

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

**January
2012**

From Your Associational Missionary...

On November 20th, 23 people from our association drove up to Ringgold, GA to serve a Thanksgiving meal at Cherokee Valley Baptist Church for the April tornado victims and the church who has ministered faithfully for these past several months. Over 150 people from the community attended this dinner cooked by the wonderful cooks from our association. We served turkey and ham, dressing, cranberry sauce, sweet potato soufflé, green beans, rolls, and dessert. We also gave \$100 Walmart gift cards to 17 families who had been affected by the tornadoes. I am very grateful for everyone in our association who made this possible—those who cooked and those who served.

We recently received a thank you note from one of the families:

“Dear folks at Carrollton Baptist Association, We received a Walmart gift card from you a few weeks ago at Cherokee Valley Baptist Church and want to thank you for the love you have shown towards the tornado victims in our area. We have been so blessed by the servants of the Lord since April 27th. The Lord has provided for all our needs through godly people like you. May Adonai bless you and keep you

and cause his face to shine toward you. In Jesus name, Tony, Tina, Sean, Evan, AJ and Erica”

We are in the process now of assisting the rebuilding of 5 homes in the Trenton area (Dade County). We are working with Jim Boyd of Rebuilding Hope and have recently purchased the framing materials for one home. Our hope is that our association through the gifts of our churches and individuals following the tornado, will be able to purchase the framing materials for at least 3 of these homes. We had several teams go up to Ringgold to assist and I hope we will have several other teams to assist in Trenton. If you are interested in taking a team up to Trenton, give me a call.

Thank you for the tremendous response to Operation Christmas Child. Overall 3,271 shoeboxes were packed in our office and taken to Newnan. Although we did not make our goal of 3300 shoeboxes, it was still a tremendous outpouring of love for boys and girls around the world who might not receive something for Christmas. I am grateful for Lewis and Gloria North and Pat and Charlotte Culwell who headed up this project for us and to the many volunteers who gave their time to work here at the office collecting and packing the boxes. It was definitely a team effort and because it was a team effort much was accomplished. I am also grateful for Steve

and Scottie Jennings who always carry the packed boxes to Newnan for us in their Furniture House truck. I believe this is the tenth year they have supplied the truck and driver.

It’s hard to believe that a new year is beginning in just a few days. Where did 2011 go? It seems like only yesterday I was writing 2011 on my checks and now it will be 2012. I hope 2011 was a wonderful year for you and your church and that you are looking to turning the page to another great year. Please remember several events—Minister/Mate Dinner on Tuesday night, January 10th at FBC Carrollton; Baby Bottle Boomerang for the Pregnancy Resource Center that begins on Sunday, January 22nd; DiscipleEquip Training Seminar on Thursday night, January 26th at Pleasant View; and the VBS Early Bird Clinic on Monday night, January 30th at Tabernacle. I hope you will make plans to attend or participate in these events.

Have a Happy New Year!

Dan

COMING UP...

- *Minister/Mate After Christmas Fellowship—January 10th*
- *Sanctity of Human Life Sunday—January 22*
- *Baby Bottle Boomerang begins—January 22*
- *Executive Committee Meeting—January 23*
- *VBS Early Bird Clinic—January 30th at Tabernacle*

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Minister/Mate After Christmas Fellowship

January 10

FBC, Carrollton

For all Pastors, Associate Pastors, Ministers of Music, etc.

Please R.S.V.P. Wednesday, January 4th

Cost: \$12.50 per person

Menu: Ribeye steak, baked potato, green beans, salad, desserts



Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Our students have been working hard this year to raise money for summer missions. We are in the process of raising \$10,000.00 to send our students around the world to share the Gospel with a lost world. I wanted to help them out by letting y'all know early that our Spring Dinner Theater for Missions is just around

the corner. Our Dinner Theater will be Friday, March 30 and Saturday, March 31 both nights at 7PM. The name of the play is "Adam's Eve". It is a romantic comedy with a strong Christian theme. The cost is \$10.00 per person. If you would like to make reservations please call the BCM at 770-834-7588 or e-mail me

at bcmuwg@gmail.com. We will have publicity coming to your churches in late January or early February. Please help us to promote this. This is always our biggest fundraiser of the year!

God Bless, Bill

Vacation Bible School Early Bird Clinic January 30th



January 30
7:00 pm

Tabernacle Baptist Church



Baby Bottle Boomerang



Project "Baby Bottle Boomerang" begins on Sanctity of Human Life Day (January 22) and ends on Sunday, February 12. Call the Associational office to let us know the number of baby bottle banks you would like to have for your members to collect change in. All money collected will then go to the Pregnancy Resource Center in Carrollton.

This would be a great project for Sunday School Classes, Women's Ministry Groups or your entire congregation!



**Sanctity of
Human Life Day
Sunday January 22**

Note to Pastors...

Please make note of the January Ministers' Lunches. We will meet at 11:30 each Wednesday morning. We will meet at American Pie Pizzeria on the 4th. We will meet on the 11th, 18th, and 25th at Ryan's.

January Meetings:

Missions Development Team—1/09 at 8:15 at Chick-fil-A

Administrative Team—1/11 at Ryan's following the Ministers' Luncheon.

Leadership Development Team—1/17 at noon at the Associational office. Bring your own lunch.

New Church Starts Ministry Team—1/19 at noon at the Associational office. Bring your own lunch.

Prayer Team Meeting—1/12 at 7:00 pm at the Associational office.

Executive Committee Meeting

January 23
7:00 p.m.

T.H.R.I.V.E.

All Pastors involved in THRIVE will meet Thursday, January 12th at the Associational office from 11:00 to 12:30. Bring your own lunch.

DiscipleEquip Seminar

Sponsored by: Discipleship Ministries

January 26, 2012

WHEN: 7:00 PM—9:00 PM

WHERE: Pleasant View Baptist Church 3457 N Hwy 27

Making... DiscipleEquip will offer church staff and lay leaders an opportunity to learn from leaders and practitioners. This will enable participants to develop a disciple-making church (Matthew 28-19) while equipping Christ followers to be fully devoted disciples.

Equipping... DiscipleEquip is an evening conference which challenges you to follow Paul's admonition to "equip" the saints for the work of ministry" (Ephesians 4:12). DiscipleEquip is designed to partner with you in being strategic as you equip God's people in your church.



The office will be closed Monday, January 2nd for the holidays and reopen Tuesday, January 3rd.

Restore: Conclave

A worship and training event for your youth ministry team.

January 26-28

Chattanooga Convention Center

Psalm 80:3

"Restore us, O God; make your face shine upon us, that we may be saved"



CHURCH NEWS

Peachtree Community:

is hosting an **Art of Marriage Conference** for West Georgia Pastors. February 3-4, 2012. The conference will be held at Peachtree. Friday: 7:00 pm-9:30pm. Saturday: 9:00 am-4:00pm. The cost is \$15.00 and is for all pastors, staff, and their spouses.



Samaritan Purse Shoeboxes

Final Count: 3,271

Thank You!



From the WMU...

Someone shared an email message with me that was sent from Tom Eliff, IMB President. He told of a recent trip he made to Africa over Thanksgiving. The workers were encouraged to see some people from a village they had been praying for. Eliff reminded us the Light of the Gospel will break across the landscape in that distant community...the result of YOUR praying, YOUR giving, YOUR praying some more!

In early December we focused on prayer for our personnel and giving to international missions through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, which keeps personnel on the field. It is so important to keep our missionaries before us all the time by praying and giving and praying some more. Eliff tells us "we must both pray and give with sacrificial determination. But if we can continue wearing what we wear, living

where we live, enjoying all that we have enjoyed and going anywhere we want to go...then where is the sacrifice? Sacrifice results in change, a present change in our lives with the anticipation of future change in the lives of others. It will take sacrificial giving, praying and going if Southern Baptist are to effectively impact the world for Christ sake. This year, let's pray and give and pray some more...like people who take the Great Commissions seriously. Let's do everything necessary to be His Heart, His Hands and His Voice."

What a challenge he presents to us. It should cause us to evaluate how we live, how we might change, and consider what we might do. You can find a list of missionaries in Mission Mosaic to pray for. You can be involved in Hearts Called to Pray, a prayer partnership with NAME (Northern Africa and the

Middle East). You can also find prayer requests on NAMB and IMB websites. If I can be of any help to you in finding these prayer requests please let me know.

Looking Ahead: Children's Ministry Day, February 25—Please mark this date and plan to bring children from your church. We will be meeting in the Pilot Gym at the Tracy Stallings Building in Carrollton. Our theme is Operation Education. We will be putting together some materials to show appreciation to staff members in our schools. We will be sending out more information to you and your churches soon. Georgia Baptist Women's Spring Event, April 27-28 at Callaway Gardens—Find more information at www.gabaptistwomenspringevent.com

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| 1 | Happy New Year! | 18 | Ministers' Luncheon —11:30 a.m. at Ryan's |
| 2-8 | Pray for Flat Rock | 19 | New Church Starts Team —12 noon at the
Associational Office. |
| 3 | Office reopens | 19-21 | GA Baptist Ministers' Wives Retreat—
"Beautiful" |
| 4 | Ministers' Luncheon —11:30 a.m. at American
Pie | 22 | Sanctity of Human Life Day
Baby Bottle Boomerang begins |
| 9 | Missions Development Team meeting —8:15
a.m. at Chick-fil-A | 23 | Executive Committee Meeting —7:00 p.m. at
the Associational Office. |
| 9-15 | Pray for Fullerville | 23-29 | Pray for Harmony |
| 10 | <u>Minister/Mate After Christmas Fellowship</u> | 25 | Ministers' Luncheon —11:30 a.m. at Ryan's |
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View |
| 12 | THRIVE. —11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Prayer Team Meeting —7:00 p.m. at the
Associational office. | 26-28 | "Conclave" - Youth Workers Training.
Chattanooga, TN |
| 16-22 | Pray for Glenloch | 30 | VBS Early Bird Clinic —Tabernacle |
| 17 | Leadership Development Team meeting —12
noon at the Associational Office. Bring your own
lunch. | 30-February 5 | Pray for Indian Creek |