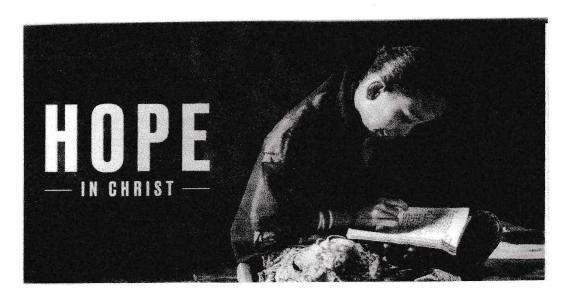
WMU Spring Missions Celebration March 27, 2023 Melrose Baptist Church



Because of our hope in Christ, we will see to be:

- Genuine in love;
- Patient in tribulation;
- Constant in prayer; and
- Compassionate to all.

Romans 12:12 NIV: Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer

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Prelude Rev. Dr. Connie Cruze (Associate Pastor, Meirose
Welcome and Invocation
Financial Information Melissa Gibson (RVBA WMU Treasurer, Wavery Place
By-Laws Changes Kathryn Sowers (RVBA WMU Adult Consultant, Vinton
Recognition – Abigail Girls Diane Shepherd (RVBA WMU Children's Consultant Coopers Cove
Hymn #365 - Song For the Nations Rev. Dr. Connie Cruze (Associate Pastor, Melrose)
Election of Officers and Consultants Diane Shepherd (RVBA WMU Children's Consultant, Cooper's Cove)
Installation and PrayerRev Scott Hamilton ((Interim RVBA Executive Director)
Prayer Calendar
Offering Recommendation Melissa Gibson (RVBA WMU Treasurer, Waverly Place)
Hymn # 112 – Grace Alone Rev. Dr. Connie Cruze (Associate Pastor, Melrose)
Introduction of Speakers
Guest Speakers Jim and Marsha Richardson (Retired IMB Missionaries)
Closing Comments Mary Gilley (RVBA WMU Director, Melrose)
Sending Hymn # 385 – They'll Know We Are Christians Dr. Rev. Connie Cruze
Benediction

The RVBA WMU Leadership Team would like to thank Melrose Baptist Church for hosting our 2023 RVBA WMU Spring Missions Celebration. We appreciate your hospitality and faithfulness in serving the Lord.

Jim and Marcia Richardson

Jim Richardson is from Roanoke......he grew up in First Baptist Church. Marcia Richardson is from Missouri. They married right after university and taught in Roanoke City Schools until going to Kenya in 1976 with the International Mission Board. They served In East Africa for 33 years.

They have 2 living children; a son in Michigan with 2 children, and a daughter living in Germany with 3 children.

They retired in 2008 and now reside in Roanoke. They continue to do mission trips in Africa and Europe.

WMU Prayer Calendar - - March 27, 2023

North American Mission Board:

Arizona: Eric Gibbs

Colorado: Joshua Story

Kansas: Gobar Biswa

Maryland: Nguaya-Gonoso Batsuli

Massachusetts: Olusegun Fakeye, Kevin Henderson, Morgan Proudfoot

British Columbia: Joo Yong Park

International Mission Board:

American Peoples: Amy Fisher, Scott Pittman

Asian Pacific Rim Peoples: Teresa Broeker, MC, TF, EH

Central Asian Peoples: MH

Deaf Peoples: SF

European Peoples: SG

Sub-Saharan African Peoples: AT

Chaplains * Volunteers

State Convention Missionaries

Retired NAMB: Gerald Lawton

Retired IMB: Stanley Foskett, Kyu Hwang

RVBA WMU Monthly Emphasis

January - BookNet

February - Southwest Virginia Partnership - Nickelsville, VA

March - North American Missions Emphasis - Annie Armstrong

April - Truck Stop Ministry/Bible Storying

May - Annie Mae Broyles Offering

June - WMU Witnessing Booth at Salem Fair

July - Standing Rock Missions Emphasis

August - Mission Centers

September - State Missions Emphasis - Alma Hunt Offering

October - World Day of Hunger Offering

November - WMU World Day of Prayer

December - International Missions Emphasis - Lottie Moon Offering

Roanoke Valley WMU

Proposed Budget for 2023

January - December 2023

The PURPOSE of our associational WMU is to provide leadership, to inform, to grow, to involve, and to network with all ages in mission education and awareness.

Our Budget consists of the following divisions:

- \$ 800 Meetings (February Focus, Spring, Fall, and World Day of Prayer)
 - Pay costs incurred for speakers, childcare, meals (missionaries and program personalities) and supplies for meetings.
- \$ 1,000 Training
 - Provide yearbooks for leadership team members.
 - Pay for 1/3 of the team to attend training at Crossroads Camp & Conference center with our Director. (team members will be encouraged to attend once during their three year term)
 - Provide training for church WMU leaders
- \$ 2,100 Growth Involvement
 - Adults \$200
 - Youth \$800
 - Children \$800
 - Preschool \$300
- \$ 700 Correspondence (information shared)
 - Provide \$30 to each Area Group Leader, Treasurer, and Secretary, \$100 to Director for printing/paper costs
 - Postage for Spring and Fall mailings
- \$ 1,200 Mission in Action
 - · Fund new and ongoing projects
 - Fund costs of networking and involvement
- \$ 450 Recognition
 - Pay for meals at Fall Meeting for pastors and spouses
 - \$250 Pastor appreciation
 - \$200 Remembrance and Thanks
- \$ 50 Contingency
- \$ 1,000 Administrative/Professional Fees
 - Tax Preparation fees/Legal Fees etc.
- \$ 7,300 Total 2023 Budget

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Area I: Mary Gilley 529-6698	Area II: Mary Deel 204-0784
1. Bethel	1. Arcadia 2. Buchanan
2. Connelly Memorial	3. Cave Rock
3. Enon	Company was the distance of the company
4. Green Ridge	4. Cedar Bluff
5. Hollins Road	5. Daleville
6. Journey	6. Eagle Rock
7. Layman	7. Fincastle
8. North Roanoke	8. Forest Grove
9. Oakland	9. Lithia
10. Preston Oaks	10. Longdale
11. Riverdale	11. Mill Creek
	12. Springwood
	13. Troutville
	14. Zion Hill
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2. CommUNITY	2. Catawba Valley
3. Craig Valley	3. Central
4. Melrose	4. Colonial Avenue
5. Fort Lewis	5. Faith
6. Mount Calvary	6. Fellowship Community
7. Mountain Pass	7. Grandin Court
8. Mountain View	8. New Century
9. Pleasant Hill	9. Red Hill
10. Salem	10. Ridgewood
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2. Connection Community	2. Cave Spring
3. Coopers Cove	3. Crystal Spring
4. Garden City	4. First (Roanoke)
Lynn Haven	5. Gravel Hill
6. Midland	6. Haran
Seventeenth Street/Access	7. Heights Community (VA Heights)
8. Villa Heights	8. Living Water
9. Vinton	9. Mayflower Hills
10. Waverly Place	10. Mount Pleasant
	11. Riverland Road
	12. Rosalind Hills
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These group leaders keep in touch with the WMU leaders or contact persons in each of our churches. They send the information and inform them of all happenings. <u>If you have recently become your church's WMU leader</u>, please contact your Area Group Leader to begin receiving information. We wish to keep all churches informed and involved.

Information of Missionary Resources in the Valley

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Ethel Ledbetter Birthday is October 7, 1928 1009 Old Country Club Rd., NW Apt. 213 Roanoke, VA 24017

Jim and Marcia Richardson walimu@pobox.com
540-556-5242

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RVBA WMU Calendar 2023

<u>March</u> 27	RVBA WMU Spring Missions CelebrationMelrose Baptist Church
April 15	RVBA WMU Leadership Team10amLocation TBD
21/22	Mom & Me (Weekend Conference for Elementary Girls (Eagle Eyrie)
22/23	Mom & Me (Weekend Conference for Elementary Girls (Eagle Eyrie)
25	RVBA Spring Meeting
<u>June</u>	
18-24	Impact Virginia
July	
15	RVBA WMU Leadership Team Meeting – 10 am
23-28	WMUV Week at Standing Rock
31-Aug 3	Children's Mission Camp – Ward Haven
<u>September</u>	
8-9	WMUV Board of Trustees – Camp Crossroads
10-17	Alma Hunt offering for Virginia Missions
25	RVBA WMU Fall Missions Celebration
October	
10	Global Hunger Sunday
15	RVBA WMU Leadership Team Meeting - 10 am
24	RVBA Fall Meeting
November	
3-4	Women's Get-Away Eagle Eyrie Conference Center
4-5	Women's Get-Away Eagle Eyrie Conference Center
4	WMU Annual Meeting Eagle Eyrie Conference Center
6	Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer 10 am - 12 noonLocation TBD
13-20	Operation Christmas Child
<u>December</u>	
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International and Global Missions

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RVBA WMU

Lila Gilmer Scholarship

University of Richmond



The RVBA WMU sponsors the Lila Gilmer Scholarship which is awarded each year to a deserving student who has been accepted to attend the University of Richmond and must be an affiliate of a Baptist Church. We have been informed that the amount budgeted for the 2023 scholarship is \$3,290.00 (based on the interest earned each year).

Applicant's Name		
Address		
Phone Number	(Home)	(Cell)
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s)		
Address		
Father's Occupation		
Mother's Occupation		
Sibling(s) Name(s)		

COMPONENTS OF APPLICATION

- 1. A one-page written statement of your educational goals
- 2. A resume of your school activities
- 3. A resume of your community activities and employment
- 4. Three letters of recommendation
- 5. A transcript of course work

Deadline to apply: April 15, 2023

Mail completed form and requested information to:

Mary Gilley 2818 Emissary Drive Roanoke, VA 24019

Questions call 540.529-6698

Mission Heart Children's Camp July 31 - August 3, 2023 Ward Haven

Bible Study
Missionary
Games
Music
Drama
Puppets
Camp Fire
Fun



Sign up by May 15, 2023 Cost is \$60

After May 15, 2023 Cost is \$75

Deadline: June 30, 2023

Contact: Diane Shepherd 540-798-9165 dsva540@aol.com

FALL EVENT

OCTOBER 14, 2023 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm Rosalind Hills Baptist Church

More information later.
Save the date and invite children and families to attend.



OPPORTUNITIES

That Friendship House
Offers to **Equip** and **Mobilize** Churches to Reach
the Roanoke Community



A Friendship House English Club in operation at a local church



GOOD NEIGHBOR TEAMS

Church groups that are trained to walk alongside, support and befriend refugee families as they arrive in Roanoke.



A web platform that connects individuals and families with churches in the Roanoke Valley to empower and encourage them in real relationships. (Coming this spring.)



ENGLISH TUTOR TRAINING

Roanoke is the 3rd-largest metro area in Virginia that receives refugees. Churches typically have the people and the space to host an English class. This places the local church in a unique opportunity to reach the nations!



FAITH& FINANCES

Through biblical empowerment initiatives like Jobs for Life and Faith & Finances, we train church members to serve as mentors, or "allies", for students in these classes.



Seminars or mission projects that explore the biblical stance on poverty and how to best address it.

Participants discuss how poverty is more than just a lack of material things, but rather stems from broken relationships with God, others & creation.

CHURCH CONSULTATION

Friendship House believes that the local church should be actively engaged in loving its neighbor and gospel proclamation to the lost in its community. Can we help

your church in this? Whether it is plugging into a ministry at Friendship House or starting one for your church to lead, we would love to support your church through those decisions.

www.friendshiphouseroanoke.org

friends@friendshiphouseroanoke.org



Mailing: PO Box 13042, Roanoke VA 24030 Physical: 101 17th St SE Roanoke VA 24013

Office: 540-342-8452

The Keystone Community Center continues to serve the SE community in so many ways. Our programs change from time to time but we are **committed (our word for 2023)** to obeying the Great Commission as commanded by Jesus. We are also committed to WMU the founders of the ministry back in 1939. It is sad seeing so many churches without WMU and the groups still serving with low numbers. When I look at the historical records of Keystone we are still conducting similar programs but as time has changed some upgrades and guidelines have been implemented but our backbone is the WMU. Thank you for your support. Below is an update for 2023.

AFTER SCHOOL- This school 12 children in the 4 day a week after school. Would have more but not enough volunteers signed up to help. The Christmas play was performed in January at Access 17th Street Church. The children started their Thank You Tour back in February. Churches can call to invite the children to attend a worship service and sing a few songs, it ends in May, Coopers Cove has invited our children to attend and participate in their slot car race in March. Lessons about Easter are being taught and the garden season is approaching as we start going outside.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY-The numbers have dropped due to the group aging, going to nursing homes, no longer driving and death. January brought back 4-5 that can drive so we cut back to one meeting a month with lunch which First Baptist WMU brings. We will go back to every Thursday in May. We need a summer teacher or we will cancel until fall. They are still getting a bag of groceries with 10 being given out once a month. BACKYARD GARDENS are in the process of planning and getting the soil ready we anticipate 8 to 10 this year

SUMMER CAMP will start in June and run to Aug. We are planning for 25 to 30 children LITTLE LAMBS have one little girl and has learned so much about God and she is ready for school this fall. Virginia Austin has been a faithful servant for almost 25 years and has asked to take a break this fall so if no one steps up we will not have a preschool in September. If your church wants to get a Mission Friends started please give me a call to help you get started

Keystone 5k run/walk is coming up May 27 2023 and we are looking for participants and sponsors. \$50 sponsorship will get your group's name on the back of our shirts which I wear everyday as my uniform. Participants can sign up on line or in person and you can do it virtual if you can't come the day of the event.

We will be giving 50 families an Easter box of food on March 30th

The next Advocate meeting will be held April 14, 10am at Friendship House at which time we will discuss whether to continue or stop the meetings

On April 22 the Community Basketball games return for ages 6-adults from 12noon to 3pm. Food, Fun, Friends

-We are available for speaking engagements or you can have your meeting here at Keystone. Thank you WMU for all your support call 342-8452 or 330-6263 for more info

RVBA WMU Mission Projects for 2023

Leaders are available to share with you about these ministry projects.

Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer November 6, 2023 at 10 am.

Location: TBD

How you can be involved:

- * Praying for the needs of women around the world.
- * Giving to support the work of the Women's Department of the Baptist World Alliance. (Checks payable to RVBA WMU)

Contact:

Beth Hetherington (Cooper's Cove) C – 597-0027

Judy Deel (Mill Creek) H – 473.2522

Ministry to Internationals/Refugees

This ministry will provide opportunities to assist refugees who are coming into the Roanoke Valley.

How you can be involved:

- *Volunteering
- *Providing household items, clothing and school supplies
- *Adopting a refugee family
- *Providing items for newborns

Contact:

Beth Hetherington (Cooper's Cove) C – 597-0027

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English as a Second Language

God can use us to change someone's life by helping them learn English. Learn how to be an ESL volunteer teacher.

How you can be involved:

- *Being trained
- *Working with those who are trained by joining them in ministry (provide snacks, crafts for children, etc) Contact:

Beth Hetherington (Cooper's Cove) C - 597-0027

Human Trafficking

This ministry will address the issue of human trafficking in our community.

How to be involved:

- *Volunteering
- *Education and awareness
- *Partnering with Straight Street to support their ministry (Street Ransom) to victims.
- *Praying for victims

Contact:

Jeri Harris (Villa Heights) jeri@straightstreet.org 206.7349

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BookNet

This ministry project involves the collecting of new or gently used children's books for Pre-school – 8th Grade. Books are sorted, labeled, and boxed to be used for mission opportunities locally or for associational mission trips (Southwest Virginia/Nickelsville and Standing Rock). Books are also available for individual churches to use for their mission opportunities. It is our desire that the children who receive the Book-Net books will know that someone cares about them and loves them.

How you can be involved:

- *Donating new or gently used children's books
- *Helping to sort, label and box books

Contact:

Mary Hinman (First)

Brenda French (Rosalind Hills) Diane Grant (Midland) Jane Smith (Bonsack)
Brenda Thompson (Bonsack) Ellie Ewald (Heights Community) Jeanie Wakefield (First)

Kay Clatterbuck (First) Linda Shelton (First) Gail Holbrook (First)

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Chronological Bible Storying

Telling Bible stories can help to communicate the gospel on the mission field, to children, and to non-English speaking adults in our community. This storytelling method can be used in your own churches.

How you can be involved:

- *Being trained
- *Working with those who are trained by joining them in ministry (provide snacks, crafts for children, etc)
 Contact:

Diane Shepherd (Cooper's Cove) <u>DSVA540@aol.com</u> 721.6407 Danette High topdhigh@gmail.com 704.460.9603

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Hand-In-Hand, Heart-To-Heart Ministry Project

Standing rock Sioux Indian Reservation

Since 2004, the RVBA has been involved in a ministry to Native Americans living on the reservation in North and South Dakota. Week long mission trips have helped to strengthen relationships and foster opportunities to share the love of Christ with others. Efforts are being made to have jewelry making become a source of income for the natives.

How you can be involved:

- *Going on the mission trip
- *Praying for Native Americans
- *Donating items for craft projects
- *Providing support for special projects (Checks payable to RVBA WMU)

Contact:

Judy Tear (Mount Pleasant) jtear@netzero.net 427.5482

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Mission Centers

Begun 70 years ago by a group of committed Baptist women, Baptist Mission Centers have continuously served the people of inner-city Roanoke. Our two mission centers, Friendship House Roanoke and Keystone Community Center, seek to be the presence of Christ for residents of our city who undergo unique and difficult challenges every day.

How you can be involved:

- *Volunteering your time
- *Donating food items, toiletries, paper goods, and cleaning products
- *Sponsoring special activities for the children
- *Providing transportations for special field trips
- *Preparing lunch for adult Bible study participants
- *Providing financial support for the ministries of the center. (Checks payable to the center)
- *Providing scholarships for the children to attend Summer Missions Camp at Ward Haven. (Make checks payable to RVBA WMU w/memo children's camp scholarship and send to current WMU Treasurer.)

Contact:

Faith Dowdy - Friendship House Roanoke, 635 Elm Ave, SW, Roanoke, VA 24016 - 540.761.2361 Pat Carter – Keystone Community Center, 101-17th Street, SE, Roanoke, VA 24013 – 540.330.6263

Scholarship - University of Richmond

The Lila Gilmer Scholarship is available to a graduating senior who has been accepted by the University of Richmond. The scholarship amount is budgeted for \$3,290 in 2020 (Provided funds come in.)

How you can be involved:

- *Nominating a senior
- *Sharing the information with high school students of RVBA churches

Contact:

Mary Gilley (Melrose) angelclktr@aol.com 529-6698

Southwest Virginia Partnership

An annual mission trip sponsored by the WMU which encourages churches in the RVBA to work together to meet the needs of our fellow Virginians. Projects involve construction, distribution of Bibles, children's books and ditty bags with personal care items, food pantry work, and other ministries as needed.

How you can be involved:

- *Participating in the mission trip
- *Donating funds for Bibles, toiletry items and construction expenses (Checks payable to RVBA WMU - w/ SW VA Mission trip on memo line)
- *Sew ditty bags for toiletry items
- *Donating new or gently used children's books

Contact:

Fleta Dillon (Connelly Memorial) <u>fletad@hotmail.com</u> (H) 563.4055 (C) 580.4377 Mary Gilley (Melrose) angelclktr@aol.com 529-6698 Shirley Hall (Lynn Haven) sph1950@verizon.net 345.8611

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Witnessing Booth at the Salem Fair

Since 1998, the RVBA WMU has provided a witnessing booth at this summer event. Cookies, pretzels, and hard candy are given to those who visit the booth. The Jesus DVDs are given out upon request. RVBA churches are needed to provide donations to pay for the rental of the booth. Also, supply people to serve in the booth during the days of the fair.

How you can be involved:

- *Donations to cover the rental fees and prizes for the booth. Need 12 churches to donate \$38.**
- *Volunteering to serve in the booth during the fair _____
- *Donating cookies and pretzels each in zip Lock bags with label or card of John 3:16 attached to the of the baggie
- *Donating hard candy (one piece stapled) on business sized card with this printed message:

This candy's for you and God's love is too!

"This is love...God loved us and sent His Son to pay for our sins."

1 John 4:10

Contact:

Jeanne Dudley (Salem) <u>idgmm@quixnet.net</u> 375.3246 Fleta Dillon (Connelly Memorial) <u>fletad@hotmail.com</u> 563.4055 or 580.4377

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WMU News/Information

News of the work of the WMU is published in an e-mailed version of the FOCUS, the RVBA's bi-monthly newsletter. Articles and announcements need to be submitted to Sandy Sloane by the 10th of the even numbered months (Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct, and Dec).

How you can be involved:

- *Share the good news about your church's special WMU activities
- *Promote your ministry projects

Contact:

Sandy Sloane (Melrose) sanny610@aol.com 366.7631

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On-Going Ministries

GraceInside

Since 1920, GraceInside, Virginia's Prison Chaplain Service, has placed privately funded Christian chaplains, supported by denominations, associations, individuals, churches, businesses and foundations, inside Virginia's prisons as missionaries to "the least of these." Financial contributions may be sent to GraceInside 2828 Emerywood Parkway Richmond, VA 23294 http://graceinside.org/

Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women has a HUGE Christmas toiletry kit drive, greeting card/Christmas card and stationery drive each year. Even though these efforts are focused on the period leading up to Christmas, many donors are giving at other times of the year. All items need to be mailed or delivered either to Effort Baptist Church (preferred delivery site) or the Correctional Center warehouse. Contact Ron or Nancy Switzer (434-989-6559/6558) for more information.

The Least of These (Ministry to Roanoke's Homeless)

This past year has brought much growth, many lessons and tremendous support from a most compassionate community. The lives of Roanoke's homeless have been impacted positively. Funds to purchase a decommissioned ambulance were raised by holding the first annual Hustle for the Homeless 5K Run/Walk where there were over 240 participants. The ambulance has been repurposed into a street outreach service vehicle that is used for the distribution of sleeping bags, blankets, winter weather gear, hygiene products, snacks and more. Currently, over 40 individuals are being housed and relationships with local landlords are being nurtured which hopefully will afford new opportunities for many more homeless individuals to find homes. In September 2018, the 1st Annual Dining with Dignity event was held in Century Plaza in Downtown Roanoke. Over 100 homeless were served an Italian meal followed by homemade desserts as they sat at tables covered with white linen tablecloths and fresh flower arrangements. It was a blessed time. On March 14, 2022, we were able to move into a "new to us" warehouse space. Pray that for the upcoming year God will provide the Least of These with properties that will be owned and operated by the ministry so that additional individuals will be blessed with affordable housing.

Contact Dawn Sandoval at 540-556-3200 or visit http://www.theleastoftheseministry.org for more information. You can also follow this ministry's FB page, The Least of These

Pure Water, Pure Love

Since 1997, missionaries have relied on the generosity of God's people to provide clean water for themselves and those they serve. Our gifts to PWPL can provide water filtration devices to SBC missionaries throughout the world. More than 2000 requests for devices are received annually with the average cost being \$250. All water filtration projects through PWPL are funded solely by donations from individuals. Read more at www.wmu.com.

Transitional Options for Women

Transitional Options for Women continues to assist women in crisis. In 2018, sixty-two women, men and children were assisted with basic needs (including housing) and training services. TOFW provides nine months of pre-release training at Western Regional Jail and is working to connect with other agencies across the state. In the near future they will be opening a coffee shop and thrift store in an effort to become more self-sustaining. Contact Dorothy Owsley at dowsley@cox.net for more information.

Operation Christmas Child - Collection dates November 2023

Boys and girls from more than 130 countries around the world have experienced God's love through the gift of a simple shoebox from Operation Christmas Child. Shoeboxes filled with new toys, school supplies, and other needs for children are collected in November. OCC shoebox collection centers are at Bonsack Baptist, Lynn Haven Baptist, Mill Creek Baptist, and Salem Baptist churches. See www.samaritanspurse.org for details. Contact Pat Dillon at pddillon68@live.com or 540-562-1118 for more information.

Truck Stop Ministry

This ministry seeks to provide assistance and minister to truck drivers and their families at the Pilot Station off Interstate 81 at Ext 150. You can be involved by: providing coloring books, crayons, Bible storybooks for children; purchasing pocket size New Testament Bibles and donating money for emergency aid and other ministry expenses (Checks payable to RVBA). For more information contact Dallas Norris at 540-520-4832.

Blue Ridge Women's Center

The Blue Ridge Women's Center is a Christian medical clinic specializing in unplanned pregnancies, relationships, and reproductive health. Since 1984, they have served over 15,000 women – all completely free of charge. Tours of the center are available. (5034 Williamson Road, Roanoke, VA 24012)

How you can be involved: donating diapers, crib sheets, formula, car seats, clothes, etc., and participating in the Baby Bottle Campaign (Collect spare change in bottles supplied by the center.) Contact Terri Benjamin at www.supportblueridge.org or 540-362-3007 for more information.

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