be held on Saturday, May 12, in Williams Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. This special event is for **all** women of Wytheville Baptist Church and their daughters, daughters-in-law, granddaughters, mothers, mothers-in-law, and special friends. Kathryn Isaacs and Mabel Crabtree Circle will host WBC's thirteenth annual banquet for **all** women. The theme for 2012 is, "His Eye is on the Sparrow." A delicious meal will be catered by our own Vivian Blankenship and her daughter, Sara Morris. The evening will feature special music by Sara Wingard, and an inspirational talk by Angie Denton. The cost of the meal is \$12 for adults and \$6 for girls under 12. Make your reservations on or before May 7, 2012, by calling the church office at 228-3712, or look for sign-up sheets in your Sunday School classroom. Payment may be made at the door or prepaid to the church by check made to Wytheville Baptist Church. Please mark checks "designated to Women's Banquet." You will be financially responsible for your reservations. We look forward to having you join us for this delightful evening of fun, food, and fellowship with Christian sisters!

**WMU ASSOCIATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING**

THEME: "MAKE A NEW FRIEND"

WHEN: Saturday, May 19

WHERE: First Baptist, Narrows  
609 Wolf Street,  
Narrows, VA 24124  
(540) 726-3014

TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

*Things to Remember: Christmas Cards for the Jail  
(Please have stamps on the envelopes)*

We will collect "paper back books" for the jail.

***Announcement of our WMU Member of the Year***

Come join the fun and look for lots of surprises!!!



**YOUNG-AT-HEART**

The Young-at-Heart will meet Tuesday, May 15, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Delegate Anne B. Crockett-Stark will have the program. Please bring a sandwich; drinks and dessert will be provided.

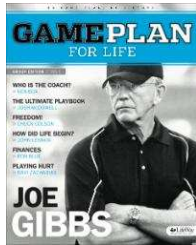


**SENIOR ADULT RETREAT**

The Senior Adult Retreat at Eagle Eyrie will be held on October 22-24, 2012. The total cost is \$169 per person. Registration for the event begins on July 2, at which time a deposit of \$15 per person needs to be sent. If you are interested in attending, please let Sharon Sowers know by calling 228-3584.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: GAME PLAN FOR LIFE**

A six week Bible Study is being offered to any man who would like to participate. This awesome study, "Game Plan For Life," is by Joe Gibbs, a three-time Super Bowl winner, NFL Hall of Fame coach, and three-time NASCAR champion. Joe Gibbs and his team of experts tackle the most important issues facing men today and is ideal for the average Joe. Our study begins Sunday, May 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Study books are \$10. Please notify the church office by Sunday, May 13, if you would like to participate in this study. Sign-up sheets will also be circulated in the Sunday School classrooms and placed in the sanctuary. This study is sponsored by BMen.

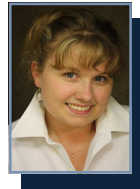
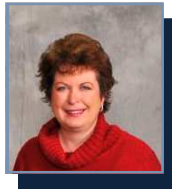
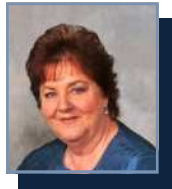


*Praise Report*

During our April 18 Church Business meeting, Bonnie Wright was elected/hired as our new Part-time Youth Director.



Vivian Blankenship, Penny Mitchell, and Katie Wright were elected as Co-Directors of our VBS 2012.



*Praise the Lord for His blessings on our church with these wonderful workers.*

**THE NELLIE BAUSELL LIBRARY NOTES  
MAY 2012**

**Oregon** by Birdie L. Etchison is a romantic history of the Willamette Valley in four complete Novels. In the majestic Pacific Northwest of the early twentieth century, the Galloway siblings attempt to make their mark on the world—and perhaps, find life partners to join them on the way. In *The Heart Has Its Reasons*, Emily Drake, a plain Quaker, wants only the simple life. But things get complicated when she meets Ben Halloway.

The widow Kate Russell is trusting that *Love Shall Come Again* when two very different men enter her life. How can she discern between a passing interest and true love? Pearl Galloway is focused on her teaching, but the school board chairman seems overly interested in her. Pearl's job is in his hands, but her heart yearns for another man to meet her on *Love's Tender Path*.

*Anna's Hope* has always rested in her love of nursing. Leaving the Galloway nest behind for a position on a remote peninsula is a true test of her dream. But can love find her there?



**Montana Skies** by Ann Bell—The Legacy of Faith and Love Continues in Four Complete Novels. Stretching beyond the vast Montana sky, coeds of affection unite friends and family for a lifetime—and even into eternity. The fictional town of Rocky Bluff is where four young women learn the power of prayer and unconditional love.

During the darkest hour of her life, Angie Quinata comes to Rocky Bluff in search of a *Healing Love*. After years in a violent marriage, can Teresa Lennon find a *Compassionate Love* for her bruised heart? When a *Love Remembered* arrives from nurse Dawn Harkness's past, why does she question God's plan for her life? *Love Abounds* for the unwed Sarah Brown's child, born with spina bifida. Would considering a life with Jeff, the father, be a negative?

Carroll Stewart

**KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Please keep our children, youth, and college students in your prayers as they embark on a summer full of activities and excitement. Pray that God will keep His hand of protection upon them and that they will return to school refreshed and ready to start a new year.

HOME: Allene Taylor, Jim Porter, Jessica Taylor, Mary Huff, Doris Terry, Elton Robinson, Trooper Jim Porter, Rufus Williamson, 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: Cathy Pugh's daughter, Teresa; Marjorie Wassum's daughter, Pattie Jones; Betty Robinette's cousin, Wilma Matney; Billie Taylor's sister, Phyllis Corbett; Deena McAffe's brother, Doug; Linda Lively's mother, Betty Smith; 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: Dickie Boyles, Ray Bradshaw, Ben and Amanda Caudill and their new baby, Bonnie Williams, Walter White, Monica Grubb, Mackenzie Dunford, Dillion Wood, Ira Green, Michael Jones, JoEllen Fowler, six-year old David Robinson, four-year old Marshall Jones, 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 secretary, Jan Stone, by calling the church office at 228-3712. If you call before 9:00 a.m. or after 5:00 p.m., please leave a message. For pastoral emergencies at night or during weekends, please call the Deacon of the Week.



**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO:**

The family of Catherine Simmerman upon her passing.

Marjorie Wassum and family upon the passing of her beloved husband, James "Jim" Wassum.

Maurice and Susan Johnson and family upon the passing of Maurice's father, Reece Johnson

**May 2:** Chicken Casserole, Bread, Green Beans, Jell-O Salad, Chocolate Dream Dessert. Chicken Nuggets for the children.

**May 9:** Chili Loaded Baked Potatoes, Tossed Salad, Broccoli and Cheese, Ice Cream Sandwich Dessert. Corn Dogs for the children.

**May 16:** Meat and Cheese Subs, Chips, Pickles, Tomato, Lettuce, Macaroni Salad, Fruit and Cottage Cheese, Cookies and Ice Cream. PB&J for the children.

**May 23:** Pork Loin, Stuffing, Gravy, Scalloped Potatoes, Broccoli Salad, Rolls, Poke Cake. Hot Dogs for the children.

**May 30:** Barbecue Chicken, Rolls, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Veggie Tray, Banana Pudding. Chicken Nuggets for the children.



**Wednesday, May 2:** Personnel Committee—5:00 p.m.  
Ad Hoc—7:40 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 9:** Property Committee—5:00 p.m.; Ad Hoc—7:40 p.m.

**Thursday, May 10:** Leadership Council—6:30 p.m.

**Monday, May 14:** Worship Team Meeting—7:00 p.m..

**Monday, May 21:** Deacons—7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 23** Church Business—7:40 p.m.



**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

1: Lindsey Heldreth	Clair Veasey	21: Sylvia McGhee
2: Melissa Byrd	12: Ashley Huff	23: Todd Ball
Tom Moore	Noah Willis	Zanah McCoury
Judy Pendleton	13: Katie Robson	Ann Pruett
3: Mike Stoker	15: Tommy Terry	24: Mary Morgan
4: Raven Glass	Charles Robert	Tommy Hilton
Elaine Cantrell	Michael Huff	25: Tony Wright
6: Ralph Weese	Julie Compton	26: Nancy Herndon
7: Zack Aker	17: Jackie Kitts	27: Camden Mahan
8: Stacy Terry	Gregory Weese	28: Paul Garst
9: Frank Stewart	18: Wade D. Tucker, Sr.	29: Christopher Grubb
11: Marty Pugh	20: Janet Montgomery	Thomas Harrison
	Kelly Sample	Robert Blankenship
	Laura Allen	

**NURSERY 8:30 AM**

May 6: NS
May 13: Michelle Garst
May 20: Bonnie Wright
May 27: Cathy Valley

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

May 6: Jody Taylor
May 13: Robert Blankenship
May 20: Chris Bracknell
May 27: Mike Cassell

**NURSERY 11:00 AM**

May 6: Venita Wolford (10:00 a.m. Service)
May 13: Brenda Tucker
May 20: Sue Talbott
May 27: Cindy Jarmul and Claire Veasey

**USHERS**

<b>8:30</b> Team I:	Daniel Burck
<b>11:00</b> Team II:	Jody Taylor— Team Leader
	Tommy Hilton, Brian Wolford Guy Sutphin, Tom Smith

**EXTENDED SESSION 11:00 AM**

May 6: Rachel Crowgey (10:00 a.m. Service)
May 13: Sue Talbott
May 20: Delores Nolan and Maria Stoker
May 27: John and Cynthia-Inman Willis

**TELLERS**

Mary Helen Porter and Michelle Garst

**GREETERS**

Norma Jean Wolford and Elton Robinson



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 5:00pm Personnel Committee meeting 5:30pm Sunshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:30pm Youth Group 6:40pm Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, Kids-in-Action	3  12 noon National Day of Prayer in Elizabeth Brown Park 5:00pm Fellowship hall reserved by	4  Relay for Life	5
6  8:15 Higher Ground Praise Band Practice 8:45am Sunday School 9:30 Adult Choir Practice 9:45am Music for Gathering by Higher Ground Praise Band 10:00am Combined Graduation Service 11:00pm Adult Choir Practice 6:30pm Youth Group	7 7:00 pm Kathryn Isaacs and Mabel Crabtree Circles	8	9 5:00pm Property Committee meeting 5:30pm Sunshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:30pm Youth Group 6:40pm Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, Kids-in-Action 7:40pm Ad Hoc	10 6:30pm Leadership Council Meeting 7:00pm HBA Executive Board meeting at FBC Radford	11	12 10:00am WBC helping at Agape Food Pantry 6:00pm Women's Spring Banquet
13 8:30am Contemporary Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Traditional Worship Service 12:00pm Adult Choir Practice 6:30pm Youth Group <i>The Lord's Supper</i> <i>Benevolence Offering Received</i>	14 7:00pm Worship Team meeting	15 12 noon Young-at-Heart will meet in the fellowship hall	16 5:30pm Sunshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:30pm Youth Group 6:40pm Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, Kids-in-Action 7:40pm Ad Hoc	17 7:30am Fellowship hall reserved by Mary and Debby Hall	18 6:00p.m. Rural Retreat Graduation at Community Stadium 8:00p.m. George Wythe Graduation at Pendelton Field	19 10:00a.m. Fort Chisel Graduation at C.F. McKinney Field 10:00pm WMU Associational Annual meeting at FBC Narrows
20 8:30am Contemporary Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Traditional Worship Service 12:00pm Adult Choir Practice 1:00pm Youth go Bike Riding 6:30pm Men's Bible Study sponsored by BMen	21 7:00pm Deacons' Meeting <b>DEADLINE FOR ALL JUNE BEACON ARTICLES</b>	22	23 Motorcyclists arrive in town for Run for the Wall 5:30pm Sunshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:30pm Youth Group 6:40pm Church Business meeting, Mission Friends, Kids-in-Action	24 12:00pm WBC helps at Agape Food Pantry 1:00pm Run for the Wall Ceremony in Withers Park 2:30pm Children's Clothes Closet LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	25	26
27 8:30am Contemporary Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Traditional Worship Service 12:00pm Adult Choir Practice 1:30pm Town of Wytheville Memorial Day Celebration 6:30pm Men's Bible Study sponsored by BMen, Youth Group	28 Memorial Day Church Office Closed 	29	30 5:30pm Sunshine Singers practice 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:30pm Youth Group 7:00pm Sacred Choral Concert	31		