



KILMARNOCK BAPTIST CHURCH
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"The Good News"

a monthly newsletter of Kilmarnock Baptist Church



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

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



July Birthdays

1 Jean Carter Kimble

2 Helen Quillan

4 John Elliot Weddle

5 Mary Ann Crane

7 Zabrina Webster

8 Glen Burtner

9 Will Dunaway

9 Matthew Joyner

11 Connie Ruble

12 Dennis George

13 Linda Baughan

13 Katelyn Stillman

15 Gina Stump

16 Nadia Moss

16 Stacy Bowles

22 Joshua Hudson

25 Doris Christopher

26 Louise Humphreys

27 Karen Cox

27 Warren Sutherland

28 David Price

30 Joy Texter



*Join us as we knit and
crochet on July 21st
at 10 am.*

FLOWERS
DEBBIE SACHEN

Prayer for the Month

Dear Lord,

There is no greater feeling of liberation than to experience the freedom from sin and death that you provided for me through **Jesus Christ**.

Today my heart and my soul are free to praise you. For this, I am very thankful.

On this Independence Day, I am reminded of all those who have sacrificed for my freedom, following the example of your Son, Jesus Christ. Let me not take my freedom, both physical and spiritual, for granted. Lord, today, bless those who have served and continue to give their lives. With favor and bounty, meet their needs and watch over them. In Jesus Name, Amen.

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

July 3: Danny Tobin

July 10: Nancy Wetherington

July 17: Fannie Clingan

July 24: Glen Burtner

July 31: Bob Gray



July 3: Sue Brent

July 10: Donna/Mike Swinney

July 17: Harriet Dawson

July 24: Jenny Crandall

July 31: Margaret Headley



Thinking Ahead

Many people plan for their retirement. They make small sacrifices over many years, so that when their golden years begin, they are financially prepared. As a church, we think ahead too. We plan a year in advance for budget items. Each summer, committees begin working on their budget requests for the following fiscal year. However, in this newsletter, I am not addressing financial planning or thinking one year ahead. Instead, I invite you to think about 5, 10, or 20 years in the future. Where do you imagine the church then?

Visioning for the long term requires us to set ourselves aside and imagine the future congregation. What will it look like? How will they worship? What songs will they sing? Currently, numerous groups use the church, but can we, as a congregation, do more for our community.

At the June church council meeting, we discussed the possibility of opening a preschool. Several people raised good questions. Others expressed enthusiasm. The Baptist General Association of Virginia offers a training program and two members of our church family signed up to go. A preschool could fill a need in our community and be an opportunity for us to (1) share our space even more, (2) share Christ's love with young children, and (3) provide a service to young families. Should we do it? I do not know, but I am praying about it. Join me in prayer.

Visioning means asking questions. Let us get back to imagining the future. The Northern Neck is blessed with beautiful landscapes, and the panoramic views attract visitors and new retirees each year. Ministries like Just Older Youth (JOY) offers a vibrant ministry to this constituency. As a matter of fact, as I write, the JOY group is on another one of their fun outings! If our congregational vision for the future includes ministering to retirees on the Northern Neck, we are well on our way and should build up ministries like JOY.

What about young people? In numerous informal conversations in the halls of KBC, people lament the lack of children and youth. How do we plan now so that we have children and youth in the church in the future? We must provide a quality nursery at every activity. Then, when a young family shows up, there is a place where they can feel good about leaving their child. We must build a youth program with the young people we have. Building a program takes effort and volunteers. If our vision for the future includes young people, we must work toward that end.

Visioning is a collective activity. No one person can do it alone. We can share ideas, discuss them, be open to new ways, think outside the box, ask what other churches are doing, and follow when the Holy Spirit leads. Together we can cast a vision for the future. And, together we can live out God's vision for KBC.

Peace,
Matt

SUPER TUESDAY JULY 19TH

Let Matt or Carolyn know
if your committee is
meeting.

THE VOYAGERS

Pastor Carolyn Willams is leading a new Bible Study focusing on one book of the Bible at a time. It meets every Sunday. Come learn more about the Word of God.



A number of churches in our area collect items all year long for the shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse. This year KBC is going to try this method. Each month, February through September, we will have a list of items needed to fill the boxes. Look for the lists in the front and back foyers. Please keep in mind the size of the shoebox, whether for a boy or a girl, and the age: 2-4, 5-9, 10-14. For the month of July, we are collecting sunglasses, watches, flashlights with extra batteries, jewelry, hair clips, bows, combs and brushes. Don't forget pencil sharpeners!



The WMU will meet

Tuesday, July 12th, at 10:30 am



JOY would like to thank everyone who has donated vases to our "Angel Flowers" project. Your response has been overwhelming and we have delivered almost 100 vases to the Country Cottage in White Stone. We, along with Pam Sawyer, truly appreciate your thoughtful giving! We have removed our collection box, but any time you might have more vases to give, we'll be happy to deliver them. Just leave them next to the stairs in bags or boxes, in the back foyer. Thank you so very much!

Mary Jane Gemmell, JOY Chairman



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The Haiti
Preparation

Meetings are at
7 pm

July 7

July 21

in the Pastor's
Study

on the following
dates



From the desk of your Associate Pastor



We will host the “Surf Shack” VBS July 11-15th from 6-8pm. Dinner will start each night at 5:30pm. This year we will be dusting off our surfboards and building a surf shack. I hope that everyone will get excited and come out and support us. The men and women at KUMC are participating with us.

Many of you have volunteered to help in decorating, food, registration, Bible stories, music, sports, science discovery, and crafts. There is still plenty of room for volunteers. I am looking forward to a fun and successful VBS. Thanks in advance for your participation.

Yours in Christ,
Carolyn Williams

A Special Thank you!

Kilmarnock Baptist Church,

Thank you for keeping me informed with the bulletin and newsletter each week. I enjoy thinking about the activities that I read about. I feel a constant connection to the church. Thank you for keeping me on the prayer list. Barbara informs me that many people are praying for me.

Thanks for everything.

Lynn

MINISTRY UPDATE: VICTOR VULA in MYANMAR

NEWS UPDATES AS OF JUNE 27, 2016

June 3, 2016

My dear friend in Christ,
Greetings from Myanmar! After a fruitful visit to the US during the last month, we are back to Myanmar, and started busy with works. Thank you always for your prayer and financial support for our works in Myanmar. Please continue to pray for us and support us.



Victory Center for Academics (VCA)



Last month my wife and I visited the US to attend an internship program and observe a school in Denver, Colorado; it was a fruitful visit and had a really good time. We could also visit some friends in other states afterward. We are busy now preparing for 2016-17 academic year. Yesterday and today was registration days for our school. As we raise tuition fee from this academic year, there are several students who are not able to continue their education at VCA, please pray for us so that we can provide some tuition assistance to those are in need and qualified for that. Please also pray for rental cost for the remaining 6 months which is due July 8. Beginning from this year, we are planning to start English special class for Sat & Sun.



Water Filtration & Humanitarian Aid

As monsoon season begins in Myanmar, many disadvantaged communities started facing clean water problem. We are praying and planning to build more live-sand water filtration systems and provide Lily pad water filter; and also dig/drill more water wells. I will be travelling up in the north at the end of this month, hope we can build more water filtration systems. Building one water filter costs us US\$50-80, and digging a 150-250 feet water well costs us US\$150-300.



Mission & International Church

My church in Yangon is looking after 4 mission centers around Yangon city where I am the director of the mission committee. We are planning to buy & build one mission church building this year. We are also helping other churches to start preschools in disadvantaged communities; we need your prayer support for these projects.



Once again, it's my prayer and desire to start an English speaking church in our area. It's been a while since we started praying for this. Our main focus for this program will be young people who are passionate about learning English language. Hopefully we can start this year. We are looking and praying for any English speaking person/s to help us with this project.

If you would like to support, you can send fund directly to me by WU or MoneyGram (*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)
H. No. 93/C, Thiri Mingalar lane-twe (15),
Bogone, Insein Tsp., Yangon, Myanmar.
Ph. 09-421-155-549 (Cell).

Mission & International Church

The mission church I am directing is going great. We have 4 mission centers. Up to this point, we have not been able to start English service; we are praying for God's timing. God willing, I will be traveling up in the north during the first week of July to conduct a Bible preaching seminar (Necessity of preaching from the Bible and how to prepare a sermon from it) with pastors and preachers. We expected around 150 people. I will also build some more water filters there with our agents.

VCA-It's been almost a month since we started our school. So far things are going well; we have 78 students at this point. We were able to start weekend English class with 7 students. Please continue to pray for our rent; we still owe \$10,000 for the second half of this year (immediate need), and we have \$5,000 in our hand; we still need another 5,000; it is dued July 10. Please also pray for dedicated and qualified teachers. It will be really great if we can have native English speakers to teach/train even for a few days or weeks. Please also pray for tuition assistance, there are some students who really need our help with that; and also for transportation.

Water Filtration & Humanitarian Aid-As we are now in monsoon season, many disadvantaged communities started facing clean water problem. Recently Ted Loudon, a good friend visited me and the school, we really had a good time. He brought some water filters; hope and pray to get more. Works for drilling water wells is also going okay. We pray to build more wells with better equipment; and build more water filtration systems.

WMU News

We are looking for cookie recipes suitable for diabetics. We package and deliver cookies twice a year, once for Teacher Appreciation Week and again for our shut-ins during the holidays. If you have a recipe to share, please give it to any of our WMU members.

Kilmarnock Baptist Church Food Pantry

Effective June 2016, the KBC food pantry will be opening its doors once a month instead of the current twice a month. We will be open on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 1 – 4 pm. Families that use our food pantry can only visit once a month. We want to align our operations to support their monthly visit. We appreciate your continued support, without you we couldn't provide the excellent service that our pantry is known for throughout our community. We always need both Jelly and Syrup. No donations will ever be turned down!



Join us at the **Church Picnic!**

Church Picnic

The Master's Blend Sunday School class invites the entire church and friends to our annual Picnic at Belle Isle State Park on Saturday, August 6, 2016 in the Humphrey Shelter. Plan on arriving about 4:00 pm for fellowship. We plan on eating Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Drinks, which will be provided, at 5:00 pm. Bring a dish to share. Our guest soloist and gospel singer, Sharon Mann, who has released two CD's.



During the month of August on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, KBC will be doing Meals on Wheels. We need 10 teams of two people each to cover the month. If you would like to be a part of this rewarding ministry, please notify Barbara Price (435-6839) or Nancy Wetherington (435-1007).

Attention ALL Students who plan to attend a post-secondary institution for the 2016 - 2017 school year! If you have attended Kilmarnock Baptist Church programs, Sunday School, WOW, Youth, or Sunday Worship, you are eligible to apply for one of the annual KBC Scholarships for 2016 - 2017. Please send a letter of interest addressed to "KBC Scholarship Committee, KBC, PO Box 99, Kilmarnock, VA 22482," postmarked no later than July 10, 2016. Your letter should describe your post-secondary education plans and explain how this scholarship would assist you in achieving those plans. If you have any questions, please call Harriet Dawson at 804-438-6240.

If you would like to purchase a **Memorial Brick for the KBC Memorial Garden**, please complete an order form (located in the church office) or call Harriet Dawson at 804-438-6240. Bricks are \$40 each (Check made payable to KBC - Memo: Memorial Brick) and messages may contain three lines, 21 spaces on each line for print. The summer order will be placed July 15, 2016 for delivery in September 2016.