



THE BANNER

September 8, 2026

Issue 36

The background of the poster is a photograph of a mountain range at sunrise or sunset, with a large, bright sun low on the horizon, casting a warm orange glow over the landscape.

HOPE RISING
...THE HOPE TO WHICH GOD HAS CALLED YOU
EPHESIANS 1:18

**ALMA HUNT
OFFERING**
for Virginia Missions

SEPTEMBER 13-20, 2026 | ALMAHUNT.ORG
OUR CHURCH GIVING GOAL:

 **BGAV**
Baptist General Association of Virginia

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HERMITAGE MISSIONS SOCIETY

\$5,000



S U N D A Y	SEPTEMBER 13	W O R S H I P
	11:00am	
	In Person & Live Stream	
	“The Marks of Maturity”	
	Book of James	
	Guest Speaker	
	Pastor Allen Jesse	
	Listen to sermon recordings at www.abingdonbaptist.org	



Discovering Abingdon Baptist Church

On Sunday, September 20 at noon following our morning worship service there will be a luncheon in Fellowship Hall for new members, those attending Sunday School or Worship, or those simply wanting to know more about the ministries of our church. You will be blessed by meeting new friends, enjoying a great meal, hearing from our Ministry Team, taking a tour of our facility, and having an opportunity to ask questions. If you would like to join us for this event, **please RSVP to Trina** at the church office on (276) 628-8126 or by email at tvickers@abingdonbaptist.org no later than Wednesday, September 16.

Deacon Election

Deacon Election 2026 – It is once again time for our church to elect deacons. The deacon nomination and election process is underway.

Nomination Procedure – Nominations will be received from now until Sunday, September 13 at noon. You may nominate someone by completing a Deacon Nomination Form, which is available in the church office and at the sanctuary entryways. **Your completed Nomination Form should be returned to Pastor Bill in person or dropped-off at the church office no later than noon on Sunday, September 13.** The pastor will add each qualified nominee to the slate of candidates. Please note that the following deacons rotate off this year, and they are not eligible for re-election until next year: Roger Garrett, George Hodnett, Mike Overstreet, Matt Perry, and Stewart Spradlin. We thank them for their service over the past three years.

Election Procedure – The slate of deacon nominees will be published in *The Banner* the week of September 14. **We will hold an election at a called church business meeting on Sunday, September 27** immediately following our morning worship service. Deacons, including the newly elected ones, will meet after the business meeting to elect officers for the coming year. Results of the deacon election will be announced in *The Banner* the following week. Those elected will begin serving on October 1, 2026.

F.Y.I...

Deacon of the Month – September
Roy Morelock (276) 356-5129

SUNDAY SCHOOL & WORSHIP

Attendance for Sunday, September 6
Sunday School & Bible Study - 78
Worship Service - 147
Wednesday - 32
Dinner Church - 22

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Worship Technicians:

Tim Barnett
Jerry Culberson
Laura Harris
Paxton Matney
Ray Minor
Amanda Perry
Tony Roberts
Cathy Shelton
Mel Shelton

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Extended Session Workers

September 13, 2026

Holly Stiltner & Helper

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Car Ministry

September 13, 2026

Kevin Abel 276-698-4710

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Financial Update

September 6, 2026

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Budget Funds

Weekly Budget Needs	\$10,992.00
Received 9/6/26	\$14,844.00
YTD Total Receipts	\$344,281.74
YTD Total Expenses	\$363,985.00

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Alma Hunt Mission Offering

To-date	\$650.00
Goal	\$5,000.00



SUNDAY

9:45am

September 13

Sunday School

In-Person/Zoom

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

MONDAY

10:00am

September 14

Ladies Canasta & Fellowship
1-3rd Classroom

WEDNESDAY

5:00pm Fellowship Meal

September 16

Fellowship Hall

Breakfast, Assorted Desserts

5:30pm Youth *Youth Room*

6:00pm Adult Bible Study *Chapel*

Team Kid *Ext. Session Rm*

Young Adult Circle *Common Ground*

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *Choir Rm*

THURSDAY

6:00pm

September 17

Dinner Church

Abingdon Terrace Apts.



On Friday, September 4
ABC Youth partnered with
the Rhea Valley chapter of
the Boys and Girls Club of
the Mountain Empire to
pack personal care items to
be distributed at
Faith in Action.



Prayer Concerns

Hospital:

Treatments Continuing/Pending:

Terry Christian, Kelly Davis, Cindy Farmer, Denise Gobble, Joel Piazza, Angie Smith.

Long Term:

Barbara Back, Geraldine Belcher, Ainsley Berry, Curtis Burkett, Kylee Coleman, Barbara Compton, Debbie Crigger, Geraldine Culberson, Barbara Dunn, Allen Garrett, Lee Garrett, Barbara Gillespie, Karen Hand, Kenna Henderson, Bruce Hicks, Ron Hicks, Sarah Johnson, Paulina Joyce, Kevin Leonard, Conner Mays, Wayne McCall, Karen McMurray, Julia Newkirk, George Owens, Ronnie Perkins, Joel Piazza, Charlie Pickle, Joyce Powers, Paul Rich, Park Shropshire, Jimmy Singleton, Archer Skeens, Angie Smith, Rachel Stout, Candy Tignor, Michael Woodyard, Stephanie Wyvill.

Independent Living/Retirement/Assisted Care & Rehab Facilities:

Linda Belisle, Becky Corvin, Mary Davis, Orville Davis, Jan Derting, Masel Dunaway, Renva Gunter, Pearl Hayter, Trula Harris, Jim Hughes, Joanna Owens, Howard Smith.

Homebound:

Nadine Culberson, Nadine Farmer, Grace Kiser, Nora Milsap, Joyce Vanover.

Sympathy:

Expressions of Love & Christian Sympathy go out to the family of Judy Daniels in her passing.

Homebound of the Week **Nora Milsap**



This week we want to lift up
Sergeant E. Lucy
Abingdon Police Department
Scott Adkins
Crystal Aguirre-Escobar
Washington County Sherriff's Dept



Thursday, September 17

- Renva Gunter
- Carrson Blankenship



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

Baptist General Association of Virginia Annual Meeting Registration



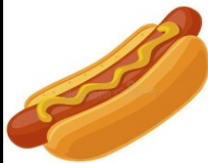
Make plans now to join your BGAV family for the 203rd **BGAV Annual Meeting in Virginia Beach, November 9–11, 2026!**

This year, we'll gather around the theme *Heart for the Not Yet*, inspired by Acts 17:6b: "These people who have been turning the world upside down have come here also."

Across three days, we'll worship together, learn from one another, build connections, and look toward what God is doing in and through our churches and communities.

Contact Pastor Bill if you are interested in attending. You can pre-register by following this link: <https://meeting.bgav.org/register/>.

SENIOR ADULT FALL PICNIC



WE'RE GRILLING
HAMBURGERS
AND HOTDOGS,
BUT WE NEED
YOU AND YOUR
DELICIOUS SIDE
DISHES!!



***EVERYTHING ELSE WILL BE PROVIDED!!!

WHEN: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 AT NOON
WHERE: SUGAR HOLLOW PARK
SHELTER A



Bring your camp chairs
and a musical instrument
if you play one so we can
sing the old hymns.

***Hymnals will be provided!!



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	hstiltner@abingdonbaptist.org		Mrs. Holly Stiltner
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

Website: **www.abingonbaptist.org**