



# Hope Valley

BAPTIST CHURCH

*Loving, Serving and Reaching out in Christ's name.*

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### **UPCOMING SUNDAYS:**

#### **Sermon Series:** ***We Are How We Eat***

**October 31**  
Scripture: Ruth 2:1-16  
Title: *Good Neighbors*

**November 7**  
All Saints' Day  
Scripture: Isaiah 25:6-10a  
Title: *The Eternal Host*

**November 14**  
Scripture: Mark 2:13-22  
Title: *Eating with Sinners*

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Brothers and sisters,

As I'm writing this article, our church is preparing for our Trunk-or-Treat this Saturday, October 30 (from 4:30-6:30 if you're reading this ahead of time and want to come!). There is candy in the office. There are pumpkins and scarecrows scattered around the church. There is a wonderful chill in the air and the trees are at this wonderful stage of half-green, half-turned leaves. It feels like the week of Halloween. It feels like something fun and exciting is coming!

I mentioned in an earlier *Illuminator* article that I love fall and everything that comes with it. In particular, I enjoy Halloween. I love the feeling of mystery and suspense that comes with the holiday. I love the mischief in the air. I love to read some ghost stories and watch a scary movie. But I also love some of the themes that come along with Halloween. It is a holiday that brings up the ideas of life and death. It reminds us that there is still mystery and wonder in our world. And it also can remind us of the communities to which we belong. Over the last few years, I've taken an interest in the history of Halloween, particularly where some of the traditions of the holiday come from. Perhaps the most famous tradition, I would argue, is trick-or-treating.

Interestingly, scholars are not sure where exactly trick-or-treating came from. There are some traditions from hundreds of years ago that might be the origin, but those were more focused on cakes and singing hymns. Some say that it comes from concerned homeowners trying to appease pranksters, i.e. "I'll give you a treat if you don't play a trick on me." But most scholars seem to think that trick-or-treating came about during the Great Depression, when money was tight for families all over the country. Their children still wanted to celebrate Halloween and have a night of fun, but not everyone could afford to provide big meals for their own families all on their own. So, neighbors each agreed to make one little treat that they would pass out to any children that came by their door. That way, even though individual households did not have much, the neighborhood could come together to bless their children.

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**PRAYER CONCERNS**  
**(new additions/updates in bold)**

Valle De Esperanza Iglesia Bautista  
COVID-19 Pandemic

**Church family with Health Concerns:**

Irene Barnes - heart issues  
Sam & Pat Beasley  
Karen Bolton - flare up of trigeminal nerve pain  
Joan Burke  
Rachel Dossett - recovery from leg surgery  
Phyllis Edwards - surgery recovery  
Marilyn Flanary - recovery from foot surgery  
Heidi Hall - spinal muscular atrophy (daughter of Sandra & Rick Hall)

**Woody Harton - recovering from a recent fall**

Kaye Jenkins - recovery from knee surgery  
Bonnie Lyon - recovery from fall  
Linda Marshall  
Nancy Michal - in rehab  
Brenda Morton - recovery from fall  
Mary Myers - cataract surgery  
Keith Packer - dialysis

**Frank Pokorny - recovery from surgeries**

Carol Rigsbee  
Barbara Sanders - family members  
Faye Shelton - blood cancer  
Mary Summerlin - recovery from shoulder surgery  
Jerry Tew - Parkinson's  
Carolyn Tippett - leukemia  
Emmett Ward - hurt right hip  
Phil Woodell - recovery from knee surgery

**Expectant Families:**

**Kayleigh & Daniel Kuzbary (daughter of Leigh Bigger)**

**Hannah & Chase Thompson (daughter of Julie & Dave Stoops)**

**Senior Living Centers:**

Family Care Home: Fadine Harris - under Hospice care  
Durham Regent: Marcella Jerdon  
Emerald Pond: Lee Schevill  
Universal Health Care: Marie Thompson

**HVBC friends and family:**

Candy Arnold - brain tumor, chemo (niece of Carol Atkins)  
Phil Atkins (friend of Carl & Carol Atkins)  
Britt Bentley - waiting for heart and kidney transplant (son of Susan Bentley)  
Rebecca Bidy - seizures (daughter-in-law of Peggy Bidy)  
Jimmy Bolick - recovery from stroke (uncle of Amy Herring)  
Hayley Brady - blood clots in lungs (sister of Ginger Rose)  
Ruby Chumney - heart & lung problems (mother of the Dossett's neighbor)  
Ray Clayton - at memory care facility (brother of Linda Kyles)  
Joan Cozart - brain tumor (friend of Joan Burke)  
Fulton de La Morton - back issues (friend of Dossett's)  
Betty Ann Dickerson - feet & leg problems (friend of Carol Atkins)  
Carolyn Draper - COVID (friend of Susan Bentley)  
JaQuavion Ervin - young boy in foster care with no family (from Scott Rose)  
Amy Eubanks - back problems (former member)  
Grayson Evans - health issues (grandson of Ron & Gail Templeton)  
Paul Fain - stomach cancer (friend of Steve & Karen Bolton)  
Lori Gentry (daughter of Gary & Mary Kyles)  
Kathy Goodfellow - cancer, under hospice care (cousin of Scott Rose)

**PRAYER CONCERNS (continued)**

Hazel Graham - COVID  
Greg - blood clots (son-in-law of Linda Marshall)  
Phyllis Griffiths - lupus (sister-in-law of Terry & Betty Griffiths)  
Jackie Harris - dementia (aunt of Julie Stoops, sister of Tommie Calhoun)  
**David Hayes - pacemaker (brother of Julie Hayes)**  
Alphus & Sherri Herndon - he has cancer & she has Alzheimer's (cousin of Brenda Morton & Irene Barnes)  
Tom Jackson - health problems (former interim Pastor)  
Bob Johnson - under hospice care (cousin of Scott Rose)  
Dana Kelly - heart issues (father of Don Kelly)  
Mike Layne - heart attack & surgery (family member of the Dossett's)  
Paul Lemay - cancer (uncle of Kevin Simone)  
Lindsey - anorexia (friend of Jonathan Herring)  
Bill & Nadine Loftis - he has cancer (friends of the Bowen's)  
Doris Lynch - health issues (stepmother of Rick Lynch)  
Junior Martin - cancer (friend of Joan Burke)  
Judah Mathis - one year old with kidney & bladder problems (great grandson of HVBC first pastor, Bill Pearson)  
Mark May - autoimmune disease (nephew of Linda Kyles)  
Lauren Minotti - recovery from surgery (granddaughter of Barbara Sanders)  
Hallie Moore (friend of Sean Timmons)  
Faye Myers - grandchild of Laverne Ellis' neighbor  
Hazel Norman - recovery from back surgery (friend of the Dossett's)  
Juliet Atieno Otieno - 15-year-old with Lupus (friend of Scott Rose)  
John Pierce (grandson of Carl & Carol Atkins)  
Sheri Raspberry - cancer (sister-in-law of Michelle Hunt)  
Weston Raspberry - health issues, lost of sight in eye (nephew of Michelle Hunt)  
Payton & Brittany Rigsbee - both have health concerns (granddaughters of Carol Rigsbee)  
Ashley Robbins - cancer (granddaughter of Brenda Morton)  
Bill Roberson (friend of Scott Rose)  
Joe Rollins - recovery from fall (cousin of Carol Atkins)  
**Robbie Sanders - kidney stones (son of Barbara Sanders)**  
**Andy Sikes - health issues (grandson of Dawn Sikes, former member)**  
Susan Smileowicz - COVID & stroke (friend of Steve & Karen Bolton); daughter, Amy also has COVID  
Charlotte Soltes (mother of Jessie Lynch)  
Karen Stewart - stem cell procedure (friend of Cindy Horton)  
Irene Taylor - heart & bladder issues (mother of Rachel Dossett)  
Matthew Taylor - salvation & direction (request by the Dossetts)  
Grant Tew - cancer (son of Jerry & Idell Tew)  
Heath Tuttle - 13-year-old with cancer (friend of Linda Ward)  
Elaine & Tom vanDalen - health concerns (sister & brother-in-law of Karen Bolton)  
Clifton Walker - COVID (friend of Linda Kyles)  
Jeff Webb - brain tumor (friend of Scott Rose)  
John Williams, Senior and family - under hospice care (uncle of Linda Ward)  
Tommy Wilson - heart issues (brother of Linda Ward)  
**Military Service Personnel:**  
Amos (son of Hector Corchado)  
Chris Buchanan (nephew of Barbara Rowley)  
Clayton Davis (grandson of Linda Marshall)  
Travis Hayes (nephew of Ginger Hayes)  
Blake Smith (son-in-law of John & Mary Myers)  
**Around Our World:**  
Leena Lavanya - missionary with ServeTrust working in India; Pastor Koteswarao & Chowtu Palem Church (our partner church in India)

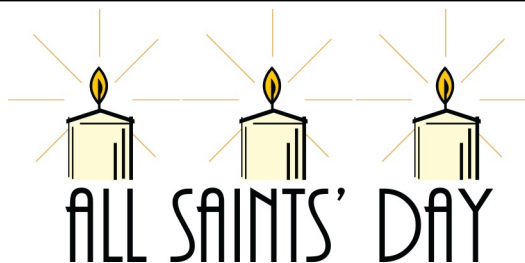
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To me, that's a wonderful way to look at a holiday like Halloween—as a community-driven effort to care about our neighbors. It is a holiday on which we can provide a small blessing to our neighbors, our friends and families, and even complete strangers. It is a time of the year in which we can remember that we are called to be in an authentic community with people, finding creative ways to love them. Halloween can serve as a time of year when we think back to the communities that came before us and shaped us, to the communities that loved us—and be thankful. It can serve as a time of year to bless those around us. And it can serve as a wonderful reminder that those children coming to our doors (or our trunks this Saturday, October 30 from 4:30-6:30 in the church parking lot!), will remember the time that total strangers cared for them. They will remember the time when church people loved them and gave them candy. So, let's take this opportunity to bless them. Let's come together and show our community how much we care. Happy Halloween, y'all!

Grace and peace,  
Pastor Ben

### **DEACONS OF THE WEEK**

10/31—Linda Ward & Rhonda Welfare  
11/7—Toby Bowen & Jennifer Bowen  
11/14—Mike Bunch & Johnny Bush



**Sunday, November 7**



There are updated church directories in the vestibule. Please let Robin know if anything needs to be changed or corrected. Thanks!



## **Church Family Meeting**

**Sunday, November 14,  
after morning Worship**

The Finance Team will present the 2022 Proposed Budget. Copies of the proposed budget are available in the church vestibule.



The following are the new officers for the Deacons for the 2021-2022 year:

Chair—Mike Bunch  
Vice-Chair—Mike Dossett  
Secretary—Rhonda Welfare

## **SHOEBOXES FOR APPALACHIA**

Shoebboxes for Appalachia, which is coordinated by CBF Field Personnel Scarlette Jasper, is a ministry of Olive Branch Ministries as a part of CBF's Together for Hope Rural Poverty Initiative—a 20-year commitment to the 20 poorest counties in the United States.

This year HVBC will have the opportunity to assist with this program by collecting items and preparing boxes for children and young people in need.

According to Scarlette, because “these boxes may be the only gift some kids will get for Christmas” the goal of the shoebox ministry emphasizes quality instead of quantity, and because children do not always wear a clothing size standard for their age, she requests gift cards instead of clothing items (with the exception of hats and gloves).

Items should be packed in cardboard literature mailer boxes (Dimensions: 12-1/8” L x 9-1/4” W x 4” H). The church will provide boxes for you to use. They can be picked up beginning Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at the church office or in the vestibule on Sunday mornings.

### **REQUESTED ITEMS FOR ALL BOXES:**

Washcloth	Toothbrush (1)	Toothpaste (small/medium)
Gloves	Hat	Hairbrush (comb is optional)
2-in-1 Shampoo/Bodywash or 3-in-1 Shampoo/Conditioner/Bodywash*		
One “wow” item (see suggestions by age below)		
A \$10 gift card to Walmart, Family Dollar, or Dollar General—please tape to inside lid of box and clearly mark the balance on the gift card.		

### **OTHER SUGGESTED ITEMS BY AGE:**

#### **High School:**

Deodorant\*

High-quality “wow” items that are fun and age-appropriate such as footballs, soccer or basketballs, or other sports-related items (flatten and include ball pump if needed), perfume/body-spray/scented lotions,\* games, books, nail polish,\* nail grooming kits, jewelry, lip balm/gloss, etc.

#### **Preschool-Grade 6:**

A high-quality “wow” toy that is age-appropriate such as footballs, soccer or basketballs, or other sports-related items (flatten and include ball pump if needed), games, dolls, stuffed animals, cars/trucks, Lego, etc.

Other fun and age-appropriate items you might like to include such as lip balm, hairbows, books, etc.

### **PACKING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Use the specified cardboard literature mailer box (available from the church)

Do NOT include violent/war-related items (no knives, play guns, etc.).

Package all aerosols and liquids in separate Ziploc bags.\*

Tape a label indicating gender and age to each box (e.g. Female-15 yrs.; Male-7 yrs.)

You may include candy, but do not put in boxes—package separately.

You may decorate your box with markers, stickers, etc., but do NOT wrap or seal your box. Olive Branch Ministries checks each individual box prior to delivery.

Other items you may send (separate from the boxes) to be distributed to children include

School supplies

Extra hygiene items (soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, etc.)

Gift cards to these restaurants: Arby's, McDonald's, Hardee's, Subway, KFC, Taco Bell, Pizza Hut, Sonic.

### **ALTERNATE WAYS TO SUPPORT SHOEBOXES FOR APPALACHIA**

If you would like Olive Branch Ministries to pack a box for you, the cost per box is \$25.00 (\$35.00 to include a gift card). You may make contributions payable to Olive Branch Ministries (memo: Christmas Boxes).

You may choose to simply donate gift cards. If so, please place in envelope and clearly mark the gift card balance on each card.

Online donations to Olive Branch Ministries may be made through CBF at this link: <https://classy.org/campaign/Scarlette-jasper/c103225>

To learn more about Scarlette's ministry please visit <https://olivebranchministriesky.org>.

**All Boxes, Gift Cards, and donations not made on online must be received at the church by Sunday, November 7.**



**Saturday, October 30  
4:30-6:30pm**

***If you are bringing a car, please arrive no later than 4:00pm.***

Trunk-or-Treat at Hope Valley Baptist Church is a fun, safe way for children in our community to enjoy the traditions of Halloween! We'll have trunks full of candy and other treats, a Photo Spot, and more. Plus, attendees will get to vote for best car and pumpkins! Bring your family and invite your neighbors—you won't want to miss this time of fellowship!

### **Want to help?**

There are many ways you can get involved in Trunk-or-Treat this year. Some areas where you may wish to participate the day of the event include the following:

- Make "goodie bags" for our guests
- Decorate the property (including set-up for the Photo Spot)
- Set up and/or greet guests at the Information Station
- Use your vehicle for trunk-or-treat and passing out candy
- Bring a carved or decorated pumpkin for the event (you may take home afterward)
- Direct traffic
- Make sure each vehicle is stocked with treats
- Run the "voting station" (where our guests will vote on best trunk, and best carved and/or decorated pumpkins)
- Clean-up after the event
- Come and enjoy the fun!

If you are unable to attend the Trunk-or-Treat festivities, you can help by donating any of the following:

- Store-bought wrapped candy or snack items (e.g. mini-pretzel bags, etc.) or other non-food treats
- Decorating supplies (haybales, pumpkins, other Autumn-related outdoor items)
- Money to help costs for goodie bags, decorations, signage, etc.

Volunteer via the sign-up sheet available at church, by calling the church office, or by using this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4EAEA923A5F94-hvbc>

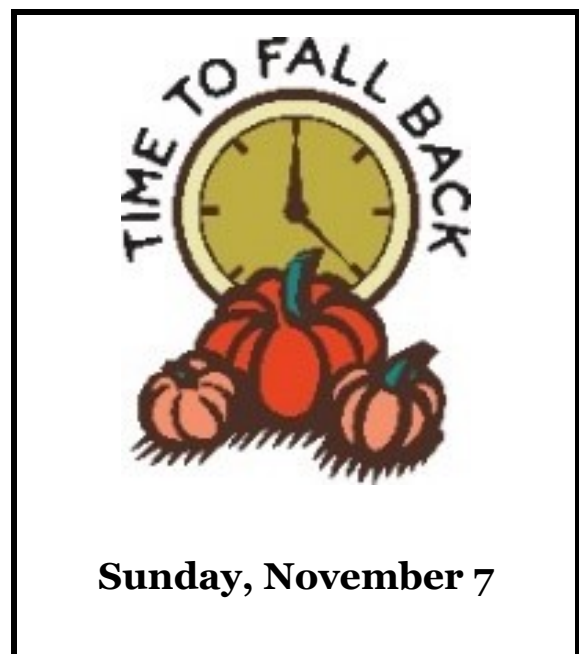
Rain date: Sunday, October 31



October through December are the months that Hope Valley is assigned to provide food for the Yates Association Food Pantry. Everyone is encouraged to pick up a few grocery items for this needed ministry. The pantry depends on the churches of the Association to keep this project going. You may place your donations in the brown bins in the vestibule and in the children's hallway or bring them by the church office. Thanks for your support!

### **Items Needed:**

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| Peanut Butter    | Mustard      |
| Jelly            | Mayonnaise   |
| Rice             | Miracle Whip |
| Instant Potatoes | Canned Soup- |
| Mac/Cheese       | Oatmeal      |
| Grits            | Juices       |
| Canned Meats     | Cereal       |
| Canned Fruits    |              |



**Sunday, November 7**