



## The Baptist Vision

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### From the Associational Missionary

I write this article today with sadness and a heavy heart. We received news on Tuesday, April 19, that Rev. Frankie Hodges, Pastor of Goshen Road Baptist Church in Rincon had died in a motorcycle accident in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Those of you who knew Frankie knew a man that was full of life, excited about Jesus Christ and sharing Christ with others, full of enthusiasm, and a loving pastor. Frankie was the founding pastor and only pastor of Goshen Road Baptist Church. Soon after coming to Savannah as Associational Missionary, Goshen Road was one of the first churches I visited. Frankie and I hit it off good right from the start. He acted like he had known me for a lifetime. I preached at one of their Sunday Morning Men's meetings and then was invited to preach at the dedication service for their new Worship Center. Frankie was a good friend. He will be greatly missed. Please pray for his wife and family and for the church. They will need your prayers in the coming days.

One of the BIGGEST EVENTS of the year for the Savannah Baptist Association is the two weeks in June known as World Changers. What a blessing it is to see hundreds of young people coming to Savannah to work on roofs, or painting houses, or a myriad of other tasks designed to help needy families receive badly needed repairs to their homes. All of our churches should have received a letter from me by now describing our need once again this year for churches who would be willing to feed one of the teams Monday through Friday of World Changers. Our first week of World Changers will be June 18-24. There will be 390 young people coming to Savannah for that first week. We will need every willing church to help us feed those teams during the week. You will need to provide a lunch meal Monday through Friday of that week. The second week of World Changers will be June 25 through July 1. We need churches to feed lunches Monday through Friday of that week as well. The young people will arrive on Saturday and will be worshipping with their sponsoring church on Sunday. You will need to feed them after church on Sunday. If you did not receive the information, but would like to be one of our

sponsoring churches, please call the Association Office at 232-1033.

In just two weeks, our Savannah Baptist Association Haiti Mission Trip will be underway. We will be flying into Port Au Prince on Saturday, May 7. We will actually be spending the night in Atlanta on Friday night because of an extremely early morning flight from Atlanta. Please pray for this team as we minister to the needy folks in Haiti. Much of our work will be with children whose lives have been shattered in many ways from the devastation of the earthquake. Part of our work will also likely include some construction. A massive amount of rebuilding is still needed and is still in progress. We will report back to you when we arrive back home. Thank you for your prayers and your support.

June 4-11, 2011 are the dates of our NEW YORK MISSION TRIP. If you want to go with us, I want to hear from you. Please call me at 912-660-5219. If you want to help with construction (roofing, painting, electrical, repairs, etc), please come and go with us. If you would like to teach in one of our Vacation Bible Schools in New York during that week, please let me know. If you want to serve on the Cooking Team, let me know. It will be a great week. We will have a great time serving Jesus in New York.

Cresthill Baptist Church will host a Guidestone Financial Seminar on Thursday, May 5, 2011. This seminar will certainly be of interest to those who plan to retire within the next five to ten years. The seminar will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will conclude around Noon. Please call the associational office for more information.

ATTENTION ALL SENIOR ADULTS!!! Our Senior Adult Picnic is already scheduled for THURSDAY, MAY 19 AT BAMBOO FARMS. Don't forget to purchase your ticket. You can get them from our office. If you have any questions, please call the office at 232-1033.

Dwight Guy  
Associational Missionary

## Among The Churches

**Calvary**— Calvary in Savannah has officially changed their name to 'Calvary Baptist Temple'.

**Experienced Pianist Needed** to accompany worship services and rehearsals on Sundays and Wednesdays. Contact Pastor Gary Johnson at 912-964-8676 or [pastor@wbcgc.org](mailto:pastor@wbcgc.org) for more information.



# Calendar

### May Calendar Dates:

- May 1: Senior Adult Sunday
- May 5: National Day of Prayer
- May 8: MOTHER'S DAY & Children's Home Day
- May 11: Baptist Center Aux Meeting 10am
- May 15—21: Savannah Baptist Association Emphasis Week/Ida Carswell Offering
- May 19: Senior Adult Picnic 11am at Bamboo Farms
- May 22: Day of Prayer and Fasting for World Evangelism
- May 23: Baptist Center Trustee Meeting 1pm
- May 24: Executive Committee Meeting 6:30pm Silk Hope
- May 26: Assembly Committee Meeting 6:30pm
- May 30: MEMORIAL DAY (offices closed)

### June Calendar Dates:

- June 4—11: NY Mission Trip
- June 10—11: RA LAD: Camp Kaleo
- June 13—18: Power Plant
- June 14—15: SBC Annual Meeting: Phoenix
- June 18—24: World Changers
- June 19: Father's Day
- June 20: Baptist Center Trustee Meeting 1pm
- June 20—24: Super Wow: Jekyll
- June 25—July 1: World Changers
- June 26: Mission Dignity Sunday



Thursday, May 5 from 12:00—12:50 will be a time of prayer at the Chatham County Courthouse for the National Day of Prayer. You may enter at the Montgomery Street entrance of the courthouse. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

If you have any questions, please contact Gene Roberts at 912-704-3995.

## Senior Adult Picnic

The Association Senior Adult Picnic will be Thursday, May 19 at 11am. Tickets are on sale at the Association office for \$6.50. The deadline for ticket purchase is Monday, May 16. Tickets will be collected in the food line the day of. Tickets must be purchased in advance, before the deadline.



A great BIG Thank You to South Newington Baptist Church for hosting the 2011 VBS EXPO. 19 churches were represented with 97 in attendance. Thank you to Rev. Steve McCoy and his folks for being such gracious hosts. Everyone loved the snacks!!!!

## SAVANNAH DAY AT BAXLEY CHILDREN'S HOME

What a great success this year for the paper products drive for Savannah Day at Baxley.



Thanks to all the churches and individuals who supported this year. Remember, this happens again next year as well, so be planning.



# Pastor's Conference

5/2 \*\*FBC Rincon Chapel (not Center)  
 5/9 Barnes on Waters  
 5/16 Exchange  
 5/23 Fuddrucker's  
 5/30 None– Memorial Day

Monday mornings 11:00 a.m. at The Baptist Center 12:00 at restaurants

## Happy Birthday

To our Pastors and Spouses

5/9 Johnny Hathaway  
 5/16 Dr. Allan Bosson  
 5/25 Dr. Earl Best

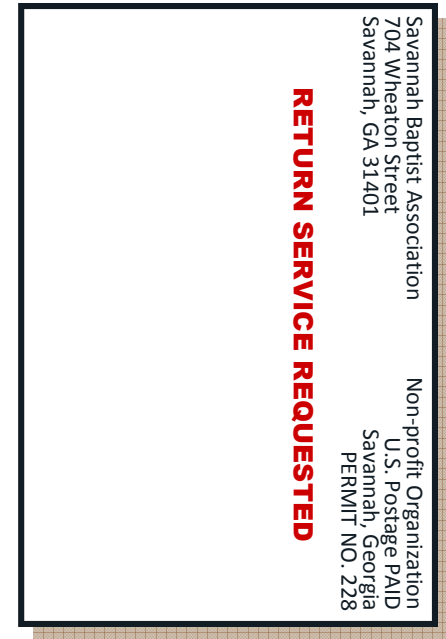
5/15 Mary Rogers  
 5/23 Sherry Quinney  
 5/28 Nancy Minsky

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# NewsLetter DEADLINE

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