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From the *Associational* *Director of Missions*

With the resignation and relocating of our Associational Missionary, Dr. Steve Sells, a lot of people are stepping up to fill the gap. I'll be serving you as Interim Associational Missionary until a new one is called. The Office Staff is here to serve the Association in any way they can. The Associational Ministry Staff will continue to represent God and this Association in their ministry areas, and your Moderator, Ken Jernigan, and Moderator-Elect, Bob Rogers, will continue to keep their finger on the pulse of the Association to help keep it healthy.

We will pray fervently for Chairman, Marty Youngblood, and the Search Committee as they meet, do their work, and follow God's Spirit to lead us to our new leader.

Now a word of encouragement — Jesus said in Acts 1:8, "You will be my witness." Human nature tends to witness about Satan's activities rather than God's activities. News of conflicts, moral failures, complaints, broken relationships, and bruised feelings travels fast; but these are Satan's activities. We are not Satan's witnesses. Jesus has called us to be His witnesses, to talk of His activities.

Make it your number one job to brag on God. He is working in His churches, He is working through His pastors, He is loving through the volunteers at the Baptist Center, He is shining His light through your Associational Staff, He is touching college students lives through our College Ministries, and He is being better to you and me than we deserve. Take some time today to brag on (and witness about) Jesus.

Earnie Pirkle
Interim Associational Missionary

UPCOMING DATES

February 6-7
Disaster Relief Phase I
Training, Statesboro

February 7
GA Mother / Daughter
Banquet, Woodlawn Baptist,
6pm

February 8
Racial Reconciliation Sunday

February 9 - 15
Focus on WMU Week

February 9
Retired Ministers and
Missionary Fellowship,
Barnes, Waters, 5pm

February 11
Baptist Center Auxiliary,
10am

February 15
Covenant of Marriage Sunday

February 16
PRESIDENT'S DAY
(Office Closed)

Baptist Center Trustee
Meeting, 2pm

February 17
Sunday School Mentoring,
Session 6, FBC Rincon,
6:30pm

February 19
Associational WMU Women
on Mission Banquet,
Southside Baptist, 7pm

February 20
Associational Brunch with
Wanda Lee, National WMU
President, Baptist Center,
9:30am

February 22
North American Missions
Board Commissioning,
FBC Rincon, 6pm

February 28
Associational RA Racer
Derby, Immanuel Baptist, 8am



North American Mission Board
Commissioning Service

First Baptist Church of
Rincon

February 22, 2009 ~ 6pm



*Associational WMU Brunch
with Wanda Lee, WMU National
President
February 20 - 9:30am
Baptist Center*

ASSOCIATIONAL RA RACER DERBY

Immanuel Baptist Church
February 28 ~ 8am Registration
\$3 entry fee

**Concessions provided by
Immanuel Baptist Youth**

**Contact Terry Mulvehill at
748-4819 for details**

WOMEN ON MISSION BANQUET

February 19, 2009 ~ 7pm

Southside Baptist Church

**Tickets are \$13 per person and
may be picked up at the
Associational Office**

Baptist Assembly Needs

- ◇ Golf Cart or Mule-type utility vehicle
- ◇ 30-40hp tractor w/bucket & backhoe attachments
- ◇ A team to refinish big house floors
- ◇ New and used living room chairs (good-condition)
- ◇ 20 new 8-ft molded plastic folding tables for the tabernacle
- ◇ Volunteers for grounds work and various other small to large projects, clean and service window AC/Heat units
- ◇ Front-end loader for a Massey-Ferguson Model 135 tractor
- ◇ Brick Mason to repair brick grill and construct additional grills
- ◇ A mission team from each Associational church to commit to one Saturday each year to help with grounds work, gardening, building repair and maintenance.

Associational Contributions October/November YTD/08

Antioch	0.00	0.00
Ardsley Park	511.78	3,568.34
Ardsley Park Chinese	106.90	519.39
Ash Street	100.00	200.00
Baptist Mission at Ebenezer	875.92	3,353.22
Beulah	375.00	3,085.00
Bonnybridge	525.00	1,372.00
Bull Street	900.00	4,950.00
Calvary	733.34	4,266.68
Central	200.00	1,100.00
Chapel-By-The-Sea	223.04	3,496.10
Chatham Parkway	0.00	0.00
Chevis Oaks	1,000.00	6,167.00
Christ's Community	0.00	300.00
Corinth	1,172.68	8,246.86
Cornerstone	323.50	1,463.53
Countryside	25.00	275.00
Cresthill	834.51	5,046.76
Dean Forest	774.22	3,431.89
Delesseps Avenue	90.81	565.17
Eastside	0.00	0.00
Ekklesia	0.00	405.00
Faulkville	474.00	2,665.00
First Baptist Bloomingdale	1,425.39	6,704.37
First Baptist Ellabell	0.00	650.00
First Baptist Garden City	605.45	3,547.24
First Baptist Marlow	0.00	0.00
First Baptist Pooler	1,314.24	7,845.79
First Baptist Port Wentworth	1,035.09	6,344.52
First Baptist Richmond Hill	1,100.00	2,222.00
First Baptist Rincon	3,911.85	25,167.50
First Baptist Savannah	0.00	0.00
First Baptist of the Islands	792.66	9,999.01
Goshen Road	474.00	2,987.50
Hispanic Faulkville	0.00	0.00
Hispanic First Baptist	0.00	2,438.06
Hispanic Rincon	0.00	0.00
Immanuel	499.54	4,775.85

Associational Contributions October/November YTD/08

International Bible Christian	500.00	2,727.45
Isle of Hope	307.88	1,733.03
Jasper Springs	600.00	1,200.00
Life Baptist	0.00	1,174.52
Lighthouse Baptist	300.00	300.00
Live Oak Community	0.00	700.00
Meldrim	150.00	550.00
Morningstar	0.00	75.00
New Providence	866.58	8,386.92
New Vision	200.00	300.00
North Salem	3,170.38	12,528.63
Northside	0.00	548.43
Powers	457.35	3,594.83
Quacco	0.00	933.71
Riverside	500.00	3,050.00
Rothwell	1,160.82	6,461.94
Sand Hill	600.00	2,584.00
Savannah Korean	300.00	1,800.00
Savannah Laotian	7.00	57.85
Savannah Vietnamese	0.00	225.00
Silk Hope	50.00	3,137.66
Skidaway Island	724.60	4,377.87
South Effingham Community	0.00	1,824.19
South Gardens	145.78	1,003.53
South Newington	2,577.82	15,754.13
Southside	2,000.00	6,100.00
Southwest Community	0.00	0.00
Tabernacle	139.60	1,180.28
The Cross Roads	666.66	3,333.30
Thunderbolt	181.52	1,130.22
Victory	100.00	550.00
Whitemarsh Island	464.28	2,495.65
Wilder Memorial	0.00	0.00
Windsor Forest	0.00	7,273.80
Woodlawn	1,293.33	6,306.48
TOTALS	37,866.82	230,557.20

** Report for the current month is not available until after the Newsletter is published*



December Birthdays

- 1 Duane Logsdon
- 2 Deborah Bailey
- 3 Jean Hill
- 6 David Laughner
- 8 Carol Bell
- 9 Joy Tumblin
- 11 Christina Hankins
- 12 Nancy Jo Sharpe
- 14 Lil Strickland
- 15 Van Power
- 16 Calvin Webb
- 22 Kenny Grant
- 23 Rick West
- 28 Daniel Alexander
- 29 Patsy Awtrey
- 30 Linda Meighan
- 30 Donnie Brannen
- 31 Joan Ray

Sincere apologies for the inadvertent omission of the December Birthdays from the combined November-December newsletter. Happy Belated Birthday wishes to each of you.

Among the Churches

Faulkville - is looking for a part-time Minister of Music. If interested, please contact Richelle at 748-7332 for details.

First Hispanic - is looking for a lady to be in charge of the nursery from 9:45a-1:15p every Sunday for \$35. If interested, contact Pastor Samuel Rodriguez at 912-441-3823 or Karen Chirinos at 912-604-2633.

North Salem - is looking for a part-time Student Minister. If interested email Pastor Philip Hudson at nsbc@bellsouth.net or contact him at 912-663-7893.

Thunderbolt - is looking for a part-time volunteer pianist. If interested, please contact Polly Tuten at 912-354-0974 for details.

GA Mother / Daughter Banquet



February 7, 2009 ~ 6pm
Woodlawn Baptist Church
Tickets are \$5 per person and may be picked up at the Associational Office

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- January 1
NEW YEAR'S DAY (Office Closed)
- January 4—7
January Bible Study
- January 9—10
VBS "Boomerang Express" Premiere, Ridgecrest
Disaster Relief Phase I Training, Sycamore
- January 12
Retired Ministers and Missionary Fellowship, Barnes, Waters, 5pm
- January 17
Disaster Relief Recertification Training, Blairsville
- January 18
Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
- January 19
MLK HOLIDAY (Office Closed)
Baptist Center Trustee Meeting, 2pm
WMU AIM, Bull Street Baptist, 7pm
- January 20
Sunday School Mentoring, Session 5, South Newington, 6:30pm
- January 24
South Regional Men's Conference, Blackshear
- January 25
Baptist Men's Day
- January 27
Executive Committee Meeting, 7pm, Baptist Center
- January 29
Baptist Assembly Committee Meeting, 6:30pm
- January 29 - 31
VBS "Boomerang Express" Premiere, Nashville
Minister's Wives Retreat, Norman Park
Conclave 2009 Youth Ministry Training, Duluth

Greetings from the Assembly: Thank you Savannah Baptist Association for supporting the Savannah Baptist Assembly, for your prayers, your use of the Assembly, your financial support, your volunteer hours, and your donations. We are thankful for our long-term volunteers; the Davidsons, the Andersons, the Pruitts, and the Johnsons. The Assembly would not run as smoothly or be as attractive without their loving service.

We are so pleased to have ceramic tile on the floors of the big house eating porch and the two bath houses. We plan to install ceramic tile in the lodge during January and February. If anyone would like to help with this project, it would be most appreciated. Please call us at 772-3368 for more information or to volunteer for this project.

We invite you to rest and renew at the Savannah Baptist Assembly. Life is so busy; we need time to abide in our Lord. The Assembly would like to be that place of "abiding in Him" (1 John 2:27-28) for you and your Sunday School class or small group.

Please be aware of your blessings, even in these stressful economic times. As always, come see us when you can. Joyously in Christ's Service,
Johnny, Beverly and Danna Hathaway



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Pastor's Fellowship

Meeting starts at 11:30am

January

5th	Spanky's, Mall Boulevard
12th	Barnes, Waters Avenue
19th	Immanuel Baptist, Hodgson Memorial Drive
26th	Exchange, Waters Avenue



January Birthdays

Happy Birthday to our Pastors and Wives



1	Barry Minsky	14	Philip Hudson
3	Devin Bell	15	Jimbo Bass
6	Bob Rogers	15	Norma Finley
7	Larry Strickland	16	Chris Wiley
8	Marilyn Best	25	Yong Su Cho
	28		Lindsay Bass



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