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Missions Celebration! – This Sunday, 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Oct. 16 our church hosts the annual gathering of Middle District Baptist churches! Come celebrate the many good mission projects and efforts being carried out in the name of Christ. – There will be a wide variety of videos, personal sharing, and singing by a joint choir from our churches.



Small Groups are here! Sign-ups begin this Sunday at church.
Here's more information!

- All groups will meet weekly beginning the week of Oct. 24 and going through the week of Dec. 5, except the week of Thanksgiving, for a total of 6 weeks. The groups will then start back in mid-January.
- Day, time, and location of each group to be determined based on what meets the needs of most of those who sign up.
- Any babysitting needs will be addressed after the groups are formed.

▶ **Women's Group** - Welcome, women of all ages, to share in study of a book or a book of the Bible, depending upon the desire of the group as a whole. Come join us for a time of fellowship and study as we learn more about God in order to support each other as we strive to be more like Jesus Christ.

▶ **Men's Group** - Welcome, men of all ages, to share in study of a book or a book of the Bible, depending upon the desire of the group as a whole. Come join us for a time of fellowship and study as we learn more about God in order to support each other as we strive to be more like Jesus Christ.

▶ **Community Group** - Welcome everyone – singles, couples, men and women of all ages- to fellowship and learn more about Jesus Christ. Come join us for time to gather and share and study either a book or a book of the Bible, depending upon the desire of the group as a whole.

If you cannot be at church this Sunday but wish to sign up with a group, please email Sarah Blankenship at shaysblankenship@gmail.com



Five youth and one adult attended **KINGDOM BUILDERS** last Saturday at Winfree Baptist Church in Midlothian and did a service project for an elderly man

No Youth Gathering this Sunday, come to the Missions Celebration at 5:00!



If you would like to attend the annual gathering of **Virginia Baptists** as a messenger from our church, or just come to enjoy the music, worship, guest speaker, and good reports about missions and ministries, please contact Lee Ellison. It is **Nov. 8-9** at the Greater Richmond Convention Center.



FALL FESTIVAL for Children - **Sunday, Oct 30** in the Pavilion - a fun time playing games, wearing our favorite costumes, roasting hot dogs, and making s'mores in the fireplace. **Donations of individually wrapped candy, small prizes, and food would be greatly appreciated!** See Susan Prather for more ways you can help.



Win a Nook color Reader

A Youth ministry fund-raiser... tickets are **\$5** for each chance to win a **Nook color reader**. Look for the table in the commons area at church, or contact Susan Prather



Wednesday – Oct 19

5:45 pm – Dinner: **Subway sub-sandwiches, chips, desserts**

6:45 pm – Handbells, Children's Music & Missions,

Bible Study: **Elisha, great man of God**

7:30 pm – Choir Rehearsal



From the Pastor

Online Friends ... Online Church

This weekend I'm going to my high school class reunion. Most of us from the Class of '71 have reconnected on Facebook, so we have been getting messages, photos, links, and updates from each other, but it will still be nice to visit in person. – My youngest son, Mark, graduated from high school ten years ago, but his classmates weren't much interested in organizing a reunion event. Why? Because they already felt so in touch with each other since Facebook has been around the whole time since they graduated. With daily contacts through Facebook, Twitter, and texts, they didn't feel the need to gather in person.

And that's OK. It's just an indication of how much networking methods have changed. One can argue as to whether maintaining online friendships is good or bad, but things are the way they are. Different!

So church-networking needs to be different, too. No sense bemoaning what was. We are never going back, so why waste time doing things the old ways? Here at Mount Hermon we use email, texts, a website, Facebook, and other electronic connections as best we can. If you have suggestions as to how we might do better, please let us know. – Personally, I like the new methods available. They empower us to make many more connections quickly and efficiently.

The important thing is to live in the real world as Jesus Christ would have us to live. That's a tall order, and we need all the help we can get! And yet, it's still important to get together to meet and share face-to-face. It's the best way to *get real* in the faith.

Blessings to you,

Lee

This Sunday

- 9:30 am — **Coffee fellowship** in the commons
- 9:45 am — **Sunday School**
- 11:00 am — **Children's Church** in children's wing for
preschool thru grade 5
- 11:00 am — **Worship** in worship center
- 4:30 pm — **Joint Choir rehearses**
- 5:00 pm — **Missions Celebration!** – in worship center

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Call to Worship

Choir

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Scripture

Psalm 65:1-4

Scott Szczesniak

Invocation prayer

* Song of Praise 398 Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

* *The Gospel Summarized* John 3:16-17

* Song 243 Sweet, Sweet Spirit - v.1

* Greeting Each Other...

Welcome and Church Highlights

The Bible Says... Jeremiah 29:10-14, 1 John 3:21-22

The Lord's Prayer

Prayer

* Offering Song 70 How Great Our God's Majestic Name

* Offering Statement & Prayer Scott Szczesniak

Special Music *Sweet Hour of Prayer* Choir

Message **Prayer Promises** Lee Ellison

* Commitment Song 450 I Need Thee Every Hour vss.1-3

* Parting Blessing

* Parting Song *I Know Whom I Have Believed* Choir