



Hope Valley

BAPTIST CHURCH

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

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UPCOMING SUNDAYS:

Sermon Series: Faith and Art

August 28

Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17
Title: *The Cathedral*

September 4

Guest Speaker—Dr. Chris Aho

Scripture: John 6:1-15
Title: *Thriving Together*

September 11

Scripture: Luke 15:1-10
Title: *Sinners Eat Free*

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Brothers and sisters,

I wanted to take a little time this week to talk about what our Town Hall Meeting is about this coming Sunday. We'll be meeting over in the Fellowship Hall at 3:00 to have a discussion about our vision as a church and how we want to accomplish that vision together, with a special focus on how we want to fill the opening we have on staff now that Amy has stepped down as the Minister to Children and their Families.

The idea for this kind of a meeting originally came from the Personnel Team's discussions about how we wanted to go about searching for someone to fill Amy's position. I was working with the team on this and we started asking ourselves some questions. What are the needs the church has? What are the hopes for our church's future? What is the mission God is calling our church to? What kind of minister would help us live into that calling?

As the Personnel Team and I pondered those questions, we began to take the first steps to organize this first Town Hall Meeting. And it was in talking with other church leaders that the idea of discussing the church's vision came up. Where do we see Hope Valley going? How do we want to get there? What kinds of programs would we hope to see in the future? Who would be the best kind of leader to come on staff and help us carry out that vision?

These are some of the questions we're going to ponder together as a church family. I think this discussion on Sunday will be really productive. It will give us an opportunity to dream together and imagine what our future looks like here at Hope Valley. I hope you'll make plans to be here. Come with your ideas. Come with your hopes. Come with an open heart and mind. If you cannot make it this Sunday, please pray for these discussions. Pray for discernment as we seek God's will for our church.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Ben

PRAYER CONCERNS
(new additions/updates in bold)

COVID Pandemic Ukrainian situation
Hope House Family Flood Victims

Church family with Health Concerns:

Wendy Ash
Peggy Bidy - long COVID symptoms
Linda Brown
Joan Burke
Rachel Dossett
LaVerne Ellis

Faye Finch - breathing issues

Heidi Hall - spinal muscular atrophy (daughter of Sandra & Rick Hall)

Tom Hall - health issues

Woody Harton
Julie Hayes - blood pressure issues
Kaye Jenkins - recovery from knee surgery
Linda Marshall
Kendra Merritt - COVID
Brenda Morton - recovery from fall
Stephen Myers - Crohn's disease

Anne & Frank Pokorny – safe travels in Europe

Carol Rigsbee
Barbara Sanders - family members
Faye Shelton - blood cancer
Carolyn Tippett - leukemia
Emmett Ward - health issues

Senior Living Centers:

Durham Regent: Marcella Jerdon
Emerald Pond: Lee Schevill, Sam & Pat Beasley
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)
Annie Mae Batten - in hospital (sister of Carol Atkins)
Britt Bentley - health issues (son of Susan Bentley)
Bruce & Linda Benton - he has upcoming pelvic surgery & she was just diagnosed with breast cancer (HVBC former members)
Rebecca Bidy - seizures (daughter-in-law of Peggy Bidy)
Jimmy Bolick - stroke (uncle of Amy Herring)
Hayley Brady - blood clots in lungs (sister of Ginger Rose)
Ray Clayton - at memory care facility (brother of Linda Kyles)
Joan Cozart - brain tumor (friend of Joan Burke)
Betty Ann Dickerson - feet & leg problems (friend of Carol Atkins)
Walter Dunn - 4-year-old with seizures (friend of the Herrings)
JaQuavion Ervin - young boy in foster care with no family (from Scott Rose)
Grayson Evans - health issues (grandson of Gail Templeton)
Paul Fain - stomach cancer (friend of Steve & Karen Bolton)
Helon Fara - cancer (cousin of Linda Hall)
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)
Ann Hayes - cancer treatments, in hospital (sister of Julie Hayes)
David Hayes - pacemaker (brother of Julie Hayes)

PRAYER CONCERNS (continued)

Alphus & Sherri Herndon - he has cancer & she has Alzheimer's (cousin of Brenda Morton & Irene Barnes)
Bryant Herring - heart issues (father of Jonathan Herring)
Jerry (friend of Susan Bentley)
Dana Kelly - heart issues (father of Don Kelly)
Barbara Layne - diabetic, leg surgeries & rehab (extended family of the Dossetts)
Paul Lemay - cancer (uncle of Kevin Simone)
Lindsey - anorexia (friend of Jonathan Herring)
Barbara Lowe - leg amputation (mother of Rachel Dossett's brother-in-law)
Junior Martin - cancer (friend of Joan Burke)
Mark May - autoimmune disease (nephew of Linda Kyles)
Charlotte Mears - unknown internal bleeding (friend of the Bushes)
Eddie Netzlof - cancer (friend of Scott Rose)
Juliet Atieno Otieno - 15-year-old with Lupus (friend of Scott Rose)
Dana Page - health issues (friend of Scott Rose)
Stella Perrin - working with Ukrainian refugees in Moldova
John Pierce (grandson of Carl & Carol Atkins)
Phil Ponder - cancer (friend of Carl & Carol Atkins)
Sheri Rasberry - cancer (sister-in-law of Michelle Hunt)
Weston Rasberry - health issues (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)
Franci Rokoske - fractured spine (friend of Amy Herring)
Joe Rollins - recovery from fall (cousin of Carol Atkins)
Carol Roycroft - cancer (niece of Dorothy Moore)
Patrick & Kathy Schermerhorn - difficult month (son & daughter-in-law of Linda Ward)
Susan Smileowicz - stroke (friend of Steve & Karen Bolton)
Greg Smith - brain & lung cancer (extended family of the Dossetts)
Vicki Smith - breast cancer (extended family of the Dossetts)
Adam Stoops - Hodgkins Lymphoma (nephew of Dave Stoops)
Irene Taylor - COVID & other health concerns (mother of Rachel Dossett)
Matthew Taylor - salvation & direction (request by the Dossetts)
Sonny Taylor - recovery from surgery (brother of Phyllis Edwards)
Ted - serious health problems (friend of Jacquie Allen)
Sara Thompson - recovery from surgery (mother of Leigh Bigger)
Heath Tuttle - 13-year-old with cancer (friend of Linda Ward)
Amy VanderMeer - kidney problems (daughter of the Dossetts)
Jeff Webb - brain tumor (friend of Scott Rose)
Tommy Wilson - heart issues (brother of Linda Ward)
Mike Yeargan - cancer (nephew of LaVerne Ellis)

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)



HVBC READS, the book club sponsored by Hope Valley Baptist Church, will focus on banned books during September, which is National Banned Books Month.

The meeting will be held via Zoom at 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 29. Contact Rhonda Welfare (rwelfare411@gmail.com) for information on how to log in to the meeting.

You do not have to be a member of Hope Valley Baptist Church to participate in HVBC READS. Invite your friends and family who love to read to join us for our discussion via Zoom on the last Thursday night each month.



Zoom Bible Study

Starting September 13, 2022 at 9:30 am

The Jesus You May Not Know

By David Jeremiah

Please email or call Robin to sign up so we can order the proper number of books. The total cost of the books is **\$30 per person**. This includes the hardback book & a study guide.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Ward at 919-451-2876.



- 5—Lisa Russell
- 6—Peggy Bidy
- 6—Rhonda Woodell
- 7—Jonathan Herring
- 7—Marie Thompson
- 10—Betty Holt
- 11—Julie Stoops
- 12—Phil Woodell
- 14—Richie O'Briant
- 17—Sandra Aldridge
- 17—Pat Beasley
- 19—Janet Zarea
- 24—Danielle Myers
- 25—Frank Pokorny
- 26—Rachel Dossett
- 28—Faye Finch
- 28—Shelby Yates
- 29—Tommie Calhoun

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

8/28—Joe Story & Rhonda Welfare

9/4—Linda Hall & Jennifer Bowen

9/11—Toby Bowen & Rhonda Welfare

Church Family Meeting

Sunday, August 28, 2022

After morning Worship

To vote on Nominating Report

TOWN HALL MEETING

Sunday, August 28

3:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

To discuss HVBC's staff opening and a vision for our church moving forward.

SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

We are collecting school supplies for Parkwood Elementary School again this year. In particular, we're looking to collect supplies for the "Connect" teachers. These are the teachers that see all the students, but because they don't have an assigned class they don't always get as much parental support. **We will be collecting these supplies and donations until this Sunday, August 28!**

Here is the list of items each teacher needs:

General Supplies

Backpacks	Pencils
Expo Markers	Rulers
Glue Sticks	Children's Scissors
Graph Paper	Erasers
Wide-ruled lined paper	Composition Books
Colored Pencils	
Masks & Disinfectant tissues	

Art Teachers

Markers	Glue
Crayons	Paintbrushes

STEM Teachers

Foil	Glue
Popsicle Sticks	Tape
Playing Cards	LEGOs
Straws	Cotton Balls

Music Teachers

Pencils	Markers
Storybooks about Musicians for Young Students	

PE Teachers

Air Pumps	Soccer Balls
Pool Noodles (30)	Tennis Balls
Hula Hoops	
Rugged Playground Balls & Equipment	

There are several ways you can help with this ministry. First, you can purchase any of the items on the list above. If you do, be sure to place them in the corresponding tote in the vestibule. Second, you can donate money to this mission—just write, "School Supplies", on your check or envelope and the funds will be used to purchase supplies. Also, you can pray for this ministry and for the children and teachers at Parkwood. Pray that these supplies would enhance the education of the children at Parkwood. Pray that the teachers would be able to use them effectively, as they bring their talents to bear.

Financial Report Month Ending July 2022

Accounts	Month	Year to Date
Income	\$13,030.82	\$133,536.20
Expenses		
Missions	2,678.29	12,749.70
Personnel	11,672.84	86,896.32
Training & Education	54.77	3,274.17
Worship & Music	62.04	1,794.51
Operating Expenses	747.23	6,335.23
Property/Maintenance	771.47	22,000.71
Service Contracts	3,388.16	15,863.15
Total Expenses	<u>\$19,374.80</u>	<u>\$148,913.79</u>
Net Income	<u>(\$ 6,343.98)</u>	<u>\$(15,377.59)</u>
Bank Balance		\$186,405.09
Less Designated Fund Balance		<u>(95,191.47)</u>
Operating Fund Balance		<u>\$ 91,213.62</u>
Designated Fund Beginning Balance		\$93,763.66
Revenue		3,147.18
Expenses		<u>(1,719.37)</u>
Designated Fund Ending Balance		<u>\$95,191.47</u>
Goodwin Fund		<u>\$41,491.85</u>
Total Designated & Goodwin Funds		<u>\$136,683.32</u>
Capital Campaign FUND Balance		\$26,341.33

HOPE HOUSE

You can help the Hope House team prepare to welcome refugee families to Durham.

The team is recruiting volunteers to assist with cleaning up the house when the current residents move to permanent housing and getting it ready for the next family. This transition occurs with little warning and must happen quickly. Volunteers are needed for the cleanup crew, to inventory and restock supplies and equipment in the house, to pick up and deliver a welcome meal for the new family, and to support the ministry in other ways. Volunteer opportunities can take anywhere from a few minutes to several hours. New residents generally arrive every few weeks, but the time frame may be longer or shorter depending on circumstances.

To be added to the volunteer list, contact Mike Dossett or Robin at the HVBC Office. Provide your name, phone and email address. You will be contacted when help is needed. If you are available, you'll be assigned to a work crew. Don't worry if you are busy. There will be a new opportunity every few weeks.

Hope House, a collaboration of Hope Valley Baptist Church, other local churches and World Relief of Durham, provides a temporary home for refugees being resettled in Durham.



2022 Deacon Nomination and Election Process

Our church needs to provide up to five (5) Deacon positions for the new church year. Each person elected will be expected to serve a three-year term (October 2022 thru September 2025).

Beginning now through **Monday, August 29**, members are asked to nominate candidates for Deacon (using the form below) that they have talked with and feel are willing to serve if elected.

To those nominated, the Deacon Chair or a small group of Deacons will explain the role of Deacon and confirm they are willing to serve. Once a slate of nominees is complete, the church will vote to fill available Deacon positions from a list of nominated candidates who are willing to serve.

Deacons who are currently serving and ineligible for nomination are: Jennifer Bowen, Toby Bowen, Mike Bunch, Johnny Bush, Mike Dossett, Brenda Doyle, Linda Hall, Anne Pokorny, Scott Rose, Barbara Sanders, Joe Story, Mary Summerlin, Linda Ward & Rhonda Welfare.

Newly elected Deacons will begin service on October 1.

I nominate the following person(s) to serve as a Deacon for Hope Valley Baptist Church, beginning in October 2022. I believe this person(s) possesses and demonstrates a deep faith, a commitment to faithfulness in serving God and the church, and a spirit that reflects the love and compassion of Jesus Christ. I have checked with this person and he/she is willing to serve if elected by the congregation.

Nominated by:

Please return this form to Michael Bunch (Deacon Chair), Mike Dossett (Deacon Vice-Chair), or the church office by **Monday, August 29**.



For several years, the Student Prayer Partner program at Hope Valley has been an important part of the church's ministry to young people and families through strengthening the inter-generational relationships that are so necessary for church community and the passing-on of faith. If you are willing to make a commitment to pray for and to provide tangible expressions of love and support for a child, youth, or young adult in our church during the upcoming school year, please sign-up via the Sign-Up Genius Link (which will also be sent out via email), or by contacting Robin (robin@hvbc.org) at the church office.

Once you have selected a student (or students), you will receive an email containing information related to your student including his/her birthdate, address (and email address if applicable), and phone number. You are encouraged to contact your student at least once a month—especially on holidays and his/her birthday. Contact can be as simple as a phone call, email, or letter or card dropped in the mail. You are also encouraged to occasionally mail or drop-off special surprises as appropriate (stickers, balloons/simple crafts for younger students).

Please note—if you are interested in partnering with a college age student, we are coordinating this aspect of the Prayer Partner ministry a little differently this year. We are looking for 3-5 people to work together to care for our college students as a team coordinated by Rhonda Welfare. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please let Robin or Rhonda know.

NOMINATING TEAM

The Nominating Team has included a copy of the 2022-2023 Nominating Report that will be voted on this Sunday (8/28) with this Illuminator. Please review the report and let Jennifer Bowen (jennifer.pt.bowen@gmail.com) know of any changes or tell a team member on Sunday. We are so very grateful for all the ways people have served our church and community in the past year and continue to do so.

We would ask that you consider trying a new ministry this year. As you will see, there are several areas where more help would be appreciated. The areas of greatest need are:

Carolina Reserve - This involves assisting Jacqueline Allen during the Sunday School hour with the class she teaches at Carolina Reserve. This may involve helping residents to/from their rooms, distributing materials, playing piano, or leading with singing.

Greeters - This involves coming to the vestibule about 10:35 am, distributing bulletins in the vestibule or back hallway to the congregation, greeting and assisting visitors, and (for the moment) keeping track of COVID contact tracing.

Family Ministries - This involves helping to organize and run activities for our church family and community such as the Easter Egg Hunt and Trunk or Treat.

Youth Team - This involves planning activities for youth, chaperoning events, and supporting the youth teachers/ministers.

Nominating Team - This involves helping people find ways to use their gifts in the ministries and activities of Hope Valley Baptist Church.

Sound/Audio-Visual Team - This involves working with the musicians and speakers to achieve good audio quality for the in-person congregation as well as the audio and video recordings of the services. It also involves copying the audio recordings and uploading the videos to YouTube for live streaming and recorded presentation.

Areas which are **always** open to more help are:

Decor - Christmas - This group plans, sets up, and takes down the decorations throughout the church for the Christmas season.

Hospitality - This group organizes the set-up, service, and clean-up for events such as Homecoming, Christmas receptions, and the like.

Kitchen - This team takes care of the physical maintenance of the kitchen, cleaning, organizing supplies, and updates as needed.

Missions - This team seeks needs in the community, organizes church events/activities to help meet them such as packing Summer Snacks for McDougal Terrace, and gives all of our congregation the opportunity to be the hands and feet of Christ.

Properties - This team looks after the physical condition of the church. You don't have to be able to re-wire a light, but it doesn't hurt! Also needed, though, is help with getting bids for projects, meeting contractors, etc...

Again, thank you all for the many ways you use your gifts to serve!

- The Nominating Team



Be sure to take a look at the pictures from VBS!
They are located on the bulletin board in the
Children's Hallway.

Nominating Team Report 2022-2023

Church Officers	
Church Clerk	Linda Ward
Assistant Church Clerk	
Church Treasurer	Phil Woodell
Asst Treasurer	Linda Hall
VBS Team	Jonathan Herring
Family Meeting Moderator	Emmett Ward
Trustee 2023	Terry Griffiths
Trustee 2024	Emmett Ward
Trustee 2025	Phil Woodell
Yates Board Rep.	Phil Woodell
Yates Board Rep.	Lucy Woodell
Yates Assoc. Messenger	Rhonda Welfare
Yates Assoc. Messenger	
Missions Leaders	
FMF Coordinator	Anne Pokorny
Sunday School	
Sunday School Dir.	Linda Ward
SS Secretary	Johnny Bush
Dorcas Class	Rhonda Welfare
Dorcas Class	
Kyles Class	Phyllis Edwards
Kyles Class	Michelle Hunt
Modern Disciples	Mike Dossett
Modern Disciples	John Myers
	Toby Bowen
	Mike Bunch
	Linda Ward
	Steve Bolton
Carolina Reserve	Jacqueline Allen
Carolina Reserve Asst.	
Carolina Reserve Asst.	
C'lina Reserve Songldr	
C'lina Reserve Songldr	
C'lina Reserve Songldr	Anne Pokorny
C'lina Reserve pianist	Linda Marshall (rotation)
Youth SS	Ginger Rose
Youth SS	
Grades 1-5	Jonathan Herring
Grades 1-5 assistant	Jennifer Bowen
Elem/PreK Substitute	Leigh Bigger
	Frances Smith

Ministry Teams	
Baptism	Carl Atkins
	Lucy Woodell
	Phil Woodell
	Marie Bush
Deaf Ministry	Julie Stoops
	Rhonda Welfare
Décor - Christmas	Mike Dossett
	Rachel Dossett
	Mary Myers
	Shelby Yates
Décor – Easter	Marion Jones
Extended Session	Julie Stoops
	Barbara Sanders
	Elizabeth Herring
	Jennifer Bowen
Greeters	Terry Griffiths
	Phil Woodell
	Herb Finch
Family Ministries	Amy Herring
	Frances Smith
Hope House	David Stoops
	Julie Stoops
	Leigh Bigger
	Amy Herring
	Mike Dossett
	Toby Bowen
Hospitality	Jennifer Bowen
	Toby Bowen
	Maureen Bowen
	Linda Ellis
	Ginger Rose
	Rachel Dossett
	Mike Dossett
	Mary Myers
	John Myers
	Kathryn Bunch
Kitchen	Rick Lynch
	Cameron Packer
	Kathryn Bunch
Meal Train Coordinator	Susan Bentley

Nominating Team Report 2022-2023

Missions	Julie Stoops (chair)
	Barbara Rowley
	Barbara Sanders
	Susan Bentley
	Leigh Bigger
	Mary Myers
	Amy Herring
Rose Garden/Flowers	Jan Mangum
Senior Adult Coord.	Susan Bentley
Sets – VBS	Toby Bowen
	Jennifer Bowen
	Maureen Bowen
Wednesday Meals	Rick Lynch
	Cameron Packer
	Moria Packer
Youth Team	Susan Bentley
	Barbara Sanders
Service Teams	
Church Historian	David Stoops
	Rhonda Welfare
Counting	Marie Bush
	Jennifer Bowen
	Johnny Bush
	Carol Atkins
	Lucy Woodell (coordinator)
	Betty Griffiths
	Linda Ellis
	Linda Hall (substitute)
Finance 2023	Emmett Ward
	Linda Hall
Finance 2024	Lucy Woodell
	David Stoops
	Mike Dossett
Finance 2025	Candy Taylor
	Marie Bush
Library	Karen Bolton
	Mary Myers
	Rhonda Welfare
Nominating 2023	Linda Ward
Nominating 2024	Johnny Bush
Nominating 2025	Kathryn Bunch
	Rachel Dossett

Personnel 2023	Rhonda Welfare
	Rachel Dossett
Personnel 2024	Mary Myers
	Phil Woodell
Personnel 2025	Brenda Doyle
	Barbara Sanders
Properties	Toby Bowen
	Cameron Packer (chair)
	Jan Mangum
Publicity	Rhonda Welfare
	David Stoops
Sound / Audio-Visual	Toby Bowen
	Jonathan Herring
	David Stoops
	Chris Summerlin
Technology	Jonathan Herring
	David Stoops
	Toby Bowen

Presented by the Nominating Team: Jennifer Bowen (919)572-2670, Johnny Bush (919)361-3470, Rachel Dossett (919)383-2835, Linda Ward (919)451-2876