



# Dover Diary

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## Monthly Dover Sunday School Director's Meeting

Hosted by: Steve Smith

Fourth Monday Night each month

6:30 to 8 p.m.

Light supper provided

Next meeting is February 26

At the Dover Office Building

## Baptist Ministry Assistants of Virginia Spring Retreat

"I Shall Not Be Moved"

Wednesday, March 7-Friday, March 9

Best Western Plus, 2809 Atlantic Avenue,  
Virginia Beach

Visit [www.bmav.org](http://www.bmav.org) or call (757) 428-5370.

*Save the Date!*

## Dover Senior Adult Luncheon

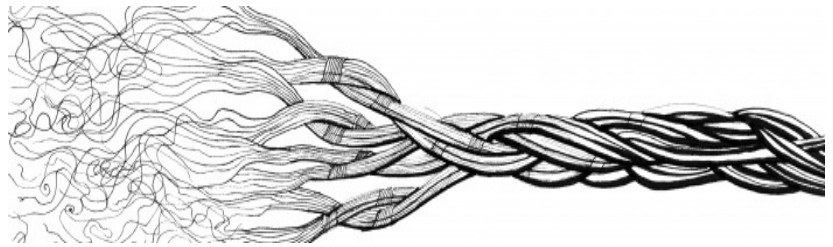
Tuesday, May 22 – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hunton Baptist Church,

More details coming soon!

## Inclement Weather Policy

Whenever Hanover County Public Schools close due to weather conditions, the Dover Association Office may also close or change office hours.



## Mission Possible

Art + Justice + Mission = Mission Possible VA

Saturday, March 3 – 12:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Randolph-Macon College, Birdsong Hall

106 E. Patrick Street, Ashland

Register by visiting: [www.missionpossible.com/register](http://www.missionpossible.com/register)

Early Bird Registration: \$15/person

General Registration (After February 2): \$20/person

Randolph Macon College students with meal plan: \$5/person

The story of God's heart for justice needs a creative space to be experienced. So, a series of collaborations began between leaders, artists, theologians, abolitionists, agents of the kingdom of God, and networks of community-shaping organizations.

The collaborations became windows into the thin places where God's kingdom of heaven comes down to earth. Places where students, adults, leaders, friends, enemies, people far from God, people close to God, big organizations, businesses, non-profits, social enterprises and just about all people could spend a day hearing stories of how art, love, farming, prayer, hope, film, music, law enforcement, self-lessness, social media, humility, learning and more are restoring the world into the place God had always intended it to be.

There are two plenary gatherings, with breakout sessions, interactive worship experiences (i.e. opportunities to engage in film, prayer, stories, and art as a means of reflection and response), all wrapped up with a closing concert. The day is laid out to provide opportunities for conversation, listening, reflection, worship, questions, hope, and learning. Join us!

## 2018 Hepler Scholarship Applications Due by March 15

Paul Hepler served as Dover Baptist Association's second Director of Missions. Dover awards an annual scholarship in his name, to a Dover Baptist student pursuing a college or graduate degree. Applications for the 2018 W. Paul Hepler Scholarship must be received in the Dover Office no later than March 15.

Download an application at [www.doverbaptist.org](http://www.doverbaptist.org) or contact the Dover Office for an application or more information.

## The 10:59 Group

The 10:59 Group seminar series on future leaders' new opportunities is underway. All seminars begin at 10:59 am and run until 12:30 pm. Rose Mary Stewart and Bob Dale invite you to these practical conversations:

- CUSTOMIZING MINISTRY to Cultural Contexts (February 6)
- Surviving TANGLED TRANSITIONS (February 27)

We'll meet at 10:59 am for a 30 minutes briefing, 30 minutes of conversation, and lunch along with more table talk. See you there!

E-mail: [dover.info@doverbaptist.org](mailto:dover.info@doverbaptist.org) or call Dover's office at (804) 550-1980 to reserve your lunch, your study materials, and your chance to win a FREE BOOK!  
Plan now to be part of The 10:59 Group!

## Update from the Dover Executive Director Search Committee

Bob and Rose Mary have been here three months now and they are hard at work meeting with pastors of Dover churches, listening, and getting feedback on how Dover can help their ministries in the future. In addition, they are busy reviewing policies and procedures to determine what updates are needed before we fill the permanent Executive Director of Missions position.

They have also conducted one of several seminars to prepare church leaders for leading in a rapidly changing world. On another note, the Search Committee is beginning work to develop a profile of what the future Executive Director of Missions position will look like. We will incorporate feedback received from Bob and Rose Mary, our churches, the Dover staff and others into this profile. Once the profile is complete, we will finalize the job description and proceed to fill it. We hope to have this profile complete in April or by July at the latest.

We continue to thank you for your prayers and covet them as we continue to seek God's guidance moving forward. Please include us on your church prayer list. Thank you for the honor of serving God in this sacred task.

Josh Hayden, Chair  
Pat Bragg, Vice-Chair

Please consider joining us for the:  
Tipi Wakan Ministries Community Day  
Saturday, June 2  
Tipi Wakan Ministries will host a "Community Day" event with games and other activities for the families. We need up to 25 people to help with set up the week before and to help on the day of the event.  
For more information, please contact Alan Ray by calling (804) 288-5805 or e-mail [partnership@doverbaptist.org](mailto:partnership@doverbaptist.org)

## Partnership Missions Update

*Editor's Note: Pete and Angela Adkins serve as full time missionaries for Tipi Wakan Ministries at the Cannon Ball community on the Standing Rock Reservation (North Dakota). Pete and Angela are members of Samaria Baptist Church. Dover has a partnership with Tipi Wakan Ministries.*

To our Dover Family, Happy New Year!

As we reflect back on the past year we're so grateful to God for the grace that He has extended to us. He called us while we were His enemies, saved us and now allows us to partner with Him to share the good news of salvation that's available to all.

We are amazed at how much God has grown each of us spiritually, engineering our circumstances in such a way that we have come, and are still coming, to depend on Him for insight, upstanding, discernment, and wisdom to properly reflect His glory in every situation and circumstance we encounter.

We're equally amazed at Jesus' church; how He leads some to pray about a particular situation and leads others to move in response to those prayers. That's how we came to be in Cannon Ball, some prayed for God's ministry in Cannon Ball and He lead us to relocate here in response to those prayers. God has lead a couple of other churches in the state, about two hours from Cannon Ball, to invite us to speak about God's ministry here and they were lead to support His ministry here.

We are understanding more about the power of prayer; and when asked what the greatest need here is, our response is always prayer. The real work in ministry is not doing but prayer. When we pray and move according to God's direction He does the work and get's the glory.

It's a privilege and honor to serve God here and were excited about what He's going to do. There is another couple that feels lead to relocate and serve God in this community, and two more who are praying to discern God's call in their lives about relocating and serving here.

Many of you have come over the years to Standing Rock doing VBS in different communities, others have heard about the conditions and environment in which the community members live in. On the surface the outlook seems bleak, but we have hope. For we serve a mighty and awesome God whose power is often displayed in seemingly hopeless situations. Jeremiah 32: 26-27 reads "Then this message came to Jeremiah from the Lord. "I am the Lord, the God of all the peoples of the world. Is anything too hard for me?" Revelation 5:9 "And they sang a new song with these words: "You are worthy to take the scroll and break its seals and open it. For you were slaughtered, and your blood has ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation."

We are confident that many from Cannon Ball will be included in those that Christ's blood has ransomed for God. We're grateful for the time we had to spend the Christmas holiday at home with our families, we're grateful for our Dover family, but most of all we're grateful for your continued prayers.

Grace to you,  
Peter and Angela Adkins

## Pray for These

### The ministers of **Tipi Wakan Ministries, and, in Dover:**

- February 4 **Broadus Memorial** . . . . . Phil Peacock, Pastor  
Carol Golden, Jeff Poythress, Karen Tucker,  
Randy Cooksey, Ellis D. Monfalcone,  
Gladys Seymour, Dare Wright
- Colosse** . . . . . Donald Campbell, Interim Pastor  
Gaynell Smith, Marian Carnell, Rose Rice
- February 11 **Cool Spring** . . . . . Brad Hoffmann, Pastor  
Wayne Smith, Ted Tussey, Greg English,  
Glen Bohannon, Tyler English,  
David Moore, Bryan Dupuis,  
Brenda Kidd, Jill Baughan, Sharon Neeley,  
Nicole Moore, Candace Nahodil,  
Laurie Spiers, Linda McNally, Sandy Finan,  
Kim Young, Shane Standlick, Jen Willard,  
Melvin Terry, Mark Billups,  
Wendy Shaw, Pam Cross
- February 18 **Corinth** . . . . . Ben Caldwell, Pastor  
William Shaw, Tony Vines, Holly Schaub
- February 25 **Cornerstone Christian** . . . . Les Redfern, Pastor  
Pam Hughes

**Notice:** The prayer guides will be e-mailed to the Church of the Week instead of being sent through the mail.

## Dover Baptists Express Sympathy

...to the family of Shirley May Frost who passed away December 28, 2017. Shirley was a member of **North Run Baptist Church** and served on the Dover Media Library Committee from 1976 through 2015.

...to the family of Lorraine Hope who passed away January 3. Lorraine Hope was the mother of Melinda Ray and mother-in-law of Alan Ray, Senior Pastor of **Ridge Baptist Church**. Lorraine was also the grandmother of Lindsay Ray, Minister for Students at **Ridge Baptist Church**.

...to the family of Debbie Duca who passed away January 17. Debbie Duca was the daughter of Jay and Kathy Hurley. Jay is the pastor of **Samaria Baptist Church**.

## Congratulations

...to Ted Tussey on celebrating his twentieth anniversary of faithful service with **Cool Spring Baptist Church** on January 19.

...to Neven Kalda and Edward Khalil on the birth of their daughter, Melody on November 17, 2017. Neven is the Director of the Promise Care Child Development Center at **Ridge Baptist Church**. Grandparents are Seneya and William Khalil, Senior Pastor Emeritus of **Arabic Baptist Church**.

## Personnel Changes

Jesse Flury resigned as Student Minister at **Cool Spring Baptist Church**.

**Mount Vernon Baptist Church** welcomes Chetara Hooker as their new Children's Ministry Assistant.

Dr. Glen Bohannon has completed his service as Interim Pastor with **Walnut Grove Baptist Church** on December 31, 2017.

## DWMU News

February 10th-Come to the Table  
Melrose Baptist Church, Roanoke  
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Feb 11-18, Focus on WMU

March 4-11 Annie Armstrong Mission Emphasis

Women's Mini-Retreat & Children's Day  
Saturday, March 10 – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
New Highland Baptist Church  
9200 New Ashcake Road, Mechanicsville  
Cost: Adults \$10.00 & Children \$5.00

(includes refreshments, lunch, and supplies)  
Call (804) 843-4147 for reservations by Friday, March 2.  
Guest Speaker: Rev. Jennifer Mullins, Associate Pastor/Youth Pastor, New Highland Baptist Church

This is a time for spiritual enrichment, missions, music, fellowship, and fun. Please come prepared to share a mission idea from your church. The kids will learn about missions, do a craft, play games, and jump in a moon bounce. This event is for kids in grades K- 5th.

## Carolyn Hollins Memorial Scholarship

Application deadline is Thursday, March 29.  
Visit [www.doverbaptist.org/wmu](http://www.doverbaptist.org/wmu) or contact Michelle Brown at (804) 928-2927 for information and/or apply.

## Positions Available

**Colosse Baptist Church** seeks a full-time Pastor. Send resume and references to Colosse Baptist Church, Pastor Search Committee, 23945 King William Road, West Point, VA 23181 or [cbcpastorsearch959@gmail.com](mailto:cbcpastorsearch959@gmail.com).

**Deep Run Baptist Church** seeks a part-time teacher for our Child Development Center. Please e-mail resume to [deeprunbcdc@gmail.com](mailto:deeprunbcdc@gmail.com).

**Gwathmey Baptist Church** seeks a pianist. For more information contact Butch Hudson at (804) 798-6615.

**Hunton Baptist Church** seeks a part-time Minister to Youth. Contact Danny Kennedy, Personnel Committee Chair at [dkennedy3509@gmail.com](mailto:dkennedy3509@gmail.com).

**Mechanicsville Baptist Church** seeks a full-time Minister of Music and Worship. Please e-mail resume and references to Leslie Luck at [schmookie@comcast.net](mailto:schmookie@comcast.net).

**Walnut Grove Baptist Church** seeks a Senior Pastor. Send resume, references and any electronic media to Pastor Search Committee, 7001 Cornfield Lane, Mechanicsville, VA 23111 or email to [pastorsearch@walnutgrovebaptist.com](mailto:pastorsearch@walnutgrovebaptist.com).

**Westhunt Baptist Church** seeks a part-time Music Minister. Send resume with references to [personnel@westhunt.com](mailto:personnel@westhunt.com).



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Sandy Weakley, Executive Assistant  
Sue Hall, Ministry Assistant  
Elizabeth Bradley, Ministry Assistant  
Steve Smith, Associate for Ministry to Church Leaders

## Church News

Visit [www.doverbaptist.org](http://www.doverbaptist.org) for all the Church News!

**Ashland, FBC** held a vocal workshop January 20.

**Cool Spring** has a Mental Illness Support Group that meets on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month; Cool Spring Travelers will have a "Beans & Cornbread" Pot Luck Luncheon on Friday, February 9 with Guest Speaker: Walter Griggs, Author and he will share about his book "Hidden History of Richmond".

**Emmaus** children and youth went ice skating January 14.

**Hunton** youth chopped wood for those in need January 14; Youth Winter Retreat February 16-18 at the Outer Banks; Senior Adult luncheon January 15 and entertainment was Bingo.

**Mount Olivet** took a tour and gathered information at the Pregnancy Resource Center January 18; had a guest speaker with "Hope for Appalachia", a ministry in Kentucky.

**New Bethesda** Amy Ladd and Friends sang January 28; youth winter retreat January 26-28.

**New Highland** GriefShare meets on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in Room 103.

**Northside** hosted a night of comedy January 27; hosted Soundworks, Central Virginia's Premier A Cappella Ensemble in concert February 25.

**Oak Hall** "Beast Feast" February 24; Brunswick Stew Cooking on March 3.

**Pioneer** youth attended The Edge Youth Conference January 13; had a Craft Day January 20.

**Shalom** youth were busy in January - Connections Tacky Sweater Party, Krispy Kreme Fundraiser and in February Applebee's Flap Jack Fundraiser.

## 2018 Virginia Baptist Ministers Discussion Group

Monday, March 19 – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Roslyn Retreat Center, 8727 River Road, Richmond 23229  
"Being Reborn in the Spirit: Living in a Whole New Light"  
For more information or to register: [www.vabaptistdiscuss.org](http://www.vabaptistdiscuss.org)  
or call (804) 314-0294.

## Prism Basketball Camp for Children with Autism

Saturday, February 10 – 10 a.m. to Noon  
Northstar Academy, 8055 Shrader Road, Richmond  
Sponsored by Parham Road Baptist Church  
For more information and/or to register, call (804) 350-5884.

## "Bad Prayer, Basic Prayer, Best Prayer"

Friday April 20-Saturday, April 21  
Cool Spring Baptist Church  
9283 Atlee Station Road, Mechanicsville 23116  
Details for registration will be announced soon. Visit  
[www.coolspring.org](http://www.coolspring.org) or call (804) 746-0800.

## Piano Improvisation Workshop

Friday, April 20 – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Northside Baptist Church  
7600 Studley Road, Mechanicsville 23116  
Register online - cost \$22.00  
Join us for a two hour workshop leaning from one of the most creative piano composers in the industry. Mark Haynes will demonstrate and teach techniques to enhance the skills of pianists.

## Choral Workshop

Saturday, April 21 – 9:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Northside Baptist Church  
7600 Studley Road, Mechanicsville, 23116  
Register online - cost \$42.00  
Join us for a wonderful day of singing and learning with internationally known composer, Mark Haynes.