MBC YOUTH

Youth Happenings

September 2020 Newsletter

BOOM 2020

What a blessing to see such a great turn out for the Youth BOOM Service in August! The youth shared about their summer camp experience on the Island at Winter Harbor. It takes a lot of nerve to speak in front of a crowd, so I am very proud of these teenagers and the way they stepped up. I would like to thank Avery Betz for teaching us about Paul, and how we can put our love into action. I would also like to thank Tanner Sears and Caroline Bray for sharing their hearts with us about the trip. This BOOM service was the last youth activity for these students. What a blessing they have been to our youth group. Although we will miss them terribly, we are excited to see what the future holds for them.







Youth Updates

At the beginning of August, I had the opportunity to attend a meeting with the Pastor, Deacons, and the Sunday School Director. They are currently trying to determine what is safe or not safe, and figure out the best way for small groups to meet, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The plan was to collect data from our church family, so we can make an informed decision about moving forward. The plan will be rolling out in the next few weeks.



Noah's Ark Shenanigans: Avery, Caroline, and Chelsea

Mathews Baptist Church Org. 1776

"The Lighthouse"



We have been wearing masks for quite a while now, to keep us from catching the coronavirus and to keep us from sharing the coronavirus if we are asymptomatic. I don't mind wearing a mask if it will keep

others healthy. Did you know there was a time when Moses had to wear a mask? Not due to catching or spreading a virus or sickness, but because his face was glowing from being in the presence of the Lord God Almighty. As Moses spent time on the Mount Sinai talking face to face with God and preparing the two tablets of the ten commandments, his face started to glow.

"Now it was so, when Moses came down from Mount Sinai (and the two tablets of the Testimony were in Moses' hand when he came down from the mountain), that Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone while he talked with Him. So when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him." (Exodus 34:29-30)

Moses' face glowed so brightly that his own brother and all the Israelites were afraid to approach him. So that the people would not be so timid. Moses started wearing a mask, a veil. over his face. "And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face." (Exodus 34:33) We all can't wait until we can stop wearing masks everywhere we go. But wouldn't it be amazing if God's people had to continue wearing masks? Not because of the coronavirus, but because we are glowing from spending time in the presence of our Heavenly Father. Jesus reminds us we are to glow for God. "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

> Faithfully yours, Pastor Brian



September 2020

SPECIAL DATES

- 6th Proposed 2021 budget available
- ◆ 7th Labor Day
- ♦ 15th Blood Drive
- ◆ 22nd 1st day of Fall
- ◆ 29th Exec. Comm. Mtg. @Saluda

Mathews Baptist Church

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The *proposed* 2021 church budget is ready for your review and is being emailed to members. If you prefer a hard copy, some copies will be available in the welcome area, foyer or church office. We will discuss and vote on the budget at the next quarterly business meeting which will be held on Sunday, October 18th at 10:30 AM in the sanctuary. Please plan to attend.



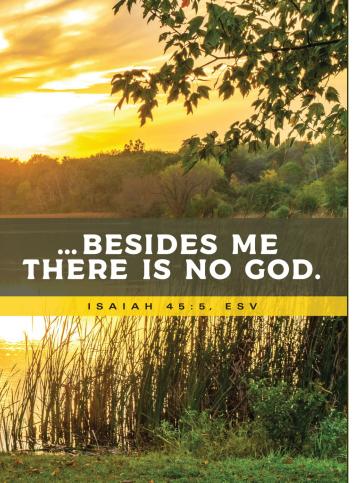
Tuesday, September 15, 2020

@Piankatank Ruritan Club

2-7 PM

If your name is not listed on the right and you had a b'day or anniversary in Sept., please call or email the church office.





1 Patsy Brooks

2 Kevin Hall, Gene Sears

4 Tee Mallon, David Rowe

5 Mervin Goodrich, Jean Owens

6 Carole Bell Bisson, Betty Fern Hayes

7 Bekah Helbig

9 Elisa Goodwin, Katie Dresler

10 Melissa Cottee, Samuel Lunsford

11 Heather Calloway

14 Lynn Hall, Francis Morris

15 Tommy Eriksen, Brandon Goodrich

16 Caroline Stewart

17 Mike Hogge

18 Tim Inabinet, Chelsea McBur-

19 Addison L. DeLucas, Mike Smedley

20 Dawne Hunter

22 Kim Clark, Taylor Gall, Pat Harrington, Amber Zwiers

23 Eric Beckley

25 Charlie Crittenden

26 Derek Zwiers

28 Brandon Hubbard, Delena Nelson

30 Mary Simpson

ANNIVERSARIES:

4 Kevin & Susan Harris Hall

14 Bobby & Dee Diggs

22 Timmy & Charann Deagle & Wayne & Stacy Turner

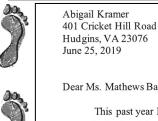
23 Marion & Naomi Sutton

27 Bunny & Peggy Foster

Volunteers are still *needed* for the following positions for the 2020-21 church year. Contact Teresa Sanger, Hope Lowe, Chris Helbig or Frannie Hubbard.

Chairman of the Nursery Middle school SS class helper Soul Searchers SS class teacher Records/Public Relations committee Grades 3-5 SS class teacher Social committee (3 needed) Flower committee

Outreach committee **Special Programs** Sunday School secretary Children's ministry team Nursery SS Helper



Dear Ms. Mathews Baptist Church,

Mathews Baptist Church, "The Lighthouse"

This past year I served an intern at the Baptist Colligate Ministry (BCM) at Radford University. I am excited to be able to go back this year as associate campus ministry. This past year was great, I lead a mission trip to Costa Rica, trained leaders, evangelized and encouraged college students in the Radford area. Everything changed after spring break with the Covid-19 pandemic, the students went to online classes and we had to engage students virtually. It was a different type of ministering, but God was still at work at BCM and in the lives of the students. I look forward to continuing to using and developing the gifts God has given me to share the Gospel. College continues to be an important time in a young adult's life; a time when they are figuring out things on their own, a time to make new friendships, a time when they decide what they believe, a time to start or deepen their relationship with Christ. As I continue as at the BCM, I will have the opportunity to meet with students and help them grow through one-on-one conversations. We will be doing outreach to the campus, letting students know that we are here for them and tell them about God, who loves, created and desires a relationship with them. We continue to work on ways to keep students safe and engage this year. I know God is going to be doing great things through Radford BCM this year.

God has called me to Radford again this year and I know he will provide. This position is part of the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV). It requires me to fundraised 100% of my support for the coming school-year. I need to raised \$30,000. God has placed you on my heart to ask for support and prayers. I would love for you to partner with me sharing the love of God to the students at Radford I'd love to have your consistent monthly financial support or a one-time gift would be greatly appreciated. All gifts are tax deductible. To give online use the following link:

https://mybgav.org/donations/rad ford-bcm-intern-kairos-internship-initiative/. If you prefer, checks should be made out to the BGAV and should have in the Memo: Associate Radford BCM - Kramer. Contributions should be mailed directly to Attn: Kairos Team, Virginia Baptist Resource Center, 2828 Emerywood Parkway, Henrico, VA 23294. If you can partner with me by sending a monthly donation, please drop me an email or note so I may count your support towards the total. If you cannot give at this time, I would love for you to pray for me as I work with the students in the Radford area. Thank you so

In Christ Love, Abbie Kramer abbie.c.kramer@gmail.com



Please pray for...

†Our children, teachers, staff & parents as everyone tries to work through the challenges of this school yr.

†Those recovering from surgery: Robin Thompson (heart), Lorrie Andrews (leg) †Cathie Wahlers (heart issues)

Praise:

Karl & Lynn Braun were baptized on Aug 2. Nursing Home/Assisted Living...

† Martha Hall, (Mathews)

Homebound:

† Charlie Brown, Barbara Buchanan, Edward & Louise Diggs, Julie Harvell, Ed Haufler, Bert Miller, Estelle Tankard

Long Term Illness/condition...

- † Archie Owens † Mary Simpson
- † Gloria & Jim Travenski † Carol Buckley
- † Sam & Mary Vogel † Julie Harvell
- † Derek Zwiers †David Marshall
- † Leonard Downs Jr †Hurst triplets
- † Don & Christy Talbott † Judy Higginbotham

† Susan Foster (cancer) † Our love and sympathy go out to the family

and friends of... † Lois Hudgins, Jr. of Grimstead who passed away Aug. 1.

- † Doug Ashberry who passed away on Aug.
- † Lorrie & Rick Andrews at the passing of Lorrie's mother Carol Shifflett on Aug. 24. Congratulations to...
- † Brett, Nikki & big sisters Ava & Myra on the birth of Judah Jericho Pollard on Sun., Aug. 16, weighing 8 lbs. 12 oz. and 21 1/2 in. long.

Church Attendance-Aug. 2020

<u>Date</u>	<u>9:00</u>	<u>10:00</u>	<u>11:00</u>
08/02/20	69	N/A	25
08/09/20	70	N/A	28
08/16/20	64	N/A	20
08/23/20	61	N/A	15
08/30/20	70	N/A	22



Yes, folks, it's that time again — Operation Christmas Child is up and running, despite the Covid19. We are starting early due to the restriction on gathering, etc....and knowing that it will take a bit longer to gather whatever we need to send to the children. Empty boxes are available for you to pick up at church. Thank you in advance for your generosity. For most, if not all of the children who get these boxes, this is the only thing they will receive for Christmas. Many places do not even recognize Christmas, but God knows what and where and who needs these things. Tee Mallon,

WMU Director

Alma Hunt Offering **For Virginia** Missions: Our Church's Goal — \$3,000.00 Collected as of 8/16/20 \$2,300.00