

Millfield News

Events and Activities at Millfield Baptist Church

Millfield Baptist Church is a welcoming, loving and accepting church, working to meet the physical and spiritual needs of our church family, our community, our state, our country and the world in the name of Jesus Christ.

AS WE JOURNEY... IN THE INTERIM

Charles Hummel published a little booklet under the title, *The Tyranny of Urgency*. He confessed a weakness for do-it-yourself home “fixer-upper” projects. With that in mind, he speculated that he needed to work on a project at home that required an electric drill. Suppose, he hypothesized, that he read in the Saturday morning newspaper that Home Depot had advertised in the newspaper that their electric drills were on sale for \$17.95.

He puts \$20 in his pocket and drives to Home Depot to purchase the drill. Almost as soon as he arrives, he spies a screwdriver set that captivates him—and he purchases it for \$6.20. As he moves through the store, he sees a really interesting multi-purpose wrench which is fascinating enough to him that he buys it for \$5.95.

When he gets to the electric drill aisle, he selects the one advertised in the morning newspaper as on sale and he realizes for the first time that he doesn't have enough money to buy it. He had squandered most of the \$20 on items that, at the time, seemed important to him. However, doing that left him without the resources to purchase what he really needed.

Hummel's story illustrates a problem that seems to be pervasive among many in terms of one's spiritual and emotional health. Arguably, it may be the greatest challenge most of us face. The expenditure of our spiritual, emotional, and physical health often leaves only the leftovers for those relationships that are the most important. Far too often God, family and even those special friendships that help sustain us—get only bits and pieces of our time and energy.

Blessings for a Sacred Pace,

Tad

Alma Hunt Offering for State Missions

2007 Offering for Virginia Missions \$1,400,000
Millfield's Goal \$1,200.00



The Alma Hunt offering supports numerous mission projects in Virginia. These include ministries to several language groups, support for disaster relief programs, funding for prison chaplains, grants for starting new churches, and ministries to migrants, among others. Special envelopes are available to make your gift through October 21.

Miss Alma will be turning 98 years old on October 5. She would appreciate a card sent to: Miss Alma Hunt, Loyalton #223, 3583 Brambleton Avenue, Roanoke, Va. 24018.

Pastor Search Committee Work Progresses

As was announced at church on Sept. 16, the Pastor Search Committee met with a candidate in early September. After careful consideration and prayer, the candidate told the committee as he seeks God's will for his life and career he does not feel led to come to Millfield. The committee was to meet with another candidate on Thursday, Sept. 27, after the newsletter was to go to press. An update will be provided as soon as possible once the team has a chance to meet after the interview. Please continue to pray for the candidates and for the committee.

Summer Mission Trip Reaffirms God's Purpose

On June 15, 2007, I left for a 7-week mission trip to Moldova, Ukraine and the Czech Republic. I had no idea that the trip would shake up my life completely! Through teaching VBS and English, as well as working at youth camps, I experienced the presence of God more actively in my life as I served Him on the mission field. God spoke to me through unexpected circumstances and people, constantly reaffirming His purpose for my life. The trip was a time not only for me to share the light of Christ with others but also for my own relationship with Christ to be stretched and strengthened. I am looking forward to sharing more with you when I tell about my trip on October 14th during our worship service!

In Christ,
Mattie Patterson



"The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners."
-Isaiah 61:1

Book Review from the Library

Every Day Deserves A Chance
By Max Lucado



Have you ever had a day where nothing has gone right, where you would give anything to start it over again? Be reminded of what God's Word says, "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: Great is thy faithfulness" (Lamentations 3: 22, 23)." In Max Lucado's book, "Every Day Deserves A Chance," he encourages us to take one day at a time and fill it with God's love and direction. Take the time to be encouraged by this great book and allow God's grace to be sufficient for thee. (2 Cor.12:9).

Sunday School Fellowship Breakfast

On the first Sunday of each month, everyone is invited to bring a covered dish. All other Sundays, there will be coffee & juice provided. Please join us!

October Birthdays

- 4 Robbie Felts
Kali Regula
- 6 Jessica Atkins
- 13 Ken Warren
- 21 Danny Felts
- 23 Sarah Dowless
- 29 Mattie Patterson



Nursery Workers Schedules

- 7 Brenda Lowe & Shannon Regula
- 14 Yvonne & Jerry Hacker
- 21 Tracey & Cody Stallard
- 28 Mary Beth, Falon & Chandler Williams

Fall WMU Area II Meeting

Tuesday October 9, 2007
Smithfield Baptist Church

6 PM Dinner (Cost- \$6.00)
7 PM Program on Bland Ministry Center

Offering will be taken up for the BBA Shower Trailer

Call Betty Garner @ 899-4134 home or 859-6518
By October 4 for reservations

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John Tadlock, Interim Pastor

October 2007

Every Sunday
 9:30 AM— Fellowship Time
 10:00 AM— Sunday School
 11:00 AM— Worship

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 11:00 am WMU meets at Va. Diner 6:15 Family night supper 7:30 Choir Signing Team	4	5	6
7	8 7:00 Deacon's Meeting	9 WMU Area II Meeting @ Smithfield Baptist Church 6:00 Dinner 7:00 Program	10 7:30 Choir	11 7:30 Church Conference	12	13
14 11:00 am Guest Speaker Mattie Patterson	15	16	17 7:30 Choir Signing Team	18	19	20
21 8:00 am Men's Breakfast 7:00 Casual Eve- ning Service	22 7:00 Women of Faith	23	24 7:30 Choir	25	26	27
28 3:00– 8:00 BBA Fall Business Session @ Colosse Baptist Church	29	30	31 6:00 –8:00 Harvest Festival 7:30 Choir			

Deacon Ministry Update

When the Deacons at Millfield decided to explore the idea of ministry teams a couple of years ago to become more mission focused, we knew the process would be subject to change as we went along. That time is now. The Crisis Team is merging with the Visitation Team to form a more effective means of ministry. As you may know, since the inception of team ministry at Millfield the Crisis team has been stretched to its limits. The visitation team has had limited success due mainly to very short hospital stays dictated by modern day insurance company procedures. In short, by the time the visitation team finds out that someone is in the hospital they are actually already home and in the care of the crisis team. It is now evident that the needs of our members and community can be better met by combining these two teams and continuing to minister in a variety of ways. Does someone need a meal, a visit, or better yet, a visit by someone with food? Does someone need a ride to the doctor, an errand run, or a phone call just to let them know we are checking on them? Together, we will continue to minister to those in need...God's children. Stay tuned, more details will follow.

Deacon Contact Information

Church members and participants are encouraged to contact any deacon to inform them of needs in the congregation or the community. Be reminded that we are using a Ministry Team Model approach and church families are no longer assigned to a specific deacon. Currently, there are two teams: Outreach and Crisis/Visitation. Plans are being made to develop one other group to better serve our church and surrounding community. On Sunday October 7, the ministries will be explained and easels will put placed in the sanctuary for more volunteers to be added. Contact information for our current deacons is as follows:

Ricky Atkins	899-6511
Randal Branch	859-6585
Steve Cabell	859-6115
Linda Chitwood	859-6778
*Mert Felts	859-6707
*Frank Patterson	899-2298
Richard Simms	899-8300
Kenneth Stallard	859-6732
Susan Stone	899-6051

*Co-chairmen

Women's Get-A-Way *For the Living of These Days*

I have been fortunate enough to attend the Women's Get-Away Weekend at Eagle Eyrie not only once but twice! Both times it was a wonderful experience. The time we spent together as sisters in Christ was both meaningful as well as enjoyable. From the beautiful trip up to the mountain to the worship services, to the well planned breakout sessions on several interesting and informative topics, it was a wonderful journey. Eagle Eyrie is such a beautiful place to be. You can truly sense God's presence there!

I know that we are all busy, but this trip is a time to re-charge our own batteries, and I don't know about you...but I try and make the most of every opportunity I can to do just that in my walk with God!! This weekender in Eagle Eyrie will not disappoint you. It is a relaxing slower pace than our trip to DC and there are fewer ladies. The time that we spend with our Christian Sisters is vital in our daily routine, and it is a time that we can use to relax, refresh our minds and grow closer with God and each other. Take my advice, consider getting away for just a moment in the quietness of that mountain. You may just be glad you did! Hope to see you there. ~Tracey Stallard

Ladies Get -A- Way November 2-3, 2007

Eagle Eyrie Conference Center

Worship, conferences, meals, lodging & fellowship

All for \$57.00

Call Susan Stone at 899-6051 or the church office at 859-6896

Harvest Festival

Wednesday October 31

6:00-8:00 PM

- ◆ Food Provided
- ◆ Cake Walk
- ◆ Costume Contest
- ◆ Games & Prizes
- ◆ Trunk or Treat
- ◆ Everyone welcome!



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When Saying “No” Can Be Good

On Sunday, Sept. 23, our casual evening service was led by John Tadlock. His thought for the evening, “Getting to No . . . You?” left us with many thoughts to ponder.

Some of us can identify with Job who said, “I have no peace, I have no rest, and trouble keeps coming.”

What does it mean when we say “yes”? It can mean that someone wants you for what you can do. When you say “yes”, you’re entering into a relationship. Sometimes it means that we’re harboring pride that we’re in demand, or we feel that people admire other people who can juggle many things at once. So, we should examine the real reasons we say “yes”.

We’re not always faced with saying “no” to bad things. Sometimes we have to choose between two good things, such as tutoring a child after school or caring for a sick friend. Saying “no” to one thing often allows us to say “yes” to something better.

October Youth Calendar

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| 7 | 5:00 Puppet Practice; 6:00 All Youth Supper ; 6:30 Lighthouse |
| 14 | 6:30 Lighthouse |
| 20 | Youth Yard Sale Fundraiser in Newport News |
| 21 | 5:00 Puppet Practice; 6:00 All Youth Supper; 6:30 Lighthouse
7:00 Casual Evening Service |
| 28 | 2:00 Meet @ church to go to Smithfield for Free BBA Fall Youth Event |

Blackwater Baptist Association Annual Fall Business Session *Sunday, October 28, 2007*

Hosted at Colosse Baptist Church, Windsor

3:00-4:00 pm Registration & PowerPoint Presentation of our missions and ministries together this past year

4:00 – 5:45 pm Business Session & Missions Reports
Speakers: Hillcrest Baptist Church Mission Team
Franklin Baptist Church Mission Team
Shower Trailer Construction Team
Darrell Mayo, Southampton Correctional Complex
Bible Study Leader

5:45 – 6:45 pm Dinner and Fellowship
Shower Trailer on Display
Dinner Menu:
Congealed Salad, Pasta Salad
Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy
Apples, String Beans, Rolls
Sheet Cake
Iced Tea and Coffee
Cost \$8.00 each

7:00 – 8:00 pm Evening Worship Service
Guest Speaker: John Upton, Executive Director of the Virginia Baptist Mission Board

Church Lay Representatives are to organize their church messengers and visitors and send in dinner reservations with payment to the association office by October 18, 2007.