



## Daleville Church of the Brethren

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**March 3 – Camp Bethel Sow the Seed Banquet**

**March 6 – Deacon’s Meeting after worship**

**March 6-9th – Awakening @ Hollins Road CoB**

**March 6 – AAUW Showing of “Frame by Frame” @Center in the Square 2:00pm**

**March 10 – Women’s Group**

**March 13 – St. Patrick’s Day Potluck after Worship**

**March 18 – All Church Workday 8am-noon**

**March 20 – Palm Sunday**

**March 24 – Love Feast 6pm**

**March 25 – Ecumenical Good Friday service (Hosting) 7pm**

**March 27 – Easter Sunday**

**NEW WEBSITE!!!! We have a new website! Please check it out at [dalevillecob.weebly.com](http://dalevillecob.weebly.com).**

## **A Note From Pastor Doug...**

### **Perfecting God's Love**

In February, I had the opportunity to speak at a Lenten lunch service at the Fincastle United Methodist Church. As I began my preparations for that day, I had to decide upon a scripture passage to use in the service. So I looked at several different possibilities, and finally settled upon 1 John 2:1-6. And I decided upon this passage because I thought it presented a very interesting idea to reflect up, an idea that comes from verse 5, which reads "the love of God is truly perfected in whoever keeps his word." In other words, God's love is perfected as we obey God's commandments.

How, though, might we do this? How are we to be obedient to the way of life that God desires for us? There is a hint, I think, in the final verse, which tells us "The one who claims to remain in him ought to live in the same way as he lived." Or in other words, our way of life as Christians should be to emulate Jesus, to seek to live out our lives in a similar manner to that of Jesus.

Now, this idea isn't really a new one for us as Brethren. Our denomination exists because our founders sought to follow the directives and examples given by Jesus. We have had a tendency in our denomination to emphasize the life and work of Jesus to be as important as his death and resurrection, for it is in Jesus' life and ministry that we find how we should live as Christians.

Thinking about all of this, I was reminded of Jesus' words in Matthew 22:37-40: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." As we seek to find a way to perfect God's love in our lives, we would do well to find ways to live out these two commandments.

As we continue to journey towards Easter, let us be sure to take time to find ways to live out the commandments of Jesus to love God with all of our heart, mind, and soul, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. In doing so, we begin to perfect God's love in our own lives, as we are obedient to God's instructions to us through Jesus.

In Christ,  
Pastor Doug

## **What's Happening???**

### AWAKENING 2016

Awakening 2016 will be Sunday March 6 thru Wednesday March 9 at Hollins Road CoB. The theme is "Light to Live By" Speaker: Jonathan Shively, executive director for Congregational Ministries for the CoB. 6:45-Hymn Sing 7PM-Worship. Bible Study 9-11am: Monday – Williamson Road, Tuesday – Cloverdale, Wednesday – Oak Grove.

### SOW THE SEED BANQUET- MARCH 3, 2016

The "Sow the Seed" Scholarship Banquet will be held on Thursday, March 3, at 6:30 p.m. YOU can plant seeds of FAITH in the lives of children, youth and young adults! At \$50 per person (larger gifts accepted), all costs and donations from the evening directly fund "camperships" and our summer camp ministries. RSVP by February 24 to <[CampBethelOffice@gmail.com](mailto:CampBethelOffice@gmail.com)> or (540) 992-2940. Payments are accepted in advance or at the table, and your gift is tax-deductible! Our base fee for a week of camp in 2016 is \$300. Give the gift of CAMP; it's an experience that can change a life forever.

### CHRISTIAN ED. TRAINING DAY - MARCH 12, 2016

"Know, Teach, Grow, Live" from Deuteronomy 6:6-9 is the theme of our Christian Education Training Day on March 12, 2016. The Christian Education Task Team is pleased to sponsor a training day for congregational leaders and teachers: "Know, Teach, Grow, Live". This informational and inspirational event will feature many voices from around the District and focus on How to Call, How to Equip, and How to Support those in leadership and teaching positions. Save the date: March 12, 2016.

### PILGRIMAGE XX - APRIL 1-3, 2016

Pilgrimage XX will be held April 1-3, 2016, at Camp Bethel. Pilgrimage is a spiritual retreat for adults of all ages, and God is working through this ministry in wonderful ways. The structure of the weekend includes talks, small groups, fun times, inspiring worship services, and much more. God knows where we are on our spiritual journey, and He meets us right there. Whether you need peace, or joy, or forgiveness, or encouragement, or hope, or revival, or a little extra time with Him...He gives more than we even desire. It is difficult to put into words how wonderful the weekend is. The only way to truly understand what Pilgrimage has to offer is to experience it! Prayerfully consider if this is your year to attend. If you would like more information, go to <[www.experiencepilgrimage.com](http://www.experiencepilgrimage.com)> or contact Karen Haynes at (336) 765-5263 or <[haynesmk1986@yahoo.com](mailto:haynesmk1986@yahoo.com)>.

### THE NEW, IMPROVED VIRLINA DISTRICT WEBSITE

The Virlina District website has changed. Check out the new and improved <[www.virlina.org](http://www.virlina.org)>. David W. Minnich from Durham, Peace Covenant is webmaster and been instrumental in getting a new website design and capabilities. Tabitha Hartman Rudy, a member of the Roanoke, Ninth Street Church and our student intern, is adding material and updating information weekly. Announcements, calendar, forms, news, and reports are being posted so there will be easier access to information. If you have not done so, check it out!



- 2 Tracy Huffman
- 6 Bryana Lackey
- 6 Claudia Egge
- 10 Derek Obenshain
- 12 Jane Olinger
- 20 Jason Overbay
- 21 Maria Dooley
- 22 Kris Meyer-Fey
- 26 Kellie Jenkins
- 29 Benton Bolton

**Getting to Know You Pop Quiz**

Gerry Minter wrote articles about many of our past and present members. Test your knowledge on how well you know Daleville. (Hint: There's a book with all the articles in the Narthex.)

1. Who attended church two doors down from their home? **Margaret Jenkins**
2. Who met her future husband by filling in for another girl on a blind date? **Beatrice Ikenberry**
3. Who has a twin brother named Eddie? **Heddie Sumner**
4. Who knew Pastor Doug as a child? (Hint: He went to school with his father.) **David Shumate**
5. Which one of our members had perfect attendance in Sunday School for 14 years?!! **Elaine Hiner**
6. Who was a substitute teacher in Richmond before coming to Daleville? **Pastor Doug**
7. Which one of our members once threatened co-workers with a plastic pirate's sword? **Dorothy Shumate**
8. Who was recognized as Virginia State Coach of the Year in 1999? **Art Lawrence**
9. As a small child, who "beat up" the baby doll in the Christmas play? **Emily Kincer**
10. Who met his wife when her sister asked him to take her to the bus stop? **Sam Casey**

**Servants for March**

**Altar Decorations:**

Tasha Veal

**Bankers, Greeters, Ushers:**

Elvin Lee

**Deacons on Call:**

Sam & Casey Meyer

**Special March Events!**

**March 13 – Potluck O’ the Irish:** You are invited to our annual St. Patrick’s Potluck after worship. Please bring a St. Patrick’s themed dish! (Please



use the green food coloring responsibly! 😊) Need ideas? Try these sites:

[www.yourirish.com/food/](http://www.yourirish.com/food/)

[www.food.com/slideshow/traditional-irish-foods-14](http://www.food.com/slideshow/traditional-irish-foods-14)

Watch your email for more suggestions from the Nurture committee!!

**March 25** – We will be hosting the ecumenical Good Friday service! -7PM

**March 27** – We will be holding a **Joint Sunrise Service** at 7AM at the home of Myrtle and Dave Montgomery. The address is 2918 Catawba Road. Coming from Daleville, it is located 2.9 miles from the Catawba Road/US220 intersection on the right after three mailboxes. For seating purposes, please bring a camp chair if possible.

**Please Keep in Your Prayers...**

- Mary Jo Flory Steury
- Cross Keys Village
- Manchester University
- Residents of Madelia, Minnesota
- Gene Lee
- Brian Baker
- Becky Baker
- Allen Layman
- Joann Baker
- Tim Hiner
- Doris Quarles
- Maryamu Wavi



**Custodian Fundraising Progress**

Total needed for 1yr service:...\$1950.00

Donated so far:.....\$1430.00

Still needed:.....**\$520.00**

Thank you for all the generous donations we have received so far!