

Shalom Baptist Church Newsletter

May 2022



# THE SHALOM NEWSLINE



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#### PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Read Psalm 121, called a song of ascents, sung while people literally went up to Mount Zion to the temple.

Have you ever been to the mountains? I recall our visits to Costa Rica, to help out a struggling church body in a very poor barrio outside San Jose. The area is surrounded by mountains ,tall mountains that rose majestically into the sky. Ann and I both were taken back by the size and grandeur of our surroundings. The pastor's wife every day would stand in front of their house and say, Mis montañas lindas! [translated my beautiful mountains] And, she was so right!

I suspect that the author of the 121st Psalm had a similar feeling about the mountains around Jerusalem. Such was his awe that he ascribed that part of God's creation to assure the worshiper that God would be with His people, allowing no harm to befall them whatever the circumstances: day and night, comings and goings, and anything else that may come their way.

So, when troubles come along or circumstances seem beyond your ability to handle, read Psalm 121, and know that the God who created you will also look after you. And, isn't that what Jesus meant when he said, "Therefore, do not fret about tomorrow..." [Matthew 6.34]. Need I also mention the words of a hymn: "Be not dismayed whate'er betide, God will take care of you."

"My help comes from the Lord who created heaven and earth."

-Pastor Dan





# **Shalom Church Calendar**

Use your smartphone to scan the QR code and have access to Shalom's calendar anywhere!





May 4th
GREEK LEMON CHICKEN

May 11th
HAMBURGERS & HOTDOGS

May 18th

CHICKEN FAJITA PASTA

May 25th

DELI SANDWICH BAR

\$5.00 for adults \$2.00 for children \$12.00 per family

Each week reservation cards will be in the bulletin. Please fill out a card and put it in the offering plate or call the church office with your reservation by 3:00pm Monday and leave a message.

Shut-in of the Month:
Nancy Williams

Our Lady of Hope 13700 Gayton Road Richmond, VA 23233



Please remember Nancy this month by sending a card or calling. It means so much to our Shut-Ins, that they are remembered and that we still care.

Meet our Deacon for the month of May:









# Saturday Servings Update 04/16/2022

Physical and spiritual nourishment, along with health screenings and clothing were provided for 359 of our

neighbors yesterday. Thanks to our friends from Velocity Church for preparing and serving lunch! Guests had their choice of sandwiches and enjoyed chips or pretzels, fruit cups, cookies, and water. Thank you Velocity!

After a discussion about Christ's resurrection and His promise of forgiveness for all who ask, we circled-up in small groups praying for each other. I was helping someone get plugged into a group and overheard one of our most senior neighbors briefly preaching to the folks in his group. I stopped to listen for a moment as he joyfully and passionately offered encouragement during these difficult times. Powerful! He left later in the beat-up old truck he lives in and returned to the shopping center parking lot where he parked for the night. He probably rested his new prosthetic leg on the dash to air out as he usually does. Then he fell asleep sitting upright in the driver seat as he's slept almost every night for the last two years, except when we paid for a motel...and he seldom asks. Seventy-seven years old, a recent amputee, calls his front seat home, and he's preaching his heart out with a smile on his face. Thank you Lord for allowing me to witness that. What are my complaints? My excuses? Thank you Lord for your sacrifice and forgiveness!

~ Bob from Moments of Hope



All programs continue to perform well! Our food donations basket may be more full than usual this month since MCEF was not open to accept donations on Easter Sunday. (And we would not want them to be open)

Needs for the food pantry in May are:

- Boxed Meals like Hamburger Helper and sides.
- Men's and Women's Deodorant

Thank you for your support!

-Linda Wade











Evening Group Meeting: Thursday, May 5th at 6:30 pm at church. For more information contact Virginia Ryan at 804-370-0683 or Mitzi Hubble at 804-937-4515.

Morning Group meets Monday, May 9th at 10:00 am at church. For more information contact Ann McFaden at 804-513-0052.

Groups will not meet during the summer.

Annie Armstrong Offering: \$4,864.00

Upcoming events: Wednesday, September 7th after dinner, the WMUV Hope Group will present a program on Human Trafficking. Please make plans to attend to learn more about this increasing issue.



Mission Trip to Crossroads Camp Save the Dates: May 13-15, 2022

# **CROSSROADS**

A group from Shalom will be participating in "Volunteer weekend" at Crossroads Camp and Conference center in beautiful Lowesville, VA. This is a good mission opportunity for family groups, Men's Ministry, Youth group, WMU groups or a group at large from Shalom.

During the weekend we will be preparing the property for Summer Camp. Projects include: cleaning, painting, organizing, landscaping, mulching, yard work and light construction, such as porch and deck repairs. In the evenings we will enjoy a campfire and/or worship service.

Sign-up sheet is available at the information desk. Questions? Contact Mitzi Hubble at 804-937-4515 or email to mhubble@qubicamf.us.

You can visit: www.crossroadscamp.com/volunteerweekend2021





The Children's Ministry is in need of Legos. Please drop Legos off at the church office.





# Favorite Stuffy Sleepover & Spaghetti Dinner

May 21st & May 22nd (Saturday @ 5:00 pm). Please RSVP by submitting the card insert found in the bulletin or by calling the church office at 804-746-7737.

# Voyagers

There will be a meeting for parents of children in grades Kindergarten-5th grade on Sunday, May 15th immediately following the 11:00 am worship service in the Fellowship Hall. At this meeting you will receive information about this summers Voyager program. Voyagers will be held every Tuesday starting June 21st through August 23rd (we will not meet the week of VBS) from 8:45 am-2:15 pm.

## Children in Action

Children in Action (CA's) will meet on Wednesday's at 6:15 pm through May 18th.

# Centrikid Camp

2022 Theme is <u>Wonder: Knowing the Infinite God!</u> If your child would like to attend please contact Jon Cliborne at 804-357-6790 or jjclib@gmail.com. The dates are June 20th-24th.

## Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars for VBS where we will be celebrating God's Greatness, August 8th-12th from 6:00~pm-8:30~pm.





"She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue."

Proverbs 31:25-26

# Parent-Child Dedication

Celebrating the gift of a new life is a special time in our church. On Sunday, May 8, during both worship services, you will have the opportunity to dedicate your child to the Lord. If you would like to be a part of this upcoming dedication service, please contact Kelly Bittler in the church office at 804-746-7737.





### **Calling All 2022 Graduates!**



If you're graduating from high school or college this year, please contact the church office at 804-746-7737. Be on the look out for more information about Graduate recognition Sunday.

Dear Shalom Family,

On behalf of my mother, Mary Revere, thank you for the many cards, calls, meals, sweet gifts, and in particular, your prayers for her health and comfort. They are all very much appreciated and bring her so much happiness. We miss you all.

In Christian Love, Susan Lewis

#### FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE:

- The church office will be closed Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.
- June Newsletter entries are due, Wednesday, May 25th.



The men's breakfast is scheduled for May 21st as the fellowship hall is reserved for a wedding on May 14th. Please note this is a change to the third Saturday for this month only. We will go back to the second Saturday for future breakfasts.

We will be rebuilding six "Press Boxes" at Mechanicsville Little League during the month of May. Once we have dates and times, we will let everyone know. This is a good community project and a chance to interact with families with young children.

Stay tuned for more opportunities to serve such as the oil change ministry.

-Ken Hein

#### May Anniversaries

3rd	Wayne & Carolyn Hufner
6th	Mary Lee & John Wilberger
7th	Eddie & Wanda Hudson
11th	Tim & Kim Stanley
17th	Brad & Liz Crew
20th	Jean & Michael Dart
24th	Brian & Karen Friedel
	Lewis & Dehlia Jackson
27th	Dean & Charlotte Blackwell
28th	Jeff & Angela Farrier



#### May Birthday's

27th

28th

29th

31st

Sheila Hein

Sam Miller

Erin Atkinson Bill Trice

Alyssa Borron Kevin D. Kelly

2nd	d Nolan Baker			
	Madeline Miller			
	Opal Pope			
4th	Austin Gammon			
	Jessica Russell			
5th	Carol Loving			
	Darrel Poindexter			
7th	Marie Edwards			
	Gary Kirby			
	Bob Stoneman			
10th	Amy Childress			
	Ray Durvin			
11th	Laura Morris			
	Zach Neal			
	Joan Scott			
13th	Charlotte Mayhew			
14th	Dylan Ryan			
17th	Laura Kelly			
19th	Krystal Johnston			
	Dan Thompson			
20th	Charlotte Blackwell			
	Jason Crew			
	Susan Lewis			
23rd	Vernon Beasley			
25th	Lexie West			

Holly Moore

26th





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Saturday		14 Crossroads Volunteer Weekend Wedding Reservation 7:00 AM East Hanover Rescue Squad Certification (Using Shalom Parking Lot)	2.1 8:00 AM Men's Ministry Breakfast 5:00 PM Stuffy Sleepover & Spaghetti Supper (Children)	28	4 Art of Marriage-Marriage Retreat
Friday	6:00 PM Pickleball	Crossroads Volunteer Weekend Wedding Reservation 6:00 PM Pickleball	6:00 PM Pickleball	6:00 PM Pickleball	3 Art of Marriage-Marriage Retreat
Thursday	6:30 PM WMU Meeting 6:45 PM SR. High Girls Small Group Bible Study 7:00 PM Overcomers Outreach	6:45 PM SR. High Girls Small Group Bible Study 7:00 PM Overcomers Outreach	9:00 AM GBC End of Year Program 7:00 PM Overcomers Outreach	6:00 PM Cancer Support Group 6:30 PM Properties Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Overcomers Outreach	6:30 PM WMU Meeting 7:00 PM Overcomers Outreach
Wednesday	4 6:30 PM Supper 6:15 PM Bible Study 6:15 PM Children in Action 6:15 PM Praise Team 6:15 PM Youth 7:30 PM Basketball 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	5:30 PM Supper 6:15 PM Bible Study 6:15 PM Children in Action 6:15 PM Praise Team 6:15 PM Youth 7:30 PM Basketball 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	5:30 PM Supper 6:15 PM Bible Study 6:15 PM Children in Action 6:15 PM Praise Team 6:15 PM Youth 7:30 PM Basketball 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	5.30 PM Supper 6:15 PM Bible Study 6:15 PM Children in Action 6:15 PM Praise Team 6:15 PM Youth 7:30 PM Basketball 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:15 PM Bible Study 6:15 PM Children in Action 6:15 PM Praise Team 6:15 PM Youth 7:30 PM Basketball 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday	3 8:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Walking 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting	8:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Walking 7:00 PM Stewardship Meeting	8:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Walking	24 8:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Walking	31 8:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Walking 7:00 PM Personnel Meeting
Monday	2 11:00 AM Staff Meeting	9 10:00 AM WMU Meeting 11:00 AM Staff Meeting	16 11:00 AM Staff Meeting	9:00 AM Feedmore Truck 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Just Breathe Caregiver Support Group	<b>30</b> Church Office Closed
Sunday	8:30 AM Worship 9:20 AM He'Brews Cafe 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 12:00 PM Warriors (Youth) 4:00 PM Financial Peace University Class	8:30 AM Worship 9:20 AM He'Brews Cafe 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Worship 3:00 PM Children's Drama Workshops	Crossroads Volunteer Weekend 8:30 AM Worship 9:20 AM He'Brews Cafe 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worriors (Youth) 12:15 PM Parents Meeting for Voyagers 1:30 PM Deacon's Meeting	8:30 AM Worship 9:20 AM He'Brews Cafe 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 12:00 PM Warriors (Youth)	8:30 AM Worship 9:20 AM He'Brews Cafe 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship



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