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Blessings

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On the cover

Kade Vaughan, Madison Lamberth,
Bailey Grace Averill.

Red brick wall



Jacob Brimm

As I sit here at my desk in the office, the view that I have is a red brick wall. There is paint on the wall, splattered here and there, and the age of the paint shows. Above and below the wall is new trim, with fresh paint. In the foreground is the new walls, freshly placed; they make up the room in which I find myself, a new office. As nice as this office is, the red brick wall holds my attention. It seems that every time I sit here to work, the wall is there as a reminder. It is not what most would call a beautiful wall, with all its years of stains and cracked mortar, and it does not blend in, or match the surrounding. Yet I cannot help but find the beauty of the wall, not so much in the appearance, but in the reminder. You see the wall makes no attempt to hide or cover itself, to mask the wear and tear, no; instead the wall is just there, a landmark, a reminder of the ages. Of course the wall is just that, a wall, which means that it has no ability to hide, or change, or do anything that would require any form of willpower, but still the wall is beautiful.

Though my knowledge is not as great as many of those who have been here far longer than myself, I know this wall was once outside. I know that on the other side of this red brick wall there was once a kitchen. I know that the kitchen saw many meals, events, and happenings. I know that for years people walked right past that wall with their families, laughing, joking, conversing, living their lives. I know that there came a day when that wall would continue being a wall, but became an interior wall. The wall did not make some dramatic change, it did not decide itself to spin around and become an interior wall, it simply occurred as those who had control made arrangements and added onto the church.

The wall has seen many changes, but it never changed. If that wall could talk, we would be wise

to listen. Indeed it does 'speak'. The wall tells us to weather the storm, when in the world. It tells us not to hide out blemishes, because they do not take away from our purpose or function, instead let them be, and so you be. It tells us that though we may at times crack, we are not broken. It tells us that situations change, but we can remain steadfast and firm in our foundation. The wall speaks volumes as it 'adapts' to new situations, new environments, new people, and yet it remains the wall.

This wall inspires me so much, for something so ...simple. As we go through life we get these blemishes and cracks, and we work so hard to cover them in some way; yet those paint stains are part of our testimony! When we are still standing despite the crack in the wall, it shows how solid our foundation truly is! God creates each of us with a purpose, unique and beautiful, and though the environment may change, we need to remain what we were meant to be!

It is truly amazing how something so simple can teach so much!

In Christ,
Bro. Jacob

Associational news

Harmony Church hosting Men's Ministries Meeting

All men are encouraged to attend the Associational Men's Ministries Supper/Meeting August 6 at 6:00 p.m. at Harmony Baptist Church, 5929 Pinehurst Hawkinsville Road, Unadilla.

School prayerwalks August 9

The annual school prayerwalks will be at 6:30 p.m. on August 9 at all the schools in Crisp and Dooly Counties. Please go to the school of your choice. Prayerwalk leaders and prayer guides will be available at all the schools.

"The Apostle Paul—His Life and Letters"

This eight week course will be offered by the Warner Robins Regional Bible Institute at Houston Baptist Center on Thursdays from 6:30 p.m.–9:00 p.m. August 9–September 27. See WRRBI's Facebook page for more information and to register.

Seasoned Saints going to Ambrose

You probably didn't even know there was a town in Georgia named Ambrose, but that's where the Seasoned Saints will travel to on August 11 to eat at DJ's Steak & Seafood Restaurant, 5561 Fitzgerald Highway, Ambrose. Of course, it should not be a surprise to anyone that seafood is very prominent on its menu. This family style restaurant's menu includes a variety of seafood including gator tail, steaks, quail, hamburgers, chicken, many sides to choose from, and homemade cakes. The church van will leave the church house at 4:00 p.m.



Check out this Facebook page

This page's purpose is to promote a sense of community in Byromville through old and new pictures. People who join the group may post their pictures pertinent to the Byromville Community as well. This is a project of the Byromville Woman's Club, who is celebrating their 100th anniversary this year. To access the page, go to *Byromville Old Pictures And More* on Facebook or click on the following: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/476957649434077/>.

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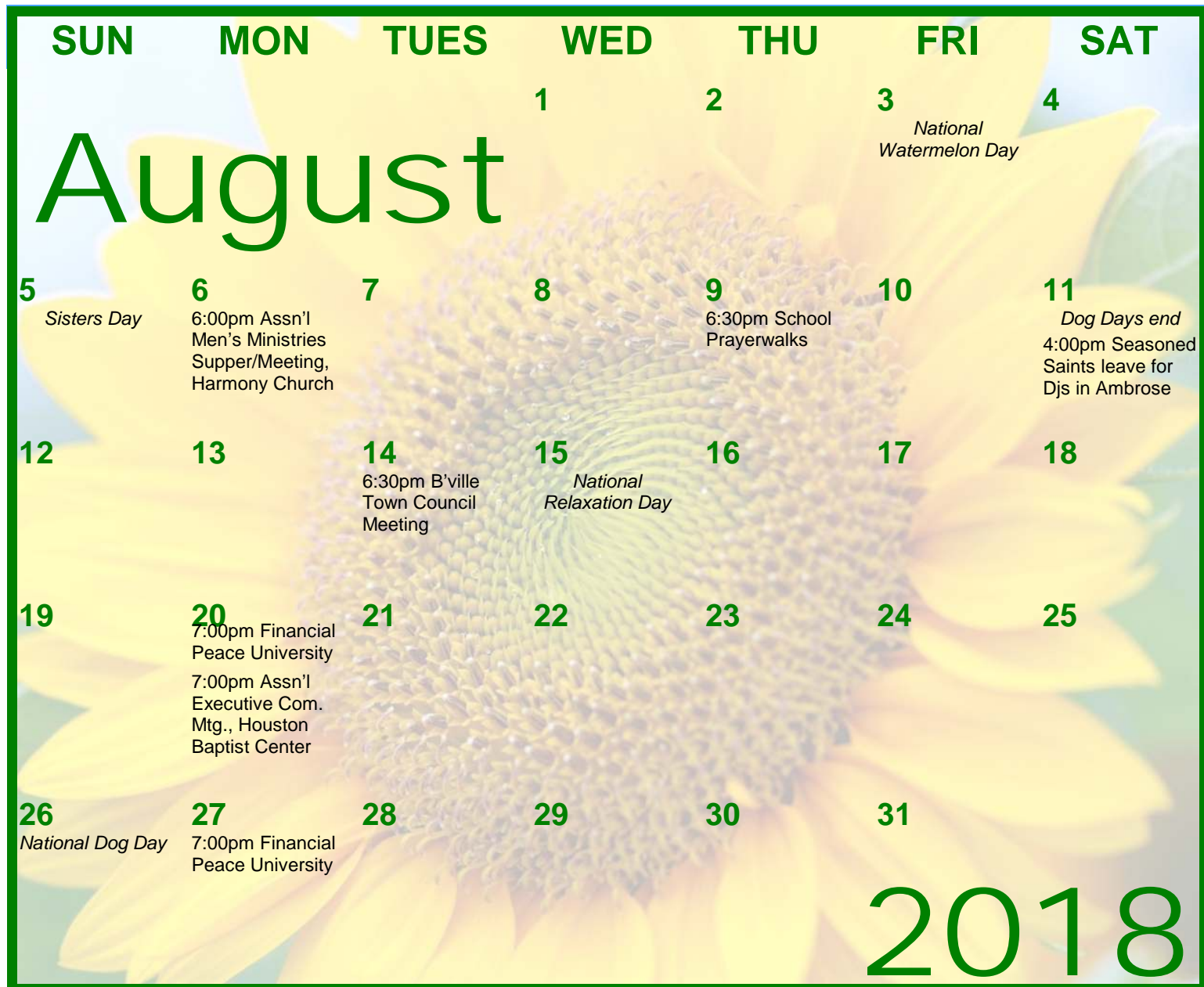
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Parent/child dedication service for Charlee Reese Peavy, daughter of Caroline and Josh Peavy, was July 15.



Birthdays

8-1	Keagan Cavanah	8-8	Ed Youngblood
	Brooke Thompson	8-9	Brittnay Kidd
8-2	Sue Thompson		Dale Raper
8-3	Julie Humphries		Jeremy Wilkes
	Kim Golden		Brandi Witmer
	Jesse Raper	8-12	Andy Boyd
8-4	Alex Blankenship		David Thompson
	Marley Collier		Garrett Wright
	Larry Crutchfield	8-13	Abby Dorsett
	Gage Roney		Paula McKinley
	Sharon Thompson	8-14	Daniel Brown
	Jeffrey Witmer		Rhonda Youngblood
8-5	Cheryl Foster	8-17	Martha Sellars
8-8	Betty Barrett	8-18	Jeff Overton
	Cameron Bodrey	8-20	Jeff Lockerman
	Mendy Bodrey	8-24	Bragan Gambrell
	Kelly Woodruff		Ronnie Hatcher

8-26	Paula Pece
8-27	Bob Latimer
	Fisher Neal
8-28	Laura Lamberth
	Darlene Stephenson
	Jeff Witmer
8-29	Daniel Thompson
8-30	Chris Johnson
9-4	Rusty Wilkes
9-5	Ed Sandefur
9-6	Jamie Gauthier
	Terri Gregory

Please pray for these folks on their birthday.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY
 Sunday School 10AM
 Worship 11AM
 Worship 6PM

WEDNESDAY
 Prayer Meeting 7PM
 Youth 7PM

Nursery for all services.
 Children's Church for
 Sunday 11AM Worship.

Schedule of Volunteers for August

Please remember it is up to **you** to arrange coverage if **you** are unable to serve on your scheduled day.

Date	Nursery AM	Children's Church	Deacon of the Week	Offering Bearers
Aug. 5	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Vicki Lamberth Robin Peavy	Jimmy Lockerman	Arthur Roney Roger Roney
Aug. 12	Briana/Tricia Kent Rebekah Bowen	Alison/Taylor Willingham	Arthur Roney	Mark Smith Quint Smith
Aug. 19	Jeanie Brimm Kay Green	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Floyd Tucker	Denny Rogers Buck Thompson
Aug. 26	Mandy/Paula Smith	Amanda/Joe Heavner	Joe Kent	Jimmy Lockerman Matt Youngblood

July Sunday School Stats

Senior Adults	4
FBIC	14
CIA	3
Young Adults	5
Youth	0
Older Children	1
Younger Children	2
Older Preschoolers	6
Younger Preschoolers	5
Nursery	2
General Officers/Musicians	4
TOTAL	47



Members of Byromville Baptist,

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness during this time. I appreciate your letting me have Larry's funeral there. We were married 53 years ago at Byromville Baptist, and we often remembered the many times we attended.. We had a lot of friends in Byromville, and it seemed appropriate to have his final service there.

Fran Fountain Dixon & Family

Financial Summary

June receipts

General offerings	\$8,551.00
Children's Home	100.00
Mail Box Club/Pregnancy Care Center	53.00
Speical-Camp Houston	75.00
VBS offering	750.00
Interest on CD	4.25
TOTAL RECEIPTS	9,533.25

June disbursements

General expenses	7,130.14
GA Baptist Children's Homes	660.00
Tech equipment/repairs	171.18
Camp Houston (lumber for picnic tables)	198.37
Houston Baptist Association	474.71
Cooperative Program	1,234.23
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 9,868.63

YEAR TO DATE SUMMARY

	Budget	Actual	Difference
Receipts	60,627.96	53,547.35	-7,080.61
Expenses	60,627.96	61,242.48	+614.52

Dear Byromville Baptist Church,

On behalf of the Pregnancy Care Center, I thank you for your generous donation at our Annual Fundraising Banquet. Your donation helps ensure conversion from a resource center to a medical clinic, enabling us to reach more abortion-minded women and help eliminate the perceived need for an abortion. Donors like you make it possible to accomplish our mission, and enable us to provide hope, encouragement, and to empower women to choose life. We are praying for you, and request that you pray for us. Prayer is the most valuable contribution. We are grateful for your continued support and prayers.

Jeanie Brimm, Executive Director

Byromville Baptist Church,

Thanks for supporting the children's camps at Camp Houston. Your volunteering, praying, and/or donating helped make the camps successful. You made it possible for children to come to a Christ centered environment where they could experience fun and the Father's love.

Staff of Camp Houston



Visit www.daveramsey.com/fpu to learn more about FPU.

Classes begin August 20

Mondays @ 7pm

August 20--October 15

Signup sheet on bulletin board.

See Pastor Jacob for more information.

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