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Church



# THE ACORN

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Dear Church Family,

“I think” spring has now sprung! We’ve had a few days in the 70s as of late and a great deal of those spring showers! The soil in your gardens is fertile and ready to sustain growth of your vegetable plants and flowers that will soon come forth with color and good taste! I also believe right now as a church family we are within fertile ground in terms of spiritual growth and church members using their spiritual gifts. We have been collaborating at a high level, working through decisions as a unified Body, and sharing the love of Christ with each other and the community.

In 2 Timothy 3:14, Paul tells his true son in the faith to “continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of”. We all learn from God within us as well as God within others...stay true to God’s individual call on your life as well as His call on your life as part of the Body of Christ. Be kind, be gentle, be patient, and be loving...in this way you will continue to be fertile ground where the Lord’s love can grow, and others may come to know Christ and grow in their walk with Him.

May God continue to guide you in your walk with Him.

Blessings of peace,

Nate

**Pastor Nate’s Morning Devotionals:** If you would like to read Pastor Nate’s morning devotionals, go to [www.walkinginspired.com](http://www.walkinginspired.com) or let him know and he can add you to email list.

Happy Mother’s Day



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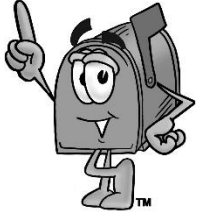
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### A Mother's Love

There are times when only a mother's love  
Can understand our tears,  
Can soothe our disappoints  
And calm all of our fears.

There are times when only a mother's love  
Can share the joy we feel  
When something we've dreamed about  
Quite suddenly is real.

There are times when only a mother's faith  
Can help us on life's way  
And inspire in us the confidence  
We need from day to day.

For a mother's heart and a mother's faith  
And a mother's steadfast love  
Were fashioned by the angels  
And sent from God above.

--Author Unknown

### 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.

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## *Happy Birthday!*

Sherry Alston	5/3
Jason Brooking	5/3
Kimberly Murray	5/5
Glenn Smith	5/6
Sarah Wade	5/6
Sharon Kincaid	5/8
Joey Berlin	5/9
Christina Clough	5/11
Revia Kramer	5/13
Ron Taylor	5/13
Brett Atwood	5/15
Billie Reid	5/15
Preston Young	5/15
Denise Brooking	5/17
Julie Varnier	5/17
Claire Parrish	5/18
Martha Barlow	5/22
Brandon Fields	5/22
Mary Catherine Gammon	5/22



## *Happy Anniversary!*

David & Janet Hawk	5/16
James & Sally Hodges	5/19

## *Youth News...*

Summer will be here before we know it! Check out what is planned for our youth. Dinner will be provided the first three nights. Be prepared to get wet/dirty on those nights, as well!

### Youth Summer calendar:

Wednesday May 30 - youth, 6-8

Wednesday June 6 - youth, 6-8

Wednesday June 13 - youth, 6-8

VBS: June 18-21, 6:30-9:00

Friday, June 22 - Kingsfest (Early Bird Tickets already purchased; See Shelby about new price if you missed deadline)

Wednesday July 18 - Bogey's (putt putt/driving range, bring money for dinner), 6:00

Camp: July 23-27 (deposit due by 4/1, remaining balance (TBD) due by 6/3)

Wednesday August 8 - Flying Squirrels game (bring money for dinner)

Regular schedule begins: September 5

## Notes, Mission Opportunities & Announcements

### *WMU Happenings...*

During the month of May, we will Focus on Associational Missions and Goshen Mission Offering. This offering helps fund projects not paid for by the operations budget, such as The RuraLove Ministry, The Journey Home, The Bridge Ministry, and the Summer Romanian Intern. Information and offering envelopes are in the Sunday school rooms and on the table in the foyer. Our goal is \$1,000. On Sunday, May 20th, we will have an “In-Gathering” and prayer for the offering so plan to bring your offering then. Thanks for your support.

Mark Your Calendar! The Ladies’ Tea will be held on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, from 2 - 4 pm. Our theme is “Showers of Blessings” and we will collect items to create layettes for RuraLove. We will make a boy and girl layette. We hope you will join us for this time of fun and fellowship. We will play a guessing game and I ask that you bring a baby picture by May 13<sup>th</sup> and give it to Sharon Kincaid. We ask that you bring a snack to share and don’t forget your tea cups. Please take a raindrop from the umbrella in the hallway, write your name and the item number on the paper. Place your items (purchased or handmade) on the table outside the copy room by Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, so we will have time to purchase any extra items. Secret Pal reveal will take place and, if you want to participate as a Secret Pal, we will draw names at this event.

You are invited to *The Ladies Conference* at Mineral Baptist Church on Friday, May 18th, from 5:30 - 9pm; and on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30am - 12 noon. The theme is “Let’s Get Spiritually Connected” with Him, ourselves, and others!

Mini workshops on Saturday you will not want to miss!

A light dinner and a hot breakfast will be served.

All attendees will receive a take home “goodie bag”.

ALL THIS and NO charge!

They will have two guest speakers this year. Jessica Berry, an international speaker, will share on how we can use the gifts and talents God has given to us to further His kingdom. Karen Cersley, of Fluvanna County, is a counselor with Vantage Point Counseling & Coaching in Charlottesville and Keswick. We have an awesome worship team coming! They call themselves Prothesmia, which is Greek for “appointed” or “set apart”. Debbie Houston is the lead singer, who writes her own music. Her heart is to bring God’s spirit to His people, through her music, into a pure worship of spirit and truth.

If you are interested in going, please sign-up on the sheet in the vestibule by Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. We will carpool or take the bus.

## WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS – May 2018

Date	Deacon	Greeter	Kid's Korner	Extended Session – Babies to 2 years	Extended Session – 3 years to PreK
06	Sandy Harper	Betty Dunivan	Sharon Kincaid	Julie Varnier	Kim Rosson
13	Ron Taylor	Hilda Harper	Bill Groome	Denise Brooking	Wendi Cooper
20	Betsy Young	Hazel Morgan	Kathy Wade	Becky Sutterfield	Sandi Blair
27	Tom Sutterfield	Peggy Bartley	Shelby Jones	Rhonda Lloyd	Sandy Harper



		<u>1</u> 7 pm – Deacon's Meeting	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>6</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u> 6 pm - Dinner 7 pm – Bible Study, Youth & CIAs 8 pm – Choir	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
<u>13</u> <i>Happy Mother's Day</i> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship	<u>14</u> 10 am – WOM Morning Group	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u> 6 pm – WNS 7 pm – Adult Bible Study, Youth & CIAs 8 pm – Choir	<u>17</u> 10am Seniors @	<u>18</u> 5:30 – 9:00 pm Ladies' Conference @ Mineral Baptist	<u>19</u> 8:30 am – 12 pm Ladies' Conference @ Mineral Baptist
<u>20</u> 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 2 – 4 pm Ladies Tea	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u> 6 pm - WNS 7 pm – Adult Bible Study, Youth & CIAs 8 pm – Choir	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>
<u>27</u> 8 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u> 6 pm - WNS 7 pm – Adult Bible Study, Youth & CIAs 8 pm – Choir	<u>31</u>		

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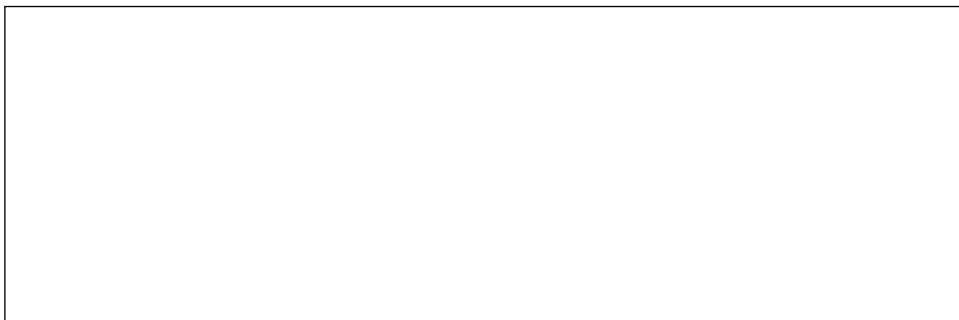
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*Changes to your name, address, birthday, or anniversary?  
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## Remembered in our hearts & prayers:

Henry Amos  
Patsy Anderson  
Virginia Beach-Cook  
Shirley Bowyer  
Ruth Coleman  
Lucy Cook  
Kaitlyn Daniels  
Robert Dorey  
Margie Gonzalez  
Velma Goodwin  
Bailey Grant-Dickerson  
Pat Groome  
Joyce Hawk  
Kathy Jones  
Dean & Vicki Kellison  
Sharon Kincaid  
Joan Lloyd  
Matthew Maynor

Bryan McCallister  
Frank Moran  
Dale Nester  
Gladys Nester  
Marie Nester  
Louise Parrish  
Callahan Phillips  
Mabel & Gerald Pleasants  
Jason Pope  
Wayne Profitt  
Riley Saunders  
Betty Smith  
Nita Snead  
Betty Stanley  
Walter Taylor  
Gabby Traw  
Cecil Watson  
Jason Williams  
Our Nation  
Our Church

Expressions of Sympathy to the families of  
Jamie Balsley

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

### Remember our Servicemen & Their Families:

Joey Berlin, Stateside  
Tennis Bradshaw, Stateside  
Gabe Edwards, Deployed  
Sgt. Allen Gordon, Stateside

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.