



THE CHRONICLE

NOVEMBER 2015

PROVE THE TITHE SUNDAY

Dear Beloved of God:

November 22, the Sunday before Thanksgiving, is set for *Prove the Tithe Sunday*. The scriptural foundation supporting this special day is found in Malachi 3:7-10. Please read and prayerfully reflect on this passage several times this month.

The concept of tithing means that out of deep gratitude to and love for God we commit the first 10% of our financial blessings to the Lord. Will you pray about committing to the Lord the first 10% of your income for the week of November 15-21?

We will be amazed at what an impact this will make in the ministries of the Lord in which we are engaged. Pray about what a difference it will make if we practice the spiritual discipline of tithing throughout our lives, not just for one week.

Your church is right now facing a crisis in funding the ministries God has given us. We have not fulfilled our commitment to our mission partners for 6 months. We are not able to reimburse the staff of our church or church members for ministry related expenses they are incurring. As of September 30th the total expenses we are behind in paying amount to \$18,776. (Numbers for October are not yet available but do not look to show any improvement.)

That's why we are asking you to prayerfully participate in *Prove the Tithe Sunday*. We are confident that if every member and attendee were to grow toward tithing the Lord will richly bless what we commit to him.

Please feel free to call if you have questions. We welcome further conversations about the spiritual discipline of joyful tithing.

Your Stewardship Team
Karen Jarrell, Chair
David Camp
Barry Jacobs

UPWARD BASKETBALL

It's that time of year for our Upward Basketball to begin once again.

Registration and evaluations will be held at Prospect Heights Middle School on

- Sat., Nov. 14, 9 - 11AM
- Sat., Nov. 21, 9 - 11AM
- Sat., Dec. 5 9-Noon

Cost is \$55 per child.

We need lots of volunteers each of the registration dates to staff various stations where the kids will demonstrate their skill levels. Coaches and other volunteers are needed to provide devotionals during half time. Please contact Greg Hines, greghines@rocketmail.com or 672-2737 or the church office.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thur., Nov. 5: Ruth Kersey Circle will meet at Dogwood Village with Alice Jacobs, Mary Stephen, and Claire Lonergan. Bring lunch.

Sun., Nov. 8: Men's Bible Study, 6:30 PM.

Mon., Nov. 9: Kay Culpeper circle will meet at 11 AM in the Pine Room. Bring a sandwich.

Tues., Nov. 10: Finance meeting, 6:45 PM.

Sun., Nov. 15: Business meeting following morning worship.

Mon., Nov. 16: Mission Team, 7 PM.

Sat., Nov. 21, Sun., Nov. 22: Dotty Bradley's Open House and Christmas Crafts, 1-5 PM.

Sun., Nov. 22: Men's Bible Study, 6:30 PM.

Tues., Nov. 24: 7 PM Deacons meeting.

Thur., Nov. 26 & Fri., Nov. 27: Church office closed.

Sat., Nov. 28 & Sun., Nov. 29: Dotty Bradley's Open House and Christmas Crafts, 1-5 PM.

The 20th of each month is the deadline for items to be placed in newsletter.

BGAV GENERAL ASSEMBLY Tues, Nov. 10-Wed., Nov. 11

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
9614 River Road
Richmond, VA 23229

LOVE OUTREACH - November: Stove top stuffing. When donating food please check the expiration dates.

HAPPY AGERS

Food Lion/Wells Fargo parking lot is the meeting location for all events listed.

All are welcome to go with the Happy Agers. Call Cornelia, 672-4705 or Doris, 672-4139 if you wish to attend any of the events or have questions.

TUES., NOV. 10 (2nd Tuesday), 11:30 AM we leave for Gordonsville United Methodist Church for a traditional Thanksgiving lunch. TOTAL COST is \$20.00. Register and pay by **November 1**.

FRI., DEC. 4, 6:30 PM we leave for the Louisa Arts for the "Sanders Family Christmas" show.

TUES., JAN. 19, 11:30 AM is our traditional Soup Lunch at the church. We also bring blankets for the Clothes Closet that day. Buying the blankets long before that date is a good idea as Orange stores usually have sold all of them by January.

COUNTERS -- November

Doris Shumake, Linda Cluff, Yvette Jarrell

CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS

Nov. 8 Ashley/Whit Jacobs
Nov. 15 Karen Wheeler
Nov. 22 Tracey Newman
Nov. 29 Cindy McDaniel

NURSERY HELPERS

Nov. 1 Dave & Meg Camp, Mayira Cluff
Nov. 8 Sarah/Raphael Sydnor, Patricia Salyers
Nov. 15 Vicky Schafer, Jennifer Mauller, Greg Hines
Nov. 22 Brian/Erin Seale, Tracy Henry
Nov. 29 Christina Bowles

DEACONS FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Tom Reynolds	Samantha Reynolds
Crit Bartley	Dorothy Cluff
Lynette Higginbotham	Mayira Cluff
Cornelia Craun	Tom Woolfolk

BREAKFAST BUDDIES ORANGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

One day a week from
8-8:30 AM



Volunteers are needed to set with a child. If you might be available to offer your time to be a child's Breakfast Buddy contact Gina Sedwick, 672-8305.

Girl Gab & Purple Flurp Tasting

3rd-5th Grade Girls
Friday, November 6th
6:30 pm ish until 9:00 pm
@ the church

~Bring a Pillow~

We'll learn how true love is patient even with mean girls.

Based on Dannah Gresh's book, *Talking with Your Daughter About Best Friends and Mean Girls*

R.S.V.P. to Alyssa McRae 540-672-5382

STEWARDSHIP - SEPTEMBER

Unified Budget:

Receipts	\$ 25,527.22
Paid Expenses	\$ 25,545.11
Unpaid Expenses	\$ 1,924.00
Unpaid Mission Partners for 2015	\$ 10,083.00
Capital Campaign: Receipts	\$ 2,420.00

We must consume in order to live. Unfortunately, most of us also live to consume. Our habits of consumption, now all out of proportion to what we need to flourish as creatures made in the image of God, are distorting the character of our relationships with God and others.

Robert B. Kruschwitz

Capital Campaign As of Oct. 25, 2015

Thank you to everyone for your pledges and payments to date to the *One Mission Two Sites* Capital Campaign.

- 70 people pledged
- \$461,722 Total amount pledged in 2012
- \$296,697 received to date. From this money Horizons has been repaid the \$263,000 borrowed for the cost of roof repairs. Also, the boiler expense of \$23,976 was paid out of Capital Campaign receipts by a church vote.
- 19 Pledges paid in full to date
- 17 Pledges withdrawn due to moving, death, other
- \$20,138 Total amount given by 15 People who did not Pledge but gave to the Capital Campaign
- \$110,650 Total amount we would receive if all pledges are paid in full;
- There are only 9 weeks left in the current Capital Campaign.

The Capital Campaign Committee encourages everyone to please catch up their pledges to the Unified Budget, so that we can continue to fulfill God's good work in this community and around the world.

If you haven't pledged to date and would like to contribute to the Capital Campaign, just note on your check or offering envelope "CC".

PRAYER LIST

Bereavement:

Rick Clore and family

Illness within church family:

Eleanor Jarrell
Thomas "Moose" Mallory
Matt Anderson
Lucy Napier
Mary Strickland
Jerry Coffey
Claire Lonergan
Bobby Seal
Karen Wheeler
Charlene Schweikert
Kent Daniel

James Arthur
Faye Cooper
Connie Sardina
Madeline Reeves
Bart Daniel
Spurgle Herndon
Doris Samuels
Phyllis Saintclair
Joe Mauller
Carolyn Styers

Other: Samantha Clarke

Illness of friends & family:

Palmer Waugh
Joyce Bosworth
Nadia Anderson
Brooke Wheeler
Betty Landrum
Rev. Bruce Hunter
Doris Haney
Patricia Stone
Skeeter Lutz
Linda Hopkins
Ann Marie Smith
Sarah Biber
Ellen Robinson

Sue Brown
Lisa Muller Cook
Savannah Cox
Allen Shands
Sherri Brown
Susan Hunter
Lee McKennon
David Hohman
Jen Garnett
Susan Birdsong
Tammi Waters
Joe Austin
Rachel Saxton



SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE

5 & 7:30 PM

Sat., Dec. 12
Sun., Dec. 13

The serving committee needs help preparing food for the choir members during the two days of performances. If you would like to volunteer please contact Dotty Bradley, 661-0206.

If you would like to donate food there is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen.



CRAFT BAZAAR DECEMBER 5, 9 AM-1 PM OBC PINE ROOM

If you would like to participate in the upcoming Craft Bazaar and reserve a table, please contact Brenda Morris at (540) 672-5705 or by email bcmorris012@gmail.com

YOUTH ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

Ongoing Sundays:

9:45-10:45 AM in Youth Room - During the month of November, youth will be discussing War and Welfare during Sunday School/Grapple time, 9:45-10:45 a.m.

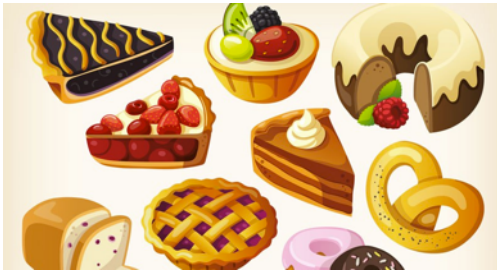
Nov. 1: Youth Group will meet from 4-5:30 in the Youth Room.

Wednesdays: 5:30-7:20 PM - Dinner, Music and Missions

(Contact church office to make dinner reservation).

DESSERT NIGHT/DESSERT COMPETITION

SUN., NOV. 1, 5:30 PM



The Youth are raising funds for Mission Madness and other youth activities by hosting a church-wide DESSERT NIGHT/DESSERT COMPETITION. They are selling tickets before and after church. Tickets are \$5. Tickets will be available at the door. All church members are welcome to enter a dessert into the contest.

(After the competition, the all-you-can eat dessert buffet is open!)

YOUTH CONCERT

Youth Trip to see TobyMac in concert with Britt Nicole and Colton Dixon at Eagle Bank Arena in Fairfax. Youth will meet at the church on November 14th, 4:00 pm.

Bring food/drink for dinner as we will tailgate in the parking lot before the concert. We will return to the church around 11:30 pm. Tickets have already been purchased. If you want to go and haven't responded, let the McRae's know of your interest and they can check out the options. Tickets are \$22.

YOUTH SUNDAY

Sunday, Nov. 29 is Youth Sunday. Youth are invited to serve and lead during the worship service. Contact the McRae's if you would like to participate.

Sat., Oct. 31

“FALL BACK”



SHOPPING FROM AMAZON!!

Place your order through smile.amazon.com and select Orange Baptist Church as your charitable organization and the church will receive .5% of each order to our general fund from the Smile Foundation.

MISSION FOCUS

Breaking the Cycle

“One of the ways you break the cycle of poverty is through education.....” (Quote by Tammy Stocks)

Ralph and Tammy Stocks, CBF field personnel serving in Bucharest, Romania, in partnership with Romania Baptist and Providence Baptist Church in Bucharest are helping to break that cycle through literacy ministry at The Ruth School.

The Ruth School founded in 1992 is part of Project Ruth and serves 240 children, 80 percent of whom are Roma. The Ruth School provides literacy training and educational recovery to kids of all ages. Even though Romanian law permits Roma children to enroll in public schools they often experience discrimination. Discrimination may take many forms such as being treated as mentally deficient, subjected to poor quality of instruction and denied privileges made available to other students.

The Ruth School not only provides basic education but demonstrates Christ's love by providing a hot meal daily, school supplies, an after-school program and multiple sports activities.

Give prayerfully and generously to the CBF Offering for Global Missions to sustain Project Ruth and other ministries of CBF field personnel.



CHRISTMAS COOKIE EXCHANGE

All ladies are invited to a Christmas Cookie Exchange on Thursday, December 17 at 7 PM at OBC.

Please RSVP by December 5 to Mary Beth Miller at mebsmiller@gmail.com or 434.249.5303. More details to follow based on the number of people attending.