

Events: Youth Late Night

August 6th: The youth came together for a youth evening! We had Chick-fil-a, ice cream, played a VERY competitive game of whiffle ball, inside hide-n-seek in the dark, and watched the Netflix movie "Blue Miracle." We had a great time! A

Coming Up: Back to School Cookout at the Denkinger's Home Sunday, September 19th after Sunday School! Bring a Side/Dessert!

special thank you to everyone who helped make this possible!

Sunday School: Back to School

We have been sharing stories, concerns and excitement as they prepare for a brand new school year! Please keep our school system, our youth and their families in your prayers!!

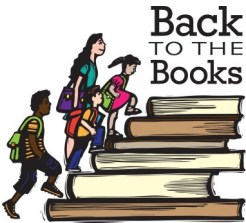
Mathews Baptist Church Org. 1776  
"The Lighthouse"



September 2021

SPECIAL DATES

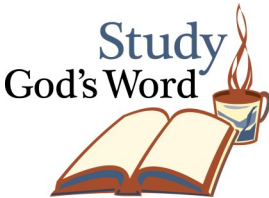
- ◆ 6<sup>th</sup> Labor Day/ Office Closed
- ◆ 12<sup>th</sup> Proposed 2022 budget available
- ◆ 13<sup>th</sup> Prayer Gathering
- ◆ 14<sup>th</sup> Blood Drive
- ◆ 19<sup>th</sup> Youth Back to School Cook-out
- ◆ 22<sup>nd</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> day of Fall
- ◆ 29<sup>th</sup> Exec. Comm. Mtg. @Saluda



Well, it's that time of year again, school starts! I did not enjoy school, although I did continue in school until I received my Master of Divinity degree. My motto was always Ecclesiastes 12:12, "Of making many books there is no end, and much study wearies the body." I was so glad to graduate and be done with studying and homework. But now as a pastor, I find myself studying again. But I now love to study, because I am studying the Word of God, the Bible. Paul encouraged young Timothy to continue to study the Scriptures. "Study to show yourself approved by God, a workman who need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Timothy 2:15 MEV) Although your schooling may be done also, we are never too old to study

the Bible. It doesn't matter how many times you may have read through the Bible, when we study God's Word, He reveals something new to us. We have opportunities to study the scriptures here at church in Sunday school classes for all ages, in the Monday night women's Bible study and in Wednesday night Bible study which is also for all ages. (We hope to start Wednesday night activities soon, start date to be determined) And you can study the Bible in the comfort of your own home, on your own schedule. So as the students go back to school to study, pull out your Bible and start studying also. Become a student of the scriptures! Hey, and let me know what you are learning!

Faithfully yours,  
Pastor Brian



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Return Services Requested

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## THIS YEAR'S BUDGET

The *proposed* 2022 church budget is ready for your review and will be 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 Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. Please plan to attend.

## COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday,  
September 14,  
2021

@Piankatank  
Ruritan Club

2-7 PM

**YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

*Volunteers are needed for the following positions for the 2021-22 church year. Please contact Teresa Sanger, Hope Lowe or Frannie Hubbard.*

- ⇒ 3rd-5th grade SS class helper
- ⇒ Finance Secretary
- ⇒ Wed. Night Supper Coordinator
- ⇒ Social committee (2 needed)
- ⇒ MTBA representative



**Jesus Christ**  
is the same yesterday  
and today and forever.

**Hebrews 13:8**

**Q<sup>24</sup> A NIGHT OF WORSHIP**

**No Greater Love Tour**  
Conquering 2021

**SEPTEMBER 18, 2021**  
Gates open at 5:30  
Event begins at 6:00 PM

**MUSIC  
FOOD TRUCKS  
PRAISE & WORSHIP  
MESSAGE**

Dragon Motorsports  
1790 Howerton Road  
Dunnsville, VA 22454

*Going Beyond*  
**SIMULCAST**  
**PRISCILLA SHIRER**

**Mark Saturday, Oct. 23, on your calendar!**

Join us for a simulcast, global Bible teaching event presented by Bible teacher, Priscilla Shirer and worship artist, Anthony Evans! More details to come...

## MISSION NEWS:

### Alma Hunt offering for Virginia Missions:

**September 12-19**

**"You will be my witnesses." (Acts – 1:8)**

**Our church goal is: \$3,000.**

**The Alma Hunt pamphlets will be distributed in the church bulletin.**

September is the start for a New Year for WMU Missions.

The WMU had its regular monthly meeting in August and Linda German gave a very interesting report from the Missions Mosaic about the different projects the WMU is involved in.

The WMU will have their next meeting at 1PM at Mathews Baptist Church on September 14.

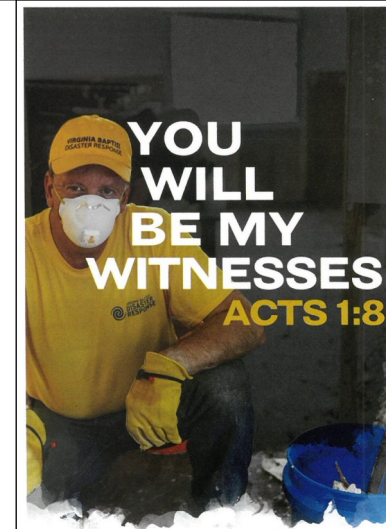
Our WMU group went on an outing in the church bus in August to Urbanna, to the restaurant, "Something Different". Pastor Brian drove the bus and Pastor Ed Inabinet and his wife Sherry joined us for lunch. After lunch, Sherry and Pastor Ed invited us all to their home for cake and an old-time fellowship. Thank you, Pastor Brian, for driving the bus!

We will be collecting new or gently used, clean baby clothes for the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Newport News. This is a church-wide project and donations can be placed in designated containers in the Welcome Center and Fellowship Hall.

Tee Mallon,  
WMU Director

### Church Attendance-Aug. 2021

Date	9:00	10:00	11:00
08/01/21	87	78	12
08/08/21	85	86	23
08/15/21	113	92	26
08/22/21	61	71	21
08/29/21	90	91	20



## ALMA HUNT OFFERING

*for Virginia Missions*

**SEPTEMBER 12-19, 2021**  
**ALMAHUNT.ORG**

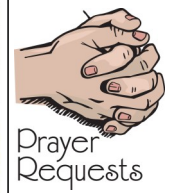
**OFFERING GOAL: \$800,000**



Our offering goal is \$3,000.



Mid-Tidewater Baptist  
Assoc. Prayer Gathering  
at  
Mathews Baptist Church  
(sanctuary)  
on  
Monday, Sept. 13,  
7:00 PM  
(all are welcome)



### Please pray for...

- † All who were affected by hurricane Ida.
- † Teachers & students.
- † The people in Afghanistan & the refugees.
- † Aaron Stewart who

broke his leg.

- † The members of Lower King & Queen Baptist Church whose building was destroyed by fire last month.
- † Kathy Diggs recovering from a broken rib.
- † Kathy Harris who had 2 heart attacks
- † Pastor Brian's friend Angelique from the Eastern Shore (has Covid)

**Praise God for...**

- † Karen & Mike Pittman who changed from assoc. to full members.
- † Jim & Renee Neiman who came forward to join our fellowship.
- † Mildred Hudgins is home from rehab!

### Nursing Home/Assisted Living...

- † Martha Hall (Mathews)

### Homebound:

- † Louise Diggs, Julie Harvell, Ed Haufler, Gloria/Jim Travenski

### Long Term Illness/condition...

- † Carol Buckley
  - † Sam/Mary Vogel
  - † Derek Zwiers
  - † Leonard Downs Jr
  - † Don & Christy Talbott
  - † William Scott Smith
  - † Mildred Hudgins
  - † Stephanie/David Anthony
  - † Cathie Wahlers
  - † Lynn Braun's mother Claudette
- Our love and sympathy go out to the family and friends of...**

- † Gerald & Beth Lewis at the passing of Gerald's brother Lee.
- † Debi & Leonard Downs, Jr. Debi's mother Elizabeth Phillips passed away Thurs., Aug. 12.

### Congratulations to...

- † Austin & Amanda Kemp on the birth of their daughter Tyler Lane Kemp on Mon., Aug. 2, 2021, weighing 6 lbs. 12 oz. & 19 3/4".
- † Josh & Mallory Schaible who are expecting a baby girl!
- † Clay Harrington & Claire Johnson who were married on Sat., Aug 7, 2021.
- † Rachel Stewart & Rylan Prieb who were married on Sun., Aug. 8, 2021.