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# INFORMER

## From the Deacon Fellowship

During times of change, we tend to focus on unknowns and what may or may not happen, the “what ifs”. Please take encouragement in knowing that the Bible promises us that God has a great future for us. According to I Corinthians 2:9, we have not seen, nor heard, nor even imagined anything as great as what He has prepared for us. Although God promises us a future full of hope and blessing, there are certain things that we must do:

- ◆ We need to pray.
  - ◆ We need to live in obedience to His ways.
  - ◆ We need not become discouraged if things don’t happen as fast as we would like them to.
  - ◆ We need to exercise patience while waiting.
- We need to stay focused on God.

If we commit ourselves to these things and rely on the Holy Spirit for the strength to do so, God will keep us in peace and harmony as we move into the future that He has for us.

God “is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us” (Ephesians 3:20), and “let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time, we will reap a harvest, if we do not give up” (Galatians 6:9).

God has blessed us most recently, in providing us with an Interim Pastor, that being Terry Semones, who will start serving as our Interim Pastor in February.

PRAISE BE TO GOD, and WHAT AN AMAZING GOD WE HAVE!



## **CHURCH COUNCIL**

The Floyd Baptist Church Council held its regular monthly meeting January 21, 2024, 8:30 am, in the Church Fellowship Hall. The meeting was well-attended. Isabel Lovitt was the moderator. The following is a brief summary.

1. Fifteen youth, who attend Floyd Baptist Church youth activities, traveled to the Xtreme Winter Conference in Gatlinburg, end of Dec. 2023.
2. Terry Semones will begin serving as Interim Pastor of Floyd Baptist Church, Feb. 1, 2024. He will schedule a time for Church Office hours. Terry's email address is [tdsemones@gmail.com](mailto:tdsemones@gmail.com).
3. An Eagle Scout Court of Honor is planned for two scouts who have reached that rank.
4. The Faith and Fellowship Sunday School Class will launch a S.S. Bible study on the book of Daniel, titled Endurance for the Future.
5. The Handbell Choir continues to practice on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, 5pm.
6. The importance of relationship building, fellowship, and Christian growth, that takes place by involvement in small groups such as Sunday School, Choirs, WARM, and Wednesday night activities, was stressed during report and calendar planning time.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Lord's Supper**

Sunday, February 4, 2024

## **Prayer Meeting**

Sunday's at 9:25 am

## **Business Meeting**

February 14, 2024, 7:00 pm

## **WARM Meeting**

Thursday, February 8, 2024, 10:00 am

## **Church Council Meeting**

Sunday, February 18, 8:30 am

## **Deacons Meeting**

Monday, February 26, 7:00 pm

## **CHURCH "SPRUCE UP"**

The ladies of the WARM Group will be working in the next several weeks and months to "spruce up", and declutter some of the areas of our church facility. It seems that many of these spaces just accumulate "stuff". We will be beginning with the room in the back of the fellowship hall that is on the left as you face the Annex, and then continue on to the old library. If there are items in these rooms that have special meaning to you or that need to remain there, please mark them so that we will understand what is needed. A cleanup of the kitchen area is also planned. If there are questions or information that we need to know, please contact Connie Quesenberry of Peggy Profitt. Thank you for your help with this project.

## **FBC Sunday School News!**

Faith and Fellowship class (young adults class) launches Sunday morning a 12 week Bible study on book of "Daniel" - Endurance for the Future! How do we hold on to godliness when the world we live in is so secularized? Class kicks off on February 11 @ 9:45 in Fellowship Hall. Breakfast for those attending. Contact Mark West for questions 745-3281.

## **PRAYER MEETING**

You are invited to attend a Prayer Meeting in the back room of the Fellowship Hall on Sundays, 9:25 - 9:40. From 1st Thessalonians, chapter 5: Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

## **Inclement Weather Schedule**

Our winter closing policy will remain the same as in previous years. During the week, scheduled activities will be **CANCELLED** if Floyd County Schools are **CLOSED** due to bad weather (unless you are notified otherwise). On Sundays, the decision to cancel a Worship Service will be made by the deacons. A cancellation will be announced, when possible, by phone tree message and **cancellations will be posted on TV channels WSL-10 and WDBJ-7.**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## The Western Blue Ridge Baptist Network

We are sponsoring a free dinner to VBS leaders/spouses on Tuesday, February 6 at 6:30pm at El Ranchero Restaurant in Dublin. Please let your VBS or family ministry leaders know about this opportunity to share ideas and network together to make each of our Vacation Bible School ministries stronger

**Tuesday, February 6. 6:30pm. El Ranchero Restaurant. 5239 Alexander Road, Dublin, VA 24084**



## Still searching- A note from our Pastor Search Team

The Pastor Search Team has been meeting regularly. We've dedicated a room upstairs in our church for our team to be able to use and conduct meetings. Please respect the privacy of the Search Team and leave the room undisturbed. The team met with the Baptist General Association representative to give us guidance and help direct our search. This person will route resumes and candidates to our new dedicated email address [fbcresumes@swva.net](mailto:fbcresumes@swva.net). (The team is accepting resumes currently.) The team has also finalized a summary of who our church is and what we are about. This includes such things as weekly attendance and programs, staffing, our general budget, etc. This also includes topics like our general focuses on worship and our strengths such as our leadership and established programs. We've been meeting with other committees within our church to discuss our structures for our offer to the candidate. We continue to work with our local BGAV representative to acquire resumes and get his assistance and guidance with this process. We appreciate everyone's continued prayers and support.

# FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

4- Linda Perkins	13- Michele Quesenberry Faherty	24- Tom Higgins
5- Heather Vickers	16- Callie Via	28- Bryce Thompson
5- Amber Patton	17- Alena Bond	28- Leslie Moran
6- Erin Yearout Patton	17- Richard Wood	
8- B.T. Quesenberry	19- Calvin Thomas	
9- Matthew Browning	20- Dakota Spangler Stinnet	
9- Ryan Browning	20- Layowin Grace Patton	
11- Taylor Holman	21- Matthew Bary	



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# MUSIC MINISTRY

Feb. 5 5:00p.m. Adult Handbells

Feb. 7 8:00p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Feb. 14 8:00p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Feb. 19 5:00p.m. Adult Handbells

Feb. 21 8:00p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Feb. 28 8:00p.m. Sanctuary Choir



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# THANK YOU NOTES



Dear WARM Group,  
The Christmas bag was filled with useful items and very delicious homemade goodies. Also, The Christmas Card from the Preschool was very much appreciated.  
Thank each of you who prepared the bag and for your caring ministry.  
God's Blessing  
Clyde & Deronda Thomas

I would like to thank Floyd Baptist church for helping me with me heating bill this year. I am very thankful for the support of a loving and caring church.  
Catherine Moran

Thank you to the Warm Group for the basket of treats that you sent to us for Christmas. We really appreciate you all remembering us, and we especially enjoyed the visit with Joe and Cynthia Womack.  
Dorsey and Louise Thompson

Thank you so much for the delightful bag of "goodies" that Kathryn West brought me from your group. May God bless each of you in 2024. You all are such a blessing to so many.  
Love to all  
Ruth T.

Floyd Baptist Warm Ladies,  
Thank you for the wonderful bag of goodies for Christmas. I ask blessings for each one of you.  
Wishing you a Happy New Year.  
With Love,  
Patsy Wallace

Floyd Baptist Preschool,  
Thank you for the beautiful picture for Christmas.  
With Love,  
Patsy Wallace

To our kind friends at Floyd Baptist Church,  
Thank you so much for your recent donation of \$500 dollars to Plenty Farm and Foodbank and the people we serve.  
We are now helping provide healthy food to over 1,200 people each month and we simply could not fulfill our mission to do so without generous people like you.  
Thank you for loving your neighbor and lifting them up.  
Gratefully,  
Helen McClain  
Plenty Board Member



# PRESCHOOL NEWS

*It's February, and everyone awaits Punxsutawney Phil's forecast on Groundhog Day. Will he see his shadow or not? An early spring or 6 more weeks of winter?*

*During this month, we will learn about the presidents on President's Day and we will learn about our hearts, keeping them healthy and also how to take proper care of our teeth.*

*We will be making Valentines for our loved ones and we will have Valentine's Day parties!*



*Love is patient, Love is kind.  
It always protects, always trusts,  
always hopes, always perseveres.  
Love Never Fails.  
1 Corinthians 13:4, 7-8*

# SERVICE MINISTRIES

## *Deacon of the Week*

February 4	Brian Swortzel
February 11	Gerald Smith
February 18	Greg Wilson
February 25	Fred Wirt
March 3	Connie Browning



# MISSION NEWS

## Food Drive

Please help us with our collection of food items for the local food bank

The theme for February is:

### Canned Soups

Please drop off your donations by

February 28

in the box outside the Fellowship Hall



## Operation Christmas Child

Each month the Youth will be collecting an item that will be used in filling the shoeboxes in November for Operation Christmas Child.

**In February, toothbrushes & small toys (ex. Jacks, small puzzles, 4" dolls, small balls & coloring books) will be collected.**

*(Please note that toothpaste is no longer accepted)*

Monetary donations also accepted in order to purchase extra things needed.

Please place your donations in the box located in the Sanctuary.

*Thank You!*





# February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1  11:30am– 3:30pm- Faith Nichols-FH	2  Quilting 9:30am- 2pm-FH	3  12pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20   Scout Training 8am- 3pm-FH
<b>4</b> <b>Lord's Supper</b> <b>National Scout</b> <b>Sunday</b> 9:25am– Prayer Meeting 9:45am– Sunday School 11am Worship Svc 6pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 6-8 pm– Boy Scouts Annex	<b>5</b>  11am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20   5:00pm– Adult Handbells  7-9 pm, Alanon– Library	<b>6</b>  WARM-Till 5:30pm Annex    Cub Scouts 7-9pm	<b>7</b>  3am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20   6:30 pm– Team Kid  8:00pm-Sanctuary Choir	<b>8</b>  10am-WARM, FH	<b>9</b>  Quilting 9:30am- 2pm-FH	<b>10</b>  12pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20   Amanda Sowers-FH 10am-2pm
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<b>18</b>  8:30am - Church Coun- cil 9:25am– Prayer Meeting 9:45am– Sunday School 11am Worship Svc 6pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 6-8pm Boy Scouts– Annex	<b>19</b>  11am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20  5:00pm– Adult Handbells 7-9pm–Alanon, Library	<b>20</b>  Christmas 4 kids 3- 4pm-FH  Cub Scouts 7-9pm  6-10pm– Young Life- Annex	<b>21</b>  3am–Last Svc Ch20  6:30pm-Team Kid 6:30pm– Youth Annex 8:00pm-S. Choir	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>  Quilting 9:30-2pm- FH	<b>24</b>  12pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20
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