

The Dover Dove



January 2016 Newsletter of Dover Baptist Church Phone (804) 784-5681
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Happy New Year Church!

Grace and Peace to you in the Name that is above all Names: Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior! The new year is upon us and in the spirit of newness, I am going to thematic monthly sermons. The theme for the month of January is "Love is ..." The sermons based on this theme will be "Love is Death on a Cross," "Love is Rebirth," "Love is Obedience," and, "Love is Evangelism." The scriptural theme is from John 13:34-35:

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

In addition, the monthly theme song will be "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love." Also, we will also have a monthly mission project highlighted during the service. This month it is letter writing. Our goal as a church is to send out 100 cards or letters to people. These mailings will be of encouragement, praying for you, etc. (We won't include birthday and anniversary cards.)

Finally (concerning worship), MizMor96 will be leading the service on January 24 and there are baptisms planned on the 31! Truly, January worship services will be filled with excitement! Please plan on attending worship services with us.

January 31 will also be a special event: High Attendance Sunday. An alternative name would be "bring a friend" Sunday because, as a church member, you should be attending worship services regardless. What will make this a high attendance Sunday is when regular worshippers bring a friend! Therefore, invite people, bring a friend, and come and experience worship together at Dover Baptist Church!

For a devotional thought, I refer you to Revelation 21:5, "... Behold, I am making all things new ..." As we celebrate a new year this year, please remember the newness of life in Christ that God promises to all believers in the here and now as well as the promise that one day, in the Kingdom that is coming, God will make all things new. And, "He will wipe away every tear from 'our' eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4). What an awesome God we serve!

Peace ... Pastor Kube

Nursing Home Worship and Bible Study Ministry

January is typically the time to evaluate the year past and anticipate the year ahead. On the front granite facade of the Virginia Historical Society building (once affectionately known as the “Battle Abby”) there is a quote from Patrick Henry’s 1775 Liberty or Death speech. The words are: *“I have but one lamp by which my feet are guided, and that is the lamp of experience. I know of no way of judging of the future but by the past.”* Patrick Henry drew his inspiration from **(Psalm 119:105)** *“Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path.”* It was men like him who were willing to follow the ‘Lamp of God’ into the darkness of the unknown to accomplish what seemed to many as a daunting and impossible task. Just a little more than three months after he spoke these words thirteen rag-tag colonies declared their independence and The United States of America was born.

The year past was truly one of many blessings and opportunities in the ministry at **Lexington Court Rehabilitation and Health Care**. God certainly placed many open doors before us that we were simply unable to enter. We will, as this month rolls on, be seeking God’s will for this ministry and our purpose in his calling. After appointing seventy disciples to go before him to minister in every city, Jesus challenged them - *“And He was saying to them, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.’”* **(Luke 10:2)**. We are beseeching our Lord to call and send laborers. It is He who has opened doors and He who will provide the labor.

The lamp of experience provides us with the knowledge of what God has already done. It is *the lamp of experience* that gives us the faith to know that He will continue to provide in the future. As we journey on into 2016 let us all praise God not only for what He has done, but also what he is going to do.

The Psalm says, *“Your word is a lamp.”* John’s Gospel begins; *“In the beginning was the Word...”*. We know that *Word* was Jesus. Jesus describes himself; **(John 8:12b)** *“I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life.”* Who among us will answer God’s call and allow your feet to be guided by the *Light*. That is God’s will for each of us.

May our Lord continue to bless and keep us all under the wings of His protection.

Our January Schedule is:
Sunday Worship and Praise Service
January 17, 2016 at 2:30 pm

Friday Bible Study
January 8 & January 22, 2016 at 10:30 am

Visit The Rooms At The End Of The Hall
Spontaneous visits on an as needed or as requested basis.
No particular schedule

“You shall rise up before the grayheaded and honor the aged, and you shall revere your God; I am the LORD.” (Leviticus 19:32)

In His Name,
Bob

KID'S STUFF
By Donna Martin
Youth & Children's Director

Happy New Year. Wow, how time flies. Do you realize that I have been around since your children were born? I remember Robbie in the manager, awe how sweet! We had a wonderful celebration of Christ birth in 2015. Thanks to all the youth and children that participated in the skit, building the manager and preparations. Also thanks to all the parents and grand-parents for bringing your kids. The light of Christ is shining brightly in you. God has certainly blessed me, watching them grow spiritually, and I will continue to walk with them in their faith journey.

We will continue celebrating Jesus and witnessing to others in 2016. We will soon prepare for an Easter skit and plan a mission trip for the youth. Easter comes early this year, so I will announce the cast on January 10th during children church. For our outing, we will go to "Color Me Mine." We will meet at the church on January 16 at 9:30 am. Cost ranges from \$15 to \$20. This event is for kids of all ages including adults. You will paint a piece of pottery, fire it and take your master piece home. You can get a reduced sitting fee if you bring in 3 canned goods.

God bless and Happy New Year.
 Donna Martin

DEACONS' MEETING

Deacons will meet on Sunday, January 3rd at 12:00 pm after Worship Service.

DEACON OF THE MONTH

ROB MARTIN

COMMUNION SERVERS

Todd Vance	Juanita Deck
Charles Burton	Chad Hammack
#Margaret Hill	*Gloria Bennett

BELL RINGERS

January 03	Dakota Higgs
January 10	Katie Roberts
January 17	Genna Hammack
January 24	Elijah Higgs
January 31	Lindsay Roberts

WMU

The **WMU** will have their next meeting on Tuesday, January 12th at 11:00 am in the church Library. All are welcome to attend. Come for an inspiring missions message, and bring a favorite covered dish to share for lunch.

As an ongoing project, the **WMU** is accepting note pads, cards and stamps to be given to inmates at the Goochland Women's Prison.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

The **Quarterly Business Meeting** will be January 24th at 12:00 pm in Heritage Hall. Luncheon will be provided. Plan to bring a dessert to share.

NURSERY WORKERS

January 03	Gail Cochran
	Mishelle Lawler
January 10	Joanie Collins
	Sara Rowe
January 17	Jean Eyrolles
	Maye Higgs
January 24	Virginia Parrish
	Amanda Team
January 31	Pat Heffinger
	Tom Heffinger



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Dover Baptist Church



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day	2
3 9:00 AM Prayer Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service & Communion Service 12:00 PM Deacons' Meeting	4	5	6 5:30 PM Fellowship Meal 6:00 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM Youth & Children's Choir 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Practice	7	8 10:30 AM Lexington Ct. Bible Study	9
10 9:00 AM Prayer Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Council Meeting	11	12 11:00 AM WMU Meeting	13 6:00 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM Youth & Children's Choir 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Practice	14	15	16
17 9:00 AM Prayer Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service & Luncheon 2:30 PM Nursing Home Ministry	18	19	20 6:00 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM Youth & Children's Choir 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Practice	21	22 10:30 AM Lexington Ct. Bible Study	23
24 9:00 AM Prayer Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Qtly. Business Meeting	25	26	27 6:00 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM Youth & Children's Choir 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Practice	28	29	30
31 9:00 AM Breakfast & Program-High Attendance Sunday 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service						