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From the Pastor

The letters of Paul to Timothy give us great advice for Christian leaders, or for anyone involved in Christian service. Early in his first letter Paul writes:

Calendar

Wednesday Schedules:

7:00 - 8:00

Prayer/Bible Study

Thursday Schedule:

7:30-8:30 Praise Team

Sunday Schedule:

9:00 am Worship Team

Practice

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship

**Greeters****Elwood and Betty Meyerhoeffer****Media****Lisa Cleveland****Sound****Logan Lockridge****Ushers****Steve Riley****Larry Hepler****Tony Simpson****Charlie Smith****Nursery- Sunday School****Molly Waldrop****Nursery- Worship****Peggy Riley****Children's Church****Ellen/Kellan**

“ . . . I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands.” (1 Timothy 1: 6)

We have all heard about the gifts God gives us. We call them Spiritual gifts. And we believe that every believer receives a spiritual gift when the Holy Spirit enters their life. Perhaps you have seen lists of these and attempted to determine which gift or gifts you have. What I think is interesting about what Paul writes here, is not that we have gifts, but he is reminding Timothy to “fan the gift” into flame. The Lord gives us gifts, but we need to fan them into flame. Just as a person camping when building a campfire, blows on a few sparks or glowing embers until it becomes a fire, we need to fan our spiritual gift into flame.

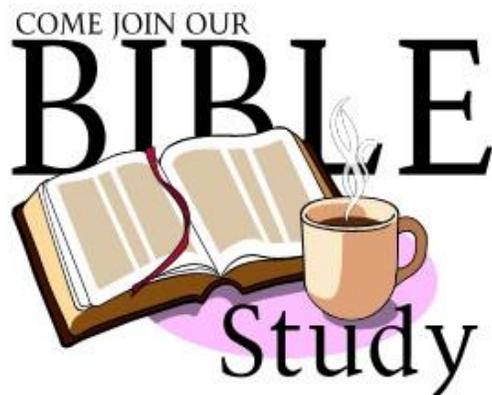
That means that we need to try them out. We need to practice using them. At first it is hard to know if the gift is really there until it catches fire. It also means that you might need to try things without knowing for sure if you have the Spiritual Gift. By using your gift in a step of faith it



might just ignite, and you might discover things about yourself and the Lord's power that you would have missed if you hadn't tried. We walk by faith, not by sight. If you only attempt to do things that you know you can do well, they you never need faith, and your gift would never spark into flame. So don't be afraid to step out into something new. It might just become the adventure of your life!

Your friend and pastor,

Bill

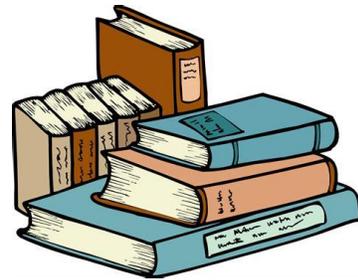


Wednesday 7:00pm

Bible Study

**No Choir Practice Until Fall--
Summer Break**

The Library Corner



**Daily Devotional New
Testaments
Available in the Library
Free for your individual use!**

A few copies of the Daily Devotional New Testament are available in the Library for you



to take.

This devotional has a passage from the Gospels, The Letters, and Psalms with devotional

commentary and a prayer

for everyday—365 days a year. During the year, you will read through the whole New Testament. These are provided by Truth For Life Ministries—a Bible Teaching Ministry of Alistair Begg, and the scripture used is the English Standard Version. Please take a copy for your own use. When we run out of copies, we will order more.

Library Books you can keep:

The library committee is making many books available for you to take home or share with a friend. Please look through the books on the table near the mailboxes, and take any that are interesting to you.

Books by: Family Life, Kay Arthur, David Jeremiah, Charles Stanley, Max Lucado, and other study guides and commentaries. Many children's books and activity books are also

available.

WOM/ GALS picnic

Despite the rain, there was a good turnout for the picnic on Sunday, and we had a wonderful cookout with lots of food. Kenneth made peach homemade ice cream for Peggy Meyerhoeffer's birthday and we also had a cake for her.

The ladies conducted their start of new year meeting. The Youth came and swam even in the rain.

Thanks to Cliff and Joy for the hamburgers and hot dogs and opening their home for us.

Let's Party!



LHBC Block Party

August 25

Laurel Hill Baptist Church

The Children and Youth Mission team are excited to host a Block Party.

We appreciate all of your support, and we need your prayers.

We look forward to a successful community outreach event.

See Bobbie Howell or Gloria Miller to sign up to support this event

Volunteers Needed:

More volunteers are needed to help at the registration table, the prayer tent, and serving food. If you would like to help during the Block Party, please contact Bobbie, Gloria, or Rose to see how you can help.

Please promote this activity and invite your friends and neighbors. This is a great opportunity for our church to meet some new people.

Seeking: New Church Clerk

The nominating committee is looking for a Church Clerk for the next year. The responsibilities include taking minutes at the quarterly business meetings and keeping the church membership role on the church computer. Please let Logan Lockridge or Bill Davis know if you are interested in this position.

**Children's Church Worker's Meeting
Sunday, August 19
Following Worship
Subway Lunch Included**

Please plan to attend and allow us to update you on our program and plans for the new year. RSVP to Rose (540) 649-4026 or to Ruth (540) 908-6107 so we can accurately order enough subs.

Operation Inasmuch
Saturday, October 6
7am to 1pm
(Some projects work until 3 or 4pm)



Join in with members of other churches to participate in a one day mission event. Participants can be any skill level, any age, and any gender. We will have a project for you. The event is sponsored by the Augusta Baptist Association and will be launched from Laurel Hill Baptist Church. This is a great way to develop relationships with others in our community as we work together to serve. If you want to be part of the planning process, or are willing to lead one of the projects, please contact Bill Davis at 688-6235. Sign up sheets will be available soon so that you can chose how you would like to serve.

Augusta Baptist Annual Meeting

October 22 @ 7:00 pm

**West Side Baptist Church
715 W. Wolf St./ Harrisonburg**

The Augusta Baptist Association of Virginia will hold it's annual Fall meeting on Oct. 22, at West Side Baptist Church, 715 W. Wolf St., Harrisonburg. Each member church may elect up to five voting messengers to represent the church in business sessions. Please support your church's participation in the ABAV. Anyone can attend this meeting, only ABAV officers and elected church members may vote.

Museum of the Bible Trip Tuesday, September 18

**Departure: 6:30 am from Linden Heights Baptist Church
Return: About 3:30 pm**

Join us as we travel via motor-coach to our nation's capitol to see the newly open Museum of the Bible where you will experience the Bible like never before. This 500 million dollar museum is the largest privately-funded museum in Washington, D.C. Over two thousand ancient Biblical artifacts are on display from the Dead Sea Scrolls to the Bibles over 1000 years old.

Cost: \$79 per person.

Includes the round transportation, group admission and self-guided tour, Flyboard Theater and all general exhibits. Some exhibits cost an additional \$8. Lunch is available on the sixth floor at your own expense.

For reservations: Make \$79 non-refundable check payable to the ABAV and send to Charlie Downs, 109 Gloucester Court, Waynesboro, VA 22980.

Website: <https://museumofthebible.org>

For additional information contact:

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Reservation Deadline: August 21 or until full.

Young At Heart Seniors...



are planning a trip to the Cincinnati area to visit the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum October 1-4, 2018. Trip includes motor coach transportation, 3 nights lodging, 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners including a Riverboat Dinner Cruise. In addition to the Ark and Creation Museum we will visit the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption, National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, and the World Peace Bell. All taxes and gratuities are included. The cost is \$549.00 per person double occupancy with \$100.00 deposit due by July 15, 2018. Final payment will be due by September 1, 2018 with checks made payable to Laurel Hill Baptist Church. Trip flyers are in your church mail boxes. Feel free to invite your family and friends. If you need additional information, let me know. While deposits are not due until July 15th, it would be helpful if you could let me know if you are interested in making the trip as I will be sending information to Augusta

Baptist Association for distribution so I want to be sure Laurel Hill has first priority. Thanks.

Charlotte Cleveland
Senior Director



Bus Trip to Sight and Sound Performance: “Jesus” September 15

Trip to Sight and Sound on September 15, 2018 to see the new production, Jesus. Taking deposits now. \$119.41 total cost for adults and \$80.16 for children. \$65 deposit due to secure your spot. See Lisa Cleveland.



**Mark your
Calendar:**

Dates to Remember

Wednesday 7:00pm Bible Study

Thurs: Praise Team 7:30-8:30

August 25: Block Party

Sept 4: Deacon Meeting

Sept 12: Fellowship Dinner

Sept 12: Business Meeting

Sept 15: Sight and Sound Trip

Sept 18: Museum of the Bible Trip

Sept 22: Adopt a Highway Trash Pickup

Sept 29: Youth Bake Sale Fund Raiser

Sept 30: Youth Escape Room~5 pm to 8 pm ABA Youth

Event Sunday

Oct 1-4: Ark Encounter and Creation Museum

Oct 6: Operation Inasmuch

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