



## Mount Hermon Baptist Church

18100 Genito Road, Moseley, VA 23120 (794-2049)

**MHBC: A loving community empowered by Christ  
to serve God's purposes and the needs of others**

**Enewsletter – Oct 14, 2010**

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## Welcome New Members!



**O.J. and Sarah Johnson, (by baptism)**

**J.J. (13), Sydnee (6), Anthony (3), and Matthew (7 mo)**

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**O.J. is a K-9 officer with the Virginia Department of Corrections and Sarah is presently a full-time mom. O.J. enjoys fishing, hunting, yard work, and working on cars, while Sarah is a movie buff who also enjoys cooking. The Johnsons have become very active in the life of MHBC and we are delighted to welcome them to the fellowship!**



Children's



**Sunday, Oct. 24, 5:00 – 7:00 PM at church**

***The Great Tomb Raid*** is for all children up to age 12  
Invite friends for a fun evening learning about Christ through game & crafts!  
**(Please donate bags of individually wrapped candy for this event)**  
Contact Stephanie Hancock for more information (639-6091)

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### **YOUTH vs. PARENTS, *MINUTE TO WIN IT* Competition**

Our Youth have been having some fun with games from the TV series *Minute to Win It*. -- Parents, come with your youth to the MHBC Pavilion **this Sunday night, 6:00 to 7:30** and compete against the Youth. Guaranteed laughter and fun! Spectators are welcome.

**Youth save the date: Saturday, October 30** for an overnight **campout** on a beautiful Lake in Powhatan. If your family has a tent, please let Susan Prather know. Look for more details in next week's newsletter and bulletin.

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### **Pack Shoeboxes**

Christmas may seem a long way off, but it is time to offer everyone the opportunity to bless needy children around the world with shoeboxes full of toys and personal items donated through Samaritan's Purse's **Operation Christmas Child**. \*\* See info attached for shoebox packing instructions, or go to [http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/OCC/Pack\\_A\\_Shoe\\_Box/](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/OCC/Pack_A_Shoe_Box/)  
Shoeboxes need to be brought to church by Nov. 14.

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New teams to carry out our **Mission and Vision!**

- If you have interest in the **Worship Team** to work with the pastor in creating a distinctly different style/format worship option, please contact him at [ellisonmhbc@aol.com](mailto:ellisonmhbc@aol.com)

- If you feel led to move forward with a **Church Growth Team** to help us all network effectively with new people in our area, contact Ron Hatcher, [ronicins@aol.com](mailto:ronicins@aol.com)
- If you would like to see **Small Groups** offered for a wide variety of life-situations and personal growth opportunities, contact Sarah Blankenship, [shaysblankenship@gmail.com](mailto:shaysblankenship@gmail.com)

**What ideas, actions, or guidance will you contribute to make great things happen?  
Don't be hesitant to act on what God puts on your heart to do!**

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### **Wednesday Night - Oct 20**

**Dinner 5:45 PM - Barbecue, Coleslaw, Baked beans, potato salad**

**(Please bring desserts)**

**6:45 PM, Prayer time & Bible study for adults**

**Children's Mission & Music**

**Handbells**

**7:30 PM, Choir Practice**

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**Church contact info...** Help us update your contact information for MHBC members and friends.

**If your address, phone, or email address has changed** since the last pictorial directory (2008), please email such info to [kgoode50@verizon.net](mailto:kgoode50@verizon.net) or drop a note to the church office. If you would like to list a **cell number**, send that info, too. – When an updated list is completed, it will be sent to everyone. – Thanks!

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**Youth group**, this Sunday evening, Oct 17  
6 to 7:30 PM - games, skits, and devotional time

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**Missions Celebration...** Our Middle District Baptist Association annual missions celebration, *Connect '10*, is this **Tuesday, October 19, 7:00 PM** at Winfree Memorial Baptist Church, 13617 Midlothian Turnpike. It's a great way to connect with the wider Baptist family in our region and to hear inspiring stories of people "listening to and obeying the whispers of God."

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Contributions – \$ 2,879.00  
Avg. weekly need – 3,758.00

Offerings to date: \$ 148,583.00  
Budget Goal to date: 154,078.00

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## New & Updated Prayer Concerns...

- **Burley Spivey**, the Laurels of Willow Creek, 510
- **Gerri Abernathy**, to come home from hospital today
- **Rich Conklin**, friend of Ron Hatcher, cancer treatments
- **Kay Hancock**, scheduled for neck surgery on Monday
- **Sympathies to Peiling Zhao & family** in the death of her mother Oct 9 in China

If you know other prayer concerns we can share, please send a note to [ellisonmhbc@aol.com](mailto:ellisonmhbc@aol.com). Thanks for praying for these people today.

Dear Mount Hermon church family,

I wish to express my deepest appreciation for all the phone calls, cards, prayers, love, and concern you have shared with me and my family in the death of my mother. Thank you for caring and lending your support and encouragement.

May God bless you all,  
Peiling Zhao & family

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### Sunday ministers

**Nursery Care:** Oct 17 – Nicole & Brandon Garrett

Oct 24 – Gina Thompson, Dustin Pratt

**Children's Church:** practice for Christmas presentation

**Ushers:** Oct 17 – Wayne Boothe, Lee Thompson, Steve Van Cleef,  
Keith Utley, Roger Mann, youth

Oct 24 – Woody Carter, David Cox, Roger Mann,  
Vincent Russell, Rick Witt, youth

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## Happy Birthday!

Oct 17 - John Morris	19 - Cody Scott
17 - Rita Utley	21 - Katie Ranallo
19 - David Cox	22 - Frances Manley

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*Quotes for Today*

**Dreams come a size too big so that you can grow into them.**

**-- Josie Bissett**

**Throw your heart over the fence and the rest will follow.**

**-- Norman Vincent Peale**

**Money will buy you a fine dog, but only love will make it wag its tail.**

**– Richard Friedman**

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**From the Pastor**

***A Thank You Note***

I don't know about you, but I don't care to be part of an organization (or church) that is constantly yammering about money, money, money, or hounding me for contributions, as if that is all there is to the cause. Not that there is anything wrong with asking for monetary support; it's the life and strength of most any group or movement. In our church life, I like how we invite people to give so that everyone might... do the work, pull their weight, share the load, or carry things to a new level of effectiveness.

Building God's kingdom is important! This church exists and is strong because you give. So I just want to thank you for giving the way you do. It's no small thing, and you are doing great things by doing it. Thanks! – Likewise, I suppose, the church could be a lot stronger if every person were giving as fully as he/she could.

At MHBC, we don't take you on guilt trips, nor do we hammer you about this. Every Sunday, a deacon offers a brief little reminder, a scripture, or a thought about the importance or blessing of giving. And we recognize that the Bible teaches tithing (giving a tenth to God); God expects it, and you should step up and do it. Giving (on many levels) is the mark of a true and maturing Christian.

We also work collectively to use our shared resources carefully, wisely, and purposefully. Be assured of that. Many trustworthy people are doing this for you (and God) at MHBC, and that feels good.

So if you are giving well to Christ through this church, here is a pat on the back. Well done! Keep up the good work... for Him.

Yours in His service,

**Lee**

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**October 17, 2010**

**Worship – 11:00 AM**

**Call to Worship   *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*   Choir**

Scripture call to worship Joanne Winn  
Matthew 5:13-16

Invocation prayer

- \* Song of Praise 3 Worthy of Worship  
Song 23 God Is So Good, vss 1&4

- \* Greeting each other...

Welcome and Church Highlights

Children's Time Susan Prather

After children' time, all children can go  
to Christmas program practice

God's Word Jeremiah 31:27-34

Prayer

- \* Offering Song 544 vss 1-3  
Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It

- \* Offering Statement & Prayer Joanne Winn

Special Music

Message Lee Ellison

**Get Hard-wired for Godly Living**

- \* Commitment Song 489 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

- \* Parting Blessing

- \* Parting Song *Be Strong in the Lord* choir