



BRIDGES

A Newsletter of New Baptist Church - August 2017

Life Chapters

In August of 2017 my life will change significantly. For the past 22 years, I have been a parent with a child in the home. At the end of August, my youngest son will be leaving and spending the year away in India. As the saying goes, Christie and I will be empty nesters. There is a part of me that wants to shout and have a party, while another part of me mourns the end of possibly the most meaningful chapter of my life – that of being a parent. Regardless of how I feel though, grieving or celebrative, change is happening and a new chapter in my life is starting.

This image of seeing life as a book broken up into chapters is helpful. Chapters represent seasons of life. A chapter ends and another begins when there is a significant change that profoundly impacts how life is lived and experienced. Seeing life as a book with chapters helps to visualize, adjust, and purposefully choose how to begin anew. Every person will have certain chapters of life such as childhood, school years, and a first job. Some of life chapters are wonderfully joyful, such as falling in love, a season of deep friendships, and the adventure of early parenthood. Yet, not all of life chapters are joyful. Each book will contain chapters of losing a loved one, experiencing failure, and the struggle of living in a world of constant change. Chapter endings and beginnings represent important times of transition that need to be prayerfully reflected upon and God-led.

Here are some of the things to do when you find yourself at the end of one of life's chapters and starting a new one.

1. Reflect and give thanks for the joy and happiness you have received. The practice of giving thanks is one of the primary ways that we train our hearts to recognize the Spirit of God at work in our lives. Thankfulness is an act of faith even during the most hurtful times.

2. If the ending chapter is filled with pain, hurt or loss, then trust the Lord with it. The Biblical word for trusting the Lord with these things that hurt us is “forgiveness.” The act of forgiveness is the prayerful act of releasing the things (not just people) that have done you harm.

3. See the new chapter as the opportunity to live life in a new way. Purposefully choose to redirect your steps in accordance to the knowledge and wisdom God has granted you in the last chapter. The Biblical word for this is “repentance.” Usually the idea of repentance is used in the context of turning away from sin (and it is that) but also think of repentance as making a conscious choice to live anew. The start of a new chapter may include decisions to deepen friendships, praise more, and laugh more. If the heart is purposefully turned towards God's good will and desires for you, that turning is what repentance is all about.

4. Spend time thinking and praying about the future. What is upon your heart? Where do you sense the Lord leading? What possibilities are in front of you? The Biblical word for this prayerful look towards the future is “hope.” Our hope in the Lord is clearly defined as our life with Him for all of eternity, but that future heavenly hope percolates into our world and life now. God is on the move and you are invited to join Him.

Hebrews 12:2 tells us that Jesus is “the author and perfecter of our faith.” His hand is at work in your life in creating a masterpiece, a classic, a life worth living for all of eternity.

Grace and Peace

Pastor Trent Eastman



Senior Adult Fellowship Luncheon

August 17, 2017 Meeting

Bill Wheeler with his Dynamic Handy Dandy Karaoke Machine



Catering by - The Scrumptious Company

Menu: Caesar Salad, Sausage & Peppers, Pasta with Marinara, Garlic Bread, Assorted Cookies

Donations accepted to help cover the cost.

Program: Our program this month will be presented by Bill Wheeler without the assistance of his lovely wife, Susan. She will be having surgery soon and will be recuperating. Let's remember her in our prayers. Bill will bring his little box that has all kinds of bands and musicians inside just waiting to play their music so we can have a sing-a-long with Bill. Most of the songs will be easy listening pop tunes, classic country and western songs from the 1940's, 1950's and 1960's and even Elvis which you sang, and maybe even danced to, back in your youth as you ladies wore your saddle oxfords, penny loafers, broomstick skirts, pleated skirts and sweaters and the boys wore their blue jeans and clodhopper shoes and carried your books in your arms and not in a backpack. This is a great time to reminisce about "the good old days" when life moved at a slower pace and you could actually have a verbal conversation with someone sitting next to you and did not have to "text" them, and you studied the Palmer Method of writing in school. Please make plans to come out and be a part of our sing-a-long choir and enjoy a wonderful program and have lots of great fun, food and fellowship. Bring a friend and they can join the festivities and have a good time and a memorable experience also. Hope to see you there "bright eyed and bushy tailed".

- Roy Maynor



August Birthdays

- 1 Carol Jones
Marie Nelson
Carl Pemberton
- 2 Olivia Caroline Frye
- 4 Brandon Morgan
Drake Watkins
- 5 Emmitt Adkins
Brian Brown
- 6 J.R. Carman
Paula Stewart
Seth Summers
- 7 Amy Kelly
Laura Perry
- 8 Kristi Haney
Brian Kelly
- 10 Josi Fizer
Becky Huff
Molly Lydick
Ann Williamson
- 11 Lisa Riley
- 12 Lindsey Manchester
Judy Swann
- 13 Erick Willis
- 14 Scott Collins
- 16 Jeremiah Fizer
- 17 Sandra Dowling
- 18 Pat Baisden
Karl Egnatoff
Jaycob Gooderham
- 19 Bobby Mannon
- 20 Byron Davis
Tasha Mattson
Jack Rickman
Peggy Saunders
- 21 William Brown
Ruth Ann Meadows
- 22 Meghan Dodrill
Donna Lipscomb
- 23 Jessica Chaney
Tracy Foster
- 24 Tiffany Kendrick
Tyler Marcum
- 25 Myrna Eastman
Gloria Pauley
Matthew Walker
- 27 Beth Perry
- 28 Cathy McMellon
Megan Taylor
- 29 Laurel Campbell
Renee Kessinger
- 30 Henriella Perry
Jo Ellen Willett
- 31 Fern Allred
Michele Blake
Chad Booth
Nina Boso
Wylie Jeffrey, Jr.
Darlene Kendrick

September Newsletter deadline

Wednesday, August 23

Email your news items to
newbaptist2008@gmail.com



- 03 Bob & Karen Adams
Lee & Jennifer Adams
Scott & Michele Blake
- 05 Jeremy and Gina Gooderham
- 07 Brandon & Michelle Morgan
- 10 Mark & Carla Booth
Pete & Anita Jones
Jim & Ann Spurlock
- 11 Emmitt & Dolores Adkins
- 12 Jay & Rebecca Powers
- 18 Glen & Karen Dailey
- 19 James & Rosella Tobey
- 22 Larry & Mary Baker
- 23 Byron & Marion Davis
- 25 Terry & Amy Smith

New Baptist Church In Mission
August 2017

Thank You!!!

May Mission Dinner: Thank you for continuing to be a generous church. The Wednesday mission dinner in June collected \$254.00 that covered supplies used on the youth mission trip to St. Louis.

July Mission Luncheon: The mission luncheon in July collected over \$429.00 for Pastor Dasnis!

Upcoming Events: Mark your calendar now!

- **Sunday August 13** – will be our next Pastor Dasnis’ Mission Luncheon. As always all donations go toward the ministry of Pastor Dasnis’ in Ft. Liberte’ Haiti.
- **Wednesday August 30** – Will be our next mission evening service. Please join us for dinner at 5:30 then stay for the evening service at 6:30 to hear about a ministry we as a church support in our community.

Service Updates:

Food Pantry: In June the Food Pantry continued to increase in the number of families they are serving each month. It seems that every month there is more of a demand for assistance in our community. New Baptist Church has been blessed enough to continue to provide even with the increasing need, and they serve with a smile and a joyful heart. Our Food Pantry ministry continues to look for help every week but especially on the 3rd Tuesday of every month as that is the day food is delivered. If you have a truck that can help pick up the deliveries or you are willing to help unload the trucks, please see **Joyce Mannon** for details on how to become involved.

Food Pantry needs for August –
Peanut Butter
Soup
Canned Vegetables
Toiletry Items
Backpack items (Food)

In addition to the large food delivery on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, the Food Pantry is now also adding an additional box of food for 30 senior citizens each month. One month’s box included 2 grape juices, 2 tomato juices, 2 crisp rice boxes, 2 packages of spaghetti, 1 peanut butter, 2 cans of chicken, 2 milks, 1 box of dry milk, 2 spaghetti sauces, 2 carrots, 1 pear and 1 applesauce. This is just an extra way to serve our seniors in the area. The senior adult must pick up their box on the 3rd Tuesday each month to continue to receive this extra box. If they do not, they will no longer receive it and someone on the waiting list will be given the box. The Food Pantry is always looking for volunteers, but especially on the 3rd Tuesday each month.

As you are traveling this summer, please collect the small toiletry items provided in your hotel. The Food Pantry uses these in their hygiene kits. If you stay multiple days collect them each day. Donations can be dropped off at the mission display board in the back of the sanctuary.

Time to Fill the Backpacks – The Food Pantry is committed to making sure children do not go hungry on the weekend. Each week during the school year, we fill 50 bags with food for children at Highlawn Elementary. Each bag always has 8 items – 2 fruits (cups of applesauce & fruit), 2 drinks, 2 lunch items (macaroni & cheese, Spaghettios, ravioli, peanut butter), 2 breakfast items (pop-tarts & cereal). All items must be in individual packages, bags or cans. Pull tabs are best (can openers are hard for little ones to use). After the 8 items are in the bag, other items are added – chips, granola bars, pretzels, etc. With school starting August 10, we need to restock our shelves. If you can donate any of these items, it would be appreciated. 50 bags a week requires lots of help!!

Items needed:

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| Pop-tarts | Spaghettios, Ravioli, etc. |
| Mac & Cheese cups | Applesauce cups |
| Peanut butter | |
| Fruit cups | |



Thanks for your help!! Questions? See **Teresa Foster**.

New Baptist Prays for the Nations:

Nation of the Month: Bahamas



Websites with information about the Bahamas:
 Bahamas' Operation World prayer profile: <http://www.operationworld.org/baha>
 Bahamas' Prayer Cast Video: <http://www.prayercast.com/bahamas.html>
 Joshua Project Unreached People Groups: <https://joshuaproject.net/countries/BF>

If you have a country that is near and dear to your heart that you would like for us to pray for, or you would like to volunteer to lead the prayer one month please see **Abigail Harman**.

From Pastor Robin



New Baptist is having its first **MAN CAMP** September 29-30 at Parchment Valley. This retreat for men (young men 12-18 must be accompanied by an adult family member) will focus on deepening your walk with the Lord, building friendships with other men in our church, fellowship and just plain fun. In addition to time in God's Word we will be enjoying "Man Stuff".

Want to:

- Ride a trail? Bring your 4-wheeler or trail bike.
- Shoot skeet? Bring your shotgun.
- Archery? Bring your Bow and arrows.
- Take a hike? Bring your hiking shoes.
- Fish? Bring your pole.
- Take a nature hike with Tom Pauley? Be ready you never know what he will find.
- Play Disc Golf? Bring your favorite disc.

There will be plenty of other group activities and games.

One feature we are working on is the BACON ROOM. Open all the time for you to go in and fix your own bacon (it's a man thing).

The cost is \$50 and includes lodging, all meals, programming costs and unlimited bacon 😊.



We will begin Friday evening and finish with dinner on Saturday. Registration forms are available at the Welcome Desk in the foyer.

Looking forward to spending this time with the men of the church. Ladies be sure your man gets to Man Camp.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS NEEDED!



We are in need of Sunday School helpers in the **Kindergarten class** in **August** as well as a **4th and 5th grade Sunday School Teacher** for the month of **October**. Hopefully, helpers will be willing to work on a rotation bases. Please see **John Stinespring** or **Lee Boso** if you are interested or need more information.



Judy's Shawls

will meet Monday, August 7, at 6:30pm in the Bykota room. Anyone who knits or crochets or who wants to learn how is welcome to join us.

From Pastor Lee

Movin' on up!



I can't get the Jefferson's theme song out of my head as I begin this article, but although we might not be heading to a "de-luxe apartment in the sky," this is the time of year for our kids and youth to move on up to the classes represented by their grade this fall. "Promotion Sunday" will be August 13! On this day kids will move to the Sunday School class represented by their grade for the 2017/18 school year and those who are in 6-12th grades may begin attending youth group from 6-7:30pm on Sunday nights and youth PODS on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30pm.

Our mission for Children's and Youth ministries at New Baptist Church is summed up in Colossians 1:28: "Him [Christ] we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ." We desire to proclaim Christ, and then through teaching and relationships to walk together, growing in maturity in Christ. In the next chapter Paul says that those who have received Christ should be "rooted and built up in him". This Christian walk is a journey of growth, learning, and transitions to a greater maturity. I hope you will join us in celebrating our kids movin' on up towards maturity and pray for them and their parents as they move on to new stages and challenges. Maybe even consider how you can walk alongside our children, youth, or parents as they grow in their faith.

As part of our Family Life Ministry, we want to invite our whole New Baptist Church family to a Labor Day picnic on **Sunday, September 3,** at Beech Fork Lake (Marina Side). We will do a cookout after morning worship, followed by worship and a devotion, then encourage you and your family to fish, hike, swim, kayak, play, or sit and enjoy each other throughout the afternoon. Stay tuned for more details as the date approaches.



Ali Bishop, daughter of **John and Laura Bishop**, was pictured in a recent Herald-Dispatch article about free tennis clinics for beginners at the Ritter Park Tennis Center. Ali was going through a practice drill with other participants in the clinic.

Cambodia's Child Sex Industry Is Dwindling—And They Have Christians to Thank

Sek Saroeun first read the Bible at a Phnom Penh bar where young girls were illegally sold for sex. The Buddhist law student worked as a DJ at the pub while serving as an undercover informant for the human rights group International Justice Mission. He scanned the room to scope out suspects as Michael Jackson boomed over the speakers. Someone lent him a Bible which he began to read while in the DJ booth. He converted to Christianity and became one of the country's top lawyers prosecuting perpetrators of underage trafficking.

Cambodia had turned into a cheap, shabby hotbed for sex tourism in the decades after its notorious genocide and resulting civil unrest. Excited, disgusted, and afraid of being found out during his capital city spying, Sek repeated Romans 12:12 to himself: Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Over time, "fear led to longing; longing led to transformation that is unimaginable," he told colleagues a decade later, explaining how he became a Christian and the group's top lawyer in Cambodia. "God didn't just change me," said Sek. "He also changed a family, a community, a nation."

Between 2004 and 2015, Sek and his team watched the prevalence of underage girls in busy brothels, roadside massage parlors, and neon-lit karaoke bars steadily drop as they partnered with Cambodia's anti-trafficking police and social services to rescue more than 500 victims and take about 140 child sex trafficking cases to court.

The result: In 2015, underage girls composed about 2 percent of women available for commercial sex in major cities—only a quarter of their share a few years earlier. Before the project began, the Cambodian government estimated that girls under 18 accounted for as much as 30 percent of the industry.

Along rows of tiny shops, Agape International Missions has taken over brothels, turning them into a church, clinic, shelter, and factory in an effort to revitalize the once-sordid area. The community, once described as the "armpit of Cambodia," has been transformed.

meet our
NEW

Choir Director



Karen Dailey

- Married to Glen Dailey (43 years in August)
- Mother to Evan Dailey and Jenny Dailey Kisner
- Grandmother (Nana) to Mason, Sydney & Autumn
- Assistant Choir Director and member of Beulah Ann Baptist for 30+ years
- Educator with Cabell County Schools for 29+ years
- Originally from Arkansas – moved to WV to attend Marshall University (Go Herd!!)
- Loves to quilt, read and sing worship songs to our Lord!



August is a wonderful month, full of joy and excitement! From the time I was a little girl I have always looked forward to August. Shopping for the new academic school year and Promotion Sunday in my church. And yes, I realize I am in the minority with looking forward to the beginning of school! However, I am so excited that this August I have something new to be joyful and look forward to as I begin my time of fellowship, leadership and worship with the people of New Baptist Church and the Choir! It is such an honor to join you in the role of choir director and I am so looking forward to getting to know each of you!

Flexibility will be our keyword for the month as I get a handle on what works best with the church calendar and everyone's schedule. At this time, the rehearsal schedule for August will be as follows: Come when you can and invite those you would like to see in the choir!

- August 2nd, Wednesday 5:30-6:30
- August 6th, Sunday 5:30 - 6:30
- August 13th, Sunday 5:30 - 6:30
- August 20th, Sunday 5:30 - 6:30
- August 27th, Sunday 5:30 - 6:30



Instead of "Christmas in July", the choir will be invited to enjoy Christmas cookies & punch during a "Christmas in August" event to help get in the Christmas spirit while we preview the Christmas Cantata we will begin working on for December. Please be watching the bulletin and listening for announcements about this event.

I am looking forward to worshipping, fellowshiping, and singing with you all!

Blessings in His Service,
Karen Dailey

Back to school

Early one morning, a mother woke her son, who whined about having to go to school.

"Give me two reasons why you don't want to go," she said.

"Well," he complained, "the kids don't like me, and neither do the teachers!"

"Nonsense," she said. "Come get ready."

"Give me two reasons why I should go," the son protested.

"Well, for one, you're 52," she said. "For another, you're the principal!"





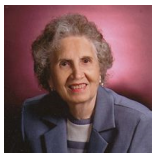
Prayer Concerns

(Please let the church office know if there are any names that need to be added or removed from the prayer concern list.)

Karen Pruitt Adams, Cheryl Adkins, Coralie Adkins, Patricia Blankenship, Marie Carter, Jim & Dorothy Castleberry, Joe Ciccarelli, Mary Clifton, Lisa Daniels, Marion Davis, Rose Davis, Sally Davis, Paulette Ellis, Bob Flanders, Phyllis Gould, Patty Green, Doug Hager, Doris Halcombe, John Hall, Josh Hammer, Minnie Harris, Allison Sheils Kays, Virginia Lawrence, Betty Maynor, John and Ruth Ann Meadows, Linda Miller, Jack Rickman, Dale Riley, Major & Lynnette Simms, Darrell Spurlock, Jim Spurlock, Raymond & Carolyn Spurlock, Julie Stinespring, Sandy Taylor, Earl & Teresa Trawick, Pat Vickers

(Pray also for our church, our community, unsaved loved ones, our military personnel, our government leaders, our country)

Deaths in Church Family



Dortha Hensley, 92, passed away on July 5, 2017. She is survived by her son, Jim Hensley and his wife and children. Dortha was a member at 20th Street Baptist for 64 years and a charter member of New Baptist Church. She was unable to come for several years.



Kathleen "Katy" Hayes, 89, passed away July 24, 2017. She is survived by her husband of 36 years, Robert "Bob" Hayes. In addition, she is survived by two sons, three stepchildren, one brother and two sisters, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Katy and Bob faithfully attended New Baptist until her illness a few years ago.



Ladies, you have an excellent opportunity to finish off your summer with some great information!

Scripture Memorization

Two local Christian women, **Vicky Tardy and Crista Hoffman**, will be presenting a **Scripture Memorization Seminar** for us on **Wednesday, August 9 from 6-8 pm**. They tell me this is a fun time with NO PRESSURE whatsoever--they will be sharing their techniques for holding God's Word in our minds and hearts. We plan to meet in the Bykota classroom and we need you to sign up at the welcome center so we have plenty of material ready for all



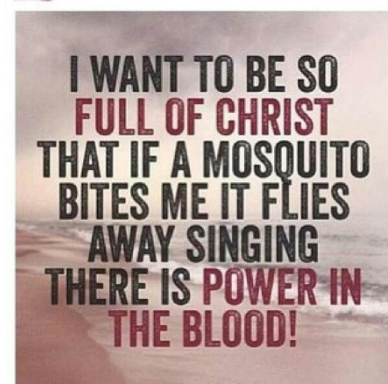
Ladies Night Out is scheduled for **Thursday, September 14**, so please mark that date on your calendar. We are working to make it a wonderful evening for you with music, testimonials, fall Bible study opportunities, a fantastic speaker, and a scrumptious meal. Watch for more information on tickets!

May our Lord's blessings abound for you as you serve Him wherever you are!

**For Good...
Dolores Adkins**

Ten ways to love

1. Listen without interrupting. (Proverbs 18)
2. Speak without accusing. (James 1:19)
3. Give without sparing. (Proverbs 21:26)
4. Pray without ceasing. (Colossians 1:9)
5. Answer without arguing. (Proverbs 17:1)
6. Share without pretending. (Ephesians 4:15)
7. Enjoy without complaint. (Philippians 2:14)
8. Trust without wavering. (Corinthians 13:7)
9. Forgive without punishing. (Colossians 3:13)
10. Promise without forgetting. (Proverbs 13:12)





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Service Hours:

Sunday

9:30 Radio Bible Class
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
Kid's Church/Nursery
5:30 Choir Practice
6:00 Youth
6:30 Evening Service

Wednesday

6:30 Prayer Meeting/Bible
Study
Children's Programming
Youth Pods

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