



KILMARNOCK BAPTIST CHURCH
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"The Good News"

a monthly newsletter of Kilmarnock Baptist Church



2016

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Carolyn Williams, Associate Pastor
Robbie Spiers, Music Director
Zabrina Webster, Ministry Assistant
Mary Ann Crane, Organist
Lori Eanes, Pianist

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



November Birthdays

- 2 Donna Wilkins
- 3 Joel Spiers
- 7 Lester Brent
- 8 Billy Hudson
- 9 Barbara Price
- 11 Nathan Spiers
- 13 John Raymond
- 16 Brenda Burtner
- 24 Mel Holmes
- 25 Dean Tennant
- 26 Rebecca Price
- 27 Martha Balderson
- 28 Betty Holmes

FLOWERS



NANCY WETHERINGTON



Join us as we knit and
crochet on November
17th at 10 am.

Prayer for the Month

Lord God, save me from a hard and doubting heart. May I be trustful and come to thee in faith. All the days of my life may my lips sing thy praise as I unfold thy love and purposes. Amen.



We recognize Lester Brent for the honor he received from WTVR, Channel 6 News last week. Lester appeared in CBS 6 Gives segment for doing things to help others, like delivering newspapers to needy people on his bike and for being the longest running member of the Fire Department. They came here from Richmond and filmed him in his barber shop and awarded him a \$100 gift card to the Rappahannock Grill.

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

- November 6: Debby Sachen
- November 13: Gail Saylor
- November 20: Danny Tobin
- November 27: Nancy Netherington



- October 2: Barbara Price
- October 9: Marty Sutherland
- October 16: Debbie Reiblich
- October 23: Lisette Raymond
- October 30: Margaret Headley



Church-wide Book Study—*Sailboat Church*

On Sunday, January 1, 2017, we will begin the visioning process for God's next chapter at Kilmarnock Baptist Church. The deacons have set a goal of 75 participants in weekly study groups. This means that they will be contacting you to personally invite you to participate in these study groups. The groups will meet at different times and in various places. They will each have a group leader, and over the ten-week period of small group study, the participants in each group will pray together, get to know one another, study, and begin sharing individual vision ideas for Kilmarnock Baptist Church.

What will we study? The groups will all study a book called *Sailboat Church—Helping Your Church Rethink Its Mission and Practice* by Joan S. Gray (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2014). The church will order the books. They should cost around \$12 each.

Why this book? Churches are made up of people. The author distinguishes between rowboat churches, which rely on human effort, and sailboat churches. Sailboat churches depend on the Holy Spirit to guide them. They do not fight against the current, nor do they repeat unsuccessful programs and projects over and over again.

For KBC, *Sailboat Church* might lead to a paradigm shift. By reading it collectively, we can experience the journey together. Each week, worship will connect with the theme of the study groups. This will serve to reinforce the ideas we are learning about together. When we finish the book, we will have 40 days of prayer. The book has a guide for this time of prayer.

Throughout the process, Carolyn Williams, Bob Gray, and I will visit groups and put together each person's ideas for a KBC vision. We will note what themes repeat. We will plan listening sessions to share the vision as it unfolds. Then, in the April business meeting, we, as a congregation, can adopt a vision statement.

Keep in mind as we go through this process: the vision is who we are, not necessarily what we do. What we do will be a result of who we are. So, after we finish the visioning process, we can revisit ideas and explore the way they relate to the vision.

In the coming weeks, you will receive an invitation to join a study group. Please consider also whether or not you would be willing to host a group or lead a group. We will need between 8-10 people to open their homes once per week for ten weeks. And, we will need 8-10 people to volunteer to lead a group. Prayerfully consider what God is calling you to do.

On Sunday, January 1, 2017, we will kick off our visioning process! If it is at all possible, please plan to be in worship on that day. We will covenant together to study and travel through this process as a family of God. What an exciting time to be at KBC!

Peace,

Matt

SUPER TUESDAY
is **NOVEMBER 15.**
LET ZABRINA
KNOW IF YOUR
COMMITTEE IS
MEETING.



The WMU will meet

Tuesday, November 8, at 10:30 am
in Beane Hall.



More Than A Day

As Thanksgiving Day rolls around,
It brings up some facts, quite profound.
We may think that we're poor,
Feel like bums, insecure,
But in truth, our riches astound.

We have friends and family we love;
We have guidance from heaven above.
We have so much more
Than they sell in a store,
We're wealthy, when push comes to shove.

So add up your blessings, I say;
Make Thanksgiving last more than a day.
Enjoy what you've got;
Realize it's a lot,
And you'll make all your cares go away.

By Karl Fuchs



The KBC Food Pantry has a continuing need for donations of both **jelly and syrup**. This need is a constant one. Monetary donations are never turned away either!! We appreciate everyone's continued support of our program. Thank you in advance for your help.

From the Desk of the Associate Pastor

Christmas will be upon us before we know it. It is time to be thinking about our part in the upcoming drive-thru "Journey to Bethlehem" living nativity, hosted by St. Andrews Presbyterian. We are one of the many churches participating in this exciting new event on December 10th from 6-9pm. (Rain date is December 11th).

There will be seven scenes plus a Carolers scene. Kilmarnock Baptist will be doing the "Three Kings" scene. I have the costumes, but I need at least three volunteers, and women can also participate (the costumes have headaddresses, so no one would know). We can do more than one team of three people as well. St. Andrews is building all the sets and obtaining the animals. Yes, we will have a camel.

You can also participate by saving gallon milk jugs. They are making luminaries to light the pathway, and we need lots of them. If you wish to be part of the Carolers, there will be a number of participants from different churches.

We are looking forward to a wonderful outreach to our community, and fun and fellowship with our Christian brothers and sisters from other churches.

Yours in Christ,
Carolyn



JOY will be having a special meeting on Tuesday, November 29th at 10am. We will NOT be meeting downstairs in Fellowship Hall, but will be meeting in the Master's Blend Classroom upstairs. Because of this, we are canceling our breakfast, so no need to bring your casseroles, etc. as we'd discussed at our last meeting and as written on our calendars we handed out. We will reschedule that to another meeting. But, JOY will provide donuts and coffee for you that morning. We will have a short meeting and elect officers for 2017. If anyone is interested in being a JOY officer next year, please let one of our officers know before the meeting. After the meeting, we will make our Christmas gifts for our shut-ins and those in nursing homes. Bring your glue gun, if you have one. We're looking forward to seeing you there!

JOY will be going to the Bizarre Bazaar at the Richmond Raceway Complex on Thursday, December 1st. We will carpool from the Church, leaving at 8:30am. The Bazaar opens at 10am and tickets cost \$9, but we're hoping to get discount coupons, when they become available. Food vendors are on-site, or you can bring your lunch, and there are many benches all around the building to rest once in a while, as this is a very large building with many, many amazing vendors. Come join us for an interesting and fun day! So we can coordinate carpooling and number of discount coupons we will need, please let Mary Jane or Marty know you're going with us, no later than November 23rd.

Tuesday, December 6th, we will fill candy boxes and deliver them, along with the gifts we make, to each person. Please bring bags of candy. If you can't help that day, you can help by donating candy. Just leave it in the Office or give it to Mary Jane or Marty.

MINISTRY UPDATE: VICTOR VULA in MYANMAR

Sept. 27, 2016

My dear friend in Christ,

Greetings from Myanmar! Hope this news update and prayer needs finds you well. Rainy season is finally over. Thank you always 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)

Time is flying, this is the last week of our first semester, and also the end of the second 9 weeks. Thank God, we can hold chapel service once in a month; we pray to do it twice a week. We also thank you to our God that we could finally start computer class for grade level students.

We are still praying for air-conditioners for all the classrooms; we still have problem with power supply; we don't have enough power voltage to run 7-8 air-conditioners, therefore extra transformer is required and it is very expensive. This month we will be celebrating 100th day of school on Oct. 26.

Please continue to pray for us so that we can give official announcement regarding partner school before the end of this year. This is our immediate need and also this is really important for us as the school is growing in number and in classes. Please continue to pray also for our own land and building.



WATER FILTER & HUMANITARIAN AID

Although rainy season is over in Myanmar, time by time we still experience heavy rain in different parts on Myanmar in the south which often result in flood. We could provide some assistants with rice and water purification. We hope and pray to provide more.



MISSION & INTERNATIONAL CHURCH

The mission church I am directing is going well. We have 3 mission centers. We hold regular worship service for adult and children Sunday school every Sunday. We need your prayer support for our missionaries so that they can win many more souls.



Please continue to pray also for starting English speaking church in our area. At this point, I am involving with my Mizo/Burmese church as one of the main leaders, and ministering in the place of an assistant pastor.



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).



Worship on Wednesday (W.O.W) has started. Pastor Matt organized the theme for W.O.W. this fall around the idea "Northern Neck United". The focus is on racial reconciliation. Come out, worship and fellowship.

When we received the renovation grant, we also borrowed an additional \$25,000 from duPont. We have to pay it back, interest free, \$5,000 a year for five years and it began this year. We made the first payment this past March. A designated account for Debt Reduction has been generated for anyone who would like to help with the \$5,000 each year. Your contribution helps us not to touch the church's funds. Thank you, Mary Ann, Treasurer



(Just Older Youth)

The **KBC JOY Group** traveled to Deltaville on Tuesday, October 25, to visit Ullman Sails and learn about sail making. Afterward, the group of 23 enjoyed a catered lunch at the Tea House at Deltaville Maritime Museum. It was a beautiful day and great fellowship!

