



Hope Valley

BAPTIST CHURCH

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

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UPCOMING SUNDAYS:

October 16

Scripture: 2 Timothy 2:8-15
Title: ***God's Faithfulness***

October 23

Deacon Ordination

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Title: ***A Critical Faith***

October 30

Guest Speaker—Rev. Jeanell Cox

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Brothers and sisters,

It's that time of the year again. One of my favorite local events has come back to town and I'm excited to get to go soon. Growing up in North Carolina, this event was one that I went to constantly either for school field trips or for church youth outings. To this day, I'm the one that always gets my friends together and sends out the text, "Ok, so when are we going?" Y'all, the State Fair is back!

Now, I will say this, I am a more subdued State Fair visitor. I'm not into all the crazy rides with the pirate ships flipping upside down or rides like, "The Zipper," which is just a monstrosity! I've never understood the desire to go on the ride that uses centrifugal force to push you against the wall. I guess folks are curious what the spin cycle on their washing machine is like?

Instead, I go to the fair to take in the atmosphere, check out the submissions of artists and farmers from all over the state, and eat as much crazy food as I can! Every year, there's a new lineup of things you never knew could be fried (might I recommend the Fried Key Lime Pie Bites!). Every year, there's at least one thing I hear about that I think, "I've got to try that." And this year, thanks to a local Instagram account I follow, I know what I'm looking for. It's the Korean Corn Dog by Golden K Dog. It's a chicken sausage with mozzarella cheese and fried like a corn dog. French fries are added to the batter, then it's rolled in Flaming Hot Cheetos, drizzled with nacho cheese, and served with a side of spicy mayo. Sign me up!

Now, you may be wondering why I'm talking about the State Fair and particularly why I'm talking about a corn dog covered in Flaming Hot Cheetos. The answer is simply this, I love the creativity of the State Fair. It is a place where all different kinds of people from all different places all over this state come together to show off their talents and their interests. You can go into one section of the fair and see the largest produce you can imagine, cared for diligently by farmers here in NC. Go to another building and you can find local cake artists recreating scenes from Charlie Brown or creating a pastoral farm scene or making a Hocus Pocus themed cake. In another part are pumpkin carvers. In yet another part are musicians. And then, yes, there are the wildly creative food vendors.

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PRAYER CONCERNS
(new additions/updates in bold)

Hope House family – housing, school & medical issues

Church family with Health Concerns:

Wendy Ash

Peggy Biddy - recovery from cataract surgeries

Karen Bolton - recovery from fall

Linda Brown

Joan Burke

Rachel Dossett

LaVerne Ellis

Faye Finch - breathing issues

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

Woody Harton

Julie Hayes - blood pressure issues

Kaye Jenkins - recovery from knee surgery

Linda Marshall

Kendra Merritt - upcoming eye surgery

Nancy Michal - recovery from surgery

Brenda Morton - recovery from fall

Stephen Myers - Crohn's disease

Carol Rigsbee

Barbara Sanders - family members

Faye Shelton - blood cancer

Carolyn Tippet - leukemia

Emmett Ward - health issues

Senior Living Centers:

Durham Regent: Marcella Jerdon

Emerald Pond: Lee Schevill, Sam & Pat Beasley

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 - him from pelvic surgery & she has breast cancer (HVBC former members)

Rebecca Biddy - in hospital (daughter-in-law of Peggy Biddy)

Jimmy Bolick - stroke (uncle of Amy Herring)

Hayley Brady - blood clots in lungs (sister of Ginger Rose)

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)

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)

Alphus & Sherri Herndon - he has cancer & she has Alzheimer's (cousin of Brenda Morton)

Bryan Herring - heart surgery (cousin 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)

Barbara Lowe - leg amputation (mother of Rachel Dossett's brother-in-law)

Junior Martin - cancer (friend of Joan Burke)

Charlotte Mears - unknown internal bleeding (friend of the Bushes)

PRAYER CONCERNS (continued)

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)

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)

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)

Patricia Taylor - recovery from shoulder surgery (mother of Jennifer Bowen)

Ted - serious health problems (friend of Jacquie Allen)

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)

John & Crawford Williams - she has aphasia (sister-in-law of Lucy Woodell)

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)



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What it reminds me of is the vast creativity of God. We were shaped and molded by a God who created all kinds of landscapes, landforms, animals, birds, fish, reptiles, etc. And we are called, in our own unique ways, to be creative as well. We are called to use the gifts and talents God has given us in creative ways. Sometimes to spread the Gospel. Sometimes to reach out to our communities. Sometimes just to bring others joy. So, if you go to the State Fair this year, I'd encourage you to take a few moments and just take in all the wonderful creativity surrounding you. Whether you are there for the rides, the gargantuan produce, or the crazy food, take in the joy of it all.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Ben



Deacon Ordination October 23

Please be sure to join us as we have a deacon ordination for the following:

Leigh Bigger
Cameron Packer

We are asking for church members to write letters or cards of encouragement to these new deacons. You can leave your letter or card to the new deacon at this service.



Service Opportunity

We have recently begun to have children that need to be cared for during the 11:00 am worship service. If you are willing to volunteer to serve during worship one Sunday a month, please contact Robin at the church office.

COLLEGE STUDENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Help us stay in contact while they are in college with your children, grandchildren, and other young people connected to Hope Valley. Send your student's US Mail address and/or email to the church office. We promise not to overwhelm them with communication, but we do want to keep in touch.



Mark your calendars now for Thanksgiving Dinner at 1:00 pm Thursday, November 24, in the Family Life Center. Bring side dishes, bread and dessert to share. Meat and beverages will be provided. More details to follow. For more information or to volunteer, contact Rhonda Welfare (rwelfare411@gmail.com).

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

10/16—Anne Pokorny & Scott Rose

10/23—Joe Story & Barbara Sanders

10/30—Linda Ward & Mary Summerlin



Sunday, November 6



Mark your calendars for **November 3 at 9:30 am**. We will meet at the church and carpool to Jean's Neighborhood Market in Apex. They have mums, ice cream, cider, apples, jams & jellies, fall vegetables and lots of fall decorating ideas!



Our next date is October 27

Please let Anne Pokorny know how you can help.



HVBC READS schedule change:

7:00 pm October 27 - *Educated* by Tara Westover
7:00 pm December 8 - *Becoming* by Michelle Obama

HVBC READS winds up 2022 with two memoirs by women. *Educated*, by Tara Westover, is the story of how a young woman brought up by survivalist parents who don't believe in medical care or education is able to overcome her upbringing, largely through education. *Becoming*, by Michelle Obama, is a candid reflection on the former first lady's life.

HVBC READS meets monthly via Zoom, usually at 7:00 pm on the last Thursday each month. Because of the holidays, the November and December meetings will be combined and the group will meet to discuss *Becoming* on December 8.

Contact Rhonda Welfare for the Zoom link or to get a Durham Public Library Book Club Kit copy of *Educated*. *Becoming* is available in print, eBook and audio book format from the Durham Public Library, from local new and used bookstores, and online. Durham Public Library Book Club Kit copies of *Becoming* may be available early in November.

**Financial Report
Month Ending September 2022**

Accounts	Month	Year to Date
Income	\$19,396.00	\$168,040.20
Expenses		
Missions	1,107.62	14,989.08
Personnel	11,026.94	109,065.38
Training & Education	354.01	4,431.24
Worship & Music	376.59	3,087.31
Operating Expenses	615.68	8,268.39
Property/Maintenance	6,040.05	35,714.36
Service Contracts	3,416.90	23,950.72
Total Expenses	\$22,937.79	\$199,506.48
Net Income	<u>(\$ 3,541.79)</u>	<u>\$(31,466.28)</u>
Bank Balance		\$173,084.96
Less Designated Fund Balance		<u>(98,244.26)</u>
Operating Fund Balance		<u>\$ 74,840.70</u>
Designated Fund Beginning Balance		\$97,483.10
Revenue		5,266.50
Expenses		<u>(4,505.34)</u>
Designated Fund Ending Balance		<u>\$98,244.26</u>
Goodwin Fund		\$41,003.13
Total Designated & Goodwin Funds		<u>\$139,247.39</u>
Capital Campaign FUND Balance		\$27,796.33



Sunday, October 30
4:30-6:30 pm

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 the church or by calling the church office..

The Mission Team has two projects for the Christmas season:



Coming Soon: Christmas Angel Tree!

We are preparing for the Christmas season and very soon you will see the “Angel Tree” filled with tags! This year, HVBC will be purchasing gifts for \$50 or less for homeless men, women and children in Durham from the Durham Rescue Mission. We ask that you select a tag, purchase the gift, wrap the gift and return it to the church office by **Sunday, December 4**. The requested gifts will be given to shelter residents on Christmas Day!

So that Durham Rescue Mission can provide gifts for all shelter guests on Christmas Day, including new folks staying in the shelters by then, some of the gifts are “generic” in nature, for example, women’s gift or children’s gift that might be appropriate for any guest at the women and children’s shelter.

You may choose to partner with someone else to provide a gift(s) that are more costly than you feel you can afford. You may also choose to take more than one tag. If you have any questions, please talk to a member of the Missions Team, or call the church office.



Christmas Shoebox Ministry for Olive Branch Ministries

Appalachian Ministries CBF Field
Personnel Scarlett Jasper

CAUTION: It’s different this year! In 2021, we filled shoeboxes with needed items and a “Wow!” gift for children and senior adults in the poorest areas of Appalachia! We met and have continued to support Scarlett Jasper, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Field Personnel. Because of tight deadlines and expensive shipping, we will not be preparing and sending shoe boxes. Instead, we will collect money and \$10 gift cards to send to Scarlett.

Every year, Scarlett purchases whatever she needs on faith... and God always provides! She distributes the gift cards and will purchase items needed to fulfill the shoebox requirements. \$10.00 Giftcards can be purchased for the following stores: Walmart, Dollar General, Family Dollar, or Kroger. Please consider what you can give. Missions Team members are available to purchase gift cards for you, if it would be helpful. Please designate your gifts for “Olive Branch Ministries.” Look for a collection center and more information around the church. Deadline for this collection is November 13.



Items Needed:

Peanut Butter
Rice
Canned Meats
Mayonnaise

Jelly
Oatmeal
Canned Fruits
Instant Potatoes

Juices
Grits
Soup

Cereal
Mac/Cheese
Mustard

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!