

Oakland  
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Church



# THE ACORN

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Dear Church Family,

Julie, the kids and I have been overwhelmed by the love and support shown to us in these past couple of months as we have transitioned back to Virginia. We have felt your prayers in such a big way, and are so blessed to be part of your church family!

We have been excitedly waiting to be part of the fellowship at Oakland, and the time is finally here! It's been great to worship with you all, and to bring God glory for all that He has done, is doing, and will continue to do at Oakland Baptist! The timing of the start of our new ministry call with you all has been so wonderful, as we were able to participate in Vacation Bible School! It brings me such joy to see the children learning about Jesus Christ and growing in a relationship with Him! I pray that the seeds God planted during VBS week will take root and transform the lives of our younger generation.

As our family continues to serve alongside all of you, we pray that God will guide us into His vision for Oakland Baptist Church. We look forward to our future with you all!

Blessings of peace,

Nate



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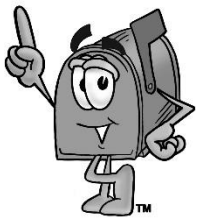
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## Keep in Touch!

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You're invited to join us Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm for a cookout. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided. Bring a side dish and/or dessert to share. Sign-up sheet in the church foyer. Questions? See

Sandy Harper. Quarterly Business Meeting will follow at 7 pm.



The choir will be taking a break during the months of July and August. If you would like to sing (solo, duet, trio, etc.), do a reading or give your testimony, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Adult Sunday school hallway. Questions? See Lesley Alford.

## REFERENCE INFORMATION

Do you want to put something in the bulletin or newsletter? Do you want to put something on our Website or in the Goshen News? If so, please submit the information as you want it to appear in the bulletin, newsletter or website, by the deadlines listed below to: [communication@oakland-baptist.com](mailto:communication@oakland-baptist.com) email. For those of you without email access, please call or submit your written request to Sharon Kincaid.

### Deadlines:

**Bulletin** - 12 noon of each Wednesday

**Newsletter** - 15th of each month

**Website** - 12 noon of each Thursday

**Goshen Newsletter** - 15th of each month

**Have you moved??? Has your name changed? Do you have an update to a birthday or anniversary in your family? If you answered YES to any of these questions...**Please notify any member of the Deacon Fellowship with any changes to your personal information: name, address, phone # changes, new births, deaths, weddings and divorce information for name changes or anniversary deletions to keep the church database updated for newsletter & other mailings to members & non-members.

### Contact Information:

**Pastor: Nate Varnier**

**Cell: (540)290-4622**

**Email: nathanvarnier@gmail.com**

**Youth Leader:**

**Shelby & Craig Jones**

**17250 Taylors Creek Rd**

**Montpelier, VA 23192**

**(804)402-6506 (cell)**

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**Deacon Fellowship:**

**Bobby Fields: (804) 556-4800**

**Bill Groome: (804) 556-6482**

**Pat Groome: (804) 908-3276 (cell)**

**Ricky Harper: (804) 556-3694; (804) 514-6985 (cell)**

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**Lonnie Kincaid: (804) 363-3288 (cell)**

**Kim Rosson: (804) 928-2780 (cell)**

**Ron Taylor: (804) 556-3519; (804) 339-6067 (cell)**

**Betsy Young: (804) 457-4048**

## *Happy Birthday!*

Bobby Fields	7/1
Austin Sherrill	7/1
Emery Alford	7/3
Michelle Alford	7/4
Debbie Groome	7/4
William Todd Hicks	7/4
Sharon Atkinson	7/5
Sandra Pleasants	7/5
Patsy Dymacek	7/8
Dory Henley	7/11
Ray Henley	7/11
Jeffrey Childress	7/13
Betty Courtney	7/15
Ann Taylor	7/15
Jean Hicks	7/19
Cary Kincaid	7/22
Jordan Snead	7/22
Mary Bradshaw	7/24
Stacey Harpster	7/24
Cheri Wise	7/24
Ronnie Cook	7/25
Velma Goodwin	7/25
Virginia Beach-Cook	7/26
James Hodges	7/26
Angela Justiniano	7/27
Betty Fields	7/28
Herman Parrish	7/28
Brian Atkins	7/29
Sandi Williams	7/29
Cheryl Driver	7/31
Jo Ann Ware	7/31

## *Happy Anniversary!*

Robert & Sandra Grooms	7/5
Adam & Michelle Alford	7/7
Gabe & Becky Edwards	7/14
Charles & Doris Atkins	7/20
Dean & Vicki Kellison	7/24
Ronnie & Virginia Cook	7/27
Timothy & Christina Clough	7/30
Robert & Katie Nixon	7/30

## *Jesus on the 4th of July*

*We gather 'round to celebrate  
On Independence Day  
Pay homage to our country  
As the children run and play.*

*With barbecues and picnics  
And fireworks in the air  
The flag we own is proudly flown  
To show how much we care.*

*The stars and stripes spell freedom  
She waves upon the breeze  
While bursts of colors can be seen  
Above the towering trees.*

*This is all quite wonderful  
We revel in delight  
But God above in divine love  
Has brought this day to light.*

*With just a stroke of liberty  
A touch of His great hand  
He gave democracy to us  
And helped this country stand.*

*The stripes upon our stately flag  
Were touched by His sweet grace  
Each star of white that shines so bright  
Reflects His loving face.*

*So as you turn to face the flag  
For battles that were fought  
Be filled with pride for those who died  
And freedoms that were bought.*

*But don't forget to thank the One  
That gives the bright display  
The reason why we paint the sky  
On Independence Day*

## Notes, Mission Opportunities & Announcements

### **Youth News...**

We have 11 youth, children, and adults going to camp from July 24-28 at Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center near Lynchburg. Below is a list of those attending:

Shelby Jones	Craig Jones
Eli Jones	McKynzie Kincaid
Braeden Smith	Branson McKinney
Jeremy White	Kaleb Kincaid
Gabby Traw	Sharon Kincaid
Nate Varnier	

Please be in prayer for us as we prepare to go, learn, and serve. If you'd like to send us a note of encouragement, the address is below. Just mail it early in the week to ensure we receive it!

Camper Name  
Oakland Baptist/Chestnut Lodge  
1 Eagle Eyrie Drive  
Lynchburg, VA 24503

Blessings,  
Shelby

### **WMU Happenings...**

We will be collecting school supplies for Christmas in July. The supplies will be given to area schools to help the children who cannot afford them.

During our Fall Missions Celebration, we will be making "Blessing Bags" to hand out to the homeless so we are collecting the following items: travel or motel size shampoo, lotions & soaps; deodorant; individually wrapped toothbrushes; toothpaste; chap stick; disposable razors; and comb and/or small brush.

Place donations in tubs outside copy room. Questions? Contact Sharon Kincaid at 804.439.1417.

### **WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS – July 2017**

Date	Deacon	Greeter	Kid's Korner	Extended Session – Babies to 2 years	Extended Session – 3 years to 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade
02	Sandy Harper	Betty Dunivan	Sharon Kincaid	Kim Rosson	Janet Hawk
09	Ron Taylor	Betty Stanley	Bill Groome	Wendy Cooper	Alisha Fields
16	Betsy Young	Wanda Miller		Sandi Blair	Becky Sutterfield
23	Bobby Fields	Ann Taylor	Pat Groome	Denise Brooking	Sarah Blair
30	Ricky Harper	Hilda Harper	Shirley Bath	Cheryl Driver	Janet Hawk



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<u>2</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 12:30pm Deacon Meeting	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u> 11:30 am Washington Nationals vs. Atlanta Braves in DC
<u>9</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship	<u>10</u> 10 am – WOM Morning Group	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u> 6pm – Cookout 7 pm – Quarterly Business Meeting	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>16</u> 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> 10 am – Seniors @ Holly Grove 7 pm – WOM Evening Group	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>
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<u>30</u> 8 am Men’s Prayer Breakfast 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship						

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## Remembered in our hearts & prayers:

Henry & Vernell Amos  
Kay Amos  
Patsy Anderson  
Norman Apsey  
Virginia Beach-Cook  
Don Beatty  
Shirley Bowyer  
Dee Buchanan  
Josh Chance - C4C  
Ruth Coleman  
Brian Conrad  
Lucy Cook  
Kaitlyn Daniels  
Mike Dillon  
Robert Dorey  
Betty Fields  
Mary Catherine Gammon  
Margie Gonzalez  
Velma Goodwin  
Jimmy Grant  
Bailey & Tanner Grant-Dickerson  
Hilda Harper  
Kathy Jones

Bryan McCallister  
Wanda Miller  
Debbie Minor  
Frank Moran  
Dale Nester  
Gladys Nester  
Louise & Robert Parrish  
Callahan Phillips  
Mabel & Gerald Pleasants  
Jason Pope  
Kathy Pope  
Riley Saunders  
Judy Schaeffer  
Betty Smith  
Nita Snead  
Walter Taylor  
Karla Turman  
Susan Wachter  
Cecil Watson  
Sharon West  
Chloe Wiltshire  
Darrell Wise  
Betsy Young  
Our Nation  
Our Church

Expressions of Sympathy to the families of  
Robert Cutchin  
Linda Proffitt

**Our Nursing Home Members; see "Keep in Touch" section.**

**Remember our Servicemen & Their Families:**  
Joey Berlin, Stateside  
Tennis Bradshaw, Stateside  
Gabe Edwards, Stateside  
Sully Edwards, Deployed

The prayer concern is completely revised monthly through mentioned prayer concerns, website submissions, email ([communication@oakland-baptist.com](mailto:communication@oakland-baptist.com)) or by contacting Sharon Kincaid by the 15th of each month.