

Oak Level Baptist Church

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SHARING THE JOURNEY

March/April 2022

Dear Oak Level Baptist Church Family,

Thank you for the invitation and honor to serve as your Interim Pastor during this strategic transitional time in your church's life. In anticipation of our time together, I was asked to introduce myself briefly to the congregation.

My name is Timothy Keith Christian. I was born and raised in Alabama. Judy and I met during our junior year of college in Chattanooga, TN. We married 10 days after our college graduation. We have 2 children. Our daughter Trina lives in Derry, New Hampshire. She and her husband Shane Silva have a son and 2 daughters. Our son Marcus lives in Farmville, VA. He and his wife Sarah have 3 sons and a daughter. In case you weren't counting, that adds up to 7 grandchildren.

Before retiring in November 2020, I was a pastor and a college and seminary professor for a combined 45 years. The majority of our ministry was spent in the

northeast. Over a period of 25 years, we lived in upstate New York, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Connecticut. Our southern ministry years included Tennessee, Georgia, and Florida. Along the way, we served 4 years in Naples, Italy. I was pastor of a wonderful congregation of US military personnel and their families.

Judy and I moved to Martinsville to be near my brother and mother. My brother, John, has been in the area for some 35 years. Judy and I are members of the First Baptist Church of Bassett.

We plan to begin our ministry among you on the first Sunday of March. We look forward to getting acquainted with you. I pray our time together will be encouraging, uplifting, and fun as we worship, pray, and grow together in Christ.

Blessing,
Tim Christian

March Birthdays

Mar. 4 Mary Carter
Brandi Taylor
Mar. 8 Janet Branscome
Mar. 10 Kevin Atkins
Mar. 11 Jennifer Thompson
Mar. 17 Al Harley
Mar. 18 Katina B. Pettit
Mar. 20 Jamie Brown
Kim Glass
Mar. 21 Mischelle Carter
Roger Young
Mar. 22 Kevin Baumgardner
Mar. 23 Sommer Carter
Mar. 25 Lee W. Pettit
Mar. 26 Lee Boswell
Mar. 28 Shannon Wright
Sue Young
Christy Hunley
Mar. 29 James Edward Joyce

April Birthdays

Apr. 3 Shirley Draper
Apr. 5 April Gammons
Apr. 7 Meaghan Poore
Apr. 8 Christopher Howell
Apr. 10 Mary Hodges
Deborah Thomas
Apr. 11 Brittany Flannagan
Apr. 15 Alexandra Gill
Apr. 16 Kim C. Dickerson
Joseph Pierce
Jonathan Pierce
Sherry Y. Stone
Melissa Thompson
Apr. 17 Dana Young
Apr. 18 James Griffith
Apr. 20 Virginia Metz
Drake Winebarger
Apr. 23 Robert Gillespie
Apr. 26 Carroll Draper
Apr. 28 Caroline Snead
Apr. 29 Bruce Thompson

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Mulberry Creek Rehab Center,
300 Blue Ridge St.,
Martinsville, VA 24112

*Shirley Tobler – Room 341
*Mildred Ramsey – Room 201
*Bill Young – Room 264

Stanleytown Health & Rehab
Center, 240 Riverside Dr.,
Bassett, VA 24055

*Carroll Draper
Iris Joyce

Please remember to pray for our shut-ins and nursing home residents daily. They always appreciate cards and phone calls.

WITH SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family and friends of May Seay, who passed away on Saturday, January 1, 2022. May was a dear member of OLBC and will be missed by many.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Glen Greenway, Jr., who passed away on Saturday, February 5, 2022. Glen was the son of a former pastor of OLBC and husband to Phyllis Coleman Greenway.



Congratulations to Kyrie LaBounty on the birth of her son, Simon Lee LaBounty, born Sunday, February 6.

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed on **Saturday, March 12th!**



JONES SCHOLARSHIP FUND



Through the generosity of Inez and Casey Jones, assets have been set aside by Oak Level Baptist Church to provide scholarships to students attending institutions of higher learning. Beneficiaries of the fund shall be limited to active members of Oak Level Baptist Church and their immediate families, children, grandchildren, step children, etc. The applicants must also be a verifiable active member of a church. If you would like to apply, please call or e-mail the **Church Office** for an application. The deadline to receive completed applications is **April 1, 2022.**

EASTER MEAL

The Hostess Committee is planning an Easter meal on **Sunday, April 10** following the morning worship. Bring your favorite side dishes and desserts to share. The meat and drinks will be provided by the church.

**HE IS NOT HERE;
HE IS RISEN!**



WMU MEETINGS

Tuesday - March 22 - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday - April 19 - 6:30 p.m.

Give to the
CBF *Offering for*
GLOBAL MISSIONS

OLBC 2022 Goal - \$2,000.00

Because Presence Matters
Special offering emphasis
March 1-6

SHINE WEEKEND 2022

Join us **March 18-20, 2022** at Shine, a weekend for teen girls grades 6-12 at CrossRoads Camp & Conference Center! The weekend will begin with worship on Friday at 7:30 p.m. and conclude on Sunday at lunch. An optional add-on for Friday night dinner is available. Shine weekend will feature bible study, worship, missions, breakouts, and a variety of activities. Our theme this year at Shine is Rooted, from Colossians 2: 6-7, *Therefore, as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, overflowing with gratitude.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY 90TH

Virginia Metz is turning 90!

Join us for a Celebration

Given by her family

On Saturday, April 30, 2022

Drop-In from 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Oak Level Baptist Fellowship Hall

March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 PTS Meeting 6:00 p.m.	3	4	5
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> CBF Offering Emphasis – Because Presence Matters -- March 1 - 6 </div>						
6 Sunday School – 9:30 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Deacons' Mtg. - 5:00 p.m. Ingathering of CBF Offering	7	8	9 PTS Meeting 6:00 p.m.	10	11	12
13 Daylight Saving Time Sunday School – 9:30 am Worship Service – 11:00 am	14	15	16 PTS Meeting 6:00 p.m.	17	18	19
20 Sunday School – 9:30 am Worship Service – 11:00 am	21	22 WMU Meeting 6:30 p.m.	23 PTS Meeting 6:00 p.m.	24	25	26
27 Sunday School – 9:30 am Worship Service – 11:00 am	28	29	30 PTS Meeting 6:00 p.m.	31		

April 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 Communion Sunday Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Deacons' Mtg. - 5:00 pm	4	5	6 Church Council 5:30 PM PTS Meeting 6:00 p.m.	7	8	9
10 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Easter Luncheon After Service	11	12	13 PTS Meeting 6:00 p.m.	14	15	16
17 EASTER Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am Newsletter Info Due	18	19 WMU Meeting 6:30 pm	20 PTS Meeting 6:00 p.m.	21	22	23
24 Sunday School – 9:45 am Worship Service – 11:00 am	25	26	27 PTS Meeting 6:00 p.m.	28	29	30 Birthday Celebration for Virginia Metz – Drop – In from 1:00 – 3:00 PM Church Fellowship Hall
		Church Secretary on Vacation				

Deacon of the Month – Brenda Ferguson

Counters of the Month – Donna Winebarger & Brenda Ferguson