

Ash Avenue Baptist

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In the six months since we started our *Feed My Lambs* food pantry we've been able to assist 46 families.

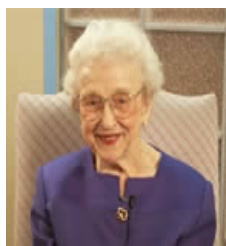
Thank you to everyone who participates in this ministry, whether by donating food, or volunteering time.

It is through your combined efforts that we've been so successful.

We look forward to the continued blessing of being able to help so many in need!

From Eure Pastor's Desk by John D. Eure

"Why do we have to pay off another lady?" That's the joke that Southern Baptists have said for years when it comes time for the special offerings for International and North American Missions. Of course, these two offerings are named for the two women who were remarkable in their mission work and support, Lottie Moon and Annie Armstrong.



But Virginia Baptists have our own lady to remember, Alma Hunt.

Many years before she went home to be with the Lord in June 2008, the offering was named for her. She was honored for her service and leadership in missions, both in Virginia and internationally. Since moving to the Commonwealth, I've learned to appreciate her service and legacy more and more.

The *Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Baptists* is a cooperative funding for the *Woman's Missionary Union of VA* and the *Virginia Baptist Mission Board*. While it is important for both, it's especially important to WMUV since 100% of its ministry budget comes from this offering.

To be honest, the state offering is more than "paying off another lady." It's about supporting God's kingdom work financially and with our physical presence and strength.

This offering certainly benefits churches and ministries right in Virginia. From grants to help start new churches, to disaster relief, to Camp Crossroads, and initiatives to feed the hungry, the Alma Hunt Offering supports the neighbors around us.

The offering helps Virginia Baptists by reaching outside of our borders. It helps in reaching the world by supporting other brothers and sisters beyond us.

These mission partnerships extend across the nation and around the world.

You may ask, "How does that help me?" Well, since Christ told us to go and make disciples (Matthew 28:18-20) and to go to the "ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8 NIV), this offering provides more opportunities to become involved in fulfilling the job He gave you... and to me, too.

And in uncertain times, we may find that such an offering may help us, as Baptists lend helping hands to families and individuals who need encouragement and support. Please keep the ministries supported by the Alma Hunt Offering in prayer; Also, give as God leads you. This year's theme is *TODAY* based from *Luke 4:18-21*.



The state goal is \$1,167,500. Ash Avenue's goal is \$1300.

Fall Fundraiser.



Sisters Serving Christ will hold an auction on Saturday, October 17th with proceeds to be used for Missions projects.

Needed: Furniture, lamps, pictures, glassware, decorative items, collectibles. (No junk, please).

Items can be placed in the Jeanne Taylor classroom.



SEPTEMBER

9/6 Dennis Stewart
Jimmy Allen
Victor Crump
Rick Brogden

9/13 Don Williams
Gene Comer
Don Gainey
Mike Harris

9/20 Jim Chandler
Jerry Crenshaw
Fred Flinn
Randy Hupp

9/27 Randy Guill
Wes Bosiger
Tom Hahn
Daniel Wilborn



ABC Offering Report

as of: 8/23/09:

Budget offering received...

\$129,886.31

Budget offering needed...

\$134,868.82

Budget deficit:

(\$4,982.51)

**New Hymnals Given
this month:**

“In Memory Of”
Henry “Pete” Newton
by Faye Newton

“In Memory Of”
Henry “Pete” Newton
**by Amy N. Adkins
& Chasity N. Pool**

“In Honor Of”
Herb & Maggie Phipps
by
Friendship Sunday School Class
(Two hymnals given)

“In Honor Of”
Herb & Maggie Phipps
by
Andrew/Turner Carter Sunday
School Class
(Two hymnals given)

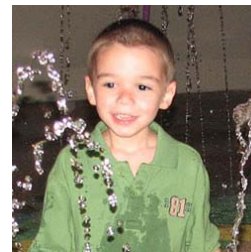
WMU NEWS

Tuesday, Sept. 1st
Eva Saunders Meeting
at 10:00am

Thursday, Sept. 10th
Sisters Serving Christ
will meet
in Jeanne Taylor classroom at
7:00pm

Monday, Sept. 14th
Nonie Gravitt Meeting
at 2:00pm

Saturday, Sept. 19th
Devotions at
South Boston Manor
At 10:30am



Trevor Johnson, grandson of Elton & Hilda Johnson, has been diagnosed with Asperger’s disorder, a high-functioning form of autism. Trevor’s dad, Steve Johnson will run in the New York City Marathon for Autism. Anyone who would like to read this family’s story as well as learn how you can contribute, please visit website:

www.cornerpiece.org
and click on “Our Story”.

WALK-a-THON
Junior Diabetes Research
Foundation

Saturday, Sept. 12th

Registration: **9:30am** at Braves Stadium
in Danville.
Walk begins
at **11am**.

The **Brogdens** are participating in the walk-a-thon. If you would like to make a donation, or join in the walk, contact Sharon Brogden for more information or check website:

www.jdrf.com

During Worship in September

- 9/6 - Roger & Sheila Henderson
- 9/13 - Karen & Randy Hupp
- 9/20 - Linda Satterfield & Paul Kipps
- 9/27 - Carolyn Chandler & Libby Hazelwood

Judy Meeler is the Acting Nursery Coordinator for Worship.
 Please contact her for any changes.



During Sunday School in September

- 9/6 - Sharon Brogden & Isis Woody
- 9/13 - Roger & Sheila Henderson
- 9/20 - Andrea & Allyson Sizemore
- 9/27 - Cynthia Camp & Jessica Snead

If you find that you will not be able to be in the Sunday School Nursery on your scheduled date please call Cora Cliborne—575-8100

Youth Evangelism Celebration
 Sunday, September 13th
 at Dan River Baptist

Crimson Flood Band will perform

Guest speaker: Dr. Cromwell
 from Crossroads Tae Kwon Do

Our Youth will meet at Ash Avenue for pizza at 5:30, then go the Dan River for the 6:30 event.

Admission is FREE but please bring canned goods for Good Samaritan.



Saturday, September 26th

I want to thank you for all of the kind acts that were shown to us during this difficult time. The lunch, cards, phone calls, but especially your prayers. We could not have gotten through it without the Lord's help.

God bless you!
Benny, Tina, Brittany, & family.



The family of **Paul Dickerson** thanks you for your kindness during our time of loss.

What a blessing to be part of such a wonderful church family. Your prayers, cards, visits, food, and all acts of kindness during my surgery and recuperation are greatly appreciated. I have felt your prayers! Words do not adequately express my sincere thanks to each of you.

May God bless each of you!
Faye Clark



Herb & Maggie Phipps
 P.O. Box 855
 Piney Flats, TN 37686
 Phone: 423-391-7256

Goodbye and thank you to Herb & Maggie for all their years of friendship, hard work, and Christian love. Ash Avenue Baptist, as well as the local community, are better for having been blessed by their presence.

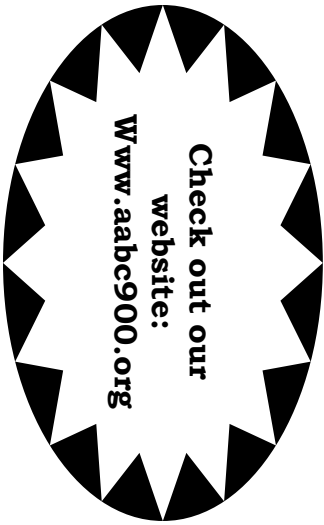
You will be missed!



**Properties Contacts for September
are J.D. Conner & Tom Hahn**

**Deacons of the Month for September
are Jay Camp & Victor Crump**

**Need to use the church van this month?
If so, contact Mike Harris for availability.**



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