



## BRIGHTEN YOUR CORNER!



Maybe you already heard, but we lost a little bit of “sunshine” the other day. Dorothy “Dot” Evans went to be with the Lord. How she will be missed! Some of you will remember Elwood & Dot who faithfully attended here until circumstances made it no longer possible. I only knew them enough to wave and say hello on Sunday, and then Elwood died and they were both gone.

One day several years ago a friend suggested that we stop by to visit Dot at her home in Wachapreague and that’s how it started. She was already 90+ years old, but what a joy to be with; perky, sharp witted, energetic and feisty. She was who I want to be when I grow up! I just kept coming to see her.

After a while she required more help than she could get at home and had to move to Commonwealth Living. She was so distraught. Wachapreague was her home almost all her life, but I think the Lord wasn’t done with her. He needed her there to brighten the lives of the other residents. What fun she “provoked” all around her. Dot loved the crafts and painting classes, the “field trips” in their van, she made friends quickly. Her family was very faithful taking care of her and often took her for visits to their homes.

She loved to go out to lunch. We enjoyed that time together. The last time we went out she wanted to go to Wendy’s for a frosty after lunch. Imagine my surprise when we got to the window and she ordered five! One for her and me, and three to take back to her friends at the Commonwealth! That was Dot—She brightened the corner everywhere she was! We should all try to do that! What a great Christian witness!

### Here’s What’s Coming Up:








- ◆ Sundays—Sunday School at 9:45 am.  
Worship Service at 11am
- ◆ Wednesdays—Kid’s Meetings 6:30pm
- ◆ Thursdays—Ladies Bible Study 10 am
- ◆ Sept 2nd—Labor Day
- ◆ Sept 16th—Impact Hunger Del 11 am-1 pm
- ◆ Sept 18th—Qtrly Business Mtg 6:30 pm
- ◆ Oct 21st—Impact Hunger Del 11 am- 1 pm
- ◆ Oct 26th—Trunk or Treat—Time TBA
- ◆ Oct 31st—Halloween

# SEPTEMBER 2024

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	2  <b>LABOR DAY</b>	3	4 Kids Mtg 6:30p	5 Ladies Bible Study 10a	6	7
8 <b>Grandparents Day</b> Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	9 	10	11  <b>Patriot Day</b> Kids Mtg 6:30p	12 Ladies Bible Study 10a	13	14
15 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	16 Impact Hunger Deliveries 11am-1pm	17 	18 <b>Qtrly Bus Mtg</b> 6:30p	19 Ladies Bible Study 10a	20 <b>POW/MIA</b>  Recognition Day	21
22 <b>Autumn Begins</b>  Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	23	24	25 Kids Mtg 6:30p	26 Ladies Bible Study 10a	27	28
29 <b>Gold Star Mother's Day</b> Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	30 					

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27 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	28	29	30 Kids Mtg 6:30p	31 <b>Halloween</b> Ladies Bible Study 10a		



# A Note From Pastor

The article below was copied many years ago and I lost the name of the book and the Author, but it gives you something to think about when you think of God and His creation.

*“God created the heavens and the earth.” (Gen. 1:1) These words form one of the Bible’s principle assertions about the material world; that God created it all. The first two chapters of Genesis present two complementary accounts of creation. (Ps. 104 and Prov. 8 present two additional accounts). Chapter 1 pictures God in sublime terms, grand and awesome. With a mere word, God spoke the entire universe into existence. When He finished, He called every part of His creation “very good”. (1:31)*

*Chapter 2, on the other hand, presents a more personal picture of creation. It focuses on the creation of man and woman, the only beings in creation who reflect the very image of God. In this section, God’s personal name (Yahweh or Lord) is used rather than His title, “God”. This is because God personally shaped Adam from the dust of the earth, breathing life into him, and forming Eve from Adam’s flesh and bone. Moreover, the section depicts God placing Adam and Eve in a beautiful garden and interacting with them.*

*Of course, these two chapters are not written in terms of modern science. But neither are they written in what would have passed for science in ancient times. If the Bible had been written in the “scientific” language of its day, it would be little more than a relic today. Had it been written in the scientific language of the Middle Ages, it would have been a mystery to its first readers and nonsense to us. Had it been written in the scientific language of our own day, it would have been unintelligible to prior generations and to be sure, a relic in future years.*

*These first chapters of Genesis reveal God’s identity as Creator in language that makes sense to every sort of audience. The chapters spoke first to a people on the move, at the dawn of Hebrew history. Over the ages they have spoken to ancient and medieval peoples. And today, they speak to people from all backgrounds. The modern person sometimes wonders why the language is not more precise. Yet these chapters do not aim at precision; their aim is clarity concerning **one certain truth: God created the heavens and the earth.***

As school begins and the Fall activities begin to pile up remember one thing; God is our creator, and He alone has placed us where we are today. God’s purpose and plan for man was to care for the earth and to propagate the good news to all His creation. Hope you all enjoy your Fall season and remember to give God the glory for all that He has done in your life.

Pastor Steve Miller



Lead With a Purpose  
Fall Leadership Training  
Thursday, September 26th

Dinner at 5:30 pm - \$8 (Chicken or Roast Beef)  
Exmore Baptist Church, 11624 Occohannock Road, Exmore

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- \* Recruiting, Training & Keeping Volunteers
- \* Establishing a Leadership Development System
- \* Developing an Effective Prayer Ministry
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- \* Establishing Healthy Boundaries in Life & Ministry
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**OCTOBER 26TH—TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED**

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Deacons: Jimmy Campbell, Nat Atkinson  
& Brooks Wallace

**Standard Hours of Worship  
& Meetings**

**Sunday Morning**  
Sunday School 9:45am  
Worship Service 11:00am

**Wednesday Evening**  
Kids & Youth Meetings 6:30pm