

From the Pastor

This month marks 8 months of ministry together at Victoria Baptist and I am excited what God is doing. As we bring this church year to a close, let's finish strong! We have several opportunities for ministry this month: VBS-July 28-Aug 1, Romanian Pastor Mission Study-Aug 11, and Contagious Christian Bible Study-Begins Aug 21.

On Wednesday, August 21, 6:15 pm we start the 6 Weeks study on "Becoming A Contagious Christian." Written by Mark Mittelberg, Lee Strobel & Bill Hybels, this study will help us understand how to share our faith in a style that works for you. The emphasis is on natural approaches that work over time to bring family members, friends, coworkers and neighbors to the point of trusting in Christ. God wants to use us to impact the spiritual lives of our friends and family. The Bible says, "... go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matt 28:19-20, NIV). During the 6 Weeks of Becoming a Contagious Christian, you'll learn to naturally and effectively communicate your faith to people you know. It's an adventure you won't want to

miss!

Lastly, I encourage you to participate in the church pictorial directory August 9-10. We are working hard to update our records in the church office and need your help filling out a family information form. The completed directory will be compiled and printed as soon as all of the photos are taken and submitted. If you cannot make the photo shoot you can submit a picture to be added to the directory.



MC2 Missions Trip

The mission team had a great week at MC2 serving the people of Lynchburg. Our faith was “fired up” by the inspirational messages of Pastor Ron Wyatt. Thank you for supporting this mission project with your prayers and donations!

Vacation Bible School

It was a “wild” week focusing in on some amazing, real-life encounters with Jesus. Through VBS, kids discovered that each snapshot of Jesus is an opportunity to respond to the gospel. And when we put it together, these isolated encounters clearly revealed the most amazing truth of all—Jesus Christ is the Messiah, the Son of God, and by believing we can have life in His name! Thank you to everyone who volunteered and helped to make it a memorable week!



Deacons

We are voting for six deacons to replace six deacons rotating off after a three year term. Please be sure you turn in your ballot. They will be included in the August 4th bulletin.



What a Great Summer at Victoria Baptist!

From Thrilling Thursdays, Missions Trip, Vacation Bible School, Kingsfest, Pool Parties, Zoo Trips - we've had a busy summer here at Victoria Baptist!

Thanks to all who participated and volunteered in our activities. A special thanks to Kira lanetta for her help with all of our events with our youth and children. We will miss her and wish her the best as she returns to Virginia Tech for her junior year.



Romanian Pastor Visit

Dr. Lipp's friends Ion & Marinela Damian from Arad, Romania, will be visiting Victoria August 7-12. Pastor Ion (pronounced Jon) will be sharing during the 11:00 a.m. worship service as well as a Mission Study presented during the regular Sunday School hour on August 11th. There will be a covered dish luncheon after the service so you will be able to fellowship with them. Let's make our guests feel welcome as they come to share how God is impacting lives in their country!



Church Directory

We are planning a new church directory! Lifetouch will be taking photos for our directory on August 9-10, 2019. A signup sheet is located in the hallway downstairs by the side door, or signup online at [Online Signup](#). Also, please be sure that the church office has all of your correct contact information, including phone number, e-mail, and birth dates. See enclosed member contact sheet.

Please fill out and put in the offering plate if you haven't already done so.



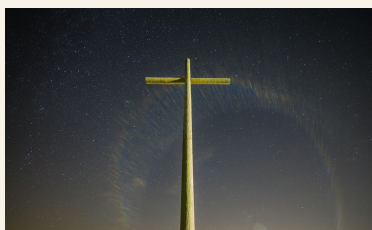
Promotion Sunday

Sunday School Promotion Day is Sunday, August 25th. We will gather in the Adult Assembly at 10:25 a.m. for recognition of all being promoted and

those having perfect attendance. Let the church office know by August 4th if you have perfect attendance. There will be no opening assembly on this Sunday so teachers will have adequate time to cover their lessons.

Fish Fry and Talent Show

The annual fish fry and talent show will be held on Sunday, August 25th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Our men will be cooking the fish, and we will also have hot dogs available. We ask our ladies to provide dessert. The talent show will begin after dinner at approximately 6:30 p.m.. Sign up on the bulletin board across from the church office if you would like to participate in the talent show, or you may sign up with Ron Mattox



Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee will be giving their report at the monthly business meeting on August 18th. We thank all who have agreed to fill positions on various committees and in our Sunday School. Again we thank our committee for their hard work.

Realm

In an effort to streamline information, the church office is planning to begin using a new database program called REALM. We will be able to keep and access all our members data digitally. To help us make sure we have the correct information for you, please fill out the member contact sheet included in the bulletin, if you haven't already done so. This will also be used for the church directory. Thank you to all who have already filled these out and we appreciate you getting this updated information to us!!



Fall Concert

On Friday, September 6 @ 7:00 pm, Lunenburg County Community Concerts and host site Victoria Baptist Church will present an evening of music featuring two talented singers with Lunenburg connections.

Ken Vaiden currently serves as the library media specialist at Victoria Elementary School. He has an extensive performance resume that includes the North Carolina Master Chorale, Lake Country Chorale, roles in numerous musical productions in Halifax and Mecklenburg Counties, and singing in churches and concerts throughout the region.

Peggy Vaughan is married to Victoria native Charles Vaughan (pastor of Union Grove Baptist Church) and has served in the Health Information Management Department at Piedmont Geriatric Hospital for the past 31 years. She sings and plays the piano and autoharp.

The "Kindness Matters Club" of Central High School is the local organization that will be "In the Spotlight" for this concert. Information about this organization will be available and any contributions will be gratefully received.

Pre-concert piano music begins at 6:40. In the event of storm-related hazards or power outages, the concert will take place on September 13.



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