

Carrollton Baptist Association

Continuing to be an Acts 1:8 Association

Coming Up...

- **Easter**—April 5
- **Ministry Assistants' Luncheon**—April 14 at FBC Carrollton
- **Associational VBS Clinic**—April 16 at 6:30 at Mt. Pleasant
- **GA Baptist Women's Spring Event**—April 18
- **Executive Committee Meeting**—April 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the Carrollton Baptist Association.
- **Project Pray and the National Day of Prayer**—May 4-7

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From Your Associational Missionary:

Recently as I was cleaning out my car, I came across a plastic Easter egg I had purchased to use as an illustration in a sermon. It had been awhile since the illustration had been used, but it did trigger the story about Phillip.

You see, Phillip was a special needs child who had been placed in a third grade Sunday School class although he was a little older than the class. Because he was "different" the boys and girls didn't know how to relate to him. They were nice and courteous but Phillip didn't quite fit in.

One Sunday in the spring, the teacher gave the boys and girls an assignment for the following week. She gave each child a plastic Easter egg and asked them to put something inside that represented new life.

The next week the children brought their eggs back and were excited about seeing what was in each egg. As the teacher opened up the first egg there was a beautiful flower inside, another had a bloom, another had a new leaf, and another had a butterfly (it had been "new"). Each child "oohed" and "ahhed" as they saw "new life" in each egg. The last two eggs were different—the first had a rock (must have been a boy's) and the last one was totally empty—nothing inside. Several children spoke up and said, "someone must have forgotten to do their assignment". But Phillip was standing by the teacher tugging on her dress and telling her—"Teacher, that's mine." The teacher then asked Phillip why it was empty. He simply responded—"I have new life because the grave is empty. I have

new life because the grave is empty."

That day Phillip was accepted by his classmates because they understood that he knew what "new life" was all about.

Several months later Phillip became very ill with a high fever. The doctors did everything they could do to stop the illness but Phillip died. At the funeral service every one of Phillip's Sunday School classmates walked up to the casket and placed empty plastic Easter eggs inside the casket. They knew that Phillip had new life because the grave is empty.

That is why we celebrate Easter—the grave is empty!

Dan



*Easter
Sunday, April 5*

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" John 3:16

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Everyone at the Baptist Collegiate Ministries would like to thank everyone who helped promote our Dinner Theater! We would also like to thank everyone who attended! All of you helped to make this one of the most successful Dinner Theaters

we've ever had! This was the second highest attended Dinner Theater in the last six years and the highest grossing in the last six years! This has brought us right to the brink of making our BCM Summer Missions goals for this year. This money will help send

out our Georgia BCM students to five continents this summer. We hope everyone has a blessed spring.
God Bless!
Bill

Note to Pastors: We will meet every Wednesday in April at 11:30 AM for our weekly Ministers' Luncheon. April 1 will be at the CBA. Bring your own lunch. All other Wednesdays we will meet at American Pie Pizzeria.

Thank you to all the CBA Churches who have supported our Association financially since September 1, (the beginning of our fiscal year).

Antioch, Bethesda, Bethsaida, Beulah, Bowdon, Calvary, FBC Carrollton, First Central-hatchee, Eureka, Fellowship, Flat Rock, Fullerville, Glenloch, Harmony, Indian Creek, Kansas, Mars Hill, Midway Macedonia, Midway West, Mountain View, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant View, Rocky Mount, Ropville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Son Rise, Tabernacle, Temple First, Trinity, Tyus, Veal and FBC Villa Rica.

Looking Ahead...

Project Pray—May 4-7

Monday: Pray for our Schools
Tuesday: Pray for Firefighters and Law Enforcement Officers
Wednesday: Pray for our city and county governments and for our Churches
Thursday: National Day of Prayer—Prayer Rally

S.P.L.A.S.H.—May 26-28

April Meeting Schedule:

- 4/02 **Community Ministries Team Meeting**—8:15a.m. at Chick-fil-A.
- Leadership Development Team Meeting**—Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.
- 4/13 **Mission Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 4/15 **Administrative Team Meeting**—at American Pie Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon
- 4/20 **Executive Committee Meeting**—7:00 p.m. at the CBA

Note: Please have all announcements for the May newsletter into the CBA office by Wednesday, April 15

Please be in prayer for these upcoming Mission Trips:

Mt. Pleasant: April 2nd-11th to Uganda
April 10 to Copperhill, TN
Association: May 4-7—Project Pray
Association: May 26-28—S.P.L.A.S.H.
Pleasant View: May 26-June 1 to Toronto Canada
Ropville Road: May 29-June 2 to Honduras
FBC Villa Rica: May 30-June 6 to Guatemala
Glenloch: May 30-June 6 to Nicaragua



Associational VBS Clinic "Journey Off the Map"



Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church
Thursday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m.

This clinic is for all VBS workers in your church.



"And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and to the left.



Isaiah 30:30

Summer Job Opportunity at Camp Rockridge

Rockridge offers summer employment beginning the first week in June through the first week in August every summer. Applicants must be (18) years of age and older (preferably college students), & complete an application together with a background check. We also offer volunteer positions for high school aged students on a week to week basis. Each application will be carefully assessed and heavily prayed over, so please take your time in completing.

Each applicant must agree to work the entire summer. All staff lives on campus, meals inclusive, and a paycheck is dispersed at the end of each work week. Certification in life guarding is a plus. For more information call Jody or Jennifer Thrower at (706)675-3494 or (678)877-7018; or email at CampRockridge1@gmail.com. **The deadline for all applications is April 30, 2015.**

Associational Ministry Assistant's Luncheon

April 14, 2015 11:30 a.m.



"I have a beautiful inheritance" Psalm 16:6



First Baptist Church, Carrollton

This luncheon is for all Ministry Assistants in your church.

Please R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, April 8th

Church News:

Association: A big thank you to all the churches who participated in "Baby Bottle Boomerang"! Our CBA churches collected \$32,128 to date. Total collections were over \$50,000. To God be the Glory!

Eight people representing six CBA churches went on a vision trip to Washington, DC last month.

Pleasant Ridge: Broke ground on their new Sanctuary.

Bowdon Area Churches: Hosted Love Loud on March 14. There were 13 decisions for Christ.

Roopville Road: held their annual Global Impact Mission Conference on March 20-22

Mars Hill: celebrated Friend Day on March 15th with the highest number in Sunday School in several years.

From The WMU

I want to share some ideas you might could use for your women's mission meeting in your church.

- Plan a WorldCrafts party. During this party you will learn about the many WorldCrafts artisan groups who find freedom from poverty or sexual slavery. Visit WorldCrafts.org for ideas, tips, and everything you need to know for hosting this missions based party.
- Plan a trip to Birmingham and tour National WMU
- Try a progressive meeting beginning at the first location for the Missionary Spotlight Study, move to another location for the

Bible Study section, and conclude at the final location for the Prayer Study. (You might include an appetizer, small meal, and dessert at each stop if you would like.)

- PrayerWalk your church or a neighborhood near your church.
- Volunteer at the Carroll County Soup Kitchen
- Bake and bag cookies for UWG students at the BCM (Baptist Collegiate Ministries).
- Plan a meeting/activity with a nearby church.
- Call and plan a visit to the PRC, Pregnancy Resource Center, and learn about their services.

- Organize a crafters "on-mission" meeting.
- Look at the Local Ministries list on our website www.carrolltonwmu.com and discuss with your group how you might serve and help with one of the ministries.

Thank you for all you do,

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2015

30-April 5 **Pray for New Brooklyn**

1 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.

2 **Community Ministries Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A

Leadership Development Team Meeting— Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.

3 **Good Friday**

5 **Easter**

6-12 **Pray for Oak Grove**

8 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria

12 **Cooperative Program Sunday**

13 **Mission Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A

13-19 **Pray for Peachtree Community**

14 **Ministry Assistant's Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at

FBC, Carrollton

15 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria

Administrative Team Meeting—at American Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon.

16 **Associational V.B.S. Clinic**—6:30 p.m. at Mt. Pleasant

18 **Georgia Baptist Women's Spring Event, Toccoa**

20 **Executive Committee Meeting**—7:00 p.m. at the CBA

20-26 **Pray for Pleasant Grove**

22 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria

27-May 3 **Pray for Pleasant Ridge**

29 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria