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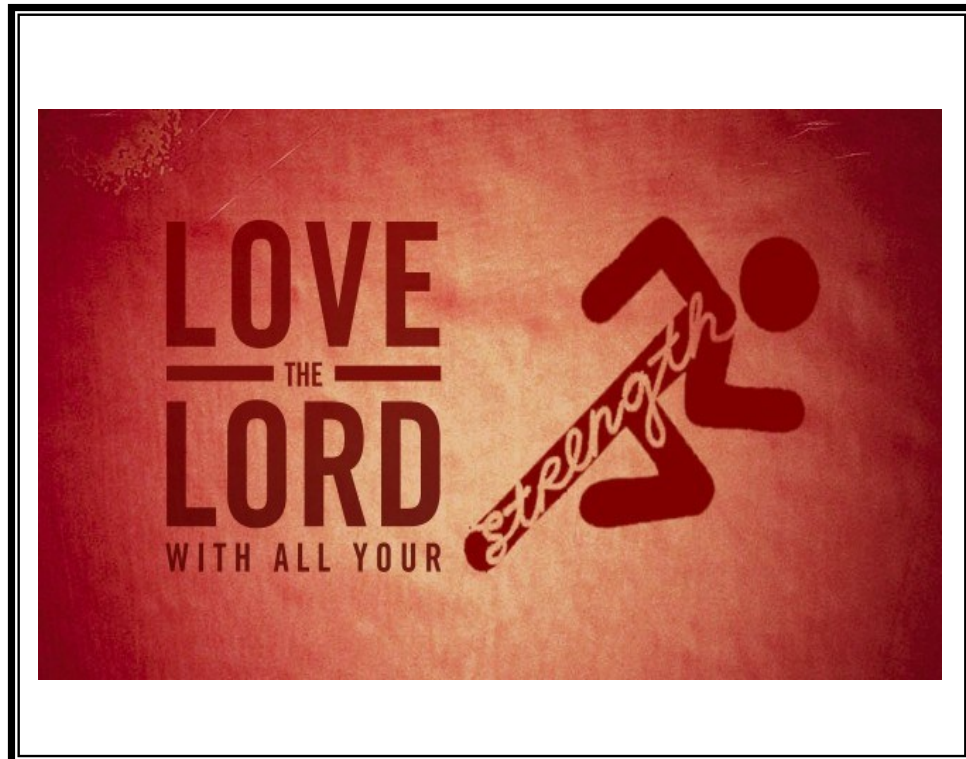
*Baptist Church*

*... Where a warm welcome is just the Beginning...*

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**The Banner**

January 24, 2023



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**JANUARY 29**

**11:00am**

**In Person & Live Stream**

**“With All Your Strength”**

Matthew 6:19-24

Listen to [sermon recordings](http://www.abingdonbaptist.org/sermon_recordings) at  
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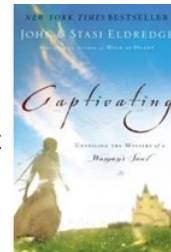
*From Our Pastor . . .*

**Follow God Wholeheartedly in 2023** – I am resolved to follow God wholeheartedly in 2023. I will work hard with God’s help and with you to keep this resolution not only for myself but for our church.

This Sunday, we will consider Jesus’ command to love God “with all your strength.” Our strength includes all our physical abilities as well as our possessions and money. How we use our physical abilities and resources is an outward indication of what we truly believe. As Jesus said, “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also” (Mt 6:21). We must submit all of our physical strength and all of our physical possessions to the Lord as we use them to love Him and others self-sacrificially. I look forward to seeing you in-person or on live-stream as we worship this Sunday and pursue our resolution together to serve God wholeheartedly in 2023 and beyond.

**Captivating: Unveiling the Mystery of a Woman’s Soul**

All ladies are invited to join in this new and inspirational Bible Study that will be led by Deborah Bryan. The first meeting will be on **Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:30pm** in the church **Conference Room**. If you are interested in learning more about this study, please contact Deborah. To sign up for the study, please contact Trina in the church office at (276) 739-8126. Understanding God’s plan for each of us as His unique creations is imperative as we seek to follow God wholeheartedly.



**Valentine’s Banquet Time Change**

Due to some scheduling issues, it was necessary to move our Valentine’s Banquet to **Saturday, February 4 at 6:00pm** in our Fellowship Hall. If you have already made your reservation and this date change

presents a problem, please call Trina in the church office. Otherwise, we will assume you are coming on February 4<sup>th</sup>. If you have not yet made your reservation, please contact Trina so that we can get an accurate count for the meal. We will enjoy lasagna with salad, bread, drink, and dessert. We will also enjoy some Valentine music as well as some other fun and activities for all ages. Tickets are \$10/adult and \$5/child.



**Scouting for Food** – In support of Cub Scout Pack 20, which meets at our church, we will participate again this year in the Scouting for Food program to help feed those in need. If you would like to drop off your donated non-perishable food items to the scouts, you may do so on either **Saturday, February 4** or **Saturday, February 11 from noon to 3pm**. They will receive your donations on our northeast parking lot near the covered drive-through. We will also have collection boxes at the back sanctuary entry and near the door to the church office.

# F.Y.I...

## Deacon of the Month - January

John Looney 423-742-0708



### § SUNDAY SCHOOL

Attendance for Sunday, January 22  
In-person/Zoom Study Groups - 115

### § Extended Session Workers January 29, 2023

Carrie Trivett & Mary Garrett

### § Worship Technicians:

Jerry Culberson  
Laura Harris  
Sid Lanier  
Ray Minor  
Amanda Perry  
Tony Roberts  
Cathy Shelton  
Mel Shelton

### § Car Ministry January 29 - Kevin Abel 276-698-4710

### § Financial Update January 22, 2023

### § Budget Funds

Weekly Budget Needs	\$9,306.00
Received 01/22/2023	\$8,151.78
YTD Total Expenses	\$34,014.60
YTD Total Receipts	\$44,772.78

§ <b>Building Fund</b>	
To-date	\$100,860.99

§ <b>Lottie Moon Christmas Offering</b>	
To-date	\$8,432.80
Goal	\$8,000.00

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### SUNDAY January 29

9:45am Sunday School  
*In-Person/Zoom*

11:00am Worship In-person or  
Livestream Worship  
*Facebook, YouTube, Vimeo*

### TUESDAY January 31

12:00pm Pastors Study Group - Revelation  
*Fellowship Hall*

### WEDNESDAY February 1

4:30pm Ladies Bible Study  
*Conference Room*

5:00pm Fellowship Supper

### Menu: Hotdogs, baked beans, homemade chili chips, assorted desserts

5:30pm New Horizons Class

6:00pm Children's Music (grades K-5)  
Youth Group (grades 6-12)

Adult Bible Study  
"Jesus' Temptation"  
Luke 4:1-13; Mt.4:1-11

*Chapel*

6:45pm Children's Missions with Carrie  
Youth Missions with Lisa

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
*Choir Room*

### SATURDAY February 4

12:00pm Scouting for Food  
*Church Parking Lot*

6:00pm Valentines Dinner  
*Fellowship Hall*

### We start streaming at 10:45am

Tune in to check your connection  
and to prepare for Worship  
Service will begin at 11:00am



Full in-person or Livestream Worship.  
Doors open at 10:45am

# *Prayer Concerns*

**Hospital:**  
NHC

Becky Corvin

**Recuperating:**

Dana Duncan

**Treatments Continuing/Pending:**

Nick Abel, Nadine Culberson, Lendy Dunaway, Tristan Duncan, Carole Fuller, Lee Garrett, Denise Gobble, Bill Hedrick, Harold Jackson, Hunter Land, Karen Lane, Scyrethia Mullins, Rita Reynolds, Press Stanley, Joyce Vanover.

**Long Term:**

Barbara Back, Ainsley Berry, Curtis Burkett, Barbara Compton, Barbara Dunn, Richard Foil, Wayne Hayter, Bruce Hicks, Wayne McCall, Karen McMurray, George Owens, John Seymour, Park Shropshire, Earl Sleeper, Rachel Stout.


**Independent Living/Retirement/Assisted Care & Rehab Facilities:**

Joe Campbell, Jan Derting, Harold & Masel Dunaway, Jimmy Hughes, Christine Kohr, Genevive McCall, Virginia Moore, Sue Munsey, Joanna Owens, Margaret Roe, Howard Smith.

**Homebound:**

Renva Gunter, Jim Jones, Grace Kiser, Dale Orfield, Shirley Turner.

**Homebound of the Week**  
**Virginia Moore**

	<p>This week we want to lift up <b>Patrol C. Huddleston</b> Abingdon Police Department <b>Robert Blankenship</b> <b>Robert Boothe</b> Washington County Sherriff's Dept.</p>
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*Birthdays*  
*of the*  
*Month*

Tuesday, January 31

- Tony Roberts

Wednesday, February 1

- Masel Dunaway

Saturday, February 4

- Lois Lavery

	<p><i>Welcome</i> <i>to our</i> <b>New Member</b></p> <p><b>Jenny Rich</b> 265 Gillespie Dr. Abingdon, VA 24210 <i>joined by letter (1/15/23)</i></p>
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Continued from Pastor Bill...

If you would like to donate money instead of non-perishable items, please mark your envelope for "Stone Soup." If giving by check, please make it out to ABC and on the "for" line designate it to "Stone Soup." If giving online, please select the "Stone Soup Food Pantry" giving option in the drop-down menu on the Giving page. We will ensure that both your food items and monetary contributions are passed on to EFIA so that together we can help those in need in our community.



**Dr. Wayne Faison, BGAV Executive Director to Speak** – On **Sunday, February 5 at 6pm**, we will host a gathering of area churches in our sanctuary to hear from Dr. Wayne Faison, our newly elected Executive Director for the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV).

Dr. Faison, who currently serves as National Coordinating Officer for BGAV's Ascent team, has served in several leadership positions on BGAV's staff for the past 21 years. He has 13 years of pastoral experience, including his current role as Senior Pastor of East End Baptist Church in Suffolk, VA. Prior to his call to ministry, Faison spent 15 years as a leader in the banking industry. He holds a Doctor of Ministry degree in Black Church Leadership from the School of Theology, a Master of Divinity degree in Missions, Evangelism, and Church Growth from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, a mini-MBA from the University of Richmond, and a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics from the University of Florida. He is married to Carmen Clark Faison, and they have two adult children, Andrea and Chasity. Commenting on his new role, he said, "I'm so excited to be given this opportunity to serve. It is certainly a calling from God to advance His Kingdom. I'm very grateful for the Executive Search Committee and the Executive Board being obedient to God in this critical moment for BGAV/Ascent."

*Bill*

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#### **Trauma Informed Church Retreat**

On March 31-April 1, Woman's Missionary Union will be hosting a retreat for both men & women at CrossRoads Camp and Conference Center to offer training on becoming a trauma informed church. This training is an opportunity to reflect on how our church can help individuals who are dealing with trauma in all its forms. How can we help people of all ages feel safe in our church? How can we offer hope and care to our community? These are some of the topics that will be addressed during this retreat and resources will also be provided by the organizations that will be presenting at the retreat. There will also be a mental health first aid training available on Friday, March 31 from 9 am-5 pm for an additional cost. There is limited space for the mental health first aid training so early sign up is recommended. The cost is \$140-160. If you are interested or would like more information, see Lisa. You may sign up through the church office.

Ministers			Entire Congregation
Pastor	bbryan@abingdonbaptist.org	ext. 32	Rev. Dr. Bill Bryan
Minister of Music & Worship	showell@abingdonbaptist.org	ext. 23	Mr. Shawn Howell
Minister To Students	lwolfe@abingdonbaptist.org	ext. 24	Rev. Lisa Wolfe
Administrative Assistant	tvickers@abingdonbaptist.org	ext. 21	Mrs. Trina Vickers
Children's Ministry Assistant	ctrivett@abingdonbaptist.org		Miss Carrie Trivett
Church Organist			Mrs. Carol Clifton
Church Pianist			Mrs. Rose Payne

A church with a world mission and a world program in association with the Lebanon Baptist Association, Baptist General Association of Virginia, Southern Baptist Convention, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, and Baptist World Alliance.

Church office hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 5:00pm, Friday 9:00-12:00pm

**Phone: 276/628-8126**

PRAYER LINE: extension 42, FAX: 276/628-5743

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