



KILMARNOCK BAPTIST CHURCH
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"The Good News"

a monthly newsletter of Kilmarnock Baptist Church



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Church Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday
9:00am - 3:00pm

Sunday Mornings:
Sunday School @ 9:45am
Worship @ 11:00am

Wednesday Evenings:
W.O.W * @ 6:00pm
Fellowship Dinner @ 6:30pm
*Worship **On** Wednesdays
Choir Rehearsal on Wednesdays
@ 7:15pm



October Birthdays

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| 1 Bob Gray | 19 Edie Stackhouse |
| 1 Charlie Price | 24 Maude Davis |
| 2 Kevin Wilkins | 27 Joseph Burtner |
| 3 Joe Beane, Jr | 28 Jim Baker |
| 3 Gloria Boshier | |
| 4 Augusta Sellev | |
| 5 Mary French Hutt | |
| 6 Lynne Saunders | |
| 7 Barbara Smith | |
| 8 Billy Hudson | |
| 9 Harriet Dawson | |
| 12 Denise Goodson | |
| 12 Margaret Headley | |
| 12 Nolan Sanders | |
| 13 Ida Gallimore | |
| 15 Maggie Ransone | |
| 16 Connie Jett | |
| 17 G.W. Urban | |

*** If you are having a birthday in October, and we have inadvertently omitted you from our list, please call the office to let Joanne know. We would like to include you in with our October birthday wishes. Thank you. ***



Join us as we knit and crochet on October 21st at 10:00am. If you knit, crochet, or just want to learn, please come by the Church.

Please come out and join our praise and worship on Wednesdays at 6:00pm downstairs in Fellowship Hall. The theme is the Unsung Heroes in



the Book of Acts, presented by various ministers from our community. This is followed by a fellowship dinner at 6:30pm.

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

- October 1: Edith Houghton
- October 8: Debby Sachen
- October 15: Glen Burtner
- October 22: Mary French Hutt
- October 29: Carol Nelson



October 18th from 1:00pm-4:00pm, located downstairs in Beane Hall.

Always serving the Lancaster County community, and those living within the corporate limits of Kilmarnock.

FLOWERS:

KAREN COX



Dear Church Family,

We have elected and commissioned our pastoral search committee, a wonderful group of individuals, dedicated to the Lord and to serving His church. I know we will all continue to pray for this group, asking God for guidance and wisdom, but also for patience in finding that one individual that God has chosen to lead Kilmarnock Baptist into the future.



I will remain here for as long as I am needed, or until God decides otherwise, of course. We will continue to be the church that Jesus commissioned, loving God, loving neighbors, as well as caring for each other, while spreading the Gospel. Our world is in great turmoil, not unlike the world in Jesus' day, but we have the advantage of the wisdom of great theologians throughout the ages, as well as those first century writers. Our challenge is to be the church, and to spread His message in this postmodern world, and to minister to those who find no need for an organized church body. I have a strong suspicion that if any group is up for the challenge, it will be KBC. I am proud to serve alongside of all of you.

Carolyn

Prayer for the Month

Heavenly Father,

Your thoughts are not our thoughts, and your ways are not our ways. Keep all of us and all who have been afflicted by recent violent storms and natural disasters from despair, and do not let our faith be destroyed by the hopelessness we encounter. We pray for those affected by violence inflicted by other human beings. We pray for reconciliation and bridge building. We pray for the injured, the bereaved, and the helpless. We pray for deliverance for those who are still in danger, and ask for hope and healing so that they may find relief and restoration.

We pray for all who work to bring rescue and relief especially the firefighter, police, paramedics, medical personnel, and volunteers, all who are helping those in need. Give them courage in danger, skill in difficulty, and compassion in service. Sustain them with bodily strength and calmness of mind, that they may perform their work to the well-being of those in need, so that lives may be saved and communities restored. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

**SUPER TUESDAY
IS OCTOBER 17th AT
4:30PM.**

**LET THE OFFICE
KNOW IF YOUR
COMMITTEE IS
MEETING.**

**CHURCH COUNCIL
WILL MEET AT
6:30PM.**



Shoebox News:

Boxes are available in the Church foyers, and information is inside the boxes for packing directions.

Shoebox dedication Sunday is **November 12th**, so please bring your shoeboxes to the Church by Wednesday, November 8th. If there are any questions, please call Karen Cox (436-0416) or Nancy Wetherington (435-1007).



The WMU will meet

Tuesday, October 10th at 10:30am



Pastor Appreciation Sunday

is October 15th downstairs after Service. Chicken and dessert will be provided. Please bring side dishes to share, as we show our appreciation to Carolyn!



KBC is sponsoring a Day of Prayer on Friday, October 27th. The Sanctuary will be open from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. All are invited to come and pray.



MALAWI

(A special report from SAMARITAN'S PURSE)

Shukuran was drifting toward violence, but the Lord used an Operation Christmas Child Shoebox to change this 12-year-old boy's heart.

Agnes Banda, Shukuran's mother, said, "When he received the gift we were very happy. That was the beginning of knowing God." The toy cars, airplane, books, pens, and soap inside delighted them both. Shukuran's favorite part was "The Greatest Gift" Gospel booklet he received along with his shoebox.

Interested in what he read about Jesus, Shukuran accepted the invitation to come to The Greatest Journey classes offered by the local church in his Malawi village. After the second week of the course, he asked his mother and siblings to attend church with him. They also became Christians.

Shukuran's father immediately left his family because of their new faith. Now Agnes washes clothes and bakes to try and earn enough money to feed her children and pay their school fees. Despite these struggles, Shukuran is becoming a spiritual leader. With his changed heart, he is no longer obsessed with violence and is passionate about sharing God's love. His peers follow his example in outreach. Pastor Henry Mankanamba, the church's pastor, said, "The same child who was rude became humble." Shukuran forgave his father for abandoning the family and not providing for their financial needs.

Remembering Shukuran's shoebox gift, Pastor Mankanamba said, "It was a drop of love. To them it became an ocean."



**BLOOD
DRIVE**
WITH THE RED CROSS

The Red Cross Blood Drive will be on Monday, **October 30th** from 12:00pm - 6:00pm. Registration will be in Fellowship Hall and the blood drive will take place in Beane Hall. Please come out to donate blood. Contact Mary French Hutt at 435-3767 for any questions.



just a reminder:

When we received the dupont Grant, we also borrowed \$25,000. Beginning in 2016, we started paying it back at \$5,000 per year. When the payment was made in March of this year, only \$1,030 was taken from the budget funds. We would like to thank everyone who contributed to this debt - a total of \$3,970. In March of 2018, we will need to pay back another \$5,000. If you are able to contribute once again, it will indeed be helpful.

Thank you, Mary Ann, Treasurer

HAITI



On Monday, September 18th, a wire transfer was sent to Pastor Ronel Mesidor. The funds were for The Source of Light Orphanage, the transition house, the church that burnt, and scholarships. On Thursday, September 21st, Pastor Ronel sent the following: "We would like you to know that we receive the money. Please share our greetings and our grateful to the church. We will send a report about how we use the money. Pastor Ronel".

FOOD PANTRY ANGELS

Our mission is to provide basic food to those who are low income, elderly, widowed, sick, those who have lost their jobs, have been laid off from work and for those who can no longer provide basic necessities for their families.

Proverbs 22:9 He who is generous will be blessed, for he gives some of his food to the poor.

We thank everyone for the support you have provided the food pantry, without your assistance we could not help the needy families in our community.

This month we ask for donations of syrup, jelly, canned fruit, and ****drinks**** (soft or fruit drinks). We also need paper bags with the handles. We currently have NO need for plastic bags.

Our new Food Pantry fearless leader is Colette Hudson. She took the reins from Agnes several months ago. If you have any questions or comments about the food pantry she is the one still driving the bus!

Our current list of volunteers- Out Front: Colette – *our fearless leader*, Marty, Jim, Carolyn W., Debby, Sue, Francis and Dale. In the Back: Warren, JW, Grace, Nancy, Linda, Danny, Donna, and Sonny W.

Our thanks to the neighborhood churches (Irvington United Methodist and Kilmarnock 7th day Adventist) who provide volunteers who work in our food pantry, bring monetary and food donations as well.

We currently open the food pantry on the third Wednesday of each month. Our hours are 1 – 4 pm.

Our work schedule for each pantry day starts about 9:30. We must stock our freezers, and grocery items that have been donated and collected from Food Lion over the previous weeks. We then await the arrival of the Food Bank truck and that's when the real work starts. Unloading pallets of fresh vegetables, can goods, bread products, frozen foods, and many other food items. After unloading the truck it's time to stock our shelves and get ready to open our door at 1 pm. We have a fantastic group of people working to make our food pantry a success for our community.

Once again, Thanks to our congregation for your support and to those volunteer workers that show up each day we have the food pantry open. We couldn't make this happen without you.

The **KBC JOY Group** traveled to Yorktown on Tuesday, September 26th, to visit the new Yorktown Museum. They took a trolley to tour the town and visited the numerous shops at the waterfront. Afterwards, they enjoyed lunch and the view from the waterfront. It was an afternoon of great fellowship!



JOY

(Just Older Youth)

The **JOY Ministry** has two outings planned for October. We hope you'll be able to join us, and you don't have to be a **JOY** member to go with us and enjoy fun and fellowship!

On Friday, October 20th **JOY** will visit the Mariners Museum in Irvington, leaving there and going to visit the Kilmarnock Museum, where Augusta Sellew will be our docent. After our tours, we will go have lunch at Great Fortune. We will be carpooling from the Church, leaving at 9:45am. We will be making reservations for lunch, so please let Mary Jane or Marty know if you'd like to go, **no later than Sunday, October 15th.**

Our next adventure will be on Friday, October 27th. We will go to the Craftsman's Classic Arts and Crafts Festival Christmas Show at the Richmond Raceway. We will carpool from the Church, leaving at 8:30am. If you can volunteer to drive, it will be much appreciated. **WE WILL NEED TO KNOW IF YOU'D LIKE TO GO, no later than Sunday, October 22nd,** so we can make sure we have enough cars to take all of us there. Please contact Mary Jane or Marty.

Looking ahead to November and December, **JOY** will be making our annual Christmas gifts for our shut-ins the week after Thanksgiving. We will also elect **JOY** Officers for next year. If you're interested in being an Officer, please let Mary Jane, Marty or Warren know. In early December, we will deliver our gifts, with candy to each person. If you've never helped with these things before, it is very meaningful to us and brings much **JOY** to our shut-ins, who enjoy our visits. We hope you'll be able to help us with this special Ministry! Watch for more information to come in future Bulletins and Newsletters.

MINISTRY UPDATE: VICTOR VULA in MYANMAR

Sept. 4, 2017

My dear friend in Christ,

Greetings from Myanmar! Hope this email finds you well. It is always a joy to bring our ministry update and prayer needs. Please continue to pray for us and support us. Thank you.

Victory International School

Thank God, rainy season is almost over. VIS has been doing well. During the month of August, we were able to hold parent-teacher conference, had chapel service, installed swings and Castle at the children playground. Our extra class for science and Math (STEM) projects and Arts class are also going well, almost done; not sure if we can do the next course. We started practicing songs and other activities for Christmas program. We are looking forward to this exciting program, Christmas.



Water Filter & Humanitarian Aid



Praise God, we were able to provide some more Lilypad water filters and are planning to build more Live-sand water filtration systems in the northern part of Shan & Kalay Myo areas. Please continue to pray for us and support us. Again, this project is to help with disadvantaged communities, and for our missionary partners to use them as their ministry tools.



Mission & Victory Community Chapel (VCC)

Victory Community Chapel is going well. There is also regular Sunday school class. We are praying for more people to attend the service. We pray for any Bible believing church to partner with us so that we can minister our community more effectively. Our prayer is also to hold English conversation time before the service.

The mission (Burmese-Mizo) church I am directing is also going well.



Here are our prayer needs at the ministry:

Please continue to pray for qualified and dedicated Godly teachers (both Myanmar & native English speakers), 4/5 laptop computers, land and building for the school. Please also pray for us to be able to provide more water filtration systems. We also request your prayer support for peace in the country, especially for the conflict zones in the northern state, especially in Rakhine.



While H1N1 virus is still an issue, recently we received a letter from the township authority regarding restriction for holding worship service at houses; this has been our big prayer need these days as many Christians in our township (Insein tsp.) meet at houses.

Please also pray for me, as my friends and I will be hosting two trainings at Kalay Myo during the first and last weeks of October, regarding Parenting and Preaching from the Bible for our church leaders and pastors.

Thank you again for your prayer and financial support. If you would like to donate, you can send fund directly through WU or MoneyGram with Lal Sawi Vula (*When you do it, i will need sender's name, amount sent, and tracking number*) or send it to Inspire International: 1900 Chamberlayne Ave., Richmond, VA 23222; and note "Myanmar Project" in the memo line.

May our good Lord and soon coming King continue to bless you and keep you safe!

Yours in Christ,

Lal Sawi Vula (Victor), Director
H. No. 93/C, Thiri Mingalar lane-twe (15),
East Ywama Ward, Insein Tsp., Yangon, Myanmar.
Ph. 09-421-155-549 (Cell).

OCTOBER IS WORLD HUNGER MONTH
(Adapted from Missions Mosaic article September 2017)

Global Hunger Relief (GHR) was formerly known as the World Hunger Fund. National GHR partners are International Mission Board, Baptist Global Response, North American Mission Board, Woman's Missionary Union, Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission, LifeWay Christian Resources, and The Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee.

WMU is thankful to be a GHR partner, and we are grateful to you for your gifts to Global Hunger Relief. GHR-funded projects combat hunger in North America and around the world in many ways such as participating in disaster relief, addressing chronic hunger, and helping women rescued from sex trafficking. Other projects include hunger needs in famine or disaster relief situations such as job training and vocational education, livestock and seeds, clean water, etc.

While most humanitarian organizations may keep from 30 to 70 percent for administrative overhead (buildings, salaries, advertising, etc.) GHR is able to devote resources directly to meeting hunger needs because Southern Baptist churches cover most administrative costs through their Cooperative Program giving and special offerings.

For more information: GlobalHungerRelief.com

Other sources for information: Bread for the World: www.bread.org

Feeding America: www.feedingamerica.org

"If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." 1 John 3:17-18 (NIV)

Read also Isaiah 58:10, Matthew 25:34-40, 1 John 3:17-18, Luke 14:12-14

Because I have been given much, I too must give; Because of thy great bounty, Lord, each day I live I shall divide my gifts from thee with every brother that I see who has the need of help from me.



WMU News

The annual Claybrook/Dunaway meeting will be held at KBC on Tuesday, October 3rd at 10:30am. Laura Davis, Director of Mission Involvement from the Woman's Union of Virginia, will be our speaker. Bring a sandwich. Beverages and desserts will be provided. We will have our business meeting in the Sanctuary and our program in Beane Hall. Mary Ann Crane and Lynne Saunders will provide our time of special music.




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WMU Mission Project for October 2017

October is World Hunger Month so the **WMU** is asking everyone to focus on KBC's Food Pantry, and to support this wonderful ministry of our Church. Not all of the food supplies needed come from the Northern Neck Food Bank in Warsaw, so there is always a need to purchase items locally and at a higher cost. All donations are welcome, especially monetary. Needs that recur every month are paper bags with handles, canned fruit, syrup, jelly, and drinks (both soft drinks and fruit juices).

A photograph of a person in a white shirt with their hands clasped in prayer, set against a soft, warm background.

Dear God,
I will never be
able to
thank you enough
for always being
there for me.
Amen.



FROM THE MOUSE'S CORNER

By Harriet Gearhart
October 2017

Have you ever wondered what was on the mind of the Great Creator when he sat down to design the animal kingdom? Who could have come up with such creatures as the ostrich or the elephant, the giraffe or the aardvark?

The story of Noah has always baffled me. I can't imagine how God's imagination could design a pattern for so many different kinds of animals, some with four legs, some with two legs, some with wings and even some who crawled on their bellies!

How do you suppose he calculated the space needed to house two of each kind of animal on a boat, crafted from the Gopher Tree, and provisioned it to also be comfortable for Noah and his family? Even today man is still discovering new species and continues to search for a creature he has already called "Big Foot".

When I came to the Northern Neck of Virginia 32 years ago, the only common group of animals I found outside of a zoo were cats, dogs, horses, cows, etc. Even a skunk was something I had never come across, except to see in a book. I was a "city girl". What a discovery it was for me the day I saw, emerging from the woods, a slow moving black and white animal with a bushy tail. To my regret it welcomed our family in its own way. We ran!!

The day I saw a papa, mama, and 13 baby turkeys walking through wooded site in single file, it was something I will always remember. Since then it has become quite familiar to see the turkey family out walking.

Even after the house was finished, the wildlife became a little too curious for our comfort. I found a mama raccoon and her baby caught in our "Have-A-Heart" trap, destined for relocation in a less populated area. I am still wondering years later, how she got that baby into the trap along with herself.

Over the past several years in my column, I have described other seldom seen animals who have ventured into our yard. The most beautiful one was a great bald eagle, who was out early one morning looking for breakfast in the river below, and flew off course into the yard very near the house. The most curious was the hawk, who flew right through the screen wire enclosing a porch. He became so confused when he couldn't find his way back outside.

Just a few days ago after a rain storm, I found what looked like a wire strung from the house, to a nearby hemlock tree whose branches drooped, loaded with rain water to the ground. It seemed to be stretched tight, as if to prop it up so it could join the rest of the tree limbs. I thought my daughter had tried to lift it, and had tied a string or wire to help hold it. She was not aware that such a feat had been accomplished without human hands.

Two days later, I noticed that although the rain water had evaporated, the tree branch still hung supported with what I determined to be a very thin, but strong spider web. In fact, there were two lines of web, one coming from the tree and then the other returning to the tree after fastening it to the house!

During the fruiting season, my one remaining apple tree was loaded with small apples which, several years before, I had decided not to spray anymore and so left the fruit for the squirrels. Standing at my kitchen sink, I enjoyed watching the squirrels race around the branches gathering apples for their winter storage. Something moved behind a chair, which I had put out for visitors to enjoy the scenery and the river. Soon the movement showed its head, and it was a small deer with funny wiggling ears that had caught my attention. I assumed it was a doe because she was beautiful, and her movements were slow and yet cautious. She saw me about the same time as I observed her, and we both stared at each other for several moments. Then she began to stomp her feet. This movement is a warning sign that danger may be approaching. When I did not move, she continued to stomp but also went back to eating the apples which the squirrel, above her in the tree, was continuing to drop at her feet. This was a cooperative action I had never seen in my animal world! The squirrel was happily feeding the fawn, who was happily accepting his gift!

After the squirrel dropped down from the tree and ran off, the deer also wandered out of my sight into the woods. Two days later, she returned but her benefactor was gone and with no food gifts coming her way, she also left the yard and I haven't seen her since.

Every year I live in this area, I watch and wait for some strange but beautiful new action taking place in God's animal world.

A community activity that begins in October. Proceeds go to the Outreach Ministry, which includes Kilmarnock Baptist Church's Food Pantry. Thank you for all your support!

19th ANNUAL DISTINCTIVE BAZAAR

Irvington United Methodist Church

TIME- 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
THREE DATES TO REMEMBER

October 7, November 4, December 2

***OUR BAZAAR IS LIKE WALKING INTO A GIFT
SHOP-REASONABLE PRICES***

Some Items at our bazaar include:

Nautical
Hostess
Snowmen
Angels
Santa collections
Candle
Children's Book with a matching animal
Gift Baskets
Teacher baskets
Golf
Lighted bottles
Seasonal wreaths
Specialty wreaths
Theme decorated trees
Tabletop decorated trees



FOOD : Café

October-homemade chili with condiment bar
November-Vegetable Beef with chicken salad sandwich
December- Chicken noodle , Chicken rice, Vegetable Beef

Bakery Booth:

Includes homemade cakes, pies, cookies, etc and canned goods

**We tithe on our proceeds
Outreach Ministry:**

- Two 500.00 scholarships to a Northumberland senior and a Lancaster senior
- Free Health Clinic
- Kilmarnock Baptist Food Bank
- Animal Welfare League
- Kids First -3 year old Program