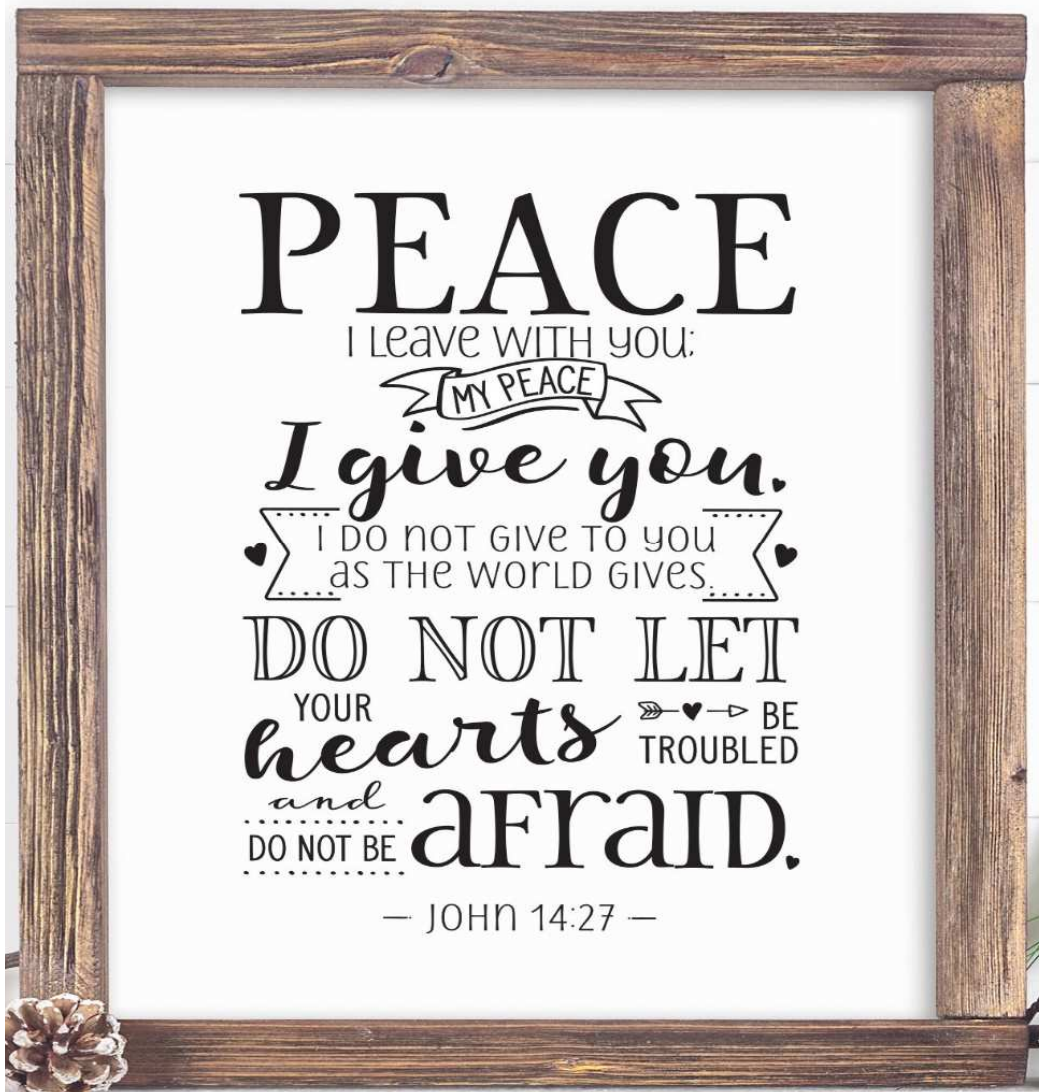


**The Forecast**  
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In John 14:27, Jesus offers His disciples a profound gift: "Peace."

This peace is not circumstantial or fleeting; it's rooted in the very nature of Christ. The peace Jesus gives transcends our human understanding because it is anchored in His presence, not in the absence of conflict or difficulty.

In a world full of uncertainty, we often seek peace through control, possessions, or relationships. Yet, Jesus invites us to receive His peace, which stands firm even when everything around us is shaken. His peace calms the storms within, granting us rest for our souls (Matthew 11:28-29).

***This week we continue our exciting new series  
"He Promises." You don't want to miss one Sunday!***



## *The Peace That Jesus Offers*

*“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.” — John 14:27*

When we think about peace, our minds often go to external circumstances: quiet surroundings, lack of conflict, or the absence of stress. Yet, the peace Jesus offers is something much deeper, something that can sustain us even in the most chaotic moments of life.

The peace of Jesus is distinct from the peace the world offers. Worldly peace is often temporary, dependent on circumstances going right. When we are healthy, financially secure, and our relationships are harmonious, we feel at peace. But this peace is fragile. One bad day at work, one disagreement, or one unexpected crisis, and that peace evaporates.

The peace of Jesus, however, is not rooted in external factors. It flows from His unchanging nature and His promise to be with us always. Jesus says, "My peace I give you." This is a personal peace that comes directly from His heart to ours. It's the peace He experienced while facing the cross—grounded in complete trust in the Father's will.

Jesus knows that we will face trouble in this life. In John 16:33, He says, “In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” Notice that He doesn't promise a trouble-free life, but He promises victory over those troubles. The peace He offers is not an escape from difficulty, but a calm assurance in the midst of it. It is the knowledge that even when life feels out of control, Jesus holds us in His hands.

Think about the story in Mark 4:35-41, when Jesus and His disciples were caught in a furious storm. While the disciples panicked, Jesus was asleep in the boat, perfectly at peace. His peace was not due to a lack of awareness of the storm, but because He knew His authority over it. After calming the storm, He asked His disciples, “Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?” (Mark 4:40).

When we experience anxiety, fear, or uncertainty, we can draw near to Jesus through prayer and scripture, trusting that His peace is available to us at every moment. Notice that this peace is not just an emotional calm—it is a guard over our hearts and minds. It protects us from being overwhelmed by fear, worry, or doubt.

Take some time today to reflect on where you need Jesus' peace in your life. Bring your worries and fears before Him, and allow His peace to guard your heart and mind. He is waiting to give you the gift of His peace.

*On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood*

# The Hilton Baptist Church Record

Lynwood Wells, Pastor

September 17, 2024

Budget \$731.00

Aslam Hunt \$300.00

Coffee Fund \$4.53

Total Deposit \$1035.53



*We want to express our deepest sympathy to Pat Painter and her family on the passing of Larry Painter.*

*Please remember this family in your prayers as they go through this difficult time.*



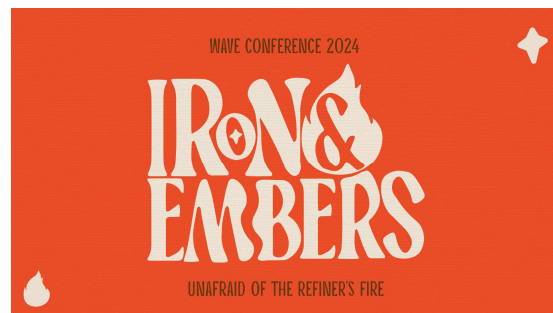
## Wave Conference

### Wave Church

### VA Beach

October 2nd October 3rd 7pm nightly

The evening services are free and open to the public. If you would like to go please let the church office know. We will car pool to Virginia Beach to Wave Church.



Lock up/ Hall Monitor 9/22 Roger Cooke 9/29 David and Lisa Falls

Counter 9/23 Joe Wircenske 9/30 Margaret Upole

Kids Church 9/22 Debra Sink 9/29 Tori Holt

Grass Cutting 9/21 Stan Langdon 10/5 Jon and Barbara Michie

## Calendar

### Tuesday, September 17th

12:00pm-1pm Food Distribution

### Wednesday, September 18th

7:00pm Bible Study

In person or Facebook Live

### Thursday, September 19th

12:00pm- 1:00pm Food Distribution

### Friday, September 20th

6:30pm- 9:00pm Karaoke

### Sunday, September 22nd

9:00am Discipleship Class

10:00am Online and In person

Worship at HBC

Produce Giveaway



### Children's Christmas Workshop

Saturday December 14th

10am- 2pm

If you plan on helping please let Dreama know now. Plans are being made!

### Tuesday, September 24th

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

### Wednesday, September 25th

7:00m Bible Study

In person or Facebook Live

### Thursday, September 26th

12pm-1pm Food Distribution

### Friday, September 27th

5:30pm- 6:30pm Community  
Dinner

Food Bank Giveaway Free and  
open

to the public

### Sunday, September 29th

9:00am Discipleship Class

10:00am Online and Live

Worship at HBC

10:00am Sonshine Kids

Food Bank Giveaway after worship

Free and open to the public

### Happy Birthday in September

9/15 Jim Egnot

9/24 Roger Cooke

9/27 Jason Moriah

9/29 Betty Jean Allen

9/29 Kathy Devol

9/29 David Falls



## *Missions Outreach*

*If you have any questions on Missions Outreach Activities  
call Pam Cooke 757-660-4226*

### *Aluminum Cans*

Recycle your cans at HBC and help Support missions! Bring them to HBC and place them in the gym or the church office. All money collected goes to missions.

### *Pray for our Missionaries*

RB, Rachel Hulicki (Asian Pacific Rim People) CH (Central Asian People) HG, Kevin Humphrey (European People) KR (South Asian People) Stephen Dinkins (Sub-Saharan African People) Adam Roberts (CO) Joshua Hartley (MO) Michal Feliciano , Kirk Patrick Kirkland (OH)

### *Community Dinner, Friday, September 27th*

We will be having our monthly Community Dinner on Friday, September 27th from 5:30pm-6:30pm. If you would like to help see Pam Cooke or Tara Borton (Food Bank Distribution)

### *Trunk or Treat- Thursday, October 31st 5:30pm– 7:30pm*

Trunk or Treat is right around the corner and we need your support! If you plan to come and decorate your car (and yourself if you want) , please sign up on the Mission Outreach table. If you are unable to attend we would appreciate a candy donation. We tend to see around 500 Trick or treaters and we want to be prepared.

### *Sedgefield Elementary*

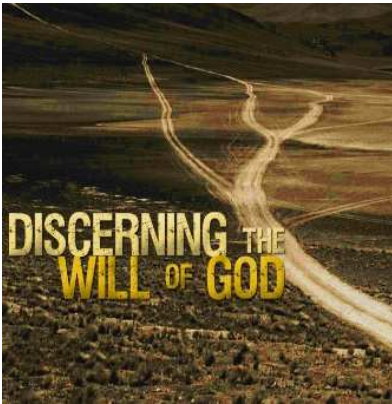
We will be supporting Sedgefield Elementary in October! Snacks are taken care of, but please visit the Mission Outreach table to get cards and names of employees for you to take home, write an encouraging note and return by October 20th.



**The Alma Hunt Offering** –for Virginia Missions is a joint venture of Woman’s Missionary Union of Virginia (WMUV) and the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV). The annual offering for Virginia missions was named for **Alma Hunt** (1909-2008), a native Virginian who was known worldwide for her missions service and her unswerving dedication to the cause of Christ.

Collected to Date \$925.00





## ***Discerning God's Will***

*“How can I discover God's will for my life? ”  
“How can I be sure God's guiding my decisions?”  
“God, what do you want me to do?”*

Practically all followers of Jesus ask questions like these. Sometimes we think these thoughts randomly, but more often than not, we focus more when faced with important crossroads in our lives, when we're trying to sort out the best path forward.

But is that really the best view of discerning God's will: something we do at the “crisis” points in life? Truly discerning the will of God more as a process than as something we do only at crisis points. We are also wise to heed Jesus' parable of the unjust steward, realizing that if we're faithful in little, we'll be faithful with much.

Especially when struggles set in and things dry up around you, is this a necessarily sign to act and move on? That is what your natural mind will perceive to be true. Yet scripture reminds our spiritual mind of a much deeper and lasting truth.

In Genesis 26 we read that there was a severe drought and famine in the land, Isaac believed that going into another place such as Egypt would help sustain his family. But God spoke and directed his steps in a very different way. He commanded him to stay right where he was, and to sow seed.

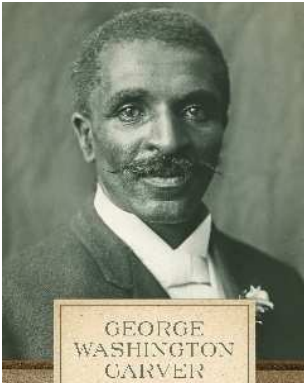
Isaac obeyed the Lord and stayed in the land while famine was all around him. Then the Bible says *that “Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year a hundredfold: and the Lord blessed him”* (Genesis 26:12).

Imagine this remarkable picture of a man sowing amid the desolation, a stark and barren land. Sowing in the belief that God would provide a bountiful harvest in spite of the famine gripping his homeland. Most likely, his neighbors thought he was a madman to be sowing seed while the land was dry and dead.

Yet he relied on the promise of God, who said, *“I will be with thee, and I will bless thee.”* It is only for believers with faith for the miraculous that can begin to harvest such a miraculous supply.

I believe God is pouring His abundance into your hands, just as He did for Isaac. But you have to be obediently waiting in the place he has placed you to receive the blessing.

If you look at the circumstances of your situation, it might seem like a good time to store up, hold back, go somewhere else and play it safe. Don't! Obey God, plant more seed in the drought and get ready for a miracle harvest!



## ***All Things Are Possible!***

*"Jesus looked at them and said, 'With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'" – Matthew 19:26*

The future must have seemed hopeless for George Washington Carver. He lived during a time when there were few opportunities and overwhelming obstacles for African-Americans.

Born on a farm in Missouri around 1864, he had a difficult childhood. His body was frail, and he often was sick. He never really knew his natural father. While still an infant, Carver – along with his sisters and mother – was kidnapped by raiders. Although he was rescued, the others died or disappeared.

Yet Carver did not allow these obstacles to stand in his way. He demonstrated determination and a drive to learn. He eventually graduated from Iowa Agricultural College where he taught before moving on to Tuskegee College in Alabama.

In spite of what seemed like impossible barriers, Carver went on to make many amazing discoveries, including hundreds of innovative uses for peanuts, soybeans, pecans, and sweet potatoes. He also developed a crop rotation method that revolutionized agriculture.

What was his secret? Faith in God. He prayed, “those whom He has redeemed learn to walk with Him not only daily or hourly,” but moment by moment. He asked God for wisdom “to do His will.” Carver simply believed that all things were possible.

Think about your life. Whatever you face, trust in God. Don't limit Him. Fill your mind with His Word, and be ready to step out in faith. Believe that He will answer your prayers. If you ask, all things are possible.

### ***The Last Laugh...***

#### ***“Bubba’s Hearing And The Pastor”***

“What’s wrong, Bubba?” asked the pastor.

“I need you to pray for my hearing,” said Bubba.

The pastor put his hands on Bubba’s ears and prayed.

When he was done, he asked, “So how’s your hearing?”

“I don’t know,” said Bubba. “It isn’t until next Tuesday!”



## ***You Can Overcome Your Fears***

*“When I am afraid, I will put my trust in You.” – Psalm 56:3*

Is fear causing you to hide from somebody today? Your boss? Your husband or wife? Your strong-willed child? Your grouchy co-worker? When God asked Adam, “Where are you?” he replied, “I hid... I was afraid...” (Genesis 3:9-10) And we’ve all been hiding from things ever since! We hide behind forced smiles, agreeable words we don’t mean and social rituals we detest. Or worse, we hide behind things we do believe but don’t express because we are afraid of what people might think or say.



Short-term, it may be easier to act as if things don’t bother you, or pretend to agree when, in reality, you disagree. But long-term it doesn’t work, because peace isn’t the absence of discord. When we remain silent in order to avoid confrontation, we just end up avoiding something far more important: relationships.

So rise up and say, “When I am afraid, I will put my trust in You.” Confront your fears, come out of hiding and start living.



### ***The Last Impression...***

A guy was on the side of the road hitchhiking on a very dark night and in the middle of a storm. The night was rolling on and no car went by. The storm was so strong he could hardly see a few feet ahead of him. Suddenly he saw a car coming toward him and stop.

Without thinking about it, the guy got into the back seat, closed the door and then realized there was nobody behind the wheel! The car started slowly; the guy looked at the road and saw a curve coming his way. Scared, he started to pray begging for his life. He hadn’t come out of shock, when just before he hit the curve, a hand appeared through the window and moved the wheel. The guy, paralyzed in terror, watched how the hand appeared every time right before a curve.

Gathering his strength, the guy finally jumped out of the car and ran to the nearest town. Wet and in shock, he went to a restaurant and started telling everybody about the horrible experience he went through.

A silence enveloped everybody when they realized the guy was serious.

About half an hour later, two guys walked in the same restaurant. They looked around for a table when one said to the other, “Look John, that’s the dummy who got in the car when we were pushing it.”