

September 7, 2025

WELCOME TO

**MOUNTAIN LAKE INDEPENDENT
BAPTIST CHURCH**



We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors!
If you have small children, we invite you to take
advantage of our children's ministries.
We want to help you in your walk with the Lord.
If there is anything we can do for you,
please let us know.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRAYER TIME

9:20 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45 a.m.

We have a Sunday School class for every member of every family

MORNING PREACHING SERVICE

10:45 a.m.

King's Kids Kick-off with "Bounce House!"

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-11

A Bible Message by Pastor Leatherman:

Abide In Christ

TEEN SOUL WINNING

4:00 p.m.

"SCAM & FRAUD" WITH SHERIFF MEYERS

5:30 p.m.

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING

6:30 p.m.

EVENING PREACHING SERVICE

7:00 p.m.

Singing, Missions Report

A Bible Message - Fruit of the Spirit sermon series
by Pastor Leatherman:

"The Fruit of Meekness"

- Teen Parent Meeting -

**Pastor and Mrs. Leatherman's
32nd Anniversary**

10:45 a.m., Sunday, September 28, 2025

Dr. Byron Foxx and Dr. Richard Harper preaching
Dr. Foxx will be singing and leading the music.



Dr. Byron Foxx

**Mountain Lake
- Independent -
Baptist Church**

1005 Broadford Rd. Oakland, MD 21550
301-334-3234 www.mlbc.org



Dr. Richard Harper

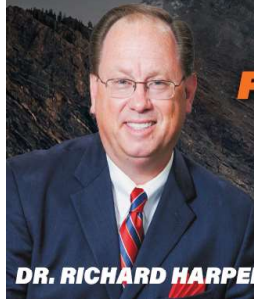
**WESTERN MARYLAND'S
ANNUAL SWORD OF THE LORD CONFERENCE**



Mountain Lake Independent Baptist Church
1005 Broadford Road, Oakland, MD | 301-334-3234 | mlbc.org

**SEPTEMBER
29-30, 2025**

**GREAT PREACHING,
FELLOWSHIP + SINGING**
SONG LEADING BY BYRON FOX



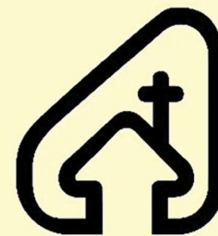
DR. RICHARD HARPER

Monday 7:00 PM
Dr. Smith/ Dr. Harper

Tuesday 10:00 AM + 7:00 PM
Dr. Harper/Dr. Smith



DR. SHELTON SMITH



**Nursery Expansion
& Fellowship Hall
Remodeling Project**

Investing in our future! Our Goal: \$150,000

Total given to date: \$116,309.28

1 Chronicles 29:9, "Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly,
because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the LORD"

LAST WEEK'S REPORT

Sunday School..... 119 Evening Service..... 76
Morning Service..... 146 Wednesday Service..... 107
Bus Routes 35

Last Week's General Offering..... \$4,479.00

Last Week's Faith Missions Giving..... \$2,605.00

Weekly Faith Promise Commitments (2025-2026)..... \$3,521.00

LAST WEEK'S GIVING TOWARD BUS MINISTRY - \$203.95

LAST WEEK'S GIVING TOWARD BUILDING FUND - \$1,670.00

COMING EVENTS

- Sept. 14 - Missionary to Japan - James Scott
- Sept. 18 - *Blankets for Babies*
- Sept. 18 - Sunday School Visitation
- Sept. 25-26 - *Fingerprints* Scripture Assembly
- Sep. 28 - King's Kids Dino Store
- Sept. 28-30 - Sword Conference**
- Oct. 3-4 - Western MD Youth Conf.**
- Oct. 22 - Naomi Fellowship
- Oct. 5 - King's Kids Money Cupcake
- Oct. 5 - Missionary Jack Ferguson
- Oct. 11 - Ladies' Prayer Luncheon
- Oct. 16 - *Blankets for Babies*
- Oct. 16 - Sunday School Visitation
- Oct. 23-24 - *Fingerprints* Scripture Assembly
- Oct. 25 - King's Kids Off-Campus Fall Fest
- Oct. 26 - Dino Store

This Week's Birthdays & Anniversaries

Rachel Cupp 9-9

Charlotte Sines 9-11

Brantley Jones 9-12

Tiffany Roy 9-12



1 Chronicles 16:25,
"For great is the LORD,
and greatly to be praised:
he also is to be feared
above all gods."



September 2025 Memory Verse
Mountain Lake Independent Baptist Church

Wednesday

7:00 p.m.

MASTER CLUBS

TEENS ALIVE

MIDWEEK

PRAYER & PREACHING

This week's Mid-Week message from the life of Moses is:

The Call of Moses, Part 2

Every Christian needs "Three to Thrive"

(Sunday am, pm, & Wed. evening services)

Thursday

6:30 p.m.

Church Visitation

Saturday

9:00 a.m.



**Picnic with the
Pastor**

12:00 noon

Ladies' Prayer Luncheon

9:00 p.m.

Saturday Evening Men's Prayer Time

Loving the Unlovely

One of the great challenges in the Christian life (and the ministry in particular) is dealing with unlovely people, unlovely Christians. We have been given clear instructions, as disciples of Jesus Christ - love God and love my neighbor (Matt. 22:34-40). No qualifications given! See also: (1 Thess. 4:9, 1 Pet. 1:22, 1 Jn 3:23).

1. Keep in mind, God's love is an unconditional love.

God loves the arrogant church member, the person caught in sin, and the follower who denies Him. That's the point: He who loves all of us with an amazing love expects us to love others similarly.

2. It is the primary way of displaying my discipleship.

Loving unlovely people is not normal! It is not worldly! It is Christlike! It is Supernatural! (John 13:34-35). Being family means we must love even those who occasionally drive the family crazy.

3. God is using them to develop and strengthen my Christian character.

(Prov. 27:17), "Iron sharpeneth iron" (John 15:2) - purging to bear more fruit. By reacting unkindly, I may be hindering my usefulness and fruitfulness.

4. It is a matter of obedience!

As a child of God, the Lord is to control my action, not my emotions/feelings. (1 Corinthians 13)
"Only 2 choices on the shelf, obedience to God or obedience to self"

5. They may not be saved!

They need to see genuine Christian love so they might recognize their need for Christ.

6. Keep in mind, they may still be spiritual babies.

Some church members are really still babies in Christ, despite their years in the church. They need to see how much they need to grow – but it needs to be someone who truly loves them.

7. Make them a matter of earnest prayer!

Real transformation in a person's life occurs only under the power of God – and that means we must pray for even the church members we like the least. To not pray for them is unloving.

8. Loving unlovely people is an act of faith.

Jesus loved His disciples despite their arrogance and arguing, knowing what the Father would do through them. We must love unlovable church members with that same kind of trust and faith.

9. They are probably very lonely people.

It is possible that they do not even realize how unkind they really are.

10. We are all sometimes unlovable.

I want people to be patient and forgiving to me when I act ugly.

Perhaps others will model then the love we've first shown them.

**I Chronicles 16:25,
“For great is the LORD
and greatly to be praised:
he also is to be feared
above all gods.”**

**SEPTEMBER 8-14
DAILY BIBLE READING**

Sept. 8 ☐ Ezekiel 34-36

Sept. 9 ☐ Ezekiel 37-38

Sept. 10 ☐ Ezekiel 39-40

Sept. 11 ☐ Ezekiel 41-43

Sept. 12 ☐ Ezekiel 44-45

Sept. 13 ☐ Ezekiel 46-48

Sept. 14 ☐ Daniel 1-2

When reading these passages,

Ask yourself, “is there...”

- a sin I should avoid?
- a promise I can claim?
- a command to obey?
- an example to follow?
- a teaching about God, the Lord Jesus, the Holy Spirit, Satan, man?

.....

**I would like a CD copy
of a recent message.**

Date of message: _____ am/pm?

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Place this tab and \$4.00 per cd in the offering plate

MISSIONARY DAILY PRAYER SCHEDULE!

SUNDAY

1. Michael Adams Family
2. Amazing Grace Missions
3. Teddy Angel Family
4. Awake America
5. Baptist for Biblical Values
6. B.I.M.I.
7. Bible Tracts, Inc
8. Biblical School of World Evangelism
9. Mike Bardon Family
10. Wes Bartley Family
11. Beacon of Truth Baptist Ministries
12. Thomas Belcher Family
13. Ray Boltz Family

MONDAY

14. Mrs. Donna Bragg
15. Brandon Byerly Family
16. Jason Caldwell Family
17. Daniel Canavan Family
18. Andrew Canavan Family
19. Christian Law Association
20. Dr. Pat Creed Family
21. Dan DeLong Family
22. Akin Devkota Family
23. Dana Dice Family
24. Samuel Eastep Family
25. Fellowship Tract League
26. Ken Fielder Family

TUESDAY

27. Joshua Florence Family
28. Mrs. Barbara Forney
29. Byron Foxx Family
30. Fundamental Broadcasting Network
31. Teresa Garlick Family
32. Jared Gastrock Family
33. Gage Gilbert Family
34. Matt Goins Family
35. Justin Grinstead Family
36. Mrs. Laurie Hall
37. Allen Hamilton Family
38. Justin Hayes Family
39. Mike Helton Family

WEDNESDAY

40. Tony Hess Family
41. Russell Holland Family
42. Rickey Howard Family
43. Mrs. Gail Huffman
44. Dr. Dan Hummel Family
45. Doug Hummel Family
46. Tim Ingram Family
47. Fredrick Kearney Family
48. Brandon Kelly Family
49. John Klink Family
50. Brandon Lane Family

51. Alexander Larson Family

THURSDAY

52. Shannon Lemmon Family
53. Sean Lunday Family
54. Seth Lunday Family
55. Stephen Lyons Family
56. Mark Mariner Family
57. Gary May Family
58. Gerald Miller Family
59. Carlos Mora Family
60. James Moore Family
61. Blake Muscott Family
62. Neighborhood Bible Time
63. Ed O'Brien Family
64. Kevin Pardo Family

FRIDAY

65. Joe Passaro Family
66. Chris Phillips Family
67. Nathan Ring Family
68. Jason Ritchie Family
69. Dave Robinson Family
70. Michael Salyer Family
71. Dr. Fred Schindler Family
72. Michael Schrimshire Family
73. James Scott Family
74. Bryan Shaffer Family
75. Dr. Clayton Shumpert Family
76. Steve Sidler Family
77. Gary Sprunger Family

SATURDAY

78. Tim Stalcup Family
79. Sword of the Lord
80. Dwight Talbot Family
81. Chris War Family
82. Daniel Ward Family
83. Henry Ward Family
84. Charles Weber Family
85. Mrs. Joy Wesson Family
86. Lacy Wheeler Family
87. Duey Whitfield Family
88. Jeff Williams Family
89. John Williams Family
90. David Wilt Family
91. Dave Yoder Family

