

Pastor's Message

Dear Church Members and Friends,

The shades of Summer are quickly becoming the leaves of Fall all too soon; before long we will turn around and Christmas will be upon us! At the beginning of this year, I am sure that you had some hopes for this year—how have those hopes transpired in your life? Our highest hopes are often destroyed to prepare us for better things. The failure of the caterpillar is the birth of the butterfly; the passing of the bud is the becoming of the rose; the death or destruction of the seed is the prelude to its resurrection as wheat. It is at night in the darkest hours, those preceding the dawn of the day, that plants grow best and increase the most in size. We often grow the best in the darkness of failure as we evolve into the sunlight of success. Let us fear only the failure of not living for the glory of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, leaving the results to the providence of Almighty God. May God bless you in all that you do for His glory.

Because of Him, Pastor Kirt

Ladies Ministry

Ladies Conference Saturday, October 18th

8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (tentative)

(Fellowship Hall)

Holiday Fair Saturday, November 8th

New Bible Study To Begin Soon

(Watch for details)



"Living Beyond . . . Giving Beyond"

Total Covenants made to Date:

\$376,394.00

Received to Date: \$ 54,264.02

Praise The Lord for what He is doing!!



It's not too late for you to make your commitment. You may pick up a Covenant Card (1 per family, unless giving separately) at the Welcome Center.

The Record Speaks

(Weekly Budget: \$8,730.01)

Month	Average Attendance	Budget Receipts
May	193	\$33,568.00
June	174	\$39,583.12
July	182	\$31,853.00

"Note" Worthy

Senior Adults:

Aug. 26, 11:30 a.m. Luncheon (*Hotdogs with trimmings and Watermelon*)

Sept. 16, 10:30 a.m. Day trip to Western Sizzlin in Clemson and then will go to Long Creek to get apples.

Oct. 28, 11:30 a.m. Luncheon (*Covered Dish*)
Our Special Guests will be **"Seniors on the Go"**

AWANA will resume on September 4th at 6:30 p.m.

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Men's Ministry

Join the MOVEMENT....

The Men's Ministries of VHBC will be starting a new 8 week series on Authentic Manhood. (It is called **"33 Series"**) Our model for authentic manhood is Jesus Christ and the 33 years that He lived on earth. His life gives us a clear vision of the manhood God calls us to embrace. The new **"33 Series"** will provide us with timeless truths and practical insight on how we can live to be the men God intended for us to be. The **33 Series** will be led by Gene Powell and Doug Wilson. It will start on **Wednesday (September 3rd) at 6:30 PM. It will end at 8 PM.** Each man must have a workbook and the cost is \$15. **Please sign-up and join the Authentic Manhood movement of VHBC.**

Doug Wilson, Men's Ministry Director

Welcome New Members

Baptism	Ansley Wengerd 1305 Centerville Road, Anderson, SC 29625
Letter	Pam Stansell Mary-Evelyn Stansell 1723 Martin Avenue, Anderson, SC 29625
Letter	Josh and Amanda Raffini Dylan Small 124 Kingsgate Way, Anderson, SC 29621
Letter	Amanda Elliott 120 Ashley Avenue, Anderson, SC 29624



Dr. Kirt Mitchell August 24
(10 years as Pastor)

Rev. Weldon Sellers September 5
(9 years as Associate Pastor/Youth & Education)

Children's Ministry

Happy Birthday to:



Isabella Holdbrooks	8/13	Austin Blakely	10/15
Bryson Beard	9/4	Daniel Carson	10/18
Gracelyn Bratcher	10/6	Justin Burton	10/23



Kings Kids was great this summer! We averaged 22 children for each activity.

Our **Summer Choir Practice** was awesome. We have two songs ready for our Church Picnic.

Our **Summer Wednesday Night Series "I Am A Christian, Now What?"** has been exciting. We've learned about Quiet Times, Prayer, How to Do & Be Different, Tithing and Serving and Writing our Testimony.

Back to School Bash was wonderful. We filled 30 bags of school supplies for children and 10 bags for Youth. Thank you for providing money and supply donations. The children were so excited and thankful.

Pennies for Presents will begin **October 5th**. The children thoroughly enjoy going into S.S. classes and talking to everyone while trying to raise money for other children who need assistance. Through this mission project, they are seeing they can make a difference even as a child.

Fall Festival will be here before we know it—**October 31st**. Please be praying about how you can help—providing a trunk, candy, cakes, cookies or donations. We have 1000 + individuals that visit us. Most of all, be praying for these that we will be ministering to.

Tiffany Bratcher, Children's Dept. Director



Good News Club Worker's Training

Saturday, August 16th

9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Brushy Creek Baptist Church, Taylors

Good News Club will resume on Tuesday, September 16th.

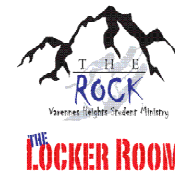
Youth Ministry

- **Back to School Bash August 12th**
6:30-8:30 p.m.

(will be at Roger & Sue Smith's home—bring towel, bathing suit, and a dessert.)

- **Middle School Initiation September 3**
(All rising 6th Graders & their parents are invited to attend.)

- **"Engage" Retreat November 14-16**



WELDON

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER 2014

Dear Church Family,
Thank you for the prayers, cards and visits given during my eye recent surgery and my recuperation. I am so glad to have a loving church family that I know will lift me up in prayer. A special thanks to my Pastor.

Margaret Turner

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for the flower, food and prayers offered up for me and my family during the home going of my Mother, Annie Lee Chappell. She loved her church family.

Doug Stephens & Family


Dear Varennes Heights Church,
On behalf of the Charleston Baptist Association and our International Seafarer Ministry, I want to thank you for the 15 additional caps you made for our ministry (bringing the total to 68 this year). The caps will be given to seafarers from all over the world during the Christmas season. We begin giving away the caps in October and continue through mid-January. These seafarers come from countries such as the Philippines, Ukraine, Russia, China, India, Indonesia, and many others. Many of the sailors find creative ways to thank us (and you) for the caps, and giving them out is the fastest way to meet every single crewman on the ship. If there is anything I can do to be of service to you, please let me know.

Thank you again for your hard work in making the caps and your partnership in the seafarer ministry. Without the support of many individuals, churches, and associations like you, we would not be able to give a Christmas gift and tract in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Please let everyone involved in the cap-making know of my deep gratitude

Christopher Dale, Seafarer Ministry Chaplain

Christian Sympathy

Dr. and Mrs. Kirt Mitchell and the entire church family wish to express their deepest sympathy to: The Family of Sheila Ray McKee...L.J. Garrett in the death of her mother, Retha Brown....Ken Hood in the death of his sister-in-law, Betty Hood....Marian Kilgore in the death of her nephew, Tony Pollard....Tony White in the death of his wife, Brenda....Jessica Kirby in the death of her grandmother....Roger Chandler in the death of his aunt, Wanda Kelly....The Family of Annie Lee Chappell....Randy Kirby in the death of his aunt, Ruby McCurley....Ashley Cook in the death of her grandfather, Melvin "Trigger" Wiles....Sandra Wages, Mary Ann Cooper, Jimmy Sears, Larry Sears in the death of their nephew, Rick Brickle....Kyle Lindsay in the death of his aunt, Sue Hayden....Carla Center in the death of her brother-in-law's brother, Randy Vickery....Ouita Todd in the death of her nephew, David Griffin....Iris Cothran in the death of her sister, Diane Scoggins, and her great-nephew, Adam Payton....Alvin Hester in the death of his brother, Charles Hester....Joe Kight in the death of his brother, Otis Gilbert Kight....Ray Byrum and Tammy Wages in the death of their uncle, Wilfred Byrum....and to Wes Smith in the death of his grandmother, Sarah Smith.



**Sunday School
Officers & Teachers
Meetings
Sundays at 9 a.m.:
Aug. 3, Sept. 7, Oct. 5**

Website: www.vhbc.net

FAX: (864) 225-2789

411 Visage Drive
Anderson, SC 29626
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To Worship God By:
Learning His Word—Living Out His Love—Leading Others To His Son

Return Service Requested



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Monday,
September 1st

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Welcome to Varennes Heights Baptist Church

CHURCH NOTES

**Deacon Election
Sunday, August 10th
10:30 a.m.**
(Deacon Training will be September 7th at 4:30 p.m.)

*Nominating Committee
Report of Officers and Teachers
for the next year, will be:
Handed out August 17th
And Voted on August 24th.*

**Deacons/Staff/Spouses Supper
Monday, August 18th, 6:30 p.m.**
The Gray House in Iva
Speaker: Dr. Ron Fousek

All Deacons (currently serving and newly elected) & Church Staff, along with their spouses, are invited to attend.) Please let Steve Pritchard know by August 10th if you will be attending and also your choice of entrée.

**Week of Prayer
for State Missions
September 14-20**

**Janie Chapman Offering
for State Missions**

Church Goal: \$2,000

AWANA® (Ages 2-5th Grade)
Resumes September 3rd, 6:30 p.m.

**New Church Year Begins
September 7th**

Sunday
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

**Church Picnic
Sunday, Sept. 14th
at Sadler's Creek
State Park Pavilion**

Menu: Hamburgers with all the trimmings. Ladies, bring desserts.
Cost: Ages 11-Adult (\$2.00); Ages 10 & Under (\$1.00)

3:00 p.m. Afternoon Activities
4:30 p.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Supper
—No Evening Services—

REVIVAL
September 21-25
with
Dr. Keith Kelly



Service Times:
Sunday 6:00 p.m.
Monday-Thursday 7:00 p.m.

Fall Festival Friday, October 31st
6-8 p.m.

Come and join in the fun!

Donations needed from S.S. Classes and/or Individuals:

- Monies to help with food
- Baked Goods/Cakes/Cupcakes
- Candy
- Trunks



Wednesday
6:30 p.m. AWANA
7:00 p.m. Bible Study / Prayer Meeting / Youth Bible Study

