



## Mount Hermon Baptist Church

18100 Genito Road, Moseley, VA 23120 (794-2049)

Newsletter – May 25, 2011

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### Welcome New Members!



**Katie Corbitt**, by baptism

1995 Moseley Road, Moseley, VA 23120, 598-9251

**Katie**, the daughter of Rick & Tammy Corbitt, is in fifth grade at Pocahontas Middle School and very active in all the activities of the church. She enjoys various sports, especially playing basketball, as well as reading and fishing.



**Austin VanHouten**, by baptism

16715 Genito Road, Moseley, VA 23120, 739-2045

**Austin**, the son of John & Katie VanHouten, is a fifth-grader at Grange Hall Elementary and very active in all church activities. He is the grandson of Frankie & Kay Hancock, and great grandson of Levis & Frances Crump. Austin's favorite sport is watching football, and he is really into riding four-wheelers and helping Gramps on the farm.

We rejoice in the professions of faith made by these two fine young people!



Church Office, closed Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day

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## Church Picnic – May 22



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**Mount Hermon Mission Offering**

**Goal - \$10,750.00**

**Gained some more altitude! \$ 9,938.00**



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**Printed copies of the MHBC photo directory are available at church.**

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**MHBC Shirts** -- Wayne Boothe will have a variety of **Mount Hermon Baptist shirt** samples at church again this Sunday, and will be taking orders. These are quality shirts. Contact Wayne for details, 794-8014 or wtbgolf@comcast.net

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**Sunday – May 22, 2011**

Contributions – \$ 3,630.00      Worship, 9:30 – 90  
Avg. weekly need – 3,836.00      Worship, 11:00 – 85  
MH Mission Offering – \$235.00  
Building Fund – \$105.00

Gifts to date – \$ 79,055.00  
Avg. needs to date – 80,556.00

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**Special Gifts received...**

**In memory of Tootsie Payne**

by Levis & Frances Crump, Bob & Barbara Conti, Dr. & Mrs. C.W. Dabney

**In memory of Robert Manley**

by Levis & Frances Crump

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**New & Updated Prayer  
Concerns...**

**Nancy Spivey** had outpatient surgery yesterday

**Charlie Payne**, Sheltering Arms physical rehab, 410

**Phil Blankenship**, Sarasota, FL, in hospice care

**Jim Hamacher**, our Middle District Baptist Association director, in MCV

**Arlene Salyer**, Kevin Salyer's mother, in Chippenham Medical Center, ICU

**Sympathies to Nancy Woody & family** in the death of her mother, Dot Childress, on May 25

**Sympathies to Herb Dodrill & family** in the death of his sister, Regina Tartee, of Trinity, AL, on May 25

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**Youth Sunday night gatherings will take a short break  
for the summer and begin again in September**

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**Choir rehearsal –** this Wednesday, June 1, 6:30 PM

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**Mount Hermon Baptist Church Fellowship:**

Words are not adequate to express my sincere appreciation for all your visits, cards, calls, and food during the time of Tootsie’s passing. The members of Mount Hermon truly display what real Christian love is all about. I deeply miss her, but rest in the knowledge that she is in a better place and rests securely in the hand of her Lord.

God bless you all, **Charles Payne**

**Dear Mount Hermon Family,**

Thank you so much for your prayers and support during Adam’s hospitalization and illness last month. We could feel your prayers and love across “the pond”. Thanks also to the Golden Circle class, the Wednesday night dinner group, and youth handbells group for their cards and well wishes. We love and miss you all!

**Brad & Gwen Eungard, Adam, Eleanor, Amelia, and Owen**

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**Sunday ministers**

**Nursery Care:**

May 29 – Amy Whatley and helpers

June 5 – Katie & Phillip Ranallo

**Children’s Church:**

May 29 – Kitty Snow

June 5 – Sarah & OJ Johnson

**Ushers:** May 29 – Ken Paul, Rachel Boothe,

Mary Ann Mann, Eff Ayers

June 5 – Levis Crump, Rachel Boothe, Bob Lanier,

Barry Flora

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**Happy Birthday!**

May 29 - Lottie Morris

31 - Jacob Carey

30 - Jean Snyder

June 2 - Jimmy Golden

30 - Lindsey Bowman

3 - Adam Prather

30 - Sandy Van Cleef

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*Quotes for Today*



**If everyone is thinking alike, then somebody is not thinking.**

**- General George S. Patton**

**It's so simple to be wise. Just think of something stupid to say**

**and then don't say it. - Sam Levenson**

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**From the Pastor**

***Study Leave: July 4 – August 14***

Study leaves (or *sabbaticals* as they are often called) are extremely beneficial to both a minister and a church because they render opportunities for healthy doses of refreshment, renewal, and re-visioning. The spiritual batteries get recharged. A pastor's job is one of constant input and output, with output demands usually exceeding the ability to study and reflect in order to take in spiritual insights. On a study leave, the pastor halts all the output for awhile to focus on spiritual input.

Study leaves were specified by the church when issuing a call to me in September 2004 as being available after every five years of service. While I could have taken a study leave last year, it is fortunate that I did not, given the passing of my mother-in-law and time demands at hand. So now I will be on study leave July 4 – August 14 to engage in purposeful times of reading, prayer, writing, study, interaction with other ministers, and a bit of just doing nothing.

For worship times during these six Sundays this summer, messages will be brought by three guest speakers and by three of our members. Pastoral care needs will be covered by Rev. George Fleming, Susan Prather, and the Deacons. In case of a death in the church, I will be available to conduct services, if requested, and a family in such need should not hesitate to call me.

I am nowhere close to any feelings of burnout, discouragement, or feeling worn down, so this study leave should be an especially invigorating boost. I look forward to it. – If you have questions, please feel free to ask.

Yours in Him,

**Lee**

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**May 29, 2011**

*God Loves You*

Scripture Call to Worship Psalm 103:1-6 Sarah Blankenship

Invocation prayer

\* Song of Praise 14 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

\* *Blessed is the Nation...* Psalm 33:8,10-12

\* Greeting each other

Welcome and Church Highlights

*Memorial Day 2011*

Children's Time

Lee Ellison

God's Word

Deuteronomy 8:11-20

Prayer

- \* Offering Song 132 There Is Power in the Blood vss.1-3
- \* Offering Statement & Prayer Sarah Blankenship
- Solo Dana Heath
- Message **Forgotten?** Lee Ellison
- \* Commitment Song 335 Standing on the Promises vss.1-3
- \* *Parting Blessings*