

Carrollton Baptist Association

From Your Associational Missionary

This year I have been walking through a daily devotional book for men entitled Strong to the Core written by H. Norman Wright. Some days I have been very encouraged; some days very challenged; and some days very reflective. In thinking about Thanksgiving, I decided to look ahead to see what he might say about Thanksgiving. It spoke to me and I hope it will speak to you.

Enter (the Lord's) gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise, give thanks to him and praise his name (Psalm 100:4).

"Thanksgiving Day. But wait a minute. Every day is a thanksgiving day. Every day of our lives is to be a day of gratitude. Thanksgiving is more than a day of football games, reunions, and eating turkey.

Gratitude is a quality or feeling of being grateful or thankful. It is being appreciative of what you have received. Have you

ever made a list of all you've received that you are thankful for? I mean an extensive list that you keep adding to daily for a month. It's a great family activity for Thanksgiving Day. You could also record the family conversation to capture all the interaction. That will give you choice memories for years to come.

Wouldn't it have been an experience to be there on that first Thanksgiving Day? The pilgrims knew what gratitude was—at least those who were still alive. Many died on the voyage and in the harsh new country. The survivors were grateful because now they were free. They weren't oppressed anymore for what they believed. Sure, they faced hardships we don't know anything about. But we've got our own hardships too. Being thankful doesn't happen without difficulties; being thankful happens in the midst of difficulties. God can give us a grateful heart if we ask. And He does want to hear about our gratefulness to Him. After all, He

gave His all for us."

My hope and prayer for you during this Thanksgiving season is that you will stop and reflect upon the blessings God has bestowed upon your life. And then spend some time thanking Him for all He has done. May your life reflect an attitude of gratitude each day and that Thanksgiving will turn into "thanksliving".

Thank you for the 1,270 Christmas backpacks you packed for the children of Appalachia. Last year 125 people made decisions for Christ. Thank you for providing this special gift.

Thank you also for recognizing me for 20 years as your Associational Missionary at our Annual Meeting/Mission Celebration. I am grateful for the monetary gift and for the beautiful world clock you gave me. Thanks to everyone involved in the incredible slide presentation reflecting on my 20 years. It brought back many memories.

Dan

Continuing to be an Acts 1:8 Association

November, 2019



Have a Wonderful and Blessed Thanksgiving!

The CBA Office will close at Noon on November 26th, and reopen Monday, December 2.

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NEWS FROM CHURCHES...

Bowdon: had a retirement luncheon/reception for Mrs. Wanda Edwards, Ministry Assistant, October 20th after the morning worship service.

Mt. Pleasant: called Rev. Brady West as their Transitional Pastor. Brother Brady had been serving as Associate Pastor.

Also, Mt. Pleasant is looking for an Administrative Assistant. This position is a support staff position and is full-time. To apply please email resume and cover letter to:

mpbcemploy@gmail.com

<u>Pleasant View:</u> Rev. Chad Eason, Pastor, resigned

Rocky Mount: is now taking applications for part-time Youth Minister. Please send resume to **ddriver.prism@gmail.com**. For more information about the position contact Dale Driver at 770-617-3882 or Rev. Steve Riddle @ 470-497-9773.

<u>Trinity Baptist:</u> is looking for a part-time administrator: 20 hours a week. Please send your resume to John Stallings at <u>jsarchwood</u> @bellsouth.net.

Note: Please have all announcements for the December Newsletter into the CBA office No later than Monday, November 11th.

Note to Pastors...

We will have our Wednesday Minister Luncheons on the 6th, 13th, and 20th at 11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria. There will be No luncheon on the 27th.

Thank you to all the churches who have supported the CBA financially since September 1st, 2019, the beginning of our financial year....

Antioch, Bethesda, Beulah, Bowdon, FBC Carrollton, FBC Centralhatchee, Concord, Consolation, Flat Rock, Fullerville, Glenloch, Harmony, Indian Creek, Kansas, Midway, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant View, Rocky Mount, Roopville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Son Rise, Tabernacle, FBC Temple, and FBC, Villa Rica

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

I am writing this newsletter article on the day after our Carrollton Baptist Association Annual meeting. It was a joy to worship with all of you last night! I would like to extend a personal thanks to Dan Dockery for all of the amazing work that he does as our Associational Missionary! Dan, congratulations on your twentieth anniversary!

Happy beginning to the Holiday season to everyone! I pray that you all will be able to take moments to slow down and enjoy your family during Thanksgiving and Christmas ant truly reflect on what each of those Holidays represent!

We are full steam ahead on raising money to support our BCM Summer Missionaries. Please put down the dates of our Dinner theater. It is set for Friday, March 6 and Saturday, March 7. Both performances will start at 7:00 PM.

I hope to see you there!

God Bless, Bill

2019 Georgia Baptist Convention Annual Meeting

November 10-12 New Hope Baptist Church Fayetteville, GA

November Meeting Schedule

- 11/04 **Mission Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 11/07 **Community Ministries Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 11/13 Administrative Team Meeting—at American Pie Pizzeria following the Minister's Luncheon.
- 11/14 **New Generation Team Meeting**—Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch..

2019 Mission Opportunities

10/26-11-02 FBC, Villa Rica Guatemala

11/18-11/25 Association Operation Christmas

Child

12/6-12/7ConcordRogersville, TN12/13-12/14AssociationRogersville, TN

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From the WMU

We know the importance of prayer. We pray daily for our needs and those for our family, church, community, country, and missionaries. As we come together November 4 for the Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer we will also pray for specific prayer requests women from around the world have shared with us.

We are trying something a little different this year. We will be meeting during the afternoon Monday, November 4, from 11:00—1:00 at Pleasant View Baptist Church (3457

North U.S. 27, Carrollton). A lunch will be provided. We will have prayer areas set up for you to pray and then you may come into the fellowship hall for lunch. There is not a set time for you to attend. Just drop in and spend some time going through the prayer areas and then have some lunch with us. We hope some ladies may be able to come during a lunch break from work. We will also receive an offering for the Baptist World Alliance Women's Department.

The Week of Prayer for International Missions is December 1-8. Please begin thinking how you will encourage your church to be involved in praying for our IMB missionaries and giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Find resources at https://www. Imb.org/lottiemoon-christmas-offering/. This link can also be found on our website at www.carrolltonwmu.com. Thank you for all you do, Keri

Senior Adult Picnic

Thursday, November 7th at 11:30 am

Rockridge Baptist Assembly

Cost: \$8.00

Come enjoy a time of food, fun, and fellowship! Chicken and dressing, and all the trimmings!

Please have reservations and money into the CBA by Monday, November 4

GuideStone Retirement Conference

November 14 6-9 PM FBC, Carrollton Week of Prayer for International Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

December 1-8

Orphans and Widows
Sunday

November 3



Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 3rd

Disaster Relief Appreciation Day

November 10

Samaritans' Purse Shoebox Collection Week

November 18-25

Collection times: Monday-Thursday: 9 am-4 pm; Friday: 9 am-1; Saturday: 9 am-12 Noon; Sunday 1 pm-4 pm; and Monday 11/25: 9 am—11 am

Note: If you bring your shoeboxes anytime other than November 18-25, please call to make sure someone is in the office, Please have your boxes here by 4 pm, and please bring enough volunteers to help you unload.

Our volunteer helpers will only be here November 18-25.

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CBA Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday 8:00 a.m.-Noon

1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-Noon

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Closed on Fridays

Rev. Mark Williams: Moderator Rev. Mike Harris: Vice Moderator Rev. Dan Dockery: Associational Missionary

> Mrs. Teresa Britt: Ministry Assistant

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28-Nov. 3 Pra y	y for Beulah,	, Keith Horsle	y, Pastor
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- 3 Orphans and Widows Sunday Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 4 Mission Development Team Meeting—8:15 am
- 4-10 Pray for Bowdon, Justin Richards, Pastor
- 6 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 am at American Pie Pizzeria
- 7 CMT Meeting—8:15a.m. at Chick-fil-A.
 Senior Adult Picnic—11:30 am at Rockridge.
 Cost: \$8.00
- 10 Disaster Relief Appreciation Day
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 10-12 Georgia Baptist Convention Annual Meeting
 New Hope Baptist Church—Fayetteville
- 11-17 Pray for Calvary, Kerry Cooke, Pastor
- 13 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 am at American

Pie Pizzeria

Administration Team Meeting

- 14 **New Generation Team Meeting**—Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.
 - **GuideStone Retirement Conference**—6-9 PM at FBC, Carrollton
- 18-24 Pray for Operation Christmas Child
- 18-25 Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection Week
- 20 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 am at American Pie
- 25-Dec. 1 Pray for FBC Carrollton—Dr. Steve Davis,
 Pastor
- 26 CBA Office closes at Noon
- 27-28 CBA Office closed for Thanksgiving Holidays
- 27 There will be NO Ministers' Luncheon
- 27-28 Office Closed
- 28 Happy Thanksgiving