

The Witness

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The month of June is going to be an exciting one here at WHBC. We have graduation Sunday on June 8th, Father's Day on June 15th, and then we start VBS on June 23rd. It's hard to believe that by the time all of these things are over we will have completed six months of 2014 and will be well on our way back towards Christmas. Over the next month, we will be preparing for the upcoming year and will need your help. There will be committee positions that need to be filled over the next few months and the Nominating Committee will be looking for volunteers. We will also be prayerfully considering deacon nominations and looking forward to who will serve the Lord in that capacity over the next few years. By September, we will be considering budgetary issues again and planning for 2015. All of these things can be a little overwhelming but they should simply remind us of our dependence on the One True Living God. He is not only our creator and sustainer, but, also guides us into all Truth through the power of the Holy Spirit. So, we need to begin now praying for the Lord's guidance as we move forward in preparation for what He leads us to do in 2015. Let's take time individually, and corporately to be still and not just know that He is God, but to also listen to Him speak. My prayer is that as He leads us individually and corporately, that we would listen and that we would be unified by the moving of the Holy Spirit in our midst. I know the

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prospect of preparing for another year seems daunting, but it should also be exciting when we consider the endless possibilities for the spread of the Gospel and the growth of the Body of Christ here at WHBC. So, let's prepare the soil to receive the blessings and direction of the Lord for His people here at WHBC.

**Until He Comes,
Jonathan Dundalow, Galatians 6:9**



Please continue to bring in nonperishable items and place in Helen Heller's Ruth Class as it is a great need as donations are fewer and government subsidies are fewer also. God bless you for your donations.

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. Hebrews 13:16

July Birthdays

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------|----|---------------------|
| 1 | Christopher Adkins | 19 | Chris Allred |
| 2 | Blanche Powell | | Brian Archer |
| | Joy Lilly | 20 | Janet Smith |
| | Jennifer Wilson | 21 | Alex Colbert |
| 3 | Shannon Ezzell Wells | | Todd Leek |
| | Kathy Tarleton | | Travis Phillips |
| 5 | Diane Reish | | Anna Schmidt |
| 6 | Terry Branham | | Stoney Whirley, Sr. |
| | Victoria Dear | 22 | Evannah Glasscock |
| 10 | Keith Drewry | 23 | Stanley Cornett |
| 11 | Haley Williams | 25 | Ronnie Pierce |
| 12 | Leura Kay Armentrout | | Michael Price |
| | Marlaiana Rose Gibbs | 26 | Bonnie Conley |
| | Willow Leighann Gibbs | | Jill Thomas |
| 13 | Michael Adkins | | Robin Sowers |
| | Priscilla Gibbs | 27 | Landon Wood |
| 14 | Erin Dunn | 28 | Blake Bish |
| | Victor Slade, Sr. | | Brittany Hughes |
| 15 | Billy Mills | | Mary Williams |
| 16 | Tammy Costa | 29 | Shane Elder |
| 17 | Dewey Harrison | | Michael Kidwell |
| | Alan Neff | 31 | Whitney Gibbs |
| 18 | Haley Andrews | | Pam Kissner |
| | Fran Denny | | |



Happy Birthday!!

June Birthday List

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|----|--------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1 | Charles Veazey | 20 | Helen Chappell |
| | Shaun Orton | | Jean Roberts |
| | Frank Piotrowski | | Wynonah Thomas |
| 2 | Calvin Adkins | | Wallace Twombly |
| 3 | LeAnn Harrison | 22 | Kellie Lester |
| 4 | Judy Phillips | | Crystal Lamm |
| 5 | Tom Loden | | David Dundalow |
| | Kaysea Ramsey | | Samuel Mitchell |
| 7 | Joyce Holley | | Amy Wright |
| 8 | Mildred Pride | 23 | Florence Moon |
| 9 | Jeanne Lester Rose | | Bobby Olgers |
| | Dwen Marek | | Jeremy Scott |
| | Katelyn Schmidt | 24 | Patricia "Patty" Beville |
| | Michael Wright | | Timothy Dundalow |
| 11 | Linda Cothron | | Natalie Francis |
| 13 | Roger Sullivan | | Steven Owens |
| 14 | Darrin Munford | 25 | Tara Phillips |
| 17 | Becky Antkowiak | | Andrea A. Beville |
| | Jason Mann | 26 | Tracy Dorgan |
| | Carissa Nichols | | Donald Schmidt |
| 18 | Thomas Gunn | 27 | Brooke Glasscock Dimaio |
| | Donna Boyd | 28 | Shea Danel |
| | Rebecca F. Wilcox | | Anna Keeney |
| 19 | Tabatha Berry | 29 | Tracy Guyette |
| | Virginia Bragan | 30 | Barbara Blankenship |
| | Bessie Munford | | Charles Lively |

These are the names of individuals who are either church members of WHBC or are enrolled in our Sunday School. Please advise the church office (733.8172) of any additions or corrections. Thank You!

to attend. Remember, you can get four people in a room and split the fee. Go to www.ewomen.net and check out the event to see the list of great speakers and bands that will be there. You can also order your ticket, print your ticket, and order your lunch all on the website. If you are planning to attend, please let Lisa Witt know as soon as possible. If there is a need for more rooms, I need to reserve them very soon. There is a Virginia Tech home game that weekend, so rooms will not be available for long. **If you have any questions, please see Lisa Witt or call me at 804-861-6290.**

Western Heights has a Two New Additions to Our Church Family!

Damian Matthew Clark was born to Matthew & Anna (Heller) Clark on Wednesday, May 28, 2014. He weighed in at 9 lbs, 2 ozs.

Damian is also the grandson of Mr. & Mrs. Ray Heller, Jr. and great grandson of Helen Heller.

&

Lana Grace Spencer, born to Michael and Amanda Spencer on May 29, 2014. She weighed 5 lbs, 9 ozs. and 17" long

She is also the granddaughter to Steve & Leura Kay Armentrout

Congratulations to both families!

Women on Mission News

Upcoming Women's Opportunities

WOM Pool Party – June 28th

All ladies are invited to a Pool Party on Saturday, June 28th from 11 AM – 3 PM at the home of Pam Kissner. Come relax by the pool and fellowship with other ladies as Cindy Dundalow has a devotional time from her past Bible Study, “Water for My Soul”, and Anna Keeney shares her testimony. Lunch will be provided. Mark your calendars and plan to attend this wonderful time of meaningful fun, fellowship and testimony. Be on the lookout for signup sheets around the church.

If you have questions, see Kristie Belvin or Lisa Witt.

Extraordinary Women's Conference

The Extraordinary Women's Conference is being held this year at the Roanoke Civic Center on Friday, September 26 and Saturday, September 27. Tickets are \$65 and lunch for Saturday is \$10. You do not have to purchase lunch for Saturday, but, I strongly suggest you do. If not, you will have to find something within walking distance of the Civic Center or depend on the concessions they have available there. Rooms have been reserved at the same place we stayed last year – Holiday Inn- Tanglewood. I have reserved 5 rooms, and, I was able to get the E-Women Conference rate of \$129 per room with 2 double beds per room. However, with tax, the rooms are \$144.48. Talk to your friends and make plans

Events Coming Up at WHBC

2014

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Event</u> |
|------------------------|--|
| June 1-29 (Sundays) | New Members Classes, 9:45 AM (Pastor's Office) – for all that would like to come and learn |
| June 4 | Prayer Meeting, 7 PM & Church Council Meeting, 8 PM |
| June 7 | Kehukee Family Day, 9:15 AM – 4 PM |
| June 8 | Brotherhood Breakfast with Guest Speaker from Highland Methodist – “Backpack Ministry” – all interested are invited, 8:00 AM New Member's Classes, 9:45 AM |
| June 14 | Kids Day – VBS preregistration 3-5 PM |
| June 15 | New Member's Classes, 9:45 AM Father's Day & Baptist Men's Day |
| June 21 | Church Workday on Church Road Property (meet at church at 8 AM) |
| June 22 | New Member's classes, 9:45 AM VBS Decorating Day |
| June 23-27 | Weird Animals VBS , 9 AM – 12 PM |
| June 29 | Baptismal Sunday |



WOM Prayer Garden

The new Prayer Garden at Western Heights sponsored by the Women on Mission is in progress... it is located between the older and newer buildings. There is now a prayer bench with flowers on each side. We are planning to have more flowers around the tree and eventually want stepping stones from the bench to the tree. We are looking for someone to make a homemade cross to go in the garden...not too large or small!! If interested in helping us with the new WHBC Prayer Garden, please see Kristie Belvin or Anna Keeney.

Philippians 4:6, Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

Brotherhood News

June 15th is Baptist Men's Day & Father's Day

On Baptist Men's Day and Father's Day, June 15th, all men are invited to sing in the choir and we also will be celebrating all of our Fathers on this day.

June 21st Church Workday

On Saturday, June 21st, we will have a work day at the church property off of Church Road. Everyone is encouraged to come and help clean the land for our church family to use for youth activities, fellowship gatherings, and group sessions of worship. We will meet at the church at 8:00 am.

Please bring the following items: chain saws, weed eaters, or any type of tool that we can use to clear the land. Our biggest need is for people to attend and help.

God has blessed us with a beautiful piece of land that can be used as a ministry for all ages. I would like to see us as a body utilize our blessing from God to reach others and fellowship with one another.

Journey's of discovery and purpose never starts until they are started, one foot in front of another. The land was given to us for a reason and purpose. Right now we have approximately fifty kids between the ages of birth to seventeen. These children and teens need a safe and established area to worship. We need to balance our time and invest in the upcoming generations. Let's put our dreams and visions into actions.

Philippians 4:13, I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

NOTE: We will not be having Brotherhood Breakfast in July or August; we will resume our Brotherhood Breakfast Fellowships in September.

Notes of Gratitude

Western Heights Family,

I would like to thank my church family for all the prayers and all the support that you have me and my family with the passing of my mother, Betty Henshaw. May God bless all of you!

Butch Henshaw & Family

WHBC Benevolent Committee,

I remember as well if it was yesterday – but, it wasn't; probably 5 years ago! Right after Paul Holley's funeral service, I was blessed with some of the best food and excellent pound cake I ever tasted! I asked who was in charge and wrote down Mrs. Hogue's name and told you or somebody I wanted to send a donation to the committee in honor of Paul (we worked together at the Richmond Police Department).

The attached piece of paper has been repinned and moved at least 50 times on my billboard –I think it's time to send that donation!

**Respectfully and with thanks,
Glen Burley
Richmond Police Department
(Retired)**

Thought for the Month

Always live your life that is pleasing to God.

June Nursery Workers

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Age</u> | <u>Nursery Volunteers</u> |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sunday, June 1st | Birth | Levi & Vera Mitchell |
| | Cruisers | Chelsi Holderfield & Amanda Whirley |
| | Toddlers & 3 yr Olds | Lola Holley & Michelle Stech |
| Sunday, 5 PM, June 1st | Combined | Judi Tucker & Lisa Witt |
| Wednesday, 7 PM June 4th | Combined | Christie Leggett & April Norris |
| Sunday, June 8th AM | Birth | Melissa Dear & Patty Dudley |
| | Cruisers | John & Heather Mills |
| | Toddlers & 3 Yr. Olds | Keith & Debbie Schmidt |
| Sunday, June 8th 5 PM | Combined | Barbara Huddleston & April Johnson |
| Wednesday, 7 PM June 11th | Combined | Tina Blair & Barbara McCoy |
| Sunday, June 15th AM | Birth | Janelle Brown & Susan Goodwin |
| | Cruisers | Jarrett & Johanna Munford |
| | Toddlers & 3 Yr. Olds | Tim & Jamie Morini |
| Sunday, 5 PM, June 15th "Father's Day" & Baptist Men's Day" | Combined | No Evening Services |
| Wednesday, June 18th 7 PM | Combined | Melissa Dear & April Norris |
| Sunday AM, June 22th | Birth | Andrea Beville & Heather Gibbs |
| | Cruisers | Christine Croarkin & Amanda Whirley |
| | Toddlers & 3 Yr. Olds | Barbara McCoy & Becky Thomas |
| Sunday, June 22th 5 PM | Combined | No Evening Service |
| Wednesday, June 25th 7 PM | Combined | April Johnson Chelsi Holderfield |
| Sunday, June 29th | Birth | Shaun & Melanie orton |
| | Cruisers | Lea & Rachel Mitchell |
| | Toddlers/3 yr. Olds | Christie Leggett & Diane Reish |
| Sunday, June 29th PM | Combined | No Evening Services |

June Children's Church Volunteers

| Date | Volunteers |
|-----------------------|---|
| June 1 st | Jim & Jamie Lafoon & April Norris |
| June 8 th | Bryan & Ashley McFarland, Michelle Stech |
| June 15 th | Samoa Allen & Becky Thomas |
| June 22 nd | Christie Leggett, Donna Temple & Linda Sullivan |
| June 29 th | No Children's Church |

Children Dedication

We will dedicate our new babies & children in the church to the Lord on Father's Day during the morning worship services. If you have a child or children to be dedicated to the Lord, please come with your children during the calling on Father's Day, June 15th.



Blood Drive on May 19th a Success!

Many thanks to the 43 donors who came out on Monday night. We had a great time and gathered 41 good units of blood and will save 123 lives!

Your next opportunity to give at WHBC will be on July 21st.



Notes from the Music Director

Can you believe that it is June already... seems like we just did our Christmas and Easter musicals. Oh yea, we DID! The winter months were so busy in all our music departments, and I was so pleased as I know God was for our efforts. Thank you to WHBC choirs and orchestra for always giving 100 percent of your time and talents.

Mark 6:32 says, "So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place". Now that summer is approaching and families are taking time for vacations, please keep God in HIS place in your life, so rest where needed and be still and know that HE is God. When you ARE away (in your boat) and not in attendance on Sunday morning at WHBC, please pray for our church and know that you are missed.

Choirs and special music will continue throughout the summer months and pray God's anointing on each individual who lifts up their voice anointing on each individual who lifts up their voice to make that joyful noise HE so richly deserves.

Bonnie Perkinson, Interim Music Director

Kehukee Family Day

Saturday, June 7th

9:15 AM – 4:00 PM

Hot dogs, baked beans & beverages provided!! Please bring a side dish or desserts.

Health Screenings & More, 10 AM – 2 PM

Fishing Contest for All Ages!

Other Activities

General Fishing, Hiking, Relaxing, Corn Hole Bean Bag Toss,
Walk the Emmanuel Trail

Swimming Pool open 1:45 – 4:00 PM

Singing/Instrumental Groups @ Powell Pavilion

11:00 AM- 12:30 PM with Message &
1:00- 2:30 PM

Lunch @ Powell Pavilion @ 12:30 PM

4:00 PM – Activities End

Happy Father's Day – June 15th!

Fathers, do not exasperate your children,
instead, bring them up in the training and
instruction of the Lord.

Ephesians 6:4