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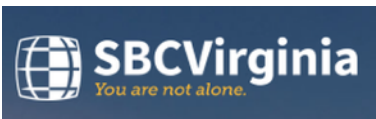
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Wilderness Living

-- SBCV -- MINISTRY IN OUR STATE

Our church is part of the Southern Baptist Conservatives of Virginia - an association of like-minded Baptist churches across the state committed to equipping churches, doing missions, disaster relief, education, church revitalization, and so much more.



Every fall, we take a special offering for State Missions. Our goal is \$2,000.

**For more information
about the SBCV, check
out www.sbcv.org**



The wilderness is more than a place; it is a spiritual season. And we all find ourselves living in the wilderness at some time. It is a time of isolation, transition, testing, and preparation.

Some of God's greatest servants were shaped in the wilderness
— Moses, Elijah, John the Baptist, Jesus, and David.

These wilderness seasons are not punishments but processes. They are not places of death but places of divine dealings.

Starting September 27, we begin gleaning lessons for all of us during our seasons of Wilderness Living.

VISION CASTING

On Sunday nights, as we dig into Acts and the early church, we also continue to dig into the new ByLaws and a great vision for EBC as we move forward. This biblically focused vision, this organizational proposal to get people engaged in a clearer, more transparent, and focused approach, will prepare EBC to be a stronger church for Kingdom work, to be a more powerful church for discipling our members, and to be a greater light shining in our community and in our world.

YOUTH FALL EVENTS

OCTOBER 24 ... TEAM TAG

On October 24 from 1-4pm, we have a huge game of team tag for the Youth. It will cover the whole church property. Please RSVP so we can prepare the game materials.

NOVEMBER 14 ... WORLD HELP PROJECT

On November 14, we will meet at 8am and head to World Help to work a shift (from 9-11am). We would love to have extra adult help for this (even if you don't have youth). It will be similar to a Gleaning for the World experience. Please RSVP so we can let World Help know how many hands are helping.

SHOE BOXES

Did you know?

Operation Christmas Child began in 1993. Every year, thousands of boxes begin their journey ... here is an overview of the journey ...



- **PACKING & DROP OFF:**
You fill a box, bring it to church, and we collect them and take to a local drop-off spot during National Collection Week.
- **PROCESSING CENTER:** Trucks take the local collection center's boxes to regional processing centers. Every box is prayed over (again)!
- **INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT:** Planes, Trucks, Cargo Ships, even Pack Animals.
- **LOCAL DELIVERY:** Boxes are delivered to churches worldwide, who host community outreach events.
- **COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENT:** A great time where boxes are given out, the Gospel is presented, and a booklet (*The Greatest Gift*) is shared with kids.



RAILROAD FEST

It is RAILROAD FESTIVAL time again! EBC will decorate a float for the parade.

OUR MISSION - Spread some joy and represent our church in the community.

Want to be part of the fun? You can help decorate the float and/or ride along in the parade. There will be some fun surprises to share with the crowd along the way.

Contact Kristie Harris to find out how you can get involved.

Oct. 9 ... Float Prep Night

Oct. 10 ... Railroad Fest Parade

HISTORIC APPOMATTOX RAILROAD

FESTIVAL

EST. 1972

- **DISCIPLESHIP COURSE:** Kids are invited to join a 12-lesson study program from local trained teachers (*The Greatest Journey*).
- **GRADUATION:** Once the program is completed, kids get a Bible in their native language.

Matthew 5:

- 14** "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.
- 15** Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house.

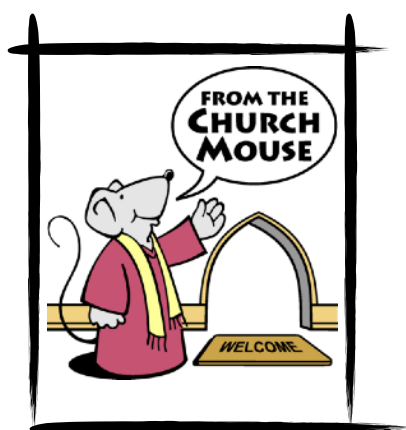
CHRISTMAS 2026 - Mark Your Calendars

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Not everything is on the books yet, but it's going to be a great season at Evergreen.

November 25 - Thanksgiving Service
November 28-29 - Decoration Weekend
December 13 (PM) - Kids' Musical Camel-Lot
December 20 - Choir/Music Led Christmas Sunday
December 24 - Christmas Eve Service



CHURCH MOUSE ...

He travels a lot but every chance he gets, the mouse sees this young man plugging in everywhere and serving our community, our church family, and mostly the Lord. One of his latest many endeavors was to plan and coordinate the work with the boys mission organization (EBC2) with our heritage trail and, especially, the Inge cemetery on the back of our property. THANKS, JOSH BAKER!!

OCTOBER ODDS & ENDS - - - VARIOUS THINGS TO KNOW

Golden Circle - 10/8 @6.00p

For all Senior Adults - Food, Fun, Fellowship, FREE

GET CONNECTED

Texting Ministry

Text "Hello" to 833-875-5924 to get text alerts.

Online Directory

Fill out the profile sheet and download the mobile device app for Apple or Android Task too!

Budget 2027

The Budget Committee is currently working on the 2027 budget to present to the church body for approval. Those responsible for submitting budget requests (i.e., committee chair, office staff, etc.) are reminded to submit them to Beth Shields or Cat Mobley by October 9, 2026.

Paw Patrol Movie Day



**Horses ...
On the Farm**





EVERGREEN BAPTIST CHURCH
invites you to join our

Fall FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST
4:00 - 6:00 PM

FOOD • GAMES • PHOTO BOOTH • HAYRIDE
BOUNCE HOUSE • CAKE WALK
CHILI COOKOFF
AND SO MUCH MORE!

*Come fellowship and enjoy,
for all ages*



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