



KILMARNOCK BAPTIST CHURCH  
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# "The Good News"

*a monthly newsletter of Kilmarnock Baptist Church*

## November

### 2015

Matthew Tennant, Pastor  
Carolyn Williams, Associate Pastor  
Robbie Spiers, Music Director  
Anna Moore, Ministry Assistant  
Mary Ann Crane, Organist  
Lori Eanes, Pianist  
Carlie Gill, Nursery Staff

#### **Church Office Hours**

Tue - Thurs  
8:00am - 2:00pm

#### **Sunday Mornings**

Sunday School @ 9:45)  
Worship @ 11:00

#### **Wednesday Evenings**

W.O.W.\* @ 6:00  
Fellowship Dinner @ 6:30  
\*Worship On Wednesdays



October:

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|---|------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 1 | Bob Gray         | 12 | Margaret Headley      |
| 1 | Charlie Price    | 12 | David Frazier         |
| 2 | Pete Stephens    | 13 | Ida Gallimore         |
| 2 | Kevin Wilkins    | 13 | Ralph Ransone         |
| 3 | Joe Beane, Jr.   | 15 | Maggie Ransone        |
| 3 | Gloria Bosher    | 16 | Carlie Gill           |
| 4 | Augusta Sellew   | 16 | Connie Jett           |
| 5 | Mary French Hutt | 17 | Robert Gibson         |
| 5 | Margaret Green   | 17 | G.W. Urban            |
| 6 | Lynne Saunders   | 19 | Edie Stackhouse Baker |
| 6 | Warren Sellew    | 21 | David Kimbrough       |
| 8 | Billy Hudson     | 22 | J. Edward Layman, Jr. |
| 9 | Harriet Dawson   | 24 | Maude Davis           |
|   |                  | 25 | Kathryn Dew           |
|   |                  | 27 | Lilliam Moore         |
|   |                  | 28 | Jim Baker             |

November:

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|----|----------------|
| 2  | Donna Wilkins  |
| 3  | Jessica Abbott |
| 3  | Joel Spiers    |
| 7  | Lester Brent   |
| 9  | Barbara Price  |
| 11 | Mary Huggins   |
| 11 | Nathan Spiers  |
| 13 | John Raymond   |
| 14 | Neal Rose      |
| 16 | Brenda Burtner |
| 22 | Chris Davis    |
| 24 | Mel Holmes     |
| 25 | Dean Tennant   |
| 26 | Rebecca Price  |
| 28 | Betty Holmes   |
| 29 | Bonnie Daniel  |



In Memory

of.....

Dear KBC Family,

Please accept my sincere thanks for your visits to the hospital and home, phone calls, gifts, cards, food, concern and many other acts of kindness since my surgery. They were appreciated so very much and made my days a little brighter. It was just what the Doctor ordered. My recovery has been a little slower than I thought, but can now see light at the end of the tunnel and getting stronger every day. You and your prayers have *Thank You* been a great source of support and I thank you so very much.

Hope to see you soon,  
Ed Bosher

E.W. Haynie - General Fund  
 Mr. and Mrs. Lester Brent, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Macrina, Richmond, Va.,  
 E.W. Haynie - Education Fund  
 Mrs. Ruby Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Mason  
 Maurice Fulcher - General Fund  
 Dr. and Mrs. Charles Price  
 Mary Gibson - Benevolence Fund  
 Dr. and Mrs. Charles Price  
 Mary Webb - Food Pantry  
 Mr. and Mrs. Keith Mason  
 Betty Rice - Music Fund  
 Mr. and Mrs. Keith Mason  
 David Pouchott - General Fund  
 Mrs. Lousie Humphreys  
 Dale Davis - General Fund  
 Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Thomas  
 William Atkins - General Fund  
 Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Thomas

## Being God's Presence in the World!

We have a wonderful space at 65 E. Church Street. Thousands of square feet of classrooms, halls for fellowship time, worship space, and more! Generally, churches around the country use their space once or twice each week. Sunday morning worship services and Christian education are the centerpiece for church usage, and some churches have Wednesday night activities too. What about us?

When I arrived over six years ago, we were more active than average, but there were still plenty of days when the church was quiet. Only a few people entered the building on those quiet days. Other days, we were bustling—food pantry, Bible study, and other activities. The quiet days were the ones that caught my attention. I thought: *How are we being God's presence now, when all is quiet? Is there not something we can do?*

Gradually, we have increased the activities in the church. On Wednesday, October 28, 2015, we have the KBC Food Pantry, which has grown substantially over the years and now reflects more of a *ministering-with* approach than a *ministering-to* approach. This is healthier and more closely resembles the biblical mandate to “love your neighbor as yourself.” Today, we also have WOW. Tomorrow, the soon-to-be world famous Christian rock band Carrollton will present a concert. We also host college classes as an extension site for Virginia University of Lynchburg (VUL). Friday is movie night at KBC. Saturday, we breathe. Sunday, there will be Sunday School, worship (with the Lord's Supper), and a coffee hour. On Monday, we host the American Red Cross for a blood drive. Tuesday, we have voting because we are now an election polling site, and VUL has college classes at KBC again.

Deep sigh!

Yes, it is busy at Kilmarnock Baptist Church! Yes, it is a handful to keep track of everything that is happening here. However...

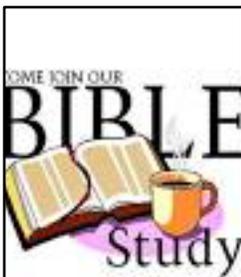
**The activities provide us with opportunities to be God's light in the world.**

Everything starts here—with us—and the decisions we make. If we approach each activity as an opportunity to share God's love and be a witness, we will have more chances to be God's presence than we every thought were possible!

Let us keep up the good work. Let us keep hosting groups, presenting concerts, and organizing KBC events, but **let us never lose sight of why we do it**. We do it all as part of our calling to be God's light in the world. The invitation is to choose to follow Christ each day and imitate Jesus' life and actions. Participate in the activities that you feel led to join, and through our collective witness and the leading of the Holy Spirit, maybe someone will come to know God in a new and profound way at KBC.

Peace,  
Matt

# Church Events:



Ladies Bible Study will start back in the month of January 2016.



Missions Breakfast:  
No tickets needed!  
Donations appreciated.  
Last Sunday of each month before Sunday School.

**Super Tuesdays - 2nd Tuesday of each month.  
Next meeting on November 10, 2015**

2016 Budget was approved. Copies available in church office.



**Prayer Shawl Ministry**  
If you are interested in learning how to knit, or crochet come join us. They meet on third Thursday at 10 am. Questions? Call Karen Cox

**Church Business Meetings for 2016 after Sunday worship service. The 4th Sunday of every 3rd month. January, April, July, and October. Please plan to attend.**



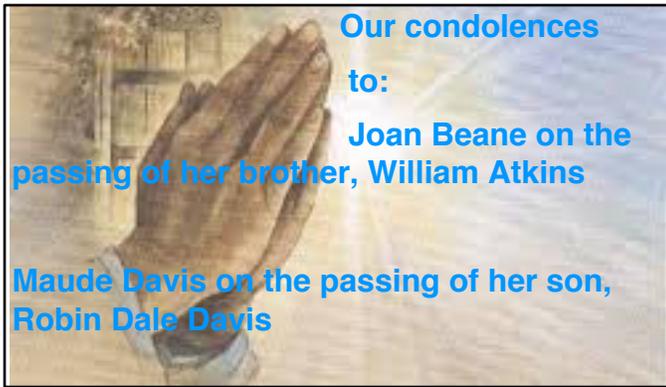
**Worship on Wednesday**  
Join us at 6 pm for worship followed by dinner.

**Dedication for Prayer Shawl Ministry is November 22, 2015. Please plan to attend.**

**Movie Night: Friday Nights starting at 6:30 pm with Movie at 7 pm**



Soon to upgrade to Blu-Ray/HD



**Don't forget to set  
your clocks back on  
October 31, 2015**



Coffee Hour on Sunday, November 1, after service. People whose last name begins with A-E are requested to bring a dish for coffee hour. Fingerfoods, small sandwiches, deviled eggs, desserts, etc. Help is needed for set and clean up. If you can help please contact Carolyn Hawley (436-1030)

coffee  
hour.

# DEACON'S MEETING

November 8 after  
11 am worship  
service



Check out our Operation Christmas Child displays and pick up a box (or 2 or 3). We will be putting together more boxes for you to fill.

There are lists of suggestion items on the tables with a "No-No" section included. A brochure with the labels-girl or boy- in each box.

If you want to participate but are unable to shop, we will be happy to shop for you. The last day for monetary donations is November 8. Make check payable to KBC and designate Christmas Shoeboxes. It would be helpful for the committee if you would bring your shoeboxes in as you fill them. Shoebox dedication is Sunday, November 15.



You can follow your box on line by using the donation form found at [samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://samaritanspurse.org/occ). There is a \$7 shipping fee. You will receive a special label to put on your box, and they will send you an email with the destination country.





Please contact the Church Office via email, a visit, or phone call if you are on my mailing list for Loops, Bulletins, Newsletters. We are updating the lists and need to know if you would like to continue getting these. If there is anyone we need to add please contact us too.

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**Volunteers needed:**  
**WOW/ Movie Night**  
**Care Committee- Karen Cox (436-0416)**  
**Coffee Hour - Carolyn Hawley (436-1030)**

**Serving in November**  
 Deacons of the Week:  
 11-1 Fannie Clingan  
 11-8 Nancy Wetherington  
 11-15 Warren Sutherland  
 11-22 Edith Houghton  
 11-29 Debby Sachen  
Usher Captain: J.W. McNeal  
Flowers: Nancy Wetherington  
Nursery:  
 Sue Brent  
 Louise Humphreys  
 Harriet Dawson  
 Jenny Crandall  
 Margaret Headley



**KBC will host classes for Virginia University of Lynchburg starting Sep. 8 thru Dec. 11. Classes will be upstairs on Tuesdays from 2pm-9pm and on Thursdays from 3pm-9pm.**



Irvington United Methodist Church in Irvington, Va. will hold a Holiday/Christmas Bazaar on November 7, 2015, from 8am to 3pm. November luncheon will include chili with condiment bar. This program supports the Kilmarnock Baptist Food Pantry. Please come out and support.

The VUL of Lynchburg is in the need of Professors with a Masters or Doctorate Degree in the following disciplines:

- Math for Liberal Arts
- Introduction to Sociology
- Introduction to Psychology
- English
- Economics
- U.S. History
- Spanish or French
- Science or Biology(Health/Wellness Class)

If interested contact Dr. Eleanor R. Morris (804-580-0406 or 580-3717); email twmbncurgd@aol.com



**Come join the Christmas Parade Crew: On December 11, 2015, Friday, KBC will have a Christmas Float in the Kilmarnock Christmas Parade. The theme is Old Fashion Christmas. Please contact Carolyn Williams if anyone is interested in helping to make our float a huge success.**

**Upcoming JOY Events: On November 17 at 10 am, Joy will meet in the Master's Blend Classroom to make Christmas Gifts for our seniors and shut-ins. Everyone is invited to help with the making of these gifts.**

**On December 1 st 10 am, Joy will again meet in the Master's Blend Classroom to distribute the gifts.**

**Please note changes for all.**



**WMU Monthly Mission Projects**

In September the WMU monthly mission project was to provide dinner to the 20+ doctors, nurses and staff at the Northern Neck Free Health Clinic September 3. We provided a fried chicken dinner, along with vegetables, salad, bread and a chocolate sheet cake dessert. We are so thankful for the medical care provided to the community by the Northern Neck Free Health Clinic.

On November 20, the WMU will go to the Lancashire for the monthly birthday party for all the residents. The WMU will supply a birthday cake and the Lancashire will provide ice cream. The WMU will begin the festivities by singing familiar hymns with the residents. Then the volunteers will help with distribution of cake and ice cream, along with visiting with the residents. We could always use additional help. If anyone is interested, please contact Robert Pouchot or Marty Sutherland. Set-up begins at 1:45 p.m. at the Lancashire and the birthday party begins at 2 p.m.

Lancaster/Northumberland Habitat for Humanity, Inc. Please update your contact information:



P.O. Box 908, Kilmarnock, Va. 22482

Phone: 804-435-3461/email: info@Inhabitatat.org

**Lancaster Chapter Blood Drive:  
Monday, November 2, 2015  
from 12 pm to 6 pm at  
Kilmarnock Baptist Church.  
Remember to drink plenty of  
water, eat good a good meal,  
and bring a photo ID.**



Our mission is to provide basic food to those who are low income, elderly, widowed, sick, those who have lost their jobs, have been laid off from work and for those who can no longer provide basic necessities for their families.

During the month of September Agnes, Marty & Warren did a food pantry presentation for the Corrotoman Seniors. According to all it was very informative. We appreciate the support they provide us with their donations.

In September we served 78 families with 212 people. 77 children and 29 seniors made up a large part of this total.

In October we served 74 families with 227 people. 93 children and 23 seniors were in this group.

We continue to rely on your support to provide those food stuffs that we have been unable to get from our food bank. *This month we can use : Tuna, Syrup, Canned Fruit and Jelly.* Monetary donations are always appreciated.

Thanksgiving is around the corner and as usual we try to put together food packages so the less fortunate families we serve can celebrate Thanksgiving. Any donations you can provide for this meal will be greatly appreciated. - ***NO TURKEYS PLEASE !!***

Our current group of volunteers is still lead by our fearless leader Agnes. Out front we have Marty,



**Don't forget our two holidays for this month:**

**Thanksgiving,  
November 26, 2015**

**Veteran's Day,  
November 11, 2015**



# FROM THE MOUSE IN THE CORNER

By Harriet Gearhart

November 2015

The phone rang insistently. I was tired, discouraged, and ready for a nap. Nothing had gone the way I had anticipated. It was the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, the weather was not cooperating with my bad mood, it was too sunny! For some unknown reason I decided to answer the phone. My Caller ID showed it to be from an “unknown caller”. I don't usually answer if I can't identify the caller. I would get rid of this call as fast as possible. “Hello”, I said and a voice spoke loudly and with authority: “Go, turn on your computer.” I was in no mood to follow anyone's direction, especially not one given in that commanding tone.

“Just do it. Turn on your computer now before it is too late.” Now I was curious to know what was going on and to whom I was unwisely listening. I had just left the computer to answer the phone and I had failed to finish my job when the screen had gone blank. I knew before I turned it back on that the screen would be blank but now it was not only blank, but also black! I didn't connect that fact to the phone call.

Sure enough the screen was black! “So what now?” I asked, returning to the phone. He answered “Oh, we are too late. Your computer is dead and I had hoped we could catch it before it went out completely.” It was then that I realized that I had been taken. Keeping me on the phone had given the “hacker” time to complete the job before I realized what was happening and tried to stop it.

An article came to mind that I had recently read in a magazine. It had caught my eye and I had skimmed through it telling myself that this couldn't happen to me. I had only a personal computer in my home and was not connected to any big business. I should have paid more attention. Now it was too late. I was the victim of what is known as “Identity Theft”, a rapidly growing crime in this country, especially in Virginia.

My daughter's father-in-law had recently retired from Martin-Marietta in Syracuse and he was well schooled in computer problems. He and my daughter searched online and found an article written by the Attorney General's Office detailing what one should do if he is a victim of Identity Theft. They sent the printout to me.

Eventually I waded through the instructions: Number one, contact the local Sheriff and number two, notify the three credit companies Equifax, Experian, and Trans Union, to put out an alert on your credit reports.

Then call all your credit card accounts and have new cards issued, check with all banks in which you have accounts and make sure they put an alert on all withdrawals. Also notify any other financial connections you have to halt any entries into any of your outstanding accounts, and so on.

It was a busy few months and the worse part of it was I had lost, not only my identity, but I now had no computer. To you, who have been accustomed to doing most of your personal business by computer, you will realize what a loss that was for me. How could I contact all those businesses without a computer? On top of that I had not had a backup program installed so I lost all my data files, all my photos, and all my correspondence files. The only things I had printed out to hard copy were my previous columns of “A Mouse in the Corner”. Well, that was something anyhow!

Even months later I was feeling that the one thing I had lost was myself. Starting over was difficult enough but now I had to research the computer market at a time when there had been great progress in updating the technical information needed to keep the products current. Where do I start? Everyone I asked for help gave me their opinion but no two agreed on what I should do.

I had just subscribed to the Guideposts magazine and scanning through my latest issue I came upon a full page ad for a computer called WOW! I put it aside for future reading but I couldn't get it out of my head! It was calling me to come back again and again and look.

Finally, I gave in and called the company, “First Street”, and talked with the receptionist who answered all my questions and told me that I would have a 30-day money back guarantee if I was not satisfied that it was the right computer for me. I had the feeling that perhaps God was telling me to take a chance. After all, He was with me and would not let me be “taken” again. It seemed as though He was telling me these were people I could trust.

Three weeks later UPS delivered a box that seemed too small to be a computer. I opened it, keeping every piece of packing so I could send it back if it wasn't what I wanted. Upon opening the box I found three pieces of equipment: a keyboard, a mouse and a flat screen monitor. Where was the tower and all the software? And where was a person who would be installing everything? I soon found out.

The flat screen (a 22” touch screen) contained the operating system, all software, built-in user's manual, and help information for every foreseeable problem I could encounter. Help was just a phone call away and for thirty days it was free. I discovered eighteen programs plus the operation system file had been installed with detailed answers to questions I could not understand. Besides the written manual, I had a copy of the manual in front of me on the screen.

To my delight the Home page contained weather information, “You've Got Mail” notification, a message board

to alert me about things that might need my attention, a section for news with several choices (NBC, CBS, Fox, etc.) and a list of buttons to touch which contained the eighteen software programs that had been installed just for me. It even noted that this computer was located in a “quiet home”! The receptionist with whom I had chatted had taken good notes!

A button, called “+More”, linked the user to the browser which contained the eighteen programs.

The computer had been developed mainly for older citizens, like me, who couldn't understand today's technical jargon. I was in “senior heaven!” It was a bit pricey but I would guess that to others in my current stage of life who are considering the possibility, it might be a wise investment. I certainly did!

If any of you, my readers, are thinking about purchasing a new computer that does most everything for you, but requires a bit of patience to learn, (with lots of help available), I invite you to come look at the real product and see for yourself why I say **WOW!**

### ***Thought for the Month***

***Dear God, wherever we may be...***

***On this Thanksgiving Day...***

***Gathered with loved ones in our homes...***

***Or many miles away...***

***We bow our heads, remembering those...***

***Who shared Thanksgiving past...***

***Those who have walked with us awhile...***

***Whose love will always last...***

***We thank Thee for the joy of friends...***

***The food before us set...***

***And for a tiny Pilgrim band...***

***Whose trails we can't forget...***

***Help us to sift the good and bad...***

***The hatred and the strife...***

***Grant us the wisdom and the strenght...***

***To lead a useful life. Amen.***

***- Alice Kennelly Roberts***

***"The Family Album - ed. by Arthur & Nancy DeMoss"***

### **Scripture for the Month**

We give thanks to you, O God,

We give thanks, for your Name is near, men  
tell of your wonderful deeds.

Ps. 75:1(NIV)

We thank you, God, we thank you -  
your Name is our favorite word; your mighty  
works are all we talk about.

Ps. 75:1

