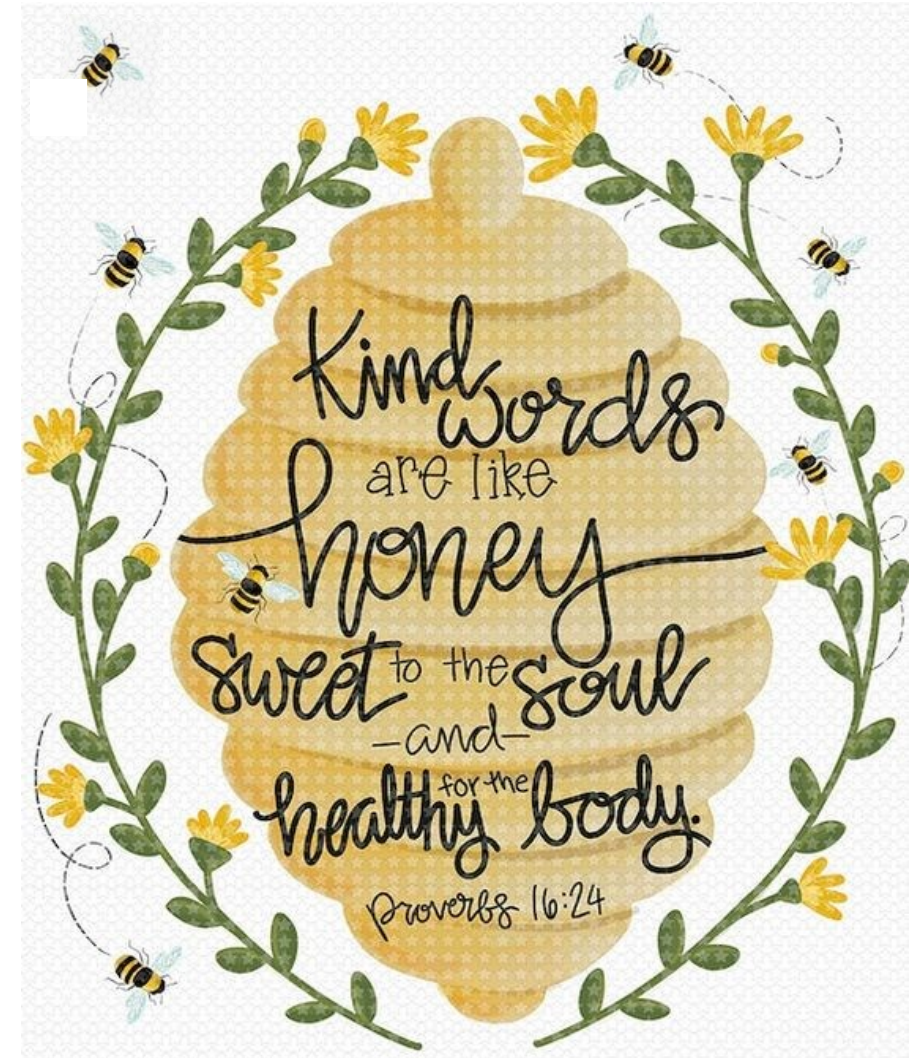


AMELIA BAPTIST CHURCH

AUGUST 2026

THE CONNECTION

Connecting to God  Connecting to People



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August

2026



THE CONNECTION



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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2 8:30 Praise & Prayer 9:15 Bible Connect Groups 10:30 Worship / Lord's Supper 6:00 Youth	3 6:30 Deacon's Meeting 10:00 Football Ministry	4 5:00 School Supply Giveaway 5:45 Rec Football 6:00 Praise Team Practice 6:30 Choir Practice	5 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer	6 6:30 Women's Bible Study	7	8
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16 8:30 Praise & Prayer 9:15 Bible Connect Groups 10:30 Worship 11:45 Special Called Business Mtg 6:00 Youth A - MICHAEL & SHERRY MASSARO	17 5:00 Football Ministry	18 5:45 Rec Football 6:00 Praise Team Practice 6:30 Choir Practice	19 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer B - LULA SMITH A- JOHN & LINDA BURTON	20 B - MARVIN JAMES B - RONNY & SHERI BURTON	21	22 B - HILDA CLARKE B - XIAOXIA ZHANG
23 8:30 Praise & Prayer 9:15 Bible Connect Groups 10:30 Worship 6:00 Youth	24 12:00 Women's Bible Study & Luncheon 5:00 Football Ministry	25 8:30 Small Town Church Workshop 5:45 Rec Football 6:00 Praise Team Practice 6:30 Choir Practice	26 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer	27 6:30 Amendments Discussion The Heights Church B - JUSTIN ANDERS B - HELEN SLAYTON	28	29 Rec Football Games B - CODY ANDERS
30 8:30 Praise & Prayer 9:15 Bible Connect Groups 10:30 Worship/Celebration Sunday 6:00 Youth	31 2:00 Women's Bible Study 5:00 Football Ministry					

WHAT DO YOU
CALL THE BEES
WHO LIVE
NEXT DOOR?

YOUR
NEIGH-BUZZ



AUGUST 8 - NATIONAL CAT DAY
AUGUST 26 - NATIONAL DOG DAY

AUGUST BIRTHSTONE:
PERIDOT

AUGUST FLOWER:
GLADIOLUS





WHAT DID THE
BEE IN THE
SAUNA SAY TO
HIS FRIENDS?

SWARM
IN HERE

FIND 10 DIFFERENCES

- ADVENTURE
- AMUSEMENT PARK
- AUGUST
- BACK TO SCHOOL
- BACKYARD
- BICYCLE
- CAMPFIRE
- CAMPING
- CORN ON THE COB
- FARMERS MARKET
- FIREFLY
- FLOWERS
- FRUIT
- FUN
- GRILLING
- HOT
- HUMID
- LAKE
- PLAYGROUND
- POPSICLE
- RELAXATION
- ROAD TRIP
- SAILBOAT
- STATE FAIR
- SUMMER
- SUNFLOWER
- SUNNY

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AUGUST 2026

Celebration Sunday



AUGUST 30
FOLLOWING WORSHIP



VBS REPORT:
 Students enrolled: 92
 Workers: 51
 Highest attendance: 126
 Every student was given
 a "Go Study Bible"

VBS 2026

August

Thank You

The Pregnancy Support Center
 sends their thanks for your contin-
 ued support of their ministry.

Della Nearhood sends her thanks for
 the plant, and for your prayers and
 cards at the passing of her sister.

Welcome to the
 Family:
Alijah Turley
 by baptism

ANNIVERSARIES

16 Michael & Sherry Massaro
 19 John & Linda Burton
 20 Ronny & Sheri Burton
 22 Terry & Evelyn Adams

BIRTHDAYS

13 Evelyn Adams
 13 Paul Puckett
 14 Skylar Morris
 15 Bruce Davis
 19 Lula Smith
 20 Marvin James
 22 Hilda Clarke
 22 Xiaoxia Zhang
 27 Justin Anders
 27 Helen Slayton
 29 Cody Anders





SHRMP REPORT
Total enrollment: 347
Meals served: 701
Total SHRMP team: 116
Bible Schools: 8
Trusting Christ :12
Bibles given: 257

THE CONNECTION

FROM THE PASTOR

It has been inspiring to watch the Lord use our church this summer in many ministry opportunities. Our team touched many lives in Hampton Roads through SHRMP in June. The young lives that we impacted through Vacation Bible School here in Amelia was great. I sensed the presence of the Lord daily in VBS. Our sports ministry this summer with Dixie All Stars has been both fun and a blessing to them and us.

On Sunday, August 30th, we will celebrate what the Lord has done through us and around us this summer. We will also look forward to what we will share in this fall. We will have folks here that day from different communities to share how our church is impacting lives where they are from.

On Sunday, August 16th, we will have a special called business meeting to vote on several proposals listed in this newsletter. I will also share some ideas about possible staff needs as we look toward the long term future of our church. May we seek the Lord's guidance and continue to know his blessing as we serve him together.

Your Pastor,
David

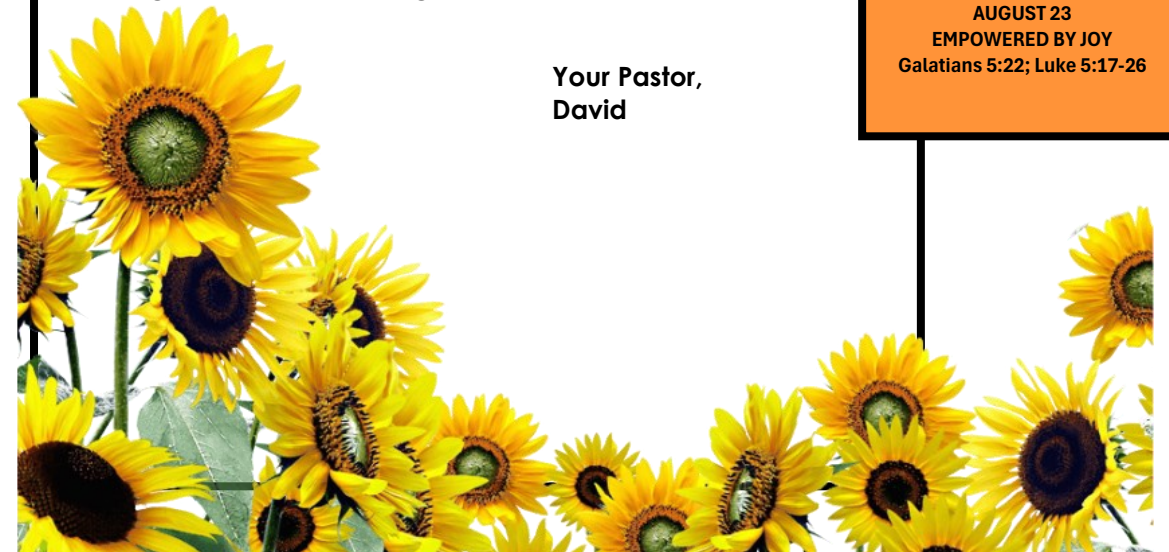
UPCOMING MESSAGES

AUGUST 2
THE LORD'S SUPPER AS PRAYER
Matthew 26:26-29

AUGUST 9
REV. DON CRAIN PREACHING

AUGUST 16
EMPOWERED BY LOVE
Galatians 5:22

AUGUST 23
EMPOWERED BY JOY
Galatians 5:22; Luke 5:17-26



NEWS

KidzZONE CORNER

This month our children's ministry will be learning about The Good Samaritan, Parable of the Talents, The Great Feast, and the Unforgiving Servant. Our memory verse is When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. Psalm 56:3

As school is starting back up soon, we know that children can become anxious or scared of going to new classrooms, meeting new friends and teachers. We chose this memory verse to encourage our children as they jump into their new school routines. Please join us in praying for all children as the new school year starts.

SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVE AWAY

August 4

5:00-8:00pm

Join us to pass out backpacks, supplies, and God's love. We will meet at the church and carry supplies over

MEN'S MINISTRY

Our next Men's Breakfast is Saturday, August 15th. at 8:00am. Our speaker is Dr. Ed. Gomes from Liberty University. Dr. Gomes served for years as chaplain of the Liberty University football team. He is currently chaplain for the faculty, staff, and their families of the university. Guys you will be blessed and challenged by him.

SPORTS MINISTRY

We will serve a snack to the High School football team on Mondays August 3rd. and August 10th. at 10:30 am. Meet at the church at 10:00am Beginning Monday, August 17th. we will serve the team at 5:30pm meet at church at 5:00pm. We will sponsor a Minor Football Team ages 7-9 yr. olds in partnership with Parks and Rec. We will take a snack to them on Tuesdays at 6:00pm. meet. Meet at church at 5:45pm.

Between the High School Team and the Rec. Team it is anticipated we will serve upward of 70 players and coaches weekly. We need donations of Gatorade 12 ounces and bags of chips. Many thanks for your support.

STAND FOR LIFE AND MARRIAGE

There are two amendments for the November election pertaining to the Virginia Constitution that address Marriage and preborn life. There will be a town hall on Thursday, August 27th. at 6:30pm at The Heights Baptist Church in Colonial Heights to gain more information. We will leave from the church at 5:00pm. If you would like to go please contact the church office. You can read information concerning this at STAND4LIFEANDMARRIAGE.ORG Use the SBCV link.

NEW BEGINNINGS CLASS TO BE OFFERED THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

This class will focus on:
The basic beliefs of our church
How to be involved
How to grow as a follower of Jesus
How and why we practice Baptism and the Lord's Supper
The class will meet Sundays at 9:15 am in a class room behind the sanctuary.
Pastor David will lead the class.

BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER WEDNESDAY NIGHTS - 6:30 PM

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE proposes a change to staff payroll and tax management as follows;

To engage Brotherhood Works (a Brotherhood Mutual brand) to manage staff payroll and taxes at an annual cost of ~\$800.

Effective September 1, 2026.

The Finance committee proposes a change in the Treasurer's checkbook management process to include Debit card use for on-line purchases and payment vehicle for those on-line goods and services, and other services as required.

A more detailed copy of these 2 proposals is available outside the church office in the Education Building and in the Sanctuary Parlor, for your review. The Finance members are available for questions and comments. Members are; Roger Morgan, Dana Eary, Pam Reams, Jack Bulls, Richard Cumble, Jenna Affeldt, Jarrett Spaw, Jerry Morris and John Burton.

NEWS

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION -LOVE-IN-ACTION
For the month of July, several ladies of the Women's Missionary Union, willingly donated their time to participate in Vacation Bible School. The children were wonderful and a good time was had by all. The Women's Missionary Union will meet again on August 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the Ministry Center.

MONDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Monday, August 24

We will resume our Monday Bible Study with a Fall kickoff lunch at noon. Going forward, we will meet each Monday at 2:00pm in the Ministry Center.

STEWARDSHIP

2 Corinthians 9:7 states "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion for God loves a cheerful giver". Giving is an expression of our love for God and our trust in Him. Your generosity fuels our ministries and allows us to show the love of Jesus to a hurting world and it also makes a lasting impact in our community.

Your continued support of God's work here at Amelia Baptist is greatly appreciated. You can also give online at ameliabaptistchurchva.com

2026 Annual Budget	Offering for JUNE	Expenses For JUNE
\$264,588.00	\$27,130.00	\$25,838.00
Year to Date	\$114,896.00	\$117,173.00

THE SMALL TOWN CHURCH WORKSHOP

Tuesday, August 25 10:30-3:00pm

Liberty Baptist Church, Appomattox

We will leave from Amelia at 8:30am.

WANT TO HELP MAKE AN IMPACT?

There are many opportunities at Amelia Baptist where you can use your gifts and talents. Helping out one hour a month can help make a huge impact in our church community.

	BCG	WORSHIP	OFFERING
JUNE 28	45	76	2691.21
JULY 5	44	68	5185.35
JULY 12	42	78	4105.35
JULY 19	58	80	3998.13
JULY 26	34	53	2960.35
TOTAL			\$18940.39

THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

On Thursday, August 6th (6:30pm-8:00pm), we will conclude our study of *The Way of Wisdom* and talk about what we learned in Session 8 - "A Portrait of Wisdom". As Jen Wilkin noted, "often, we hear teaching over Proverbs 31:10-31 as a stand alone passage." Now that we spent time in the rest of the book, we will spend some time looking back to how the book began and we'll ask, how does Proverbs 31 capture the main idea in the book of Proverbs as a whole? Come and join us for this last chapter of Proverbs. Our final memory verse is: *Proverbs 31:30 "Charm is deceptive and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who fears the Lord will be praised."*

"I have really enjoyed The Way of Wisdom Bible study as we have studied the book of Proverbs. This study has 6 different speakers that were all different but are great Bible teachers and shared great insight. It's always great to meet new ladies who love the Lord and reconnect with others. Thanks to Ashley and Eva for facilitating the group each week."

"The Way of Wisdom Bible Study has been a blessing in so many unexpected ways. As we study the book of Proverbs, there is a clear framework for wisdom in words, workplace, relationships, and so much more. The best part of this study has been building new relationships with ladies that commit to learning and supporting each other in our walks with the Lord."

"'Is it better to be right or better to have reconciliation with your brother?' Live out the principal, is it your pride? Are you happier?' This was just one of the many discussions that we had during our study of The Way of Wisdom that can be applied to your family, friends, co-workers and even at church. Is pride getting in your way of serving the Lord and, are you willing to forgive others and be reconciled for God's glory?"