Carrollton Baptist Association–Striving to be an Acts 1:8 Association

### February, 2011

#### From Your Associational Missionary...

1845. Florida & Texas became the 27th and 28th states. The Mexican-US war began. The rubber band and self rising flour were patented. The US Naval Academy opened in Annapolis, MD. The first baseball team was organized. Ether was first used in childbirth in Jefferson, GA. James Polk was inaugurated as 11th president. The first black lawyer was admitted to the bar. The first photo of the sun was taken. The Southern Baptist Convention began.

1845. A year where much went on in our country and world. But I am not looking at a year, but the number 1845. 1845 represents the number of baby bottles that have been picked up by 28 of our churches for Baby Bottle Boomerang! Wow! That is absolutely incredible! Thank you for your incredible response to this ministry project for the Pregnancy Resource Center. I look forward to seeing all those bottles returned filled with money (change, bills, or

a check) to benefit this much needed ministry in our community. Let me share with you the 2010 Pregnancy Resource Center Stats:

- 860 clients ministered to •
- 624 were new clients
- 622 positive pregnancy test and 99% of those clients chose life
- 453 clients were single
- There were 10 decisions for Christ and the gospel was shared with every client who came into the center.

We will let you know the amount collected in our March Newsletter.

Our Church Strengthening Team has been meeting to plan some events for our bi-vocational pastors. Since our team consists of bi-vocational pastors, and one retired pastor, they are very aware of the needs these pastors face. One of those needs is

fellowship with other pastors so on Saturday, February 5th we are having a breakfast for the pastor and his wife beginning at 8:30 a.m. at Ryan's here in Carrollton. The cost for the buffet is \$5.00. Our goal is to enjoy a wonderful time of fellowship and to get to know one another. We plan to be out by 10:00 a.m. so you can have the rest of the day with your family.

On Tuesday, March 1st we are planning to go to the Evangelism Conference at FBC Convers. One of our churches has volunteered the use of their bus so we are inviting you to go with us to attend this excellent conference entitled "Ignite the Passion." There is a great lineup of speakers for Tuesday and I hope you will make plans to join us.

It's a joy to serve as your Associational Missionary.

Dan



# Minister/Mate After Christmas Fellowship

*February* 1, 2011 (new date) FBC, Carrollton 7:00 p.m.

Menu: Ríbeye steak, baked potato, tossed salad, bread & dessert

If you paid for your meal and are unable to come on this rescheduled date, please contact the Associational office and your money will be refunded.









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#### Coming Up...

- Minister/Mate After Christmas Fellowship-February 1st.
- Bi-Vocational Pastor/Wife Breakfast— February 5th.
- Focus on WMU— February 14-20
- Associational RA/ Challenger Racer **Derby**—February 26
- "Ignite the Passion" State Evangelism Conference—February 28-March 1

### **Baptist Collegiate Ministries**

This is always an exciting time of the year in our ministry! Our BCM Summer Missions selection weekend is coming up on February 18-20. Around 200 students from around Georgia will converge on Camp Woodland to be placed in a missions position somewhere in the world. Our BCM will be well represented with 15 students applying. Please pray for all of the interviewers and students. Pray that the interviewers will have wisdom and insight into where to place our students. Please pray for the students that God will use them to further His Kingdom this summer!

Stay Warm!

God Bless! Bill

#### February Meetings...

New Church Starts Team meeting—Thursday, February 10th at noon. Bring your own lunch.

Missions Development Team meeting—Monday, February 14th at noon. Bring your own lunch.

Leadership Development Team meeting—Tuesday, February 15th at noon. Bring your own lunch.

Administrative Team meeting— Wednesday, February 16th following the Ministers' Luncheon at Ryan's.



### "Baby Bottle Boomerang"

Project **"Baby Bottle Boomerang"** which began on Sanctity of Human Life Day

(1/23/11) will go through Sunday, February 13th. All money collected will then go to the Pregnancy Resource Center in Carrollton.

The response has been overwhelming! Thanks to all churches who have participated in this mission project! We will let you know the results when all bottles are in.

#### Note to Pastors:

Please make note of the dates, for the February Ministers' Luncheons.

We will meet on February 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd at 11:30 a.m. at Ryan's.



#### Bi-Vocational Pastor/ Wife Associational Breakfast

February 5th

At Ryan's

8:30 a.m.



# Associational RA/Challenger Pinewood Racer Derby

Saturday, February 26th

FBC, Carrollton

### Sunday School Mentoring Plan Follow-up Celebration

Thursday, February 17

11:00 a.m.

At the Associational Office For all Pastors & Sunday School Directors that participated in the Sunday School Mentoring Plan.



Looking Ahead: Week of Prayer for North American Missions March 6-13

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

#### February Prayer Walking Schedule:

January 31-February 6: **Indian Creek** February 7-13:**Kansas** February 14-20: **Mars Hill** February 21-27: **Midway Macedonia** February 28-March 6: **Mountain View** 

# State Evangelism Conference

### "Ignite the Passion"

February 28-March 1

FBC, Conyers



### Focus on W.M.U. February 14-20

## Children's Ministry Day Theme: Neighbor to Neighbor February 19th

A Celebration has been planned on March 12th for everyone who participated in Children's Ministry Day. The Celebration will be held at Carrollton Recreation Center on S. White Street from 11:00 am –1:00 pm.

Have you had a Gideon speaker at your church lately? If not, would you like to? If yes, give Abraham Azar a call at 770-653-8422 & schedule a date for a Gideon to speak at your church.



From Churches...

Mars Hill: Rev. Larry Scott, Associate Pastor, retired. A reception was held in his honor on January 30th.

**Tabernacle:** Betty Sue Smith, Pianist, retired after 36 years of ministry. A reception was held in her honor on January 16th.

Dr. Jimmy Gentry will celebrate 10 years as pastor on February 13th.

**Ephesus:** called Kevin Jeter as Youth Minister. He was ordained on January 9th.

### From the WMU.....

Quite a few of you are familiar with Camp Pinnacle in Clayton, Georgia. You may have fond memories of being a camper, heard stories from your children that attended summer camp, or you may have attended a conference there. I think you would agree that it is a beautiful conference and retreat area. Camp Pinnacle has had guite a few changes in the past few years. Most of the cabins have been replaced with cabin lodges and now the chapel has had a massive renovation. From the outside, it may not seem very different, but a lot of changes and updates have been made to the inside. All of the improvements have been made debt free. The chapel will be dedicated on March 12 in a ceremony open to the public. I have received materials about Camp Pinnacle and would be glad to

come and share with your groups anytime. Also, Tabernacle is having a Camp Pinnacle Focus Day, Wednesday March 9, 6:15-7:00 if you would like to hear about summer camp for children and learn more about Camp Pinnacle. (Please email Sonjia if you would like to take a group to Tabernacle.)

Children's Ministry Day is February 19 (or another day that works well for your group). The theme is Neighbor to Neighbor. We hope you will plan a project that kids can do to reach out to people in your church's neighborhood. We believe participating in this project will help children understand the needs of others and allow them to minister to others as Christ did. We are going to have an associational celebration March 12 for everyone who participates in Children's Ministry Day. It will be 11:00—1:00 at the Carrollton Recreation (Tracy Stallings building) on S. White Street. We will have certificate recognitions, a slide show of the ministries the children participated in, lunch and more. There is no charge for this event. We will have a grand prize for the largest group in attendance. For more information you can contact Sonjia Thomas, our children's leader (sonjiat@bellsouth.net) or learn more at www.childrensmissions.com.

There are many opportunities for you to be involved in mission growth and mission action. You can find more opportunities and information at <u>www.georgiawmu.org.</u>

Thank you for all you do. If I can help you with anything please let me know.

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- 5 **Bi-vocational Pastor/Wife Breakfast**—8:30 a.m. at Ryan's
- 9 Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at Ryan's
- 10 New Church Starts Ministry Team Meeting— Noon at the Associational Office. Bring your own lunch.
- 13 **"Baby Bottle Boomerang" ends.**
- 14 **Missions Development Team Meeting**—Noon at the Associational Office. Bring your own lunch.

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15 **Leadership Development Team Meeting**—Noon at the Associational Office. Bring your own lunch.

- Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at Ryan's
  Administrative Team Meeting—1:00 at Ryan's following the Ministers' Luncheon.
- Sunday School Mentoring Plan Follow-Up—11:00 a.m. at the Associational Office. For all Pastors & Sunday School Directors.
- 19 Children's Ministry Day
- 23 Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at Ryan's
- 26 Associational RA/Challengers Racer Derby— 9:00 a.m. at FBC, Carrollton
- 28-March 1 "Ignite the Passion" State Evangelism Conference—FBC, Conyers