



Mount Hermon Baptist Church
Newsletter – February 4, 2016

Levis Crump's 100th birthday celebration



(photos by Gina Thompson)



After worship this Sunday, Feb 7, youth will be at the worship center doors with offering plates to receive contributions to the **Souper Bowl of Caring**, a special effort in churches across the nation to help feed people in need. Our collection goes to *Richmond Friends of the Homeless* for their continuing feeding program in three locations in Richmond.

Men's Weekend! April 1-3 at Kerr Lake



A time of great fellowship, spiritual enrichment, fishing, and boating.
Attendance is limited to 12. Cost is only \$40 + food expenses to be determined on trip.
Sign up with payment by **March 20** with Lee Thompson: ljtelk@verizon.net or 337-0269



Susan Prather and two of youth are going to *Missions Madness Travel* in Toronto, Canada, March 28-31. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to this mission trip so far. At present, only about \$500 is needed to fund it fully!

If you would like to make a special contribution, please designate it to the *Canada Mission Trip*. – Thanks!

Youth!



Mission Madness in Danville is coming March 11-13!

It's for youth interested in a hands-on retreat, mission service, worship, fellowship, and fun! Cost is \$50.00 per person.

Contact Susan Prather to register.

PASSPORT Summer Camp registration is open!

Camp is **July 17-22** at Greensboro College, Greensboro, NC.

A \$25 deposit is needed. We have 12 reserved spots and they are going quickly, so if you plan to attend, contact Susan ASAP.

At church this Sunday...



Coffee Fellowship – 9:15 am

Adult Classes & Breakfast With Susan – 9:30 am

Worship and Children's Church – 10:30 am

Missions Team Meeting – 11:30 am

(No Youth Gathering Sunday evening)

Quarterly business session – Wednesday, Feb 10, 6:30 pm

Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it whether it exists or not, diagnosing it incorrectly, and applying the wrong remedy.

Ernest Benn

Happy Birthday! February

7 Sarah Perrot

10 Pam Dillard

9 Monnie Kesler 11 Zeke Leftwich
9 Brandon Garrett 12 Haley Dickson
10 Jordan Bass 13 Kristin Summers
10 David Godsey 13 Anthony Johnson

Prayers appreciated for...

Herb Dodrill, in St. Francis Medical Center, 526
Katie Van Houten, had diagnostic tests this week

Sunday – Jan 31

9:30 groups – 38 Worship – 112
Children – 13 Nursery – 4 Youth – 8
Contributions – \$6,402.00
Avg. weekly need – 4,014.00
Budget needs to date: \$20,070.00
Contributions to date: 18,218.00



From the Pastor...

**He is the kind of politician who would cut down a redwood tree,
then mount the stump and make a speech for conservation.**

Adlai E. Stevenson

Google quotes about *politicians* and you will find many cynical and humorous observations from a wide spectrum of times and places. Throughout the history of democracy, we seem to ridicule politicians in general. The current hoopla over presidential politics merely fuels such cynicism; the media coverage is so over the top and hyped. One would be led to think the election is over after the Iowa caucuses. But primary voting hasn't even begun.

I know you tire of candidates who promise to do certain things, if elected, only to act quite differently once in office. I tire of posturing politicians and the shallowness of political discourse. Every four years we are subjected to this media circus, as if the office of president is everything. Yes, it's important, but not as much as most people think. Local and state government leadership has a greater impact on our lives, and good citizens pay attention to these levels, too.

As the old hymn says, **“My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness...”** So, we believers participate in a political process knowing it is but a faint and faulty power compared to the essence of genuine life we live in Christ. At the end of time and all earthly powers, Jesus is King!

God's best to you today,

Lee

February 7, 2016 – 10:30 am

Gifts From God

Call to Worship *I Sing Praises to God* Choir

Soloists: Emilee Kowalewski, Heather Dix,
Katie Corbitt, Savannah Wright

Scripture & Prayer Psalm 89:1-2,5,8 Brandon Garrett

* Praise Song 7 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

* *Psalm 86:8-10*

* Song 5 All People That on Earth Do Dwell vss.1&5

* Greet one another

Church Highlights

Souper Bowl of Caring

The Word of God 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

A Prayer for Unity

* Offering Song 182 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

* Offering Statement & Prayer Brandon Garrett

Special Music Emilee Kowalewski, flute

Message **Want to Waddle or Fly?** Lee Ellison

The Lord's Supper

The Bread of Life, freely given to all

The Cup of a Covenant, brings us His grace

* Commitment Song 484 Higher Ground vss.1-2,4

* Parting Song *Blest Be the Tie*