

## THE VISION

#### September 2022

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them and...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you..." Amen. Matthew 28:19-20

September is the first month of Autumn or the Fall season. In "Old England" it was called Harvest Month and was a time to gather up the rest of the harvest and prepare for the winter months. Two things we reflect on with September are Labor Day and the end of Summer.

Time is flying by fast, it's almost the end of the year. Therefore, it is important to think about what we spend our time on. I have found that it is important to start each day with God, first through prayer and then reading His word. This helps me remember that God is in control and provides us with the answers we need. It is also important to join in fellowship with Sunday School and Worship Service as stated in **Hebrews 10:25**.

I recently read the following statement about church attendance. It goes like this...

"As church attendance numbers fade across the nation and online services become very convenient its important to remember why church attendance for you and your family matters so much. You cant serve from your sofa. You cant have community of faith on your sofa. You cant experience the power of a room full of believers worshipping together on your sofa. Christians aren't consumers. We are contributors. We don't

watch. We engage. We pray by laying hands on the hurting. We do life together. The church needs you. And you need the church." Michael Carl

In **1st John, Chapter 1, verse 3 and 4,** the study notes in the Life Application Study Bible NIV states, "John writes about having fellowship with other believers. There are 3 principles behind true Christian fellowship. First, our fellowship is grounded in the testimony of God's Word. Without this underlying strength togetherness is impossible. Second, it is mutual, depending on the unity of believers. Third, it is renewed daily through the Holy Spirit. True fellowship combines social and spiritual interaction, and it is made possible through a living relationship with Christ.

I pray that we will join in fellowship and harvest others for Jesus.

In Christ's Love,

Al West

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#### RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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#### **September Family Night Supper**

The September Family Night Supper will be held on Wednesday September 28<sup>th</sup> at 6PM at the church. The menu will feature BBQ, Coleslaw, Buns & Beverage. Please bring a Vegetable, Salad, and/or Dessert. Please sign up in the Narthex if you will be attending, so we can plan the food accordingly.



#### **Church Office Closed**

In observation of Labor Day, the Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 5, 2022.



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What's Happening



### In The WMU

#### ALMA HUNT OFFERING FOR VIRGINIA MISSIONS September 11 – 18, 2022 Be Light

The Gospel of John depicts Jesus' divinity very clearly from the beginning of God's creation. The Scripture focus of this year's Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions is John 1:5... "The light shines in darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." Those early Christians were no strangers to persecution, yet John tells them and therefore us, to Be Light! As Virginia Baptists, we strategically partner together to be the light of Christ.

Leading up to and during our focus week, September 11-18, 2022, we join in giving to the Alma Hunt Offering for the work of missions. The offering's emphasis allows us to meet human needs together in Virginia and beyond-to the ends of the earth. Disaster relief, Baptist Nursing Fellowship ministries, church planting and leadership development for girls are just some of the ways in which together we shine the light of Christ.

As the church is being redefined in a changing landscape, the good news is that Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever-and the call to **Be Light** remains.

#### THE GOAL FOR THE ALMA HUNT OFFERING FOR GPBC IN 2021 IS \$1,200.00.

Watch for offering envelopes in the Church Bulletin on September 11, 2022 or pick up an envelope at the W.M.U. bulletin board in the Narthex starting on September 1.



#### **Missions Moment - Northeast**

Though most people in the Northeast are considered lost, the hope of seeing them found in Christ has never been greater for those already at work in the region. Pray for the lost in the Northeast region. Pray for the missionaries in the Northeast as well as the partners and church planters in the region.

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#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

The Children's and Youth Ministry are beginning to prepare for Operation Christmas Child. There are several large boxes available for placement of donations. One is located near the classrooms in the Narthex. The other is in the hall near the WMU bulletin board. Please prayerfully consider actively taking part in this very special ministry. Your help is greatly appreciated as we prepare for the Children's and Youth Ministry packing party that will take place in November.





# Deacon of the WeekNurs9/4—Brian Stewart9/4—19/11—Al West9/11—19/18—Stewart Wood9/18—19/25—Sonya Anthony9/25—1



9/4—Nancy Dyson

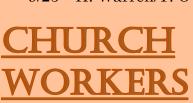
9/11—Sonya Anthony

9/18—Joyce Marshall

9/25—M. Wagner/R. Wells

Nursery Workers 9/4—H. Warren/T. Owens 9/11—L. Walton/A. Zepeda 9/18—Jaime/Bailey Moore 9/25—H. Warren/T. Owens





#### September Ushers

Sonya Anthony Stan Gandee Jamie Moore Stewart Wood

Sun. Sch. Nursery Sharon/Howard Warren

#### September Tellers Tommy Ashe

Gail Mongold

#### **<u>Older Children's Church</u>**

9/4—Alice/Gordon Smith 9/11—Jayme/Brody Sanford 9/18—M. McNeil/D. Gandee 9/25—Connie/Sami West



Younger Children's Church



#### Sunday Schedule

Worship Service- 11:00am

C.A.R.E. Ministry—2:00pm

September 2022 Sunday School (All Ages)- 9:45am

#### Wednesday Schedule

5:30pm: CYM Supper 6:00pm: Youth Bible Study 6:00pm: Children's Choir & Bible Study 6:30pm: Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 7:30pm: Choir Practice

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	- September Birt	hdavs:
4 Lord's Supper 11am NO DEACONS MEETING	5 Labor Day	6 Building & Grounds Meeting 6:30 pm	7 CYM Supper Resumes 5:30pm	8	2 Men's Fellowship & Bible Study 6:30pm AA Meeting 8:00pm 9 Men's Fellowship & Bible Study 6:30pm AA Meeting 8:00pm	3 10 Christmas Box Training	Tommy Ashe Chris Blaylock Travis Asbell Gus Saunders Rachel Wells Jennifer Hall Charlene West Rona Dawson Jodi Lane Amy Jacobson	9/1 9/2 9/4 9/5 9/6 9/6 9/6 9/8 9/11 9/14
NO CARE 11 S.S. Breakfast/Safe Harbor 9:15am Deacons' Meeting 3pm Alma Hunt Offering Begins	Office Closed 12 AHG Orientation 6:30pm (NFH)	13 Transportation Committee Meet 6:30pm	14 CYM Wacky Wednesday 6:30pm-7:30pm	15 Acree Circle Meeting 10am	16 Youth Chili Supper & Game Night 6:00pm-8:00pm Men's Fellowship & Bible Study 6:30pm AA Meeting 8:00pm	<i>17</i> Emma Crawford Quilting 9am-4pm	MacKenzie Firman Bill Breeden Gail Mongold Janie Conkling Emma Crawford Hayes Williams Sharon Warren James C West Victoria Dawson Paulette Ashe Nancy Dyson	9/14 9/15 9/17 9/20 9/21 9/23 9/25 9/26 9/27 9/28
18 Alma Hunt Offering	19 AHG 1st Troop Meeting 6:30pm	20 Armstrong Circle 6:30pm	21	22	23 Men's Fellowship & Bible Study 6:30pm AA Meeting 8:00pm	24 Guinea Jubilee Parade	Jennifer Burgess	9/28
25 S.S Promotion	26 WMU Council Meeting 10:00am	27	28 NO Children's Choir Family Night Supper 6:00pm	29	30 Men's Fellowship & Bible Study 6:30pm AA Meeting 8:00pm	~	Anniversari	<b>es:</b> 9/15