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VHBC Connections

A photograph of a watermelon ice cream cone, several watermelon slices, and green leaves on a white background. The ice cream cone is in the center, with a scoop of pink watermelon ice cream. The watermelon slices are scattered around it, and the green leaves are on the left side. The background is white.

Vestavia Hills
Baptist Church

Bi-Weekly Newsletter

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Ukrainian Refugee Offering

We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine, for the end of war, for the afflicted to be comforted, and for peace and justice to prevail. We give thanks to God for those who are giving hands-on support to the Ukrainian people, including the churches of Ukraine and neighboring countries.

Your gifts to date to the Ukrainian Refugee Offering of \$18,190.00 are already at work through our partners, Shane and Dianne McNary. The McNarys are grateful to be in a position to support the work of churches in Poland and Slovakia as they respond to those fleeing the war in Ukraine. Click [HERE](#) for a video update from the McNarys.

Give Online Here

Note "Ukraine Offering" with your gifts or give through Shelby Next and designate the Ukraine Offering.



Sundays at VHBC

Sunday Morning Bible Study begins at 8:45 am!

- Children's Sunday School meets in the Children's Building. Please sign your child in at the front reception desk.
- Find our Welcome Team in the main foyer if you need assistance looking for a class for you and your family.

Sunday Morning Worship begins at 10 am!

- Worship guides and hymn sheets are available at the sanctuary entrances.
- If you are unable to worship in person with us, please join us online or over the radio at 91.1 FM.
- Worship Care for babies through Kindergarten begins at 9:45 am.

COVID Response at VHBC

- With the recent decreases in transmission and test positivity rates in our community, the COVID Response Committee is shifting its guidance to **masks encouraged** for activities at the church.
- It's our hope that these trends continue as we experience this exciting time in the life of our church.

Wednesdays at VHBC

Wednesday Night Dinners

- Meet us in the Fellowship Hall starting at 4:45 every Wednesday.
- Register online weekly at vhbc.com to reserve your meal!

Menu for June 1st

Adults/Youth: Bacon Ranch Cheddar Chicken, Baked Potato Half, Roasted Asparagus, Roll, and Dessert
Kids: Pizza, Fries, Dessert

Menu for June 8th

Adults/Youth/Kids: Grilled Burgers/Dogs, Assorted Chips & Dips, Fruit Salad, Desserts

Wednesday Sessions for Adults

- June 1st - On the Road Again with Becky White
 - June 8th - Welcome the Spiveys
 - June 16th (Thursday) - VBS Family Fun Night
- 5-7 pm



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

at Vestavia Hills Baptist Church



**June 13-16, 9 am - Noon,
Free lunch at noon!**



REGISTER

**Rising 1st Graders through
Rising 6th Graders
today at vhbc.com!**

**Invite your friends each day AND on Thursday
night for our Food Truck Family Fun Night
from 5-7 pm!**



CHILDREN'S ministry



Sunday Worship Care Schedule

6/5

Babies & Ones: Laura Tadlock, Sara Taylor
Twos - K: Dan & Gay Caldwell
Reception Desk: Mel Crowder

6/12

Babies & Ones: Melissa McMurray, Ashley Hattaway
Twos - K: Todd & Rachel Jordan
Reception Desk: Jay McFarland

WEDNESDAYS

Fun with Friends
beginning May 25th
through June!

5:45 - 7pm

Preschoolers Rm. 216
Grades 1-6 Activity Room



June 13-16, 2022

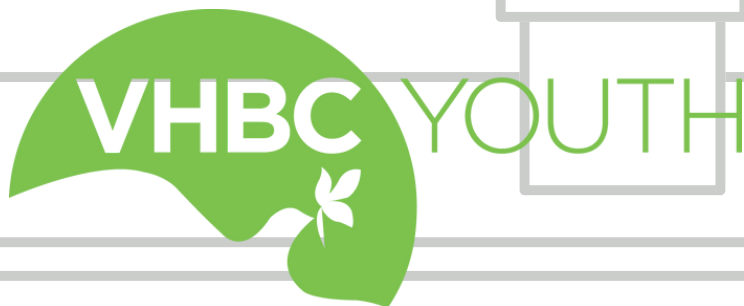
Help us stock the snack room for VBS!

Drop off in the seminar room during VBS week! These yummy snacks will be for our wonderful volunteers!



As for me and my house,
we will serve the LORD.

Joshua 24:15B



What's going on with our youth in the coming weeks?

June 1

6:00 pm Wednesday Night Live

June 5

8:45 am Sunday Morning Bible Study

10:00 am HS Mission Trip Commissioning

June 6-11

High School Mission Trip to Chicago

June 8

6:00 pm Welcome the Spiveys in the Fellowship Hall

June 12

8:45 am Sunday Morning Bible Study

NO YOSE this Sunday

June 13-16

Vacation Bible School

MAVIS HARDY

Missionary/Artist



NOTE CARDS FOR SALE

In appreciation for her many years of service on the foreign mission field spreading God's word and in recognition of her artistic skills. Three sets of note cards are prepared to encourage contributions to the mission activity of Vestavia Hills Baptist Church.

Set 1: Hardy House Dining Room

10 cards

\$30.00

Set 2: VHBC Lobby Wall Hangings

5 cards

\$15.00

Set 3: Private Residences

10 cards

\$30.00



100% of revenue will be dedicated to VHBC Missions

To order cards, please check out the link [HERE](#) and select one or more set of cards. Samples can be viewed in the church office during office hours. Once purchased cards will be printed and then delivered. Thanks!

Stay Updated



VHBC Missions Spotlight

In May, we were excited to welcome Casey Hobbs of Urban Ministry, Inc. to come and share with us the exciting work happening in our hometown. We were moved by the stories he shared and the work being

done to support children and families in Birmingham's West End. It was fascinating to see the mission strategy of Africa Exchange and Urban Ministry mirror one another - focus on children and education, community development, access to clean water and food. Locally and globally we have an opportunity to partner with these organizations and live out Jesus' command to love our neighbor.

*Urban Ministry WE Learn Program is transitioning for the summer into a day camp. From 8:30-3:30 children from the neighborhood will be working on STEAM curricula, learning about the garden and their neighborhood's history, and of course, having fun! Here's where we need YOU! We are hosting a **new volunteer training on Monday, June 6th from 9-11 am at Urban Ministry**. Our program starts the following week and we can't wait to get you ready for the summer ahead! RSVP by emailing casey@urban-ministry.org*

www.urban-ministry.org



Seed Camp 2022

July 5-8, 2022

Marion, AL

Please contact Laura Tadlock

laura@vhbc.com

with any questions or to register.



Calling all Bakers!

Desserts needed for Firehouse Shelter



Please bring a homemade dessert with a minimum of 12 servings (like a cake, or two pies, brownies or cookies) to the CHURCH'S MAIN LOBBY by 5:15pm on the second Wednesdays of June or July. We hope meeting this need will nourish a sweet spirit in you as you bake! Please label your container if not disposable, and we will gladly return it to the front office.

Questions? Contact Merryl Cooper at merryl_cooper@yahoo.com or 205-602-9984.

SIGN UP



Thank you

HEARTFELT THANKS.

Before returning to live in Scotland, I truly want to say thank you to everyone in our VHBC fellowship for your all support since 2009 for our ministry at the Lovelady Center. Some weeks ago my husband, Ken mentioned that volunteering at the Lovelady Center has been “the love of my life”, after him of course! Certainly our ministry at the Center has only been possible because of your continued generosity and prayers.

Recently our team visited their Rising Hope Academy (www.risinghopeacademy.org) which is their “Christ-Centered Trauma-Informed School” and we enjoyed meeting the teachers and seeing firsthand their dedication and all the wonderful things they are achieving. The majority of our budget for the Lovelady Center is spent on school supplies as well as resources for their after school care program back at the Center, which allows the Lovelady women to work and to provide for their children financially.

Also I would particularly like to thank our team members Carolyn Slappey, Betsy Stockdale, Sharon Repp, and Mavis Hardy for their faithfulness and dedication in sharing the hope of the Gospel with the Loveladies and ask for your prayers for them as they continue to share the love of Jesus at the Center.

In Christ.

Gwen Roxburgh

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at vhbc.com

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and other updates on [YouTube](#)

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on the ShelbyNext app or vhbc.com



VHBC WELCOMES BARTON DUFFY AS A NEW MEMBER!

Barton is a Birmingham native and grew up in Brookwood Baptist Church. He and Julia met at the urging of her sister and his parents (Life Time fitness members together) around Christmas 2019.

He was moving out of town for work and didn't know how "this was going to work" (they stayed in touch via Facebook). He was furloughed at the height of COVID and came home to wait it out. He asked her out "and the rest is history"! He says his favorite thing about Julia is her unwavering faith in Jesus Christ. He adds that she's also a very talented cook.

Barton runs Duffy's Garage, where they service and repair English and German automobiles. He also owns a Healthcare Consulting company that focuses on building business cases, strategic planning, and data analytics. He's a busy man! In his spare time he enjoys watching all types of sports. He chose to join VHBC for two reasons: one, their Sunday School class "is amazing" (Bible & Breakfast, led by Jess Nix) and, two, he considers it a true blessing to be able to attend a church like ours in today's environment. When asked about a piece of "life advice" that means a lot to him, he replied: "Let go, and let God", as it is a constant reminder of who is in control. **We're glad to have you in our VHBC family, Barton!**

Prayer List

UPCOMING PROCEDURES

Gary Furr - Cataract surgery 5/31

MEMBERS IN RECOVERY & ONGOING TREATMENTS

John Bell	Buddy McGohon
Jason Cooper	Bonnie Perez
LaWayne Fleming	Linda Whitt

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Maxine Ammons	Bob & Mavis Hardy	Margaret Northrup
Juanita Blackburn	Ruford Hodges	Gaynell Pinson
Libby Brown	Peggy Jones	Jerry & Lorelle Singleton
Ann Bush	Dot Lowe	Alicia Stigler
Esther Evans	Al Lowery	Hazel Turner
Milton Fullman	Samson Mathangani	Bobbye Weaver
Pat Gillespie	Kitty Newell	Doris Wilson
Sandy Gillis	Leon Nix	

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Michael & Del Wilson on the birth of granddaughter, Ellis on May 4th. Proud parents are Anna Kate & Zeke.

PLEASE SEND UPDATES TO THE CONTACTS BELOW

 205-979-5920  martha@vhbc.com

DAILY UPDATES CAN BE FOUND AT VHBC.COM/PRAYER-LIST

LET'S ROOT FOR THE HOME TEAM!

Birmingham Barons

Wednesday, June 22nd
7:05 pm



All VHBC families are invited
for a time of fun & fellowship
at Regions Field!

\$13 per person

Food not included.

Sign up at VHBC.com



Weekly Schedule at VHBC

Sunday

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| 8:45 am | Bible Studies for All Ages |
| 10:00 am | Worship |
| 5:00 pm | YOSE - Youth on Sunday Evening |

Wednesday

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| 7:00 am | Prayer Breakfast on ZOOM |
| 4:45 pm | Fellowship Dinner until 5:45 pm |
| 4:45 pm | Handbells |
| 5:30 pm | Children's Choirs |
| 6:00 pm | Youth Activities |
| 6:15 pm | Fun with Friends (VHBC Children) |
| 7:00 pm | Sanctuary Choir |

Online Calendar at vhbc.com



VHBC Ministry Team

NANCY AKINS, MINISTER TO PRESCHOOL & CHILDREN
TYLER JOHNSON, MINISTER TO STUDENTS
MIKE MCBRAYER, ADMINISTRATIVE PASTOR
ERIC SPIVEY, SENIOR PASTOR
MARTY WATTS, MINISTER OF MUSIC & WORSHIP

VHBC GIVING

MAY BUDGET NEEDED	\$146,768.00
MAY BUDGET OFFERING	\$116,477.00
YTD BUDGET NEEDED	\$745,118.00
YTD BUDGET OFFERING	\$695,195.00

