



KILMARNOCK BAPTIST CHURCH
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"The Good News"

a monthly newsletter of Kilmarnock Baptist Church

AUGUST

2016

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

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



August Birthdays

- 2 Courtney Reisner
- 4 David Humphreys
- 5 Sarah Steffey
- 5 Bill Goodson
- 7 Peggy Dunaway
- 7 Matthew Courtney
- 11 Sonny Thomas
- 12 Curtis Smith
- 13 Lisa Harlan
- 14 Edna Mason
- 15 Gina Stump
- 17 Gregory Price
- 18 Naomi Urban
- 19 Elizabeth Sanders
- 19 Betty Ann Rose
- 23 Debbie Urban
- 25 Alexza Ebersole
- 27 Debbie Abbott
- 27 Cres Saunders
- 28 Adam Duryea
- 28 Elizabeth Harjes
- 28 Betty Jones



Join us as we knit and
crochet on August
18th at 10 am.

Prayer for the Month

My Lord, I pray that thou wilt control my life, and bless the going out of my work, be it ever so great or small. Help me to realize the necessity of earnestness, that I may "work while it is to-day," and I have the light, and not wait for the night, when it is too dark for work to be done. May I be faithful in my work until it is completed. Amen.

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

- August 7: Anges Holloway
- August 14: Mary French Hutt
- August 21: Carol Nelson
- August 28: Debby Sachen



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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

NO SUPER TUESDAY FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST



The WMU will meet

Tuesday, August 9, at 10:30 am

SUNDAY SCHOOL

During the month of August, the Sunday School classes will meet in Beane Hall for a Study about the New Testament's use of the Old Testament.



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 August, we are collecting toothpaste, toothbrushes, bars of soap with a plastic container, and washcloths. No liquids or lotions. Don't forget pencil sharpeners!



KBC continues to host classes for Virginia University of Lynchburg. Classes will be upstairs on Tuesdays from 2pm-9pm and on Thursdays from 3pm-9pm. Classes resume August 30.

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The Haiti Mission trip is August 1-8. We pray all have a safe trip and return home safe and sound in Jesus name.

From the desk of your Associate Pastor

We had a great VBS with so many helping hands. I want to thank everyone for stepping in and helping this year. Nancy Wetherington and Barbara Price did a great job of distributing posters publicizing the event. Matthew Tennant, Linda-Enders Bailey, Robbie Spiers, Jenny Crandall, and Lynn McCrobie, as well as volunteers from KUMC, helped to turn our sanctuary and other areas into a surf shack paradise. Warren Sutherland, Pat Ramey, Fanny Clingan, and Melanie Tennant registered twenty-seven children during the week.

Karen Cox headed up the KBC dinners on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday nights. Her team included Marty Sutherland, Agnes Holloway, Diane and Bob Gray, Debby Sachen, Louise Humphreys, and Mary French Hutt.

Each night the children enjoyed an assembly featuring Robbie Spiers as Skippy the surfer dude and Snappy the crab puppet (managed by Dean Tennant). The children enjoyed going to five different areas of activity. Judy Kelley and Mary Jane Gemmell told Bible stories. Lynn McCrobie, Linda Enders-Bailey, and Marty Sutherland taught crafts. (Marty took pictures of the events, too). Mike Kelley taught science experiments, and Robbie Spiers taught music. Kyle Lorrenzino, director of youth at White Stone United Methodist taught recreation, aided by Dean Tennant and other youth pitched in as well.

There were volunteers in charge of each group of children, leading them to their activities at the appropriate times. Thanks go out to Martha Balderson, Edna Mason, Jim Williams, Paul Denkinger, and Carol Nelson, as well as members of KUMC and many of the parents.

Thanks to all who pitched in and helped to make VBS so successful this year.

Yours in Christ,
Carolyn Williams



JOY is meeting at the Irvington Crab Fest on Saturday, August 13th. If you have tickets, you're welcome to join us. Just let us know and we'll save a seat for you!

We will have a meeting, and a movie, on Tuesday, August 30th, at 10am. After a short meeting, we will be showing "Joseph", from the Sight and Sound Theater, in Lancaster, PA. Popcorn and drinks will be served. This movie is a live performance and is incredible, as was the one we showed in February. We hope you will join us!

Looking ahead to September, we will be going to the next Play in White Stone, Sunday, September 18th. They will be performing "The Gin Game". More information will follow, but our final cutoff date for paid reservations will be September 4th.

Also, coming in September, is our Cruise to Ingleside Winery, out of Tappahannock. The date will be Thursday, September 29th and we will carpool from the Church. Reservations, and payments, will need to be made no later than September 18th. If you joined us last year, or if you didn't, join us this year for a wonderful day of fun, fellowship and laughter! More information will follow.

MINISTRY UPDATE: VICTOR VULA in MYANMAR

July 27, 2016

My dear friend in Christ,

Greetings from Myanmar! Hope this news update and prayer needs finds you well. Thank you again for your prayer and financial support. Please continue to pray for us and support us. Following is our latest ministry update:

Victory Center for Academics (VCA)

Thank God, it's been 2 months since we started our school on May 30. This is our 8th year; we experienced several students who come from Buddhist background interested to know more about the Bible and Jesus. We are so grateful for that.

We had good time with parents at parent information night on July 7 & 8. The same question they keep on asking us is that, if we already had a partner school, and also like when we can start computer class and put air conditioners in the classrooms.

In regards to rent, we were able to pay 70% of the remaining rental cost; we hope and pray that we can pay the rest of 30% remaining during the first week of August, which is due date actually.

Regular classes are going well; as well as the weekend class. The student number is not increasing, as a matter of fact it is decreasing; mainly because of the above questions. This situation brought us to how much we need a partner school/organization now. When we say partner, we meant it as a resource persons/group: E.g., to provide English speaking teachers or teachers' trainer, help us with curriculum and library books for each grade level, to provide even help with school building, etc. This will result in the increase of student number, pay better salary to teachers, control quality of the school, generate qualified students for college, be able to provide even tuition assistance, etc.



Recess Time

Thank you again for your prayer and financial support. Please continue to pray for our works and support us. If you would like to support, you can send fund directly to me by 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).

Water Filter & Humanitarian Aid



Water Filter at Thiri Dan Kyi Village

As Myanmar is now in monsoon season, flood occurs already in several places, and many disadvantaged communities started facing clean water problem. Bio-sand water filtration system works well in those places. We are praying to build several of them in the near futures; especially for flood victims and flood hit areas. Works for drilling water wells is also going okay.



Bridge for crossing the river

Mission & International Church

The mission church I am directing is growing. We have 4 mission centers. In regards to English speaking church, at this point we have not been able to start it; praying for God's timing. My prayer is for God to provide at least one English speaker person to work with me. Teaching at VCA can help with that at the same time.



Visiting on of the mission centers

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.

The August WMU mission project is to provide school supplies to the Lancaster Primary School and the Hispanic Ministry. Copies of the supply list are available in the church foyer and also provided here. The collection box is located in the back foyer. If you prefer not to shop and would like to provide a monetary donation, please provide to KBC with a notation of "WMU School Supplies." Members of the WMU will then purchase school supply items.

The supplies are provided to the schools so that the teachers can distribute as needed throughout the school year. In past years, the teachers have been so appreciative of our donated supplies. Thank you in advance for anything you can provide!

Backpack (no wheels)
Crayola Crayons (24 count)
Dry Erase markers (Expo)
Elmers glue sticks – large or small
Elmers glue - bottle
Tissues – large boxes
Baby wipes – large containers
Clorox wipes
Pencils – #2 pencils pre-sharpened
Scissors – sharp and blunt ends
Pencil Box – plastic
Pencil Pouch
Composition notebook (black and white notebook)
Spiral notebooks (70-100 page wide ruled)
Index cards
Highlighters – any color
Notebook paper

Gallon, quart or sandwich size ziploc plastic bags
Hand sanitizer – large bottle (not personal size)
Folding rest mat
Pocket folders – regular and plastic (without center prongs)
Earbuds (for iPad use)

****Please note that the Crayola brand of crayons and the Elmers brand of school glue are recommended. Through years of experience, teachers find these brands to last longer than other brands.**



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).



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.