

From the Pastor's Pen...

**I love to celebrate!** Celebrations come for so many reasons: good grades, first cars, graduations, college acceptance, engagements, marriages, jobs, births of children, first homes, retirement, and many more! Celebrating events like these can bring incredible joy to the lives of all affected. Parents and grandparents may sense a fulfillment of the dreams of many years while students think that they've "finally made it."

Some celebrations are worthy of parades and special toasts. Super Bowl winners, the victor on the track, World Series Champions, Gold Medal Performances, the hoisting of the Naismith Trophy at "the final four," all give us images that may be ever ingrained in our lives.

**Churches celebrate too.** We rejoice with new members, baptisms, public call to ministry, meeting the budget, paying off notes, and the completion of special ministry projects.

Through it all though, there is one celebration that happens every year. Many people understand the significance of it while others get lost in the commercialization of the event. It's the most significant event in history. It changes lives and impacts culture. It gives us peace for today and hope for tomorrow.

**We call it Easter or Resurrection Sunday!** It is truly a time to celebrate, and not just with Peeps, baskets, and bonnets. It's a celebration of magnanimous proportion. Jesus rose from the dead, just as He said. He kept his promise, and giving the opportunity for hearts to be remade. So make a joyful noise, raise a shout, and let the whole world know that Jesus is Alive and Jesus saves. Celebrate, sing out and raise a shout until the world knows... that Jesus is alive!

**What a celebration!**

As your pastor, I encourage you to invite someone to church with you on Celebration Sunday as we conclude our series of *following Jesus to the Cross... and beyond!* Pray for that friend or loved one. Pray that they will know Jesus and the power of His resurrection! THE power that can raise a life and change a life, that gives peace for today and hope for the future.

**Resurrection Sunday will have a different schedule at Oakland.** We will begin with Sunrise Service at 7am followed by a fellowship breakfast prepared by our Deacons. Sunday School and Worship Service hours will be moved up to 8:45 and 10:00 respectively. So don't miss out. It should be a great day in the morning!

So listen my friends as Jesus invites you to the celebration...

**It's a joy to serve Jesus as your Pastor...**  
*Rev Kev*



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## Keep in Touch!



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Please keep in touch with Gabe while he is deployed:  
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### Remember our Nursing Home Members:

**Evelyn Grimes**, Envoy at The Meadows, 2715 Dogtown Road  
Goochland, VA 23063

**Ellis Holloway**, Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Health Care,  
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**Bernice Peasley**, Parham Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center,  
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Richmond, VA 23228

**Eunice Walton**, Envoy at The Meadows, 2715 Dogtown Road,  
Room 212, Goochland, VA 23063



### Easter Schedule:

7:00am Sunrise Service

7:30am Breakfast

8:45am Sunday School

10:00am Morning Worship



### **YOUR OBC website**

is constantly being updated. Please check it often for updated information: [www.oakland-baptist.com](http://www.oakland-baptist.com) and please click the "contact us" to give us any suggestions on what you'd like to see included. Thank you.

## REFERENCE INFORMATION

### **Deadlines:**

Newsletter – 18<sup>th</sup> of each month

Bulletin – 12 noon of each Thursday

Submit **articles** to

[communication@Oakland-Baptist.com](mailto:communication@Oakland-Baptist.com)

**Prayer requests** should be e-mailed to [communication@Oakland-Baptist.com](mailto:communication@Oakland-Baptist.com) or call the church office and leave a message (804) 556-3550.

**Website requests** should be sent to: [webmaster@Oakland-Baptist.com](mailto:webmaster@Oakland-Baptist.com)

### **NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE #, BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY CHANGES:**

Please notify YOUR DEACON with ANY CHANGES to your personal information. This will assist in assuring birthdays and anniversaries are correct and included in the newsletter at the appropriate time. The changes include: 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 and other mailings to members and non-members. When we don't have your correct mailing address, your mail is returned to the post office and the church is charged return postage.

### **HOME ADDRESS and PHONE NUMBER:**

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If you would like to receive information by e-mail from Kevin, our pastor, email him to be added and you will be added to his Oakland Church list.



Ruth Coleman	4/1
Harry Smith	4/2
Jeannette Klaty	4/4
Betty Stanley	4/4
George Comstock	4/6
Jenny DeRusha	4/8
Donald Amick	4/9
Richard Adcock	4/10
Jim Lear	4/12
Carol Summitt	4/14
David Gammon	4/15
Joan Lloyd	4/15
Gladys Nester	4/17
Jim Hamrick	4/19
John Bagby Jones	4/23
April Grant-Dickerson	4/24
Russell Hicks	4/27
Kathy Alvis	4/29
Emily Hawk	4/30
Jenny Smith	4/30

## Happy Anniversary!

Robert & Virginia Dorey	4/7
Loren & Betty Stanley	4/11
Brian & Carol Atkins	4/12
Gerald & Mabel Pleasants	4/13
Shannon & Amy Fields	4/17
Donnie & Louise Ware	4/18
Kent & Karen Nicely	4/20
Mark & Denise Brooking	4/23
James & Julie Lloyd	4/25
Steven & April Dickerson	4/26
Alex & Virginia MacDonald	4/28
Rob & Gerry Strebel	4/28

## WHAT'S UP WITH THE YOUTH THESE DAYS?

### YOUTH KICKBALL TOURNAMENT

**April 10, 2011**

The OBC Youth will be competing with three surrounding churches in the First Annual Youth Kickball Tournament. The tournament will start at 5:00 at the Goochland Rec Center. It is sure to be a time of fellowship and fun!

### TALENT SHOW

**April 16, 2011**

1 Corinthians 12:4 states, "There are different kinds of gifts, but the same spirit." To me, this means that we are all given a talent by God and we should let those talents shine. All will be given the opportunity to let their talents shine at the Youth-hosted talent show on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Previous to the show at 5:00pm participants, audience included, are invited to share in fellowship through a potluck. The show will start at 6:00pm.

While the show may seem far away, the time to sign up to showcase your talent is fast approaching. There will be a sign up sheet for talent and potluck posted on March 2. All church members are invited to enter as talent for the show. The audience will cast their vote for the winner by donation. Donations will be put toward Mfuge.

### YOUTH SUNDAY

**May 1, 2011**

The Oakland Baptist Youth Group will conduct worship on May 1.

Many Blessings,  
Ali



Come join us for an exciting weekend at Crossroads Camp & Conference Center, as we begin our "extreme" spring cleaning – camp style. There are many projects to be completed as we begin to dive into our spring conference season and prepare for Summer Camp 2011!! Projects include painting buildings – inside/outside, kitchen/dining help, carpentry, landscaping, brush cleanup, general building maintenance and more!

- Begins at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 12, through Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.
- Lodging and meals are provided.
- Come for the entire time or just a portion (i.e. all day on Saturday)

**"Extreme Makeover – Camp Edition" May  
12 - 15, 2011  
Don't miss it!!**

## NOTES, MISSION OPPORTUNITIES and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Hunger Mission Project:** Perkins Baptist Church is assisting families in our community that are in need of food. Once a month, they distribute food bags that contain items that will help prepare several meals for the people. Please bring canned or boxed foods so that we can participate in a Goshen community missions event—suggested items include:

packaged meals	mac and cheese	dried beans	canned veggies
canned spaghetti sauce	oatmeal	grits	pasta
rice	crackers	canned meats & fish	cookies
pancake mix	syrup	peanut butter	
jams, jellies(store bought)	cereal	soup	

Things to make a meal

For more information, please contact one of the Goshen representatives or WOM member. Thank you!



**SEEDS OF HOPE** for Southwest Virginia—Now collecting packets of seeds for gardens in rural Virginia and Appalachia. Need 10 vegetable for every 1 flower seed packet. Due **Wednesday April 13**.

**SAVE THE DATE—CHILDREN’S EASTER EGG HUNT** on April 23rd from 10am to 12pm. Pre-school (accompanied by parent) through 6th Grade. Join us for fun and games, in addition to the traditional hunt for eggs. We will be collecting candy to fill the Easter eggs—please bring individually wrapped candies (no chocolate please) to put in plastic eggs for the children. We ask parents to please bring a snack to share. See Michelle Alford or Teresa Groome.



**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!**

To everyone who came to help, set up, work, shop, and fellowship at our Spring / Summer Children's Consignment Sale! We couldn't do it without everyone's help. We need your help during April to clean up after the sale. Please see Sandy Harper to sign up. This sale is a great ministry for our church. Thank you for your continued support.



**FISH FRY** – We had a wonderful time at our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Fish Fry serving over 510 meals! We hope that you were able to join us, if not, mark your calendar now for our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fish Fry to be held on Saturday, March 3, 2012, 3:30-6:00pm. Thank you for your continued support.

### *Notes from Women on Mission*



Spring Missions Celebration on **April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm** at Zoar Baptist in Locust Grove where the emphasis will be on Moldova. Our very own Lesley Alford will be speaking, along with John Miller, Amy Lacy, and Nancy McDaniel. Lots of information and fun for everyone. Signup sheet for Church Bus ride on bulletin board in Sunday School hallway, or contact Teresa Groome for a ride.

## NOTES, MISSION OPPORTUNITIES and ANNOUNCEMENTS - continued



Did you miss the first Stop Hunger Now packing event? Mark your calendar now so you won't miss this time.

**October 9 at 3pm at Craigs Baptist** All ages needed—especially Youth to help carry things, Adults to help pack, Seniors to weigh and seal the packets, Musically inclined to sing along, and everyone who can enjoy fellowship and a good time. The best part is that you will be helping hungry people receive a nutritious meal. The assembly process combines rice, soy, dehydrated vegetables and a

flavoring mix including 21 essential vitamins and minerals into small meal packets. Each meal costs only 25 cents. The food stores easily, has a shelf-life of five years and transports quickly.

To prepare for the Stop Hunger Now event, WOM will sponsor collection of Quarters (and any other monies) to purchase the supplies during March to August. Goal for Goshen is to purchase \$10,000 worth of supplies. **Let's see if OBC can help contribute by sending \$1,000 to purchase 4,000 meals!**



### I SAW JESUS

I saw Jesus last week. He was wearing blue jeans and an old shirt. He was up at the church building. He was alone and working hard. For just a minute He looked like one of our members. But it was Jesus, I could tell by His smile.

I saw Jesus last Sunday. He was teaching a Bible class. He didn't talk real loud or use long words, But you could tell he believed what he said. For just a minute, He looked like my Sunday school teacher. But it was Jesus, I could tell by His loving voice.

I saw Jesus yesterday. He was at the hospital visiting a friend who was sick. They prayed together quietly. For just a minute, He looked like my preacher, But it was Jesus, I could tell by the tears in His eyes.

I saw Jesus the other day; He was brining a covered dish over to me because I had been sick. Just for a minute, I thought it was my sweet neighbor's hands stroking my shoulder. But it was Jesus; I could feel Him in my soul.

I saw Jesus this morning. He was in the kitchen making my breakfast and fixing me a special lunch. For just a minute, He looked like my Mom. But it was Jesus; I could feel the love from His heart.

I see Jesus everywhere, Taking food to the sick, being friendly to a newcomer, and for just a minute I think He's someone I know. But it's always Jesus; I can tell by the way He serves. May someone see Jesus in me today.



## Baptist Buzz...

*Excerpts from Virginia Baptist E-Newsletter "Advance Notice" February 2011*

News from the Goshen Baptist Association, Virginia Baptist, & WMU...

**Goshen Spring Associational Meeting**, Tuesday, April 26, Shady Grove Baptist Church - 3:00 p.m., 21024 Piney Wood Road, Orange 22960, Hands of Christ: Serving - Rev. Joseph Moore, Doctrinal Message - Rev. Ray Farrow  
Mission Message - Rev. Don Campbell



### HOPE Events 2011 (Helping Other People Everywhere)

May 13-14 - Hatcher Memorial Church, Richmond

HOPE is coming to Richmond in May. Please register!! Details can be viewed at [www.wmuv.org/hope](http://www.wmuv.org/hope)

Register by email: [wmuv@wmuv.org](mailto:wmuv@wmuv.org) or call 800-255-2428, ext. 8267

HOPE events are regional workshops designed to engage churches in new ministries that reach their communities, provide renewal for existing ministries, and to develop mission leadership. Pastors, church leaders, mission leaders and volunteers are welcome. Our hope is that participants will leave with a renewed sense of purpose and energy to reach their communities for Christ!

**More HOPE Events in 2011:** September 30-October 1 - Linden Heights Church, Staunton

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## The Leadership Gathering

May 6-7, 2011

Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center, Lynchburg, VA

Engaging worship gatherings and practical breakout sessions will encourage church leaders to find God's missional calling for the congregation as the church seeks to live out their involvement in God's kingdom. [Save \\$15—register by March 31!](#)



May 9-10, 2011, Begins 3:30 p.m. on Monday & Concludes by noon on Tuesday. Location Grandin Court Baptist Church (Roanoke, VA). Guest Director Benjamin Harlan. Cost \$21/person

We'll have a banquet Monday evening, learn new songs in a mass choir setting led by Benjamin Harlan, and have a wonderful time

of fellowship, praise, and inspiration.

Fee includes program fee, Monday evening banquet, and a snack break on Tuesday. Each group or individual is responsible for their own lodging and music. Music may be purchased from your choice of music distributors. Contact the Office of Worship and Church Music Ministries if you would like suggestions of vendors.

Registration: [http://vbmb.org/Ministries/Worship-Music/media/docs/Festival-of-Praise\\_Reg-Form.pdf](http://vbmb.org/Ministries/Worship-Music/media/docs/Festival-of-Praise_Reg-Form.pdf) or contact Virginia Baptist Mission Board, 2828 Emerywood Parkway, Richmond, VA 23294



## **Attention Cooks**

Virginia Baptist Mission Board and WMU of VA are seeking a few good recipes to go into a new Virginia Baptist Cookbook to be available at the November BGAV Connect:2011 annual meeting in Richmond. All proceeds will go toward a specific Virginia Baptist hunger-related ministry. If each of our 1,400 BGAV churches submitted a recipe, think of the possibilities that could be at our fingertips.

Please submit your recipes with your contact information to Paige Peak at [paige.peak@vbmb.org](mailto:paige.peak@vbmb.org) by July 1. Or mail to Paige's attention at VBMB, 2828 Emerywood Parkway, Richmond, VA 23294.



## **Goshen Media Center**

Please come in and make use of the Goshen Media Center (our library). There are no fees and there are a lot of Bible studies, kids videos, books, and learning tools available. Let's all make use of this valuable resource.

Available to check out on loan - June 2007

**Knowing the truth in the shadow of doubt** - Mark Mittelburg, Phil Hotsenpiller, John Mark Reynolds, David A. Horner, J.P. Moulard

**New life after divorce** - Bill Butterworth

**Lose it for life: What I eat and what's eating me** - Stephen Arterburn

**How parenting styles affect children** - Dr. Walt Larimore

**Ultimate Leadership: Making failure your friend** - Dr. John Townsend

**How to grow a high-impact church: The law of the kingdom** - Chip Ingram, Steve Clifford

**Why not you? Part 2** - Valerie Burton

**WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Deacon of the Week</b>	<b>Greeter</b>	<b>Extended Session</b>
03	Betsy Young	Marie Nester	Michelle Alford
10	Bill Groome	Shirley Shelton	Kim Rosson
17	Lonnie Kincaid	Ann Taylor	Cheryl Klaty
24	Sandy Harper	Edith Wheedleton	Teresa Groome



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
					<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	
<p align="right"><u>3</u></p> 9:45am-Sunday School 11am Worship 12:30 – Deacon’s Meeting  3pmWOM Spring Celebration at Zoar Baptist	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<p align="right"><u>6</u></p> 6 pm Wednesday Night Supper 7pm CIA’s, Youth, & Bible study 8pm Choir Practice	<u>7</u>	<p align="right"><u>8</u></p> Consignment Sale Resort – 6:30pm  	<u>9</u>	
<p align="right"><u>10</u></p> 9:45am Sunday School 11 am Worship Consignment Sale Resort (if needed) 1:00pm 	<p align="right"><u>11</u></p> 10am WOM Morning Group	<u>12</u>	<p align="right"><u>13</u></p> 7pm Quarterly Business Meeting  8pm Choir Practice	<p align="right"><u>14</u></p> 7:15pm WOM Evening Group 10:00am Seniors at Oakland	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<b>Youth Event:</b> Pot Luck Dinner & Talent Show
<p align="right"><u>17</u></p> 8am Men’s Breakfast 9:45am-Sunday School 11am Worship 11:15Children’s Worship Consignor Pick Up – 1:00 – 3:00pm 	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<p align="right"><u>20</u></p> 6 pm Wednesday Night Supper 7pm Youth, CIA’s, & Bible study 8pm Choir Practice	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	Children’s Easter Celebration 10:00am – 12:00pm
<p align="right"><u>24</u></p>  7:00am Sunrise Service 7:30 Breakfast 8:45-Sunday School 10am Worship	<u>25</u>	<p align="right"><u>26</u></p> 3:00pm Goshen Annual Spring Meeting	<p align="right"><u>27</u></p> 6 pm Wednesday Night Supper 7pm Youth, CIA’s, & Bible study 8pm Choir Practice	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	Master Gardener’s at J. Sergeant – Gochland

# The Acorn

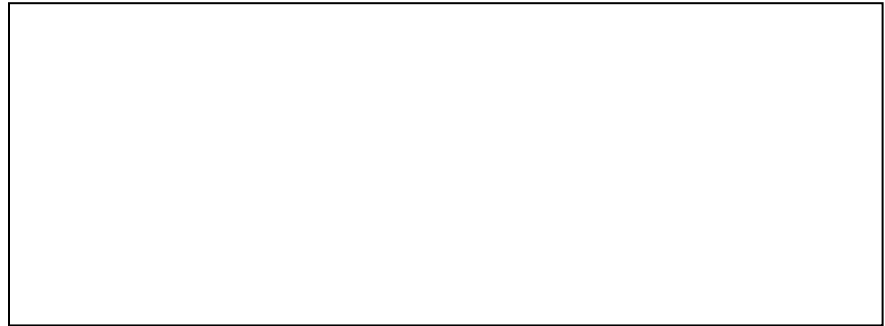
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## **Remembered in our hearts and prayers:**



Steve & Lesley Alford  
Lillian Armstrong  
Sharon Atkinson  
Ashley Bath  
Wayne Battle's Brother  
Carlton Family  
John Clayton  
Ruth Coleman  
Lucy Cook, Sandy Harper's mother  
Bailey Dickerson  
Virginia Dorey  
Gabe Edwards, Out on Deployment  
Sully Edwards, Out on Deployment  
Alisha Fields  
Fields Family  
Margie Gonzalez & her sister  
Velma Goodwin, Shirley Bath's mother  
Agnes Grant  
Daniel Gregory, Afghanistan  
Terry Griffith  
Boyd & Louise Hodge (C4C)  
Bo Holloway (Alma Walton's brother)  
Ellis Holloway

Sally Hope (Betsy Young's Cousin)  
Christopher Humphrey-Afghanistan  
(Danette's nephew)  
The family of Craig McInnes  
Betty Jarrell, Tammy Brooking's  
mother  
Bruce & Erin LePointe  
Jim Lear  
Ruby Lent  
Kelly Mims (Gladys Nester's cousin)  
Aerial Moen  
Angela Montgomery (Shirley Bath's  
niece)  
Frank Moran  
Josh Myers, Rhonda Lloyd's friend  
Gladys Nester & her great grandson,  
Cameron  
Marie Nester's son & granddaughter  
Harriett Osgood  
Gerald Pleasants  
Wanda Powell (Shirley Bowyers  
daughter)  
Monty Rose  
Mike Sherrill

Daisy Showalter, Shirley Bowyer's niece  
Preston Snead, Bobby Fields'  
cousin's son  
Betty Stanley  
Tony Wade's father  
Dana Wallace (Sam Pleasant's co-  
worker  
Rachel Wallace (Danette's cousin)  
Tiny Willis

Master Gardeners, Carpenters for  
Christ, Japan & MFuge.

*Note: In order to keep the prayer  
concerns current, please notify us of  
any updates or changes. Thank you!*

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