



KILMARNOCK BAPTIST CHURCH
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"The Good News"

a monthly newsletter of Kilmarnock Baptist Church



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Church Office Hours
Mon - Thurs
9:00am - 4:00pm



Sunday Mornings
Sunday School @ 9:45
Worship @ 11:00
Nursery Available

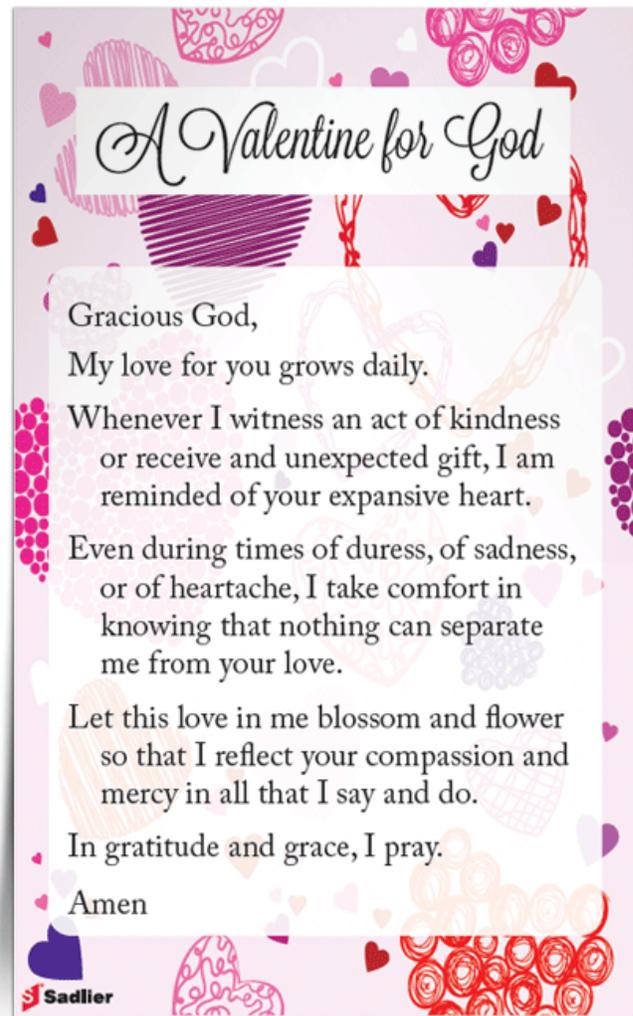
Wednesday Evenings
W.O.W * @ 6:00
Fellowship Dinner @ 6:30
*Worship On Wednesdays



Prayer for the Month

February Birthdays

- 4 Paul Denkinger
- 5 Ruby Abbott
- 7 Carolyn Hawley
- 7 Sheila Zukor
- 13 Paul Foster
- 16 Luke Saunders
- 20 Sue Brent
- 23 Susan Humphreys
- 23 Donna Swinney
- 27 Dick O'Neil



Join us as we knit and crochet on February 16th at 10 am.

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

- February 5: Fannie Clingan
- February 12: Debby Sachen
- February 19: Glen Burtner
- February 26: Bob Gray

FLOWERS



PAT RAMEY





Keeping Focus on God

No matter what, Christians are called to keep focused on God. The overarching story of the Bible is the self-revelation of God to the world. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him” (John 3:16-17). These verses are the summation of this revelatory story; it’s one of salvation, not condemnation.

Recently, I met a woman. She described her religious upbringing. She was in her mid-fifties, and we met at a party. Her parents forced her and her siblings to go to church every time the doors were open. They read their Bible at home, and she had to memorize various passages. She hated it and resented her parents for forcing religion upon her.

How many people share this woman’s experience? Many people long for the days when more people attended church. However, if they attended out of religious adherence and not commitment to the gospel, they go to church for the wrong reason. Give people their freedom. Do not pressure them to attend worship. Instead, we are called to make worship a transformational experience. The hymns, scripture, testimonies, and preached word all point to God’s love for the world and salvation in Jesus Christ.

When everything in church life maintains focus on God, people *want* to be part of it. They do not need to be coerced. What about the woman who I met? Our calling is to reach out to people like her, to love them, and to help them see the gospel of Christ, not organized religion. Wilfred Cantwell Smith said, “Jesus was not interested in Christianity, but in God and humanity. He could not have conceptualized ‘Christianity’.”

We are called to be interested in God and humanity too. Let us be a community that share’s God’s love with the world. When we do, we will see people like her taste the living water of Christ (John 4) and thirst for more!

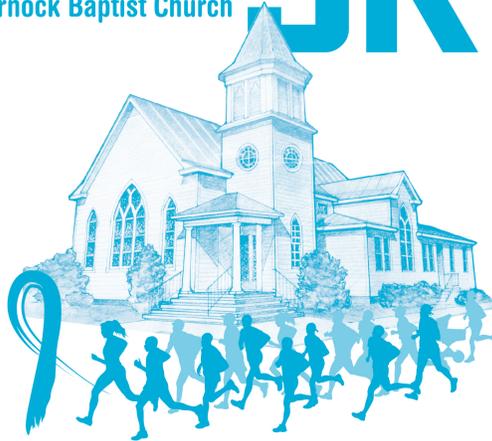
Peace,
Matt

LISA SPIERS MEMORIAL 5K

Presented by Kilmarnock Baptist Church



SEE A CURE



KILMARNOCK BAPTIST
CHURCH presents...
Lisa Spiers Memorial 5K
Run/Walk

Saturday, April 1, 2017

Raising awareness for
Ocular Melanoma

Registration is now
open. Go to the
website

www.lisaspiers5K.org.

WMU Monthly Mission Project 

The mission project for February at KBC is to support the Food Pantry. The Food Pantry at KBC provides basic food items to approximately 50 families in the local area each month. The food supplements the needs for approximately 70 children, 20 seniors and 80 adults. The KBC Food Pantry relies on food donations and monetary donations to meet the mission of providing some food to families who are food insecure.

The following items are needed:

Peanut butter

Jelly

Syrup

Cereal

Pudding/jello

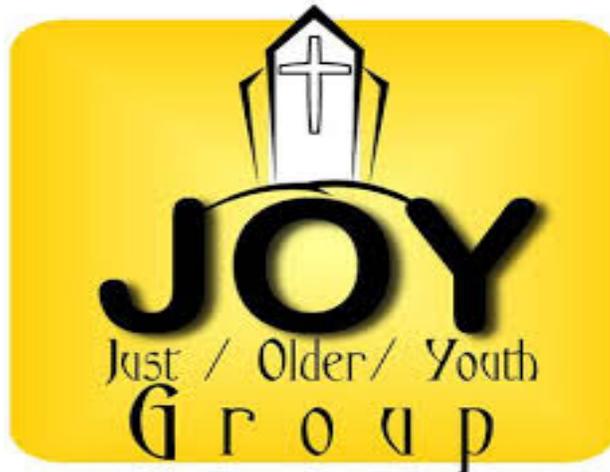
Tuna fish

Canned fruit

Condiments, such as mayonnaise, mustard, ketchup

Boxes are located in the back foyer to deposit your food donations. Monetary donations are also gladly accepted. Please make checks out to KBC and notate "Food Pantry" in the memo line.

Thank you for any support you can provide.



JOY will be showing a movie on Tuesday, February 28th, in Beane Hall. We will show "Noah", a live performance from the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA. This is an exceptional movie and a favorite of all who have seen it. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. After the movie, JOY will provide a sub sandwich lunch for everyone. So we can provide enough food, please let Mary Jane, Marty or Warren know if you'll be attending. As always, all are welcome. We hope you will join us for a special time of fellowship and to see this special movie.

We will be attending a Play in White Stone on Sunday, March 12th, 2pm social hour, 3pm curtain. We were to see "Roxanne", but that has been cancelled and replaced with the comedy, "The Actress", about a famous actress' farewell performance, with a dressing room filled with craziness. Seats are \$20 per person and payments are due no later than February 26th, with the word "Play" in the memo line of your check. Please let Mary Jane or Marty know if you'd like to reserve a seat.

**SUPER TUESDAY
is FEBRUARY 21ST.
LET ZABRINA
KNOW IF YOUR
COMMITTEE IS
MEETING.**

Sincere thanks to our KBC family for your amazing support for this year's "Angel Tree" project. Our focus was different this year but the results were the same: people who would have been without presents at Christmas felt the joy of receiving beautiful gifts. Our local Boys and Girls Club used every gift we provided to enhance the Christmas season for so many children and adults. THANK YOU KBC for your generosity and your love.

Former KBC Pastor Mary Dell Sigler has settled in her new home in Winchester. Her new address is: Mary Dell Sigler; 1815 Kershaw Lane; Winchester, VA 22601.

MINISTRY UPDATE: VICTOR VULA in MYANMAR

Jan. 2, 2017

My dear friend in Christ,

Happy New Year! Hope you had a wonderful time at Christmas and New Year with your love ones. Muani and the kids spend their Christmas and New Year time with Muani's parents' house in the north. I was not able to go with them as I have some works to be done during the school break. I too had a good time with our church members. Following is our latest ministry update and prayer needs. Thank you again for your prayer and financial support. Please continue to pray for us and support us.



Victory Center for Academics (VCA)

Thank God, we had a wonderful Christmas and Fun fair program on Dec. 21. Many parents and friends showed up; the kids did their presentations very well. We are now in our Christmas holiday. Class will resume on Jan. 9. During this week, teachers and staff will go for excursion in the East during. Everyone is excited about it.



Please continue to pray for the school; for rental cost (*we need to renew the contract in February, 2017*), curriculum, school partnership, Air conditioners for each classroom, good & dedicated teachers, books for the library, tuition assistance to needy students, etc.

Water Filter & Humanitarian Aid

Around Christmas time, I was able to provide a few Lilypad water filters. God willing, I will be traveling to the North for our church annual conference in February; I hope to build more live-sand water filters there. I am also praying to provide many more Lilypad water filters to disadvantage communities near Yangon city. Please continue to pray for us and support us. Thank you.



Mission & International Church

The mission church I am directing is going well. We had wonderful Christmas programs to those places and held salvation crusades as well. Thank God, the Lord gave us one soul. Please continue to pray for us and support us so that we can win many more souls.



Thank you again for your prayer and financial support. This is the main source that help us do better works at the ministry and, enabling us to continue our ministry here in Myanmar. Please continue to pray for us and support us. 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),
Bogone, Insein Tsp., Yangon, Myanmar.
Ph. 09-421-155-549 (Cell).

Food Pantry News

Agnes Holloway, the KBC Food Pantry Manger, has decided it's time to take a much needed break from her duties as manager. Collette Hudson has agreed to manage the ministry. Warren and Marty Sutherland have agreed to continue their roles of communication and data reporting.

We all want to give Agnes a tremendous thank you for all her hard work over the last 6+ years. She took over management when the food pantry had no central location in the church. Food was distributed from various classrooms upstairs and the frozen food had to be brought up from the downstairs freezer. All who volunteered at the Food Pantry remember the hard work of taking food upstairs and downstairs to distribute. Even the paperwork for reporting was manually done.

Over the years, Agnes has worked tirelessly in getting a dedicated room set aside at KBC to be the Food Pantry home. A computerized reporting system was developed by the Food Bank so that reporting is efficiently accomplished. THANK YOU AGNES!!!!!!

The Food Pantry has many dedicated volunteers and partners. If you stop by the Food Pantry on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, you will see volunteers from many other churches supporting the program, such as Irvington United Methodist and Kilmarnock Seventh Day Adventist. Without them, we wouldn't be able to manage the workload in unloading the Food Bank truck delivery, stocking shelves, and helping those that come in to the Food Pantry for assistance. Food and monetary donations also come in from Kilmarnock United Methodist Church and The Corrotoman Seniors.

Another example is our partnership with St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. Their church participates in "The Souper Bowl of Caring" each January, which involves a food drive. In addition they do a youth service project. For the past two years, they designated the KBC Food Pantry as recipient for the food drive. On February 4 this year, the youth will bring their donations, both non-perishable food and monetary donations to KBC. They will help stock our shelves and also are provided info regarding our ministry.

In February, our WMU is also supporting a food drive through their monthly mission project that will benefit the KBC Food Pantry. Boxes for donated non-perishables are located in the back lobby. Monetary donations can be made by writing checks to KBC and list "food pantry" in the memo line.

The KBC Food Pantry has a group of over 15 volunteers who work to ensure that we can provide SOME food to those in Lancaster County that are considered "food insecure." Food insecurity is defined as a lack of consistent, dependable access to enough food for all household members for active, healthy living.

Much progress has been made over the last few years, but food insecurity for Lancaster County is still nearly 15% of the population – that's nearly 1,600 individuals!

Please consider donating to the KBC Food Pantry. The Pantry relies on donations to keep the doors open and support this much needed ministry in our area.

Matthew chapter 25, verse 35:

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

This is our mission at the KBC Food Pantry.