



From the Associational Missionary

This is a wonderful week for every born again believer as we celebrate the risen Christ. Our God is not dead. He's not even sick. HE IS ALIVE and lives within us. He gives us new life, new meaning, and a new destiny.

There is no doubt in my mind that God has His Hand on this Association. He continues to bless us and show us His amazing love, purpose, and greatness. This past month was once again another wonderful month of ministry.

Our Mission Trip Planning Breakfast at the Golden Corral this past Saturday was also a tremendous success. We had fourteen in attendance. We now have twenty-eight people signed up for our Associational Mission Trip to New York. We are still signing up people as I write this. Our next Planning Meeting/Breakfast will be Saturday, May 1 at Golden Corral. If you are interested in being a part of this exciting trip to New York, plan on being at the Golden Corral on May 1. The New Mission Trip will take place during the week of July 17-24, 2010. We will be working in the Rochester, New York area. Then, on Friday, we plan to take an excursion to Niagara Falls which is about a two hour drive from where we will be working.

ONE BIG ANSWER TO PRAYER: We now have a cooking team that will be traveling with us to New York!!! Praise the Lord! And, there is still room to add additional people who would like to go as a part of that cooking team. Now, keep praying for the second part of that request. We now need individuals and churches to step up and make financial donations so that the cooking team can purchase food. Please call me at 912-660-5219 if you would be willing to donate for the food.


I will be offering our second Skills Development Workshop here at our building on Monday, May 3, 2010. This new ONE-DAY WORKSHOP is entitled, "PRE-MARITAL COUNSELING." The State of Georgia is committed to helping couples who are about to get married by giving them the opportunity to reduce the cost of their wedding license by engaging in Premarital Counseling prior to their wedding date. The problem is that many pastors and others who are authorized to marry couples have not had any formal training in Premarital Counseling. The State of Georgia requires...

...a minimum of six hours of Premarital Counseling in order to qualify for the reduced Marriage License rate. Therefore, I am offering a One-Day Workshop in order to train Pastors and anyone else who may be interested in such training. Our workshop will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 3, 2010. The workshop will last between two and three hours.

HELP!!!! We are still in need of a LOT of churches who will be willing to feed our work crews for WORLD CHANGERS. We will have two weeks of World Changers in June. The first week is June 14-19. The second week is June 21-26. So far, we have 16 churches committed to feed. Many more churches are needed! Please contact me if you can help.

Let's make a diligent commitment to be the salt and light Jesus has saved us to be. There is a world out there that needs the Jesus that lives in us. He expects us to tell them how they can know our Savior as their Savior.

Dwight Guy
Associational Missionary



World Changers will be from June 14-18 and June 21-25 this year. Churches should have already received information in the mail on how you can help in ministering with World Changers.

As stated in Rev. Dwight Guy's article, we still need more churches who can feed these teams. Check with your church on how to become involved or call the Associational office at 912-232-1033 to sign up for feeding World Changers teams as they work to make a difference in the city of Savannah.

Among the churches

Immanuel— looking for an ESL teacher for Thursday morning classes 10-12. For more info, contact the church office at 912-354-0548

Immanuel— looking for a Summer Activities Intern. It is a temporary position for 10 weeks. For more info, contact the church office at 912-354-0548

North Salem—looking for a part-time Student Minister. For more information contact Pastor Phillip Hudson at 912-663-7893.

New Vision Baptist — Ken Mills was licensed as Associate Pastor on January 17 and Rev. J. D. Stanfield was also brought on as Associate Pastor.

April Calendar Dates:

- April 2— Good Friday (offices closed)
- April 4— EASTER SUNDAY
- April 4— SBC Seminaries Sunday
- April 8— Load truck for Savannah Day at Baxley at 1:00 PM
- April 9— Savannah Day at Baxley
- April 10— Disaster Relief Phase I Training, Macon, GA
- April 11— Cooperative Program Sunday
- April 11-15— Baptist Doctrine Study
- April 12— WMU Leadership Meeting at Baptist Center 10 AM
- April 12— Ret. Ministers/Missionary Fellowship 5 PM at Barnes
- April 16-17— State RA/Challengers Camporee KAL
- April 16—17— WMU Conference FBC Douglasville
- April 18— Life Commitment Sunday
- April 19— Baptist Center Trustee Meeting 2 PM
- April 21— Admin Professional Day
- April 23-24— Pastors/Deacons/Spouses Ret. Toccoa
- April 26—28— Senior Adult Spring Festival of Colors Toccoa

May Calendar Dates:

- May 2— Senior Adult Sunday
- May 3—5— Senior Adult Spring Festival of Colors Toccoa
- May 6— National Day of Prayer
- May 9— GA Baptist Children's Homes Day
- May 9— MOTHER'S DAY
- May 10— Ret Ministers/Missionary Fellowship 5 PM at Barnes
- May 12— Baptist Center Aux 10 AM
- May 16—22— On Mission in Baptist Associations
- May 17— Baptist Center Trustee Meeting 2 PM
- May 23— Day of Prayer & Fasting for World Evangelization
- May 25— Executive Committee Meeting 7 PM Windsor Forest
- May 27— Assembly Committee Meeting 6:30 PM
- May 31— MEMORIAL DAY (offices closed)

*Dates are available online at sbassociation.org

Baxley Children's Home, Savannah Day

The churches of the Savannah Baptist Association have been tremendous supporters of Georgia Baptist Children's Homes, especially through the Savannah Day collection. Savannah Day has been set for **Friday April 9th**. Please bring your **donations of paper goods** to the Association Office between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM Monday thru Friday. Loading the truck will begin Thursday April 8th at 1:00 PM. The truck will leave for the Baxley campus Friday morning at 8:30 AM. We encourage you to make the trip with us. Please call the Association office if you would like to caravan with us.

2009 VBS Data Results

1. 54 % of our churches had VBS last year
2. 5,661 enrolled in VBS in the SBA
3. 175 Decisions for Christ

Missions offerings totaled: \$17,850.00

What can we do with 2010 VBS data? Can we collectively reach 300 kids for Christ? Can we have a missions offering totaling \$20,000.00? Can we have 65% of our churches involved with VBS this year? Yes, We Can!

Thank you to all our churches for making these results possible.

Dr. Bill Gammon
SBA VBS Director

Buckets of Hope

With the disaster in Haiti, the North American Mission Board created the Buckets of Hope. These buckets consisted of a 5 gallon bucket filled with miscellaneous items that could feed a family in Haiti for a week. The state of Georgia alone raised 16,714+ buckets (132,000 nationwide). From the Savannah Association, we raised 126 from our churches! Good job!



Pastor's Conference

Monday mornings at 11:00 a.m. at the Baptist Center
*Fellowship at restaurants afterwards.

April

4/5	Barnes
4/11	Exchange
4/18	Juarez
4/25	Golden Corral

April Birthdays

Happy Birthday to our Pastors and Wives

Geneva Bowen 4/4	Young Cho 4/5
Ralph Rouse 4/12	Darrell Bailey 4/13
Jonathan Phillips 4/13	Steve McCoy 4/15
Alice Carpenter 4/20	Kenny Harrelson 4/20
Otis Hill 4/23	Samuel Rodriguez 4/26
Suzy Cail 4/30	

~No Annual Spring Meeting~

Due to the State Evangelism Conference, the Spring Meeting is cancelled. The next business meeting will be the Executive Committee Meeting on Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at Windsor Forest.

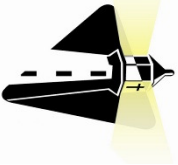


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