

Ringgold Baptist Church

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Return Service Requested



Sunday, June 18th

STAFF / SERVICE TIMES / MONTHLY SERVANTS

STAFF

Pastor.....Rev. Duane Caldwell
Administrative Secretary.....Cheryl Hogg
Minister of Music.....Daniel Wolfe
Minister to Children.....Stephanie Barts
Minister to Youth.....Brandon Barts
Organist.....Ginger Collie
Pianist.....Leslie Blair
Groundskeeper.....Doug Motley
Property Maintenance.....Kevin Barker

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday School - 9:15 am
Sunday Morning - 10:30 am
Sunday Evening - 5:00 pm
Wednesday Evening - 6:30 pm

Audio

Larry Collie / Robby Parker

Nursery

June 04—Dianne Donahoe and Gayle Barts
June 11—Bonnie McDarmont and Katie Williams
June 18—Carl and Brooke Davis
June 25—Ashlee and Aidan Hudgins

Ushers: Mac McDowell, Butch Boyd,
Sammy McCormick,

Bereavement Team

June - Sara and Ray McDowell
July - Phyllis and Sammy McCormick

JUNE 2023

THE RINGGOLD REFLECTOR

A Word from Pastor Duane

I found the following story by Rubel Shelly very interesting and I hope you will as well.

The criminal-tragic tale of two fugitives suspected in the murder of a prison guard in Kentucky ended on a tip from a cab driver. He had dropped off the pair at a motel, without making a connection between them and the ongoing national manhunt. Then he got to thinking about them. "The cover story they gave me didn't really seem to 'wash' too much," Mike Wagers said. "I could kinda see through that. But I had no indication that these guys were really dangerous or they were on the run."

During the 115-mile trip from Kentucky into Ohio, there had been some conversation. What Wagers called their "cover story" was the explanation they somehow felt compelled to give about hiring a cab for such a long trip. They told him they were on their way to an Amway convention. "They didn't strike me as the Amway type because, to be honest, they weren't very pushy about their product," continued Wagers. "And I've dealt with Amway distributors before, so that was my only real suspicion."

Now don't any of you who sell Amway products get defensive! I have no quarrel with people who sell Amway or Chevrolets or widget baskets promoting their products. Sure, the word "pushy" has negative connotations. And some people cross that line with their sales pitches. But, the way you create a market for a product is advertising. Promotion. And word-of-mouth ads are the best of all.

Wonder if the claim some of us make to be disciples of Jesus ever sounds hollow? The name "Christian" seems like a bad fit? If anybody ever thought about it later and mumbled, "I'm not sure that person's claim 'washes' with me!"

Christians almost certainly hurt our cause when we are too abrupt and pushy in our evangelistic efforts. I don't like in-your-face recruiters, intrusive sales people, or brassy Christians who think the gospel justifies rudeness. But is it too much to expect that we speak well of our faith? The church? And Jesus?

Disciples (i.e., students) of Jesus are always learning about him and making the effort to imitate him. And it's unthinkable to me that we would never get his name into conversations, tell people the difference it makes to know him, give Him credit for something good that has happened to us or through us, or explain why we think or act a certain way in terms of commitments made to him.

If it shocks a cabby that Amway dealers aren't talking about their wares, it should certainly stun people when Christians have nothing to say about Jesus.

Honor Christ and let him be the Lord of your life. Always be ready to give an answer when someone asks you about your hope. (1 Peter 3:15 CEV)

I challenge each of you to say something about Jesus to everyone you meet.

Pastor Duane

DEACON'S MOMENT

One Small Positive Thought In The Morning Can Change Your Whole Day

Every day we get a fresh start and an opportunity to accomplish our objectives, no matter how big or small. With one straightforward choice, we can establish the mood for the day.

This optimistic idea can come in many different forms. “One simple positive thought in the morning can affect your whole day.” It can include faking a grin when you first wake up. You could be thinking back on things for which you are thankful. It can involve giving a loved one a kiss and telling them how happy they make you. It doesn’t have to be enormous. However, it must occur for it to be effective.

Anyone may be an inspiration! It may be a straightforward image, a specific person, or even a few inspiring words. Make sure you have the necessary energy to do tasks effectively if you want to achieve something in your life. This energy should be positive. You must thus experience something that sparks that positivism in you when you awaken each morning.

The best thing that can motivate you to live another day is positivity. You will face obstacles and challenges along the path, but if you start to be afraid of them, you immediately lose all your motivation.

Sometimes all it takes is one uplifting idea to change the course of your entire day. Have you ever had a single event or simply a single idea completely alter your perspective? Have you ever allowed something to have a positive or negative impact on your day?

Our thoughts have enormous power. Our mood, perception, and reality may all be significantly impacted by what we imagine in our minds. Therefore, even if your morning hasn’t been the finest, try to think of one uplifting idea and hang onto it. You’d be astonished at how significantly it may alter your entire day.

- ♦ *Keep your thoughts positive because your thoughts become your words.*
- ♦ *Keep your words positive because your words become your behavior.*
- ♦ *Keep your behavior positive because your behavior becomes your habits.*
- ♦ *Keep your habits positive because your habits become your values.*
- ♦ *Keep your values positive because your values become your destiny.”*

BE POSITIVE!!

Submitted by Ronnie Emerson

CHILDREN & YOUTH



Our Vacation Bible School Is This Month!!

Dates: Monday, June 5th through Thursday, June 8th!

Ages: PreK — 5th Grade children

Time: 5:30 pm—8:00 pm

Dinner Served Nightly!

Over the 3 days, your children will embark on an epic adventure in which they discover David’s exciting journey, from shepherd to king. They’ll also learn an amazing truth; In Jesus, God has a glorious future awaiting them!

Here’s a summary of each day:

Day 1: David & Samuel - God has a plan for us.

Day 2: David Fights Goliath - God gives us victory.

Day 3: David Becomes King - God has a glorious future awaiting us.

Please pray for us as we prepare for this wonderful event.

We also meet during Children’s Church on Sunday mornings at 10:30 as well as on Sunday and Wednesday evenings at 7:00. We also will be planning fun outings to go on with the children where we can spend more time together by going skating, bowling, or mini golfing.

If you would like to volunteer for VBS or have any questions, please reach out to me by calling or texting 434-709-4709.

~Stephanie Barts

YOUTH

Psalm 93:4 Mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea-the Lord on high is mighty. Genesis 8:22 As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease.

Youth will be helping with VBS and meeting on Wednesday and Sunday evenings at 7!!! We are also looking forward to Mission Connection Celebration (MC2) held at Eagle Eyrie July 17-21. Youth and adults minister in small groups through a variety of service projects in the greater Lynchburg area ranging from VBS to construction to social ministries.

~Brandon Barts

J.O.Y. CLUB

Our
Friend to Remember
for June is

Doyle Eanes
1700 Ringgold Road
Ringgold VA 24586

You may leave cards
for Doyle
in the mailbox through
June 30.

A
SWEET
FRIENDSHIP
REFRESHES
THE SOUL

PROVERBS
TWENTY-SEVEN
NINE



The J.O.Y. Club will
meet on
Tuesday, June 27
at Noon

SHRIMP BOIL

You won't want to miss this
delicious FEAST!
Bring a dessert to share.

Don't forget to bring a canned
item for God's Storehouse!

Ask how you can be involved in
Harriett's "Twelve Days of
Christmas" Basket Project!

MUSIC

WHO IS PHILIP P. BLISS?

Philip Paul Bliss (9 July 1838 – 29 December 1876) was an American composer, conductor, writer of hymns and a bass-baritone Gospel singer. He wrote many well-known hymns, including "Hold the Fort" (1870), "Almost Persuaded" (1871); "Hallelujah, What a Saviour!" (1875); "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning"; "Wonderful Words of Life" (1875); and the tune for Horatio Spafford's "It Is Well with My Soul" (1876). Bliss was a recognized friend of D. L. Moody, the famous Chicago preacher. Bliss died in the Ashtabula River Railroad Disaster on his way to one of Moody's meetings. An outspoken Abolitionist, he served as a Lieutenant during the American Civil War.

Bliss's house in Rome, Pennsylvania, is now operated as the Philip P. Bliss Gospel Songwriters Museum.

Why do I bring this to your attention? Well, my parents, Glenn and Isabel Wolfe lived in that little town of Rome, located in Bradford County of Pennsylvania, just a few miles from the New York State border. This was well before my time. Dad served from 1945-1951, as Supervising Principal of the Rome/Wyndham High School. In 1951 he took a position a Sales Representative for Silver-Burdette Textbook Publishing, which he held until his retirement in 1975.

Just thought I'd share,

Dan

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

SUNDAY, JUNE 25 AT 6:00 PM

IF YOU ARE THE CHAIR OR CO-CHAIR

OF A COMMITTEE, YOU ARE A MEMBER

OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL AND SHOULD ATTEND



BI-MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

WEDNESDAY
JUNE 14
6:30 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS, & REMINDERS



EVA WALTON CIRCLE
MEETING HAS BEEN
RESCHEDULED FOR
TUESDAY, JUNE 13
AT 7:00 PM



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, June 5th
through
Thursday, June 8th

5:30 Dinner Pickup: 8:00 pm

Pre-K - 5th Grade

Pre-register your child at
ringgoldbaptist.org

REMINDER

RETURN YOUR
BABY BOTTLE
BY SUNDAY,
JUNE 19

MAKE ANY
CHECKS
PAYABLE TO
"TRANSITION
PREGNANCY
SOLUTIONS"



RBC AT WORK
APRIL 18
DAN RIVER FOOD
DISTRIBUTION



WMU HIGHLIGHTS

The CASSEROLE MINISTRY has been revived and expanded as a church-wide Outreach Ministry. To be a **successful ministry**, we need **volunteers** who are willing to provide casseroles that will feed 1-4 people. We know that RBC has some **spectacular cooks**, so please contact Suzanne Emerson or the Church Office for more information if you would be interested in being a part of this **monthly outreach**. This ministry will

Support the Deacon Family Ministry of RBC
Support the Bereavement Ministry of RBC



THANK YOU:

- ♦ For the generous donations of \$2,471.00 to God's Pit Crew for Blessing Buckets in April.
- ♦ A huge **THANK YOU** to the **twenty-eight (28) volunteers** that packed the Backpack Bags this school year. This **ministry will resume in mid-September**.
- ♦ **Thank you** to everyone who **participated in Baptist Women's Day on May 7**. Rena DeAndrea and Tammy Bonar had a very informative presentation on the purpose of Transition Pregnancy Solutions and the need for prayers and monetary donations to support this local nonprofit organization. The **Baby Bottle Boomerang** began on **Mother's Day, May 14**. All bottles should be returned by **Father's Day in June**.

Dates To Remember:

- ♦ **RBC** will be responsible for the **Dan River Food Distribution** for God's Storehouse in July. Need about **5-8 volunteers** at **God's Storehouse** on **Tuesday, July 11** at **2:30** to pack non-perishable boxes for 30-45 minutes. **Many** volunteers will be needed on **Tuesday, July 18** at **Kentuck Baptist Ministry Center** to pack the perishable boxes and distribute the food from **4:30-6:30 pm**.
- ♦ Donations to **SIT (Students in Transition) Project** will **resume when school begins**.
- ♦ **Klothes4Kids Ministry** - If you know of any family with children entering **Kindergarten – 5th grades**, there are **applications in the office with Cheryl** that **MUST** be filled out by the family and returned to the **PBA office** by **June 17**.
- ♦ **Sugar cookies** are needed for **VBS on June 5-8**.

MISSION GROUP OPPORTUNITIES:

- ♦ **Eva Walton Mission Circle** – meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at RBC.
- ♦ **Morning Mission Circle** – meets the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00 AM at RBC.

Women of ANY AGE are welcome to visit either or both mission groups.

RBC, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF ALL MISSION PROJECTS
AND MISSION OFFERINGS

Suzanne Emerson
WMU Director