



BRIDGES

A Newsletter of New Baptist Church - February 2020

Visiting the Sick



As a pastor, the need to visit people in the hospital seems to come in seasons or waves. There are some weeks when I visit very few of our church family in the hospital, while

there are other times when I feel like all I do is go from one hospital to the next. After some hospital visits, I leave with an uplifted heart filled with joy and thanksgiving, while there are other times that I leave very discouraged. Just as each person is different, so is every visit.

As a follower of Jesus, I believe that we are commanded to visit the sick and even the dying. This belief is based upon the commands to love one another (John 15), and to care for those who are sick (Matthew 25 and James 5). Even if we did not have these commands from scripture, just following the example of Jesus would be sufficient instruction for us to care for those who are hurting most, because that is what He did. There are many reasons that I hear people give as to why they will not go and visit the sick or dying. Here are a couple of those:

- *"It's the pastor's job"*. Yes, as a pastor, I do have both special permission and responsibility to visit the sick, and at best I may be an example to you, but I can never be a substitute for you. You, alone, are responsible to God to follow in the ways of Jesus. It is as much my job as it is your calling.
- *"I don't like to."* When I hear this, I want to say (but don't) "well, who does?" It seems to me that one of the primary lessons that Jesus taught was that doing the will of the Father was not contingent upon if we like to do it or not. (Remember Jesus' prayer in the garden). If Jesus can endure the cross for me, surely, I can visit a person that He loves in His name.

I have also heard people say the opposite about visiting people, such as; *"The person visiting gets more from the visit than the person who is sick."* I think this is a complete lie and false advertisement.

The purpose to go and visit a person who is sick or dying is not to get something out of it, but to do an act of love. If you are getting more out of the visit than the person you are visiting, I suspect you are not visiting that person correctly. When you visit someone, it is not about you, it is about caring for that person, and yes, there is a right and wrong way to make a hospital visit. Here are just a few general "do's and don'ts" for you to keep in mind when you go and visit someone.

- Do keep visits short.
- Do seek permission to visit – either from family or ask one of our pastors who may know the person's wishes.
- Don't visit if you are sick.
- Do wash and sanitize your hands, both before and after visits. Hospitals have a lot of germs.
- Don't eat the person's food or wake the person if he or she is asleep.
- Do be patient, don't force conversation. Be sensitive to what is happening in the room and others who may be there.
- Do talk with them, enjoy small talk, let them guide the conversation. Be willing to listen when the person tells you all about his or her health concerns – which is what is on that person's mind.
- Don't treat them as a captive audience to the things you want to talk about.
- Do care for them in the Name of Jesus. If you do not pray with them, speak words of blessing upon them. "I pray that you may be well in Jesus' name."

One way that you can love people is to care for them when they are hurting. If you feel that you need help to know how to visit people or would like to be better informed as to who and where you can visit, please talk to one of our pastors.

My prayer is that we may love better.

Pastor Trent Eastman



- 1 - Eli Eagan
Duane Eastman
Debbie Harman
Warren Napier
- 2 - Chris Chaney
Curt Mann
Terry Smith
- 4 - Tyler Hampton
Ripley Haney
- 5 - Gary Norris
Amy Smith
Taryn Elise Wilson
- 7 - Alissa Stricker
- 8 - Jeremiah Cruz
- Tammy Hager
- 9 - Carrie Brown
- 10 - Suzanne McCallister
- 11 - Leigh Frye
Debbie Weston
- 13 - Mary MacClellan
- 14 - Marion Sansom
- 15 - Regan Alford
Carol Arkell
- 16 - Charles Bonecutter
C.R. Brown
- 18 - Gavin Blake
Darrell Walden
Josiah Wise
- 19 - Pattie Baxter
Charlene Kendall
- 20 - Sharon Blankenship
Dave Gatrell
Joshua Sierson
- 21 - Roger Barcus
- 22 - Jim Benson
Brittany Kendrick
Myra Lydick
Paula Omer
- 23 - Karen Dailey
Caleb Wise
- 25 - Dolores Adkins
Ezra Philip Brumfield (1st)
Lisa Caviani
- 26 - Madden Casto
Jim Daniels
Susan Skaggs
- 27 - Jean Spurlock
- 28 - Janice Mann
Betsy Wilson



Anniversaries

<i>Mark & Jo Ellen Willett</i>	<i>2/1</i>
<i>Carlyle & Sharon (Sanborn) Logan</i>	<i>2/2</i>
<i>Ron & Lisa Caviani</i>	<i>2/6</i>
<i>Raymond & Carolyn Spurlock</i>	<i>2/6</i>
<i>Ronnie & Lanna Waugh</i>	<i>2/10</i>
<i>Bret & Pam Woodall</i>	<i>2/14</i>
<i>Fred & Linda Cummings</i>	<i>2/16</i>
<i>Travis & Roberta Noble</i>	<i>2/16 (15th)</i>
<i>Justin & Bethany Cox</i>	<i>2/19</i>
<i>John & Pat Baisden</i>	<i>2/22 (45th)</i>



Are you new to New Baptist?

Have you been here a while (even a long time) and want to put names with faces of your fellow worshippers?

We encourage you to use our online church photo directory. You do not have to be a member of the church **BUT** you do need to have your information in the directory in order to be able to access it on your mobile phone or computer.

Once you download the app and create your secure password, your directory will be ready to use.

One of the great features of instant church directory is the availability for families to submit changes to their information or to even change out their family picture.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the church office.

Just a Reminder

For those who use our children's services

Please, if your child has been ill, do not bring them to kidZcity. This helps keep everyone well and allows time for your child to heal.

If you have a question about when it is best to return to kidZcity, check with your pediatrician or you can call me to check on our policy.

Please refrain from allowing your child to visit kidZcity if they have been diagnosed with flu, diarrhea, viruses, and bacterial infections or had a temperature in the last 48 hours prior to our service times.

Debbie Harman



Join with us in reading through the Bible each year. Spend time daily with God. Learn to listen for that still, small voice. Get to know the one who loves you more than you will ever know.

Reading through the Bible

Reading the Bible through is a goal we encourage you to make each year. For many of you this is a yearly goal and now a habit. As a church, we want to honor your commitment even if it takes more than a year to complete by giving you a pin for the year in which you completed reading the Bible through. If you completed the Bible in 2019, I hope you have contacted the church office so we can include you when we present the pins later this month.

Reading is important and I want you to continue to do so. Let me share with you how to take your reading to a deeper level. I use a journal and each day after I have read I choose a verse or couple of verses that really spoke to me that morning. In the journal, I use the S.O.A.P. method.

(S)cripture – I write out those verses that spoke to me on the page

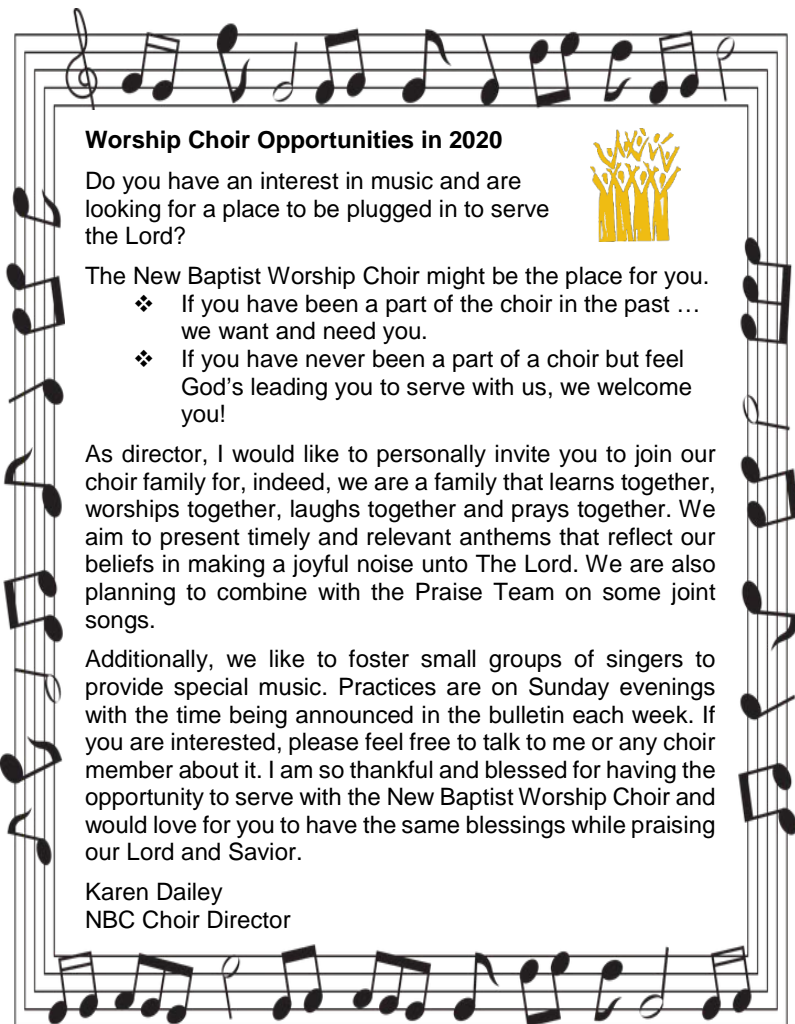
(O)bservation – I write down what I observe happening in this verse or verses. It might also be a spiritual observation.

(A)pplication – Here I respond to the question, “How will I be different because of what I just read?”

(P)rayer – write out a prayer for the day.

As you do this, you will find your relationship with the Lord growing deeper and deeper. Some have asked what this looks like. In response I have renewed my blog where I post each day (unless it is too personal) my journal. You can find my blog at www.rlcrouch.wordpress.com. I titled it Crouch’s Corner and you can read why that title on the blog. Please excuse the ads - they come with the free site and I have no control over them.

My prayer is that your life will be transformed as you spend time reading and meditating on God’s Word. Let me know if I can help. I am glad to do so.

Worship Choir Opportunities in 2020

Do you have an interest in music and are looking for a place to be plugged in to serve the Lord?

The New Baptist Worship Choir might be the place for you.

- ❖ If you have been a part of the choir in the past ... we want and need you.
- ❖ If you have never been a part of a choir but feel God’s leading you to serve with us, we welcome you!

As director, I would like to personally invite you to join our choir family for, indeed, we are a family that learns together, worships together, laughs together and prays together. We aim to present timely and relevant anthems that reflect our beliefs in making a joyful noise unto The Lord. We are also planning to combine with the Praise Team on some joint songs.

Additionally, we like to foster small groups of singers to provide special music. Practices are on Sunday evenings with the time being announced in the bulletin each week. If you are interested, please feel free to talk to me or any choir member about it. I am so thankful and blessed for having the opportunity to serve with the New Baptist Worship Choir and would love for you to have the same blessings while praising our Lord and Savior.

Karen Dailey
NBC Choir Director

Ladies’ Bible Studies

Your winter blues will melt away like snowflakes on a warm day in February when you allow the Lord to speak to you through His Word - and ladies at New Baptist Church have several choices this winter.

Wednesday mornings – 9:30am

- *Jonah* (by Priscilla Shirer) – led by Suzanne McCallister; Radio Bible Class room
- *What Love Is* (by Kelly Minter) – led by Barbara Meek, Gail Kelly and Lois Merritt; Bykota Class room

Wednesday evenings - 6:30pm

- *Jonah* – led by Paula Holley; Radio Bible Class room
- *What Love Is* – led by Lisa Daniels; Bykota Class room
- *The Faithful* (a Bible study for younger ladies/moms) – led by Katelyn Mann; College Class room

Even though all these classes started in January, you are more than welcome to join at any time. In the midst of whatever you are going through, let God’s Word comfort and guide you always.

But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. – 1 Corinthians 15:57

For Good,
Dolores Adkins



MISSION TRIP

I'm excited to announce our summer 2020 Youth Mission Trip. This year we will be heading to Chattanooga Tennessee from June 7-13 to partner with Mission Serve to do construction projects. This trip will give us the opportunity to work alongside other youth groups and local

volunteers to build ramps, paint, and do roofing projects. We will also get to enjoy daily worship and teaching. The cost to students will be \$200 and we will be doing a couple of fundraisers throughout the spring to cover transportation and additional project costs.

Every year when we plan trips I am reminded how this is a community action of people praying, sending, and serving in order for us to partner with people to serve and show God's love to the world. Mission trips are great opportunities for students to encounter God at work as they meet new people and hear their stories, a chance to grow in faith and greater dependence on God as they are moved outside their comfort zone, and a chance to share their experiences with our faith community and friends as they return, giving a witness to how they have seen God at work.

I hope you will join with us in praying for participants and leaders and for the people that we will encounter. Thanks for your support and prayers!

Pastor Lee<><



New Address:

Mark & Jo Ellen Willett
328 Private Drive 574
Proctorville OH 45669

Judy's Shawls will meet on Monday, **February 3, 4:30pm** in the Bykota Class room.



New Men's Bible Study
Discipleship

Started Wednesday, January 29

Leaders: Matthew Walker & Andrew Dutton



**Sunday,
February 23, 2020**

Planning for the future is hard when you're still paying for the past! Listen—there's a better way!

Join our **Financial Peace University** class, and we'll learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future . . . together!

Interested? Join us at **New Baptist Church** starting **Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 6:00pm.**

Feel free to message me your questions or sign up at fpu.com/1106365 ! Contact JohnBaisden53@gmail.com or 304-972-9050 (cell). **Preview night: March 17, 2020, 6:00pm.**



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New Baptist Church

610 28th Street
Turn right at Speedway on 5th Ave

FRIDAY, FEB. 28

6:30PM – 9:00PM



Women's Camp 2020
Official Registration Form
Join us March 27-29, at the
WV Baptist Camp at Cowen!

\$45 for the Weekend*, includes all meals, housing & a t-shirt!

Please join us for a wonderful weekend uniting generations of women ages 18 or older as we focus on sharing the story God has given us!

Name: _____ Phone Number: (____)____-_____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Email Address: _____

Special needs, request for handicap facilities, food allergies: Yes No

If yes, what: _____

Church: _____ Prefer to share housing with: _____

Do you give your permission for photographs to be taken during the camp and used for promotional purposes? Yes No

For Office Use:
 Date Received: ____/____/____
 Total Camp Fee: \$ _____
 Balance Due: \$ _____
 Fee Paid by Individual: \$ _____
 Check #: _____ Check #: _____
 Fee Paid by Church: \$ _____
 Check #: _____ Check #: _____
 Scholarship Needed? Yes/No

Priority Registration: March 13, 2020
 *\$45 if received by March 13, 2020 or \$50 at the door.
 Register by March 6, 2020 to be guaranteed a t-shirt.

Please Mail Registrations to:
 Women's Camp Registrar
 3073 Wallace Circle
 Huntington, WV 25705

Please make checks payable to WVBC.
 If you have any questions or concerns, please call
 304-531-5466 or email womenscampwv@gmail.com.


East Huntington Kiwanis


Pancake Festival

SATURDAY
MARCH 21, 2020 7am-6pm

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH
 610 28th Street East Huntington, WV

Donation: \$6.00 Advance | \$7.00 at Door



WIN
 a Tires from Tic Toc Tires!

RAFFLES!!

Tickets Available at Tic Toc Tires, Chandler's Plywood, Muffler Brothers, Service Glass, Spurlock's Flowers, Coopers Glass Guyandotte, Village Floral & Gifts of Proctorville, New Baptist Church or any East Huntington Kiwanis Member.





Debit



Prayer Concerns



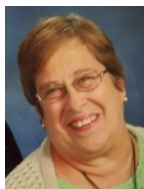
(Please let the church office know if there are any names that need to be added or removed from the prayer concern list.)

Church Family and Friends:

Karen Pruitt Adams, Chelcie & Coralie Adkins, Jenny Benson, Susan Black, Tom & Laura Blake, Ed Bowling, Dorothy Castleberry, Mary Clifton, Jack Cook, Chelsea Caldwell Courts, Lisa Daniels, Rose Davis, Sally Davis, Kenneth Fetty, Tracy Foster, Patty Green, Doris Halcombe, Ripley Haney, Minnie Harris, Bill Herrold, David High, Anna Holstein, John Hovey, Linda Hutchinson, Scott Jackson, Derek & Megan Justice, Bill Lapole, Virginia Lawrence, Judson Maverick Maynard, Roy Maynor, Sam McClure, Linda Miller, Michelle Morgan, Mary Coughenour Murphy, Grace Napier, Barbara Pauley, Carl Pemberton, Sr., Jerry Powers, Jack Rickman, Amy Sacre, Marion Sansom, Peggy Saunders, Major & Lynnette Simms, Keith & Bonnie Simpkins, Jim Spurlock, Linda Spurlock, Raymond & Carolyn Spurlock, Judy Swann, Grover Tadlock, Sandy Taylor, Earl & Teresa Trawick, Pat Vickers, Dave Watkins, Nolice White, Mary Lee Wilkes, Mark Willett, Sharon Wimmer, The Family of Pearl Stevenson (David Stevenson's mother)

Additional Prayer Items: our church, our community, our military personnel, our government leaders, our country, unsaved loved ones

Death in the Church Family:



Jane E. Napier, 71, of Huntington WV, passed away on Friday, January 17, 2020. Jane was a retired nurse from St. Mary's Medical Center. She was a charter member of New Baptist Church and was very active in the Ladies Prayer Shawl Ministry. Jane was past President of the V.F.W. Post 6878 Ladies Auxiliary and former Treasurer and Past President of Beta Sigma Pi Sorority. She is survived by her husband, Warren; one son, Joe (Chris) Napier of Florida; as well as other close relatives and friends.



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Rev. Lee Boso
(leeboso@gmail.com)

Rev. Robin Crouch
(rlcrouch1948@gmail.com)

Service Hours:

Sunday

9:30 Radio Bible Class
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
Kid's Church/Nursery
4:30 Choir Practice
6:00 Awana (Sept. – May)
Youth
6:30 Evening Service

Wednesday

9:30 Ladies' Bible Studies
6:30 Ladies' Bible Studies
Men's Bible Study
Prayer Meeting/Bible
Study
Children's Choir
Youth Pods

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH
610 28TH STREET
HUNTINGTON WV 25702

SENIOR HIGH CONVENTION

February 21-23, 2020

μιμούμαι /mim-eh'-om-ahee/
verb. 1. to imitate, emulating a mentor or
example. (see also: μιμηται τοῦ θεοῦ
"imitators of God")
Usage: I imitate, I follow Christ's example.
ref: John 14:12

Gassaway Baptist Church Gassaway WV

Speaker: Michael Distefano

Band: Profound Revival

A great weekend for worship, teaching and fun with other
believers from around the state.