

CHILDREN & YOUTH

- **Youth Discipleship Small Groups** will return January 6 from 5 to 7PM. We will begin a new study called "Prayer" by Francis Chan. During that time we will hear from other students on how prayer impacted their lives while facing tough situations. We will begin to understand how we should pray, what we are called to pray for, and why God invites us to communicate with Him.
- **Fuge Youth Summer Camp** is July 14 to 20. Sign up has begun! A non-refundable \$55 deposit is due by January 23. For more info please talk with Scot (scot@salemchurch.com).
- **Youth Ministry Game Night**—Saturday—January 12—5PM to 9PM—Bring a drink and snack food to share and \$4 for pizza and your favorite board/card game —Wii and Xbox 360 games, board games, fellowship
- The Youth Ministry is going a **Spring Break Mission Trip** and all are welcome to join us for an amazing week of ministry and service in Southwest Virginia. We will leave on April 22 traveling to Nickelsville, VA. While there we will

be minor home repair, painting, landscaping, and other projects for area residents. We travel home on April 26. **The cost for this trip is \$60/person with a \$30 non-refundable deposit due by March 1. The balance of money is due by April 1.** Plan now to join us for we of being Jesus' hands and feet as we share His love in Southwest Virginia!

- **The Rock and Worship Roadshow Christian Concert Tour—February 22**—All are welcome to come and join our Youth Ministry for an amazing night of Christian music. The concert is at the John Paul Jones Arena on the campus of UVA. The featured artists are Matthew West, Matt Maher, Tenth Avenue North, Michael W. Smith, and Leanna Crawford. The concert is **\$20 and must be paid to Scot by January 30** The van leaves Salem at **4:00PM**. You don't want to miss this great night of music!

Upcoming Events

Deaf Mission Bible Study Jan. 2 & 16 at 11:00am

S.W.I.F.T. (Salem Women In Fellowship Together) Jan. 3 at 12:00pm Vinny's on Leavells Road.

Upward Basketball begins Jan. 5

Happy Hands Luncheon Jan. 8 at 12:00pm

Micah Meal to the Homeless Jan. 9 at 4:00 pm

Wonderful Wednesday resumes Jan. 9 at 5:30 pm

Youth Game Night Jan. 12 at 5:00 pm

Youth Winter Retreat Meeting Jan. 16 at 7:30 pm

Youth Winter Retreat Packing Party Jan. 24 at 6:00 pm

Youth Winter Retreat Jan. 25-27

Salem Connection

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH OF FREDERICKSBURG, INC.
JANUARY 2019

Thank you notes that have been sent to the congregation are available for reading on the Family Life Center (FLC) bulletin board.

Recycle your empty ink cartridges! Turn your empty ink cartridges into money for the church! Bring them to the church office and we can get vouchers for office supplies. **Collect them from your friends, family, and co-workers too.**

Office Hours:
Mon. – Thurs. 9:00 am-3:30 pm
Friday 9:00 am-1:00pm
Tel: 540.786.7320

Dale Seley, Pastor
Terry Blackburn-Parker, Minister of Connections
Scot Davis, Minister to Families, Children & Youth
Tim Joines, 8:45am Worship Leader
Beth Hoovler, 11am Worship Leader
Anthe Morris, Secretary
Lydia Harrington, Financial Secretary
Brooke Johnson, Parish Nurse
Rob Robbins, Soul Care Counseling
Confidential requests can be made on the web
www.salembc.com/special-ministries/soul-care-counseling

Church Events

- Jan. 3 S.W.I.F.T. meet at Vinny's
- Jan. 5 Upward basketball
- Jan. 6 Youth Discipleship
- Jan. 8 Happy Hands Luncheon
- Jan. 9 Micah Meal
- Jan. 9 Wonderful Wednesday
- Jan. 12 Scout Event
- Jan. 12 Youth Game Night
- Jan. 13 Youth Discipleship
- Jan. 13 Deacon meeting
- Jan. 20 Youth Discipleship
- Jan. 20 Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Jan. 25 –27 Youth Winter Retreat
- Jan. 26 Boy Scouts Pinewood Derby

Check us out on the web at www.salembc.com or on Facebook

Thoughts from Dale...

Well...another new year is upon us...it is my hope as you reflect upon this past year, with all the "ups" and "downs" that we face in our earthly sojourn, when it is all said and done that it was a good year for you. It is my hope that you have grown closer in your relationship with our God and that you are able to recall many instances during 2018 that you clearly saw a demonstration of His care and provision for you. It is my prayer that 2019 will be a continuation of your spiritual growth and maturation.

What is one thing that you would identify that would benefit your life if you began to do it? It may be the way you approach challenges that create anxiety. It may be an activity that you need to cease being involved in and replaced with something more productive and healthy. It may be setting aside a certain amount of time a week to talk to family members, make contact with some friends, read a good book, spend some time in prayer for specific people and their needs, doing one thing a week or a month that will contribute to you being a more generous person. As you can see, there are a myriad of "things" that can help to make our lives better. So, what will you choose to add or delete from your life this year?

There are several prayer concerns I would ask that you make a matter of prayer each week this next year. Write them down on a 3 x 5 card and keep them in your vehicle, type them on a sheet of paper and put them in your Bible, put them in your prayer journal, do whatever you need to do to keep them in front of you this next year. And, then, commit to pray for these concerns:

1. The spiritual health of the Salem congregation. For love for God and love for others to continue to increase.
2. For God's Spirit to lead to Salem those who have no personal relationship with Jesus, that they may experience His love through us.

Meet our pastors...



Dale Seley, Pastor
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Minister of Connections



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Minister to Families,
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3. For God's Spirit to lead to Salem those individuals who are "seasoned" believers who can join us and help us in the work of God's kingdom.
4. For financial provisions/resources so that we can do all that God's Spirit calls us to do.
5. For unity, a spirit of camaraderie, a compassionate and grace-filled heart for one another.
6. For spiritual growth and numerical growth. We desire to develop in our dependency upon God and we desire for more people to come and be a part of our family.
7. For spiritual protection from Satan who will attempt in any way, at any cost, to steal, kill and destroy individuals and the community of faith called Salem.

I believe God has some faith-stretching, exciting, challenging things for us in 2019. Let's be ready for whatever He might bring before us and with anticipation, look for how He will make a way for us.

We're off....let's go.....2019

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GROW

A new ladies Sunday morning Bible class will begin Jan. 6. It will meet in the Family Life Center Room #301G. Contact Cindy McWhirt if you would like more info: chmcwhirt@hotmail.com

Many people make a New Year's resolution to read the Bible more or even to read it cover to cover. Our church membership to Right Now Media offers an amazing number of Bible studies for all ages and all interests. If you want to check it out, email Terry so that she can sign you up today for these FREE connections to great studies. Info: terry@salemabc.com or 540-786-7320 ext.203.

Deaf Bible Study

January 2 at 11:00am

Led by Shelly Thompson in Family Life Center

Wonderful Wednesday Bible Studies will resume on January 9, 2019.

TUESDAY Discipleship Study 2019 **"The Holiness of God"**

Jan. 15- May 21

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Room 110

Led by Rob Robbins

SPONSORS NEEDED FOR SALEM RUN

APARTMENT OUTREACH. We have between 3 and 6 children attending from the Salem Run Apartments on Wednesday nights as part of our TeamKid program. We provide them with dinner for free each week. To help with this expense we are searching for sponsors who are willing to pay \$3/weekly/child for their meals. The Winter/Spring schedule is made up of 16 weeks (January 9 thru May 15). If you would be willing to sponsor a child, please speak with Scot. scot@salemabc.com



Micah Meal Ministry to the Homeless
Wednesday, January 9, 4-6:30 PM
1300 Augustine Ave.

Volunteers are always welcome! Questions:
terry@salemabc.com

We will be making homemade soup to serve!
Please come help!

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Volunteers needed in Children's Ministry

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WORSHIP

Inclement weather will be here before you know it, so with that in mind, please remember:



WEATHER CHURCH CANCELLATION POLICY & NOTIFICATION

If Spotsylvania County schools are closed then all activities are cancelled for the day. If the weather/roads are icy/snowy, we ask that you use caution if you decide to attend church activities. Please listen to WFLS (93.3 FM) radio or channel 7 (ABC news) for updates on Sunday closings. Should activities be cancelled on a Sunday morning then activities that evening will also be cancelled. Go to www.salemabc.com and cancellations will be posted. Also you will be able to find cancellations and updates on our Facebook page.