



ABINGDON

*Baptist Church*

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

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**The Banner**

April 16, 2024



**THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 21**

**Rev. Don Davidson**, former Pastor of First Baptist Alexandria, VA and former President of the BGAV, will be our guest preacher during the morning worship service.

**THIS MONDAY, APRIL 22**

The **Virginia Baptist Male Chorale** will be in concert in our sanctuary at 7:00pm.



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**APRIL 21**  
**11:00am**  
**In Person & Live Stream**

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**Don Davidson**  
Guest Preacher

Listen to [sermon recordings](http://www.abingdonbaptist.org/sermon-recordings) at  
[www.abingdonbaptist.org](http://www.abingdonbaptist.org)

**On Mission** – In last Sunday’s sermon, I gave a challenge to our church to be on mission. I have spoken to the Council of Deacons about this need in our body. We do an excellent job of praying for and giving to missions, but I feel God calling us to be more engaged in going out to do missions. In that regard, I have proposed four mission possibilities for us to consider.

Of course, going on mission means that we must deny ourselves, take up our crosses, and follow Jesus to serve others self-sacrificially in His name. We must make going on mission a priority in our schedules, plans, and personal budgets.

Below are the On-Mission opportunities that I have presented to our deacons. God is calling us to go out on mission with Him. With which of these possibilities is God touching your heart? We can pick one or more, but we need to begin. Would you be willing to make the sacrifice to go on mission? If you are interested and feel God calling you to one of these mission efforts, please let me know so that we can pray and explore together the way God may be opening for us to go together on mission with Him.

- **Alderson Ministerial Association** in Alderson, WV – Our On-Mission Team will work on home repair projects (e.g., handicapped ramps, roof repairs, etc.) and possibly support local VBS ministry. Cost is estimated to be about \$300 per person which would cover transportation, housing, meals, and materials for a five-day trip.
- **Belize** – Our On-Mission Team will travel to Punta Gorda, Belize to work with Victor Hernandez at Toledo Faith Outreach Christian Center (TFOCC). Possible ministries include conducting VBS in remote villages and at the center. Weeks for travel this year are July 6-13, July 13-20, July 27-August 3. The overall cost is estimated to be about \$1,600 per person. Other churches from Lebanon Baptist Association are planning to go, and we may be able to join with these teams.
- **France** – Our On-Mission Team will work with a SBC missionary couple whose ministry is focused on Muslims living in inner-city Paris. There is also the possibility of ministry in Marseille distributing Bibles and talking with Muslims as they depart to or arrive from North Africa. The cost for this trip is estimated to be around \$2,500 per person.
- **Brazil** – Our On-Mission Team will work with Rick & Jill Thompson, who are home folks for us. Jill is the namesake of our Audrey and Jill Circle. Rick & Jill regularly host teams from the US to do evangelism, discipleship, and prayer walking. The cost of this trip would be about \$1,700 per person.



**Rev. Don Davidson** – This **Sunday, April 21** Rev. Don Davidson will be our **guest preacher** during morning worship. Don is a retired BGAV pastor who last served as pastor of First Baptist Church of Alexandria. He previously served as president of the Baptist General Association of Virginia, was a trustee for New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and served on the boards of both Hopetree Family Services of Virginia and Guidestone Financial Resources. Don will bring the sermon that God has laid on his heart for our congregation.

# F.Y.I...

## Deacon of the Month - April

Tony Roberts 276-698-6319

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL & WORSHIP

Attendance for Sunday, April 14  
 Sunday School & Bible Study - 105  
 Worship Service - 146  
 Wednesday Adult Bible Study - 33

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### Extended Session Workers

April 14, 2024

Carrie Trivett & Charlene Phelps

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### Worship Technicians:

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

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### Car Ministry

April 21

Tony Roberts 276-698-6319

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### Financial Update

April 14, 2024

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### Budget Funds

Weekly Budget Needs	\$9,306.00
Received 04/14/24	\$9,016.21
YTD Total Expenses	\$168,808.00
YTD Total Receipts	\$154,112.87

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### Building Fund

To-date \$100,860.99

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### Annie Armstrong Offering

To-date \$7,890.00  
 Goal \$7,000.00



## CHURCH CALENDAR

**FRIDAY April 26**

6:00pm High School Senior Banquet  
 Fellowship Hall

**SUNDAY April 21**

9:45am Sunday School  
 In-Person/Zoom

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

**MONDAY April 22**

7:00pm VA Baptist Male Chorale Concert  
 Sanctuary

**WEDNESDAY April 24**

5:00pm Fellowship Meal Fellowship Hall  
**Taco Salad, Assorted Desserts**

5:30pm New Horizons Class Eagle Wings  
 Childrens Missions 1-3rd Classroom  
 Youth Missions Youth Room

6:00pm Combined Adult/Common Ground/  
 Youth Bible Study  
 Chapel

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
 Choir Room



To call in by telephone to listen to our Sunday morning Worship each week:  
 Call: (929) 205 6099#  
 ID: 884 1759 5846#  
 Participate ID #  
 Passcode: 504940#

## Gifts...

Have been given in memory of:

...Jake & Shirley Turner

...Ray Duncan

### SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

**May 14, 2024 - Smokies Baseball Game**  
 Relaxation, Shopping, Dining & Baseball  
 \$54.00 per person

**Oct. 8-11, 2024 - Lancaster Express**

Single	\$1,082.00
Double	\$ 857.00
Triple	\$ 782.00
Quad	\$ 757.00



*Seats still available*  
 Call or stop by the church office to reserve your spot

# *Prayer Concerns*

## Hospital:

### Treatments Continuing/Pending:

Terry Christian, Nadine Culberson, Lendy Dunaway, Tristan Duncan, Denise Gobble, Wayne Hayter, Bill Hedrick, Harold Jackson, Hunter Land, Karen Lane, Scyrethia Mullins, Joel Piazza, Rita Reynolds, Bill Roark, Press Stanley, Joyce Vanover.

### Long Term:

Barbara Back, Easton Ball, Ainsley Berry, Curtis Burkett, Barbara Compton, Barbara Dunn, Chris Dye, Richard and Sue Foil, Lee Garrett, Bruce Hicks, Bob Jerrell, Wayne McCall, Karen McMurray, Kevin Mullins, George Owens, Linda Pugh, John Seymour, Park Shropshire, Earl Sleeper, Rachel Stout, Stephanie Wywill.

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

Linda Belise, Joe Campbell, Mary Davis, Orville Davis, Jan Derting, Harold Dunaway, Masel Dunaway, Renva Gunter, Trula Harris, Christine Kohr, Virginia Moore, Sue Munsey, Joanna Owens, Margaret Roe, Bill Roark, Howard Smith.

## Homebound:

Jim Jones, Grace Kiser, Dale Orfield, Collette Taylor.

### **Homebound of the Week Joanna Owens**



This week we want to lift up  
**Patrol Officer C. Dea**  
Abingdon Police Department  
**Robert Booth**  
**Christopher Brady**  
Washington County Sherriff's Dept



Wednesday, May 1

- Bill Bryan

Saturday, May 4

- Jane Moore
- Sylvia Litwin

*Dear pastor Bryan and church members and friends I wanted to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude for all the kindness and support shown to me and my family during the difficult time following my mom's passing. your thoughtful gestures prayers and condolences have brought us comfort and strength. From the beautiful flowers, and delicious meals and from the visits to the heartfelt messages, every act of kindness has been a testament of love and compassion that defines mom's church community. Thank you for being a shining example of faith and support during our darkest hour. We are privileged to have such a great church community of support during and after the passing of both our parents. We can't thank you enough.*

*With sincere appreciation from  
the Turner family and the Jordan family.*

Continued from Pastor Bill...

Before sharing the message, Don will also briefly speak about his current passion, **Mission Dignity**. This program of Guidestone Financial Resources helps meet the financial plight of many of our retired pastors who have faithfully served for years. Many of them have pastored churches without the benefit of a retirement fund or have opted out of participating in Social Security benefits as “self-employed” workers. In some cases, these pastors are already at “home with the Lord” but have left behind widows without adequate financial support. You will want to consider prayerfully your possible participation with prayers and financial support for this ministry of compassion to our retired pastors and their widows.

**Virginia Baptist Male Chorale Concert – Next Monday, April 22 at 7pm**  
the Virginia Baptist Male Chorale will be in concert in our church sanctuary. The chorale consists of Baptist music leaders from various churches across Virginia and North Carolina. These dedicated musicians come together to share their passion for choral music. The chorale performs at various venues, including churches, concerts, and special events. Their concerts are a blend of sacred and secular music, showcasing the rich tradition of male choral singing. Whether you’re a music enthusiast or simply appreciate harmonious melodies, the Virginia Baptist Male Chorale is sure to captivate your ears with their soul-stirring performances. Our own Shawn Howell and Parke Deans are members of this wonderful group.

**Noisy Bucket Offering Coming April 28** – On **Sunday, April 28** our children and youth will collect a “noisy bucket” offering as part of our morning worship service. We invite you to bring your loose change and make a joyful noise unto the Lord as is goes in the bucket. We will also accept silent offerings of folding money as well! Donations this month will go to support our ministry with Faith in Action.

*Bill*



SANCTUARY FLOWERS  
APRIL 14, 2024  
GIVEN BY JIM & REDA JONES  
IN HONOR OF  
BEATRICE JONES BIRTHDAY

**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

**Reda Jones**  
Transfer of membership  
From Souls Harbour  
4/14/24

Ministers			Entire Congregation
Pastor	bbryan@abingdonbaptist.org	ext. 32	Rev. Dr. Bill Bryan
Minister of Music/Worship & Young/Median Adults	showell@abingdonbaptist.org		Mr. Shawn Howell
Minister To Students	lwolfe@abingdonbaptist.org		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**

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