#### **The First Baptist Church**

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Join us for Sunday School and our Worship Service

Sunday School ...... 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship ....10:45 a.m.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study ....... 10:30 a.m.

The Buckhannon Baptist is sponsored by the Deacon Board, and is compiled, typed and edited by John L. Puffenbarger. The deadline for articles is the 20th of the month.

#### The puppy

The five year old boy asked for a puppy for his 6th birthday. His father took him to a pet shop where he was told he could choose any one of the dozen puppies he saw there. After looking them over carefully, he pointed to a puppy that was wagging his tail furiously. "I want that one," he said. "I want the one with the happy ending."



When we look at life, we all want a happy ending! We all make choices as to how we're going to reach that goal. Sometimes we rely on our self-sufficiency in making those choices.

We often leave God out of our happy ending picture. The Bible says, "...Whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for Me and for the gospel will save it." (Mark 8:35) When we're feeling happy or down in the dumps, let the light of Jesus Christ shine through you.

#### The reward of perseverance

There's no skill in easy sailing when the skies are clear and blue. There's no joy in merely doing things that anyone can do.

But there is great satisfaction that is mighty sweet to take,
When you reach a destination that you thought you couldn't make.

Author unknown

Wrong vs. right

 $\mathbb{C}$ very once in a while I have a day when a few of things go wrong. I can't find my car keys, I have a flat tire, the traffic is backed up and my garage door opener quits working. Maybe you've had days like that too.

When bad days happen, we need to think about how often things go right. Usually we think about the problems of the day. It seems as though in today's world nothing is quite good enough. We need to stop to consider how often things go right.

Every day, literally thousands of events go smoothly. Telephone calls are connected, reservations are honored, computers work, air travel is on time and even the roads we drive on are safe.

Things that go right continues on right down to the fact that most people are friendly day after day. For the most part, we take it all for granted.

Most people we meet every day are friendly, helpful and courteous. However, we usually hear about the people who are rude, insensitive, or mean. We can offset that attitude by reflecting Christ's teachings and by treating others with respect.

When I remind myself of how often things actually go right, it really helps me to deal with those things that don't.

- - *ILP* 

#### Box tops needed

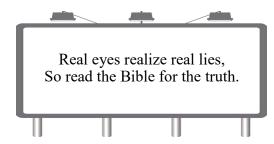
America's schools love box tops! For over 20 years, Box Tops for Education has given families an easy way to earn cash for their school, with products they already buy.

Thanks to everyone who have donated box tops. We appreciate all who have contributed to this project.

The Upshur County school system still collects and uses box tops. Please save them throughout the year. Give the labels to Sally Anne Veith. The deadline is December, 2020.

Sentence Sermon: Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.

Church Signs





March 7, 2020

Parchment Valley

Conference Center,
Administration Building - The Barn
"The Divided Kingdom" The Book of Kings
featuring: Dr. Trent Eastman
Pastor, New Baptist Church, Huntington and Adjunct Professor,
Palmer Theological Seminary

Conference Fee: \$20.00 per person
Registration Deadline (with money enclosed): March 2, 2020
Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m., instruction will start at 9:30 a.m.,
and the event will end at 3:00 p.m. The fee includes lunch and snacks.

See Pastor Jay for more information and a registration form.

#### Giving thanks

The art of giving thanks is gratitude in action. It is applying Albert Schweitzer's philosophy, "in gratitude for your own good fortune you must render in return some sacrifice of your life for other life."

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## Senior High Convention Calling all 9-12th graders!

Come and join us on February 21-23 for a great weekend of fellowship with believers from across the state.

When: February 21-23, 2020
Where: Gassaway Baptist Church 56 Beall Drive, Gassaway, WV 26624
Early Bird Registration: \$40 (for registration forms and payments
received by February 7th)
General Registration: \$50 (registrations received after February 7th)

See Pastor Jay for more information

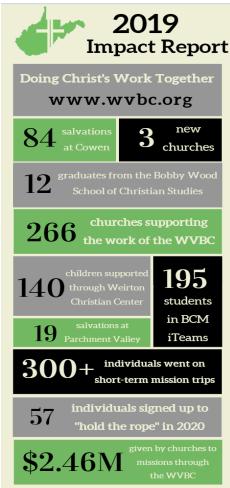


#### **2019 Impact Report**

Looking back over the past year, we have much to celebrate - new churches, changed lives, and numerous opportunities to partner together to reach the furthest corners of the world with the Gospel!

Our vision is to be a family of churches committed to reaching all generations for Jesus Christ both here and abroad by equipping one another to be healthy, growing and unified in Christ and for Christ.

Thank you for being an important part of that family!



From Pastor Jay

Pastor Jay, continued .......

### The Weirton Christian Center

The Weirton Christian Center is committed to serving God and

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Community with a focus on providing a strong foundation for children by meeting their spiritual, physical and emotional needs.

The work of the Center is funded through the Weirton United Way, the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the West Virginia Baptist Convention, as well as through contributions from ABW groups throughout the United States.



If you would like to support the Weirton Christian Center financially, send your donation to the Weirton Christian Center, P.O. Box 2045, Weirton, WV 26062.

#### "FBC Baptist Basement Boys" —Jim Vance

Most Thursday evenings will find a group of people gathered in the downstairs of the First Baptist Church. As dubbed by one of these, the "Baptist Basement Boys" meet for a few hours of gossip, solving the world problems and picking and grinning all of which turn into a joyful evening of fun and fellowship.



Starting at around 6 p.m. (more or less) the musicians sit around and wait until someone thinks of a song they want to try out and the fun begins. Taking a break for refreshments, we get to catch up on more of what's happening around us.

No matter how good or bad you think your musical skills are, everyone is invited to join in on this VERY informal jam session. Come and go as you wish. Singers, observers and musical instruments are always welcome. We have been known to have as few as two and as many as 15 playing together.

Beginners are always welcome so if you always wanted to try your hand at playing an instrument or sing or listen to an old gospel song come on down. We have an assortment of loaner instruments, just let someone know what you want to try.

Depending on the night, we might have 4 or 5 guitars, a banjo or two, harmonicas, bass, Dobro guitar, cajon, mandolin or about any other configuration thereof present. It's a good way to spend a winter evening and get out of the house for free.

#### Valentine's Day

On February 14, many Christians celebrate Valentine's Day. Valentine, a Roman priest, was made a martyr in 270 A.D. because of his love of Christ. He often ended his kind and helpful letters to others with the words "Your Valentine." Later, as Christians remembered this saint, they signed their letters of affection with the same words.

St. Valentine is considered by some Christians to be the patron saint of lovers and the helper of those who are unhappily in love. It seems fitting for all Christians to make it a day when we joyfully share our love and appreciation for our dear friends, family members and all those who are part of the family of God.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENT

Help is needed to support the Upshur County Senior Center. Donations are needed for In-Home Care and Meals on Wheels clients. Items needed include:

shampoo/conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotion, bars of soap, socks, candy, crossword puzzles Suduku puzzles, pillows and pillow cases, hairbrushes and blankets.



A view of part of Parchment Valley

"Rev. Bill J. Farmar had a dream that one day West Virginia Baptists would have a conference center that would be more than a camp site.

"It would be a year-round center where the constituents could retreat from their everyday routines and responsibilities and find a beautiful setting in which heart, mind and soul could be inspired to new heights of worship, discipleship and service."

From "I've Been to the Mountaintop", A history of Parchment Valley, by Dr. Don Laudermilk.



The West Vir-

# 2020 Camp Schedule

WOMEN'S CAMP	Women ages 18 and up	March 27-29
MEN'S WORK PARTY		APRIL 24-25
Summer Kick Off Event	Grades 6-12	May 15-16
YOUNGER MIDLER	Grades 2-4	JUNE 5-7
JUNIOR 1	Grades 5-6	JUNE 7-13
JUNIOR HIGH 1	Grades 7-9	JUNE 14-20
JUNIOR 2	Grades 5-6	JUNE 21-27
HIGH SCHOOL 1	Grades 9-12	JUNE 28-JULY 4
JUNIOR HIGH 2	Grades 7-9	JULY 5-11
SENIOR DAY	High School Graduates	JULY 11
HIGH SCHOOL 2	Grades 9-12	JULY 12-18
FAMILY CAMP	Families of all ages	JULY 24-27
OLDER MIDLER	Grades 3-5	JULY 28-31
CAMP GLOBAL		July 31-August 2
AB MEN & BOYS' CAMP	Men and Boys of all ages	AUGUST 7-9

been an integral part of the West Virginia Baptist Convention since 1943.

The mission statement reads "Where people meet Jesus and grow as his disciples in a community of faith," and that is truly lived out each week. Almost every summer, 100 people accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

## West Virginia Baptist Convention 2019 Annual Training Event *February* 1 2020 at the Parchment Valley Conference Center Theme: "Training for the Kingdom!"

Join us for a day of worship, workshops and fellowship as we better learn to serve Christ and our church!

The cost will be \$20.00 per person for the day, including lunch. If you bring eight from the same church, the next two registrations are at no cost. You may register as an individual/couple or as a church group.

Registration Deadline: Registrations must be postmarked by Friday, January 17, 2020 and include money for all attendees registered. After January 17, the fee is \$30.00 per person and lunch is not included.

Please see Pastor Jay for registration forms and more information.

#### CHANGING THE ANSWERS

1 college alumnus went back to his school for a 20th year class reunion. He dropped in to see his former history professor, and was amazed to discover that the test questions that year were the same ones his class had received twenty years before.



"Doesn't it concern you that each new class can get the questions in advance from the previous class?" he asked. "That's not a problem," the professor replied, "because each year we change all the answers!"

That's the way it seems to be these days. The answers are always changing. The things you like today are always changing tomorrow.

However, there is one item in our world that remains constant. The Bible never changes. The words in the Bible are the same as they were many years ago. They were the same yesterday and are the same for today and tomorrow. In our world of change ... that is comforting news!

#### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Tommy Moffett
- 4 Tom Leggett
- 5 Becky Cox, Lori Vance
- 7 Caila Linger
- 14 Bonnie Cartier
- 15 Baylee Hurst
- 18 J. D. Hinkle, IV
- 21 Vicki Crowder, Kenneth Kerekes
- 25 Ransom Hackett



None to report



If you want to have your birthday or anniversary listed, please give your name and the dates to John Puffenbarger or Amanda Teodoro.

## Don't Forget!

[ ] Tuesday, February 11 - 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. - The Community Outreach Dinner. The dinner is free and everyone is welcome. Desserts are always needed for the dinner.

[ ] Monday, February 20 - 7:00 p. m. - Deacon Board Meeting.

[ ] Note: The Widow's for Christ will not meet in February due to weather conditions.

[ ] Note: The American Baptist Women's Ministries will not meet in February due to weather conditions.

[ ] Wednesday's at 10:30 a.m. - Morning Bible Study. We are doing a 12 week study in the book of Acts. Please join us for a great time of study and fellowship.

[ ] Annual Reports: If you would like to have a copy of the Annual Report you can pick one up in the Assembly Hall or see Amanda Teodoro.

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