



The Witness

Vacation Bible School: July 27-31

Time: 8:30 a.m. to Noon

This year we will take a "Journey Off The Map" to explore uncharted territory where children will discover that Jesus is the Ultimate Guide. They will learn that, even when faced with the unexpected, they can know how to listen for God's direction.

Register your child at www.mtolivetbaptist.org

Join the expedition! Take the journey!

River Service: Sunday, July 19, at 10:00 am

No
Sunday
School

**Come on down to the Rivah!!!
(Thomasson River Bank in Montpelier)**

Join us for Worship, Baptism & Picnic



Bring: A lawn chair and side dish (enough for you & your family & to share) to add to the fried chicken which is provided by the Food Service Committee.

****If your last name begins with the letters A-M, bring vegetables**

****If your last name begins with the letters N-Z, bring desserts**

Church is providing fried chicken, drinks, & paper products
(maps to the river are available on the shelf in the sanctuary)

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Special points of interest:

- ☺ "Body & Soul" Exercise Classes will resume again in the fall.
- ☺ "OOPS!" Our mistake! We have loaned out the church video camera to one of our church members but can't remember who that is. With so many wonderful things happening at church, we would love to have the video camera back. If you locate it in your house or anywhere here at church, please bring it to the church office.

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Update on Bland Mission Trip & "Relay for Life"

Every year the church commissions a team of people to travel to Bland, Virginia to help the less fortunate with house repairs and/or help the Bland Ministry Center with their work of sorting clothing and food.

This year, the Bland Ministry Team leaves on Sunday, July 12, after the worship service at Mt Olivet. The team will be working on projects during the week of July 13-17. Some will be leaving Bland on Wednesday evening, July 15, to go to Wise, Virginia to meet up with the Remote Area Medical team to distribute shoes to the impoverished who come to the clinic for medical services.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE BLAND MISSION TRIP.

Call Laura Stanley or sign up on the volunteer sheet in the Fellowship Hall to join the Bland Mission Team.

Report from the "Relay for Life" Mt Olivet Friends Team

In an effort to raise money to combat cancer, our church formed a team of people who participated in the "Relay for Life" on Saturday, June 20. Our

Mt Olivet Friends Team raised \$5,311.62. All of this money is used to support research to fight back against cancer. Our theme was based on the hit 1980's TV show called M*A*S*H. Our theme was "M*A*S*H Cancer."

Thanks to all who helped with this project.



Zimbabwe Mission Trip

The Zimbabwe Mission Team is making final preparations for their trip which leaves Dulles Airport on August 12 and returns on Monday, August 24.

Please be praying for the team members and their upcoming trip.

Team members are Janice Igou, Gwen Eck, Paul and Patti Harris, Wayne and Carol Draper, and Jim and Sandy Barnard.

A huge thank you to all who have helped raise funds and/or donated to offset the trip's expenses.

Thanks also to Dover Baptist Association who awarded our mission team \$750

to offset the cost of the trip. This money comes from the gifts by Dover churches to the Leslie and Hazel

Watson Associational Missions Offering.

Bless you for your generosity!

Please be as generous with your continued prayers for them.

Thank you for your support of the Zimbabwe Mission Team!

Clothesline & School Supply Giveaway

Our annual Clothesline and School Supply Giveaway event will take place on Saturday, August 29th from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Boxes will be placed in the fellowship hall for clothing collection in July. Racks for hanging clothes will also be set up. If you would like to volunteer to help with set-up the week of the event, please see Dawn Dill.

Many, many thanks to Judy Sams and Lisa Smith for coordinating this year's CARITAS program. They did a wonderful job of recruiting volunteers and overseeing the entire program. A special thank you to the many volunteers for their time in providing this much needed ministry to the homeless population.

The Ruth Evening Circle will be collecting stuffed animals and puzzles for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes during the month of July. Donations of empty shoeboxes are also appreciated. They may be placed in Room 211 upstairs in the educational building.



Prayer Concerns

Cindy Axelle
John Axelle
Jessie Bayne
June Beazley
Charlie Eck
Rick Eck
Brandon Germon
Carolyn Greenwood
Katherine Hawks
Ilene Henderson
Judy Sams
Evelyn Seay

Rick Slater
Jean Thurston
Wayne Watson
Cathy Williams
Gayle Wingfield

Assisted Living/Convalescent/ Homebound

Bob Campbell
Lin & Dean Carter
Barbara Cosby
Peggy Gravely

Margaret Gray
Richey Jewell
Willy Lipscomb
Martha Loving
Beverly Parrish
Anne Puryear
Neesie Stearns



In The Military

Daniel Gibson
Michael Thurston

Thank You

The family of Billy Bowles cannot thank you enough for everything you did. The flowers sent to the house after Billy's surgery as well as the basket sent to the funeral home were beautiful and appreciated.

Dale was always there for us; from the hospital to meeting with us at

Beverley's before the funeral. His caring ways made us feel special. The best part was that Dale made Jennifer and Jaclyn feel love from a place they didn't connect to their Dad. I loved that.

Thanks particularly to the Committee that spent their time and efforts providing us with drinks, paper products and organization of food for the fellowship we shared after Billy's burial. I so appreciated

not worrying about a "detail".

My thanks to the whole church family for everything...

Judy Bowles

Thank you for supporting our troop! The church has been very supportive of all of our troop activities by allowing us to use your facilities. We are very appreciative!

Girl Scout Troop 490

Continued Thoughts on our Church Family

Sympathy is extended to Terry Schools in the loss of her brother, Toney Lineberry.

Sympathy is expressed to the family of Reverend Dan Stevens.

Sympathy is extended to Nancy Hall in the loss of her husband, Bobby as well as to Stephen and

Jonathan and their brothers and sisters in the loss of their father.

Congratulations to Megan Dill and Jimmy Van Riper who were married May 30.

Congratulations to JoAnn Hockman on the birth of her great granddaughter, Imogen Ella Brookes.

Mission Trip to Bland, VA. is July 12-17. Sign-up on sheets provided or see Laura Stanley if you wish to go on the trip.

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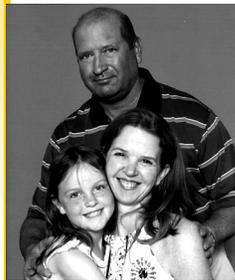
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Church Staff

Dale F. Ashley, Pastor
Felicia G. Taylor, Children's Minister
Claudia M. Phillips, Music Minister
Cindy C. Weston, Youth Minister
Shirley S. Mills, Secretary



Welcome New Members!



We are pleased to welcome Todd, Katherine and Tessa Hawks into the fellowship of the Mt. Olivet family. Todd and Katherine come by transfer of membership, and Tessa comes by profession of faith.

Youth News!

Our fellowship hall was packed out for the youth shadow play entitled "The Life Of Christ"! On behalf of all the youth and youth workers, I would like to say a huge thank you to all who came out in support of our youth and the shadow worship experience. Also, a huge thank you to the youth themselves. I'm truly blessed by the willingness of our youth to dedicate themselves to this worship experience. What a wonderful and powerful performance! I give all the Glory to the Lord who was leading us through His Holy Spirit! The youth worked hard for months, and I'm so proud of them. God be praised!

Thanks!

I would like to thank Neal Brigham for allowing us to use his car lot for our car wash fundraiser. We raised \$510.00 to be used in purchasing new shoes for our RAM mission trip!

Coming in August

Movie Night! Wednesday, August 5th at 7:00 p.m., the youth will be hosting a FREE movie night in the fellowship hall. Come and see the movie, "Do You Believe?". What an inspiring Christian movie! Plan to come and enjoy the movie plus free movie theater style snacks. To learn more about the movie, go to

the movie website: <http://doyoubelieve.com/>



Coming in September

Wednesday, September 9th, a joint children and youth "parent night" is being planned. Parents, grandparents, and all caregivers of children and youth are encouraged to attend to learn more about our vision and direction for both children and youth ministry here at Mt. Olivet. Felicia Taylor and Cindy Weston will be leading this parent night. More information about this event will be provided in the August newsletter.

July 2015

Mt. Olivet Children's Ministry



“Playground Project”

Providing OUR Children with a SAFE outdoor environment to play, fellowship and experience the wonders of God's creation for themselves.

Our first fundraiser for the “Playground Project” is underway. It is one that will teach children about nature, patience and how to work for something that means a lot to them.

On June 14th families and church members joined in community to kick off fundraising efforts by planting pumpkins at the Bland's.

In one afternoon hundreds of seeds were planted amongst giggles, hot dogs and watermelon delight.

As the pumpkins grow, families and church members will return to care for, watch and eventually harvest the pumpkins. After harvesting they will be available through donation's that will then go toward the purchase of our playground.



Children's Worship in July

This month in Children's Worship we continue to learn about

Conviction:

Standing for what is right even when others don't.

Memory Verse:

And as for you, brothers and sisters, never tire of doing what is good.

(2 Thessalonians 3:13)



It Is Journey Time!!!

Where will your child be this July 27th-31st?

Hopefully your answer is Vacation Bible School!!!

Register through Mt. Olivet Baptist Church Web-Site.

If you would like to serve this year please contact Melissa Huckstep, Lisa Smith or Felicia Taylor.

Upcoming Dates:

July 7: Children's Ministry Committee Meeting

July 19: River Service

July 27-31: Vacation Bible School

August 16: Church Business Meeting

August 30: Water Fun Day

Sept. 9: “Parent Back to Faith Night”

Sept. 25: 3-5 Grade Lock in

The Children's Choir is looking for little voices to Praise the Lord!

- * All children preschool through fifth grade are encouraged to join.
- * Children practice each Sunday at 9:30am in Children's Worship room.
- * Children will sing during the 11am Worship on the second Sunday of every month.
- * No Choir July & August



For additional information contact Mt. Olivet Baptist Church at 804 883-5950.