March 2015

Carrollton Baptist Association

From Your Associational Missionary:

Continuing to be an Acts 1:8 Association

Coming Up...

- Week of Prayer for North American Missions and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering—March 1-8
- Associational Mission Trip to Washington, DC—March 4-7
- Daylight Saving Time begins— March 8
- GBAMA, Ministry Assistants Conference-March 11-13
- Praise Sing— March 12 at Roopville Road

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Thank you for your participation in our "Discover Missions Conference" at Tabernacle on Thursday, February 12th. Overall 75 were present from 22 churches for this informative missions conference. Dr. Adam Greenway definitely challenged us with his message and each of our conference leaders—Kevin Williams, Justin Richards, Brian Stocks, and Stephen Peeples did a great job in sharing all the different mission opportunities and how to plan a mission trip. We had many positive comments from those who attended and I am grateful for our Mission Development Team who suggested, planned, and led this conference. I have a feeling we will do it again next year.

I was recently reading from Dr. Tony Evans Devotional "Time to Get Serious" and thought you might like this thought about faith.

"Christians who live by faith exercise confidence in God's promises. The essence of the faith life is that you believe what God says enough to stake a claim on it and obey it.

Now you knew we weren't going to get far into any discussion of faith without running into Abraham. And the Abraham story we've got this week is one that the Bible recognizes as one of the greatest expressions of faith ever recorded: Abraham's offering of Isaac. It's a rich saga of faith, because Abraham shows us here what it means to live by faith.

It's important to remember that Genesis 22 is not about when Abraham gets saved, to use New Testament terminology. He expressed his faith back in Genesis 12, many years earlier. So what we have here is a way of life—a living, decision-making kind of faith in motion. It is not enough to rest on what you did with God ten years ago.

Some of us have great *déjà vu* stories. We're still talking about how things used to be. Instead we need an "I Am" kind of God, a God who works in the present tense. That's why you ought to underline the word *tested* in today's verse (Hebrews 11:17). Abraham's faith was a present reality that would stand by him in the great test God was about to send his way.

Think about it. There's one sure way you can know whether you really believe what you think you believe, say you believe, and ought to believe. Let God put your faith to the test. And don't worry—He will.

How will God test you this week? I don't know, but that's not the issue. The issue is, how will you respond? Pray that God will enable you to pass His faith test."

Thank you for your kind words, notes, texts, and calls about my recent recognition. I was humbled and honored by the award. But more than that I was thankful for your partnership in the journey.

It's a joy to serve with you.



Associational PraiseSing 2015

Thursday, March 12 at 7:00 P.M. Roopville Road Baptist Church



All the churches in our association have been invited to participate in this fun event. Even if your choir is not singing, come and enjoy this wonderful evening which is sure to be a blessing!

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Hey Everyone! I hope you are staying warm and healthy this winter. It has been a strange winter so far! One day it feels like spring and the next day it is winter! It is not too late to sign up for our Dinner Theater! The Dinner Theater this year will be Friday, March 6 and Saturday, March 7, both nights at 7:00 PM. The play this year is

The 39 Steps. It is a spoof of one of Alfred Hitchcock's movies. This play has it all—drama, intrigue, and comedy! The cost is \$10.00. We still have great seats available. If you would like to sign up please call our BCM at 770-834-7588 or email us at <u>bcmuwg@gmail.com</u>. All of the money that we raise will go straight to the support of BCM Summer Missionaries who will be going out all over the world spreading the Gospel. Our BCM has been very blessed with our summer missionaries over the last 5 summers. We have had over 100 people serve in 10 countries and 15 states! God is good! God Bless! Bill

Note to Pastors: We will meet every Wednesday in March at 11:30 AM for our weekly Ministers' Luncheon. 3/04 will be at the CBA. Bring your own lunch. All other Wednesdays we will meet at American Pie Pizzeria. On March 25, Dr. J. Robert White, Executive Director of the GBC, will be our guest speaker. He will be sharing about "Pray Georgia"

Note: Please have all announcements for the April newsletter into the CBA office by Monday, March 16th.

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

Antioch, Bethesda, Beulah, Bowdon, Calvary, FBC Carrollton, First Centralhatchee, 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, Roopville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Son Rise, Tabernacle, Temple First, Trinity, Tyus, Veal and FBC Villa Rica.

March Meeting Schedule:

- 3/02 **Missions Development Team Meeting**—8:15a.m. at Chickfil-A.
- 3/11 Administrative Team Meeting—at American Pie Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon
- 3/12 **Community Ministries Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chickfil-A

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



Georgia Baptist Association of Ministry Assistants Annual Conference March 12-13 Edgewood Baptist Church, Columbus

New Bible Studies:

- Bible Studies by Demand Volume III— Six individual standalone Bible studies by various women Bible study leaders (Beth Moore, Pricilla Shirer, etc.)
- Jesus > Religion by Jefferson Bethke

Christian Counseling and Recovery Service Dr. Ron Huggins—770-214-3725 Debbie Malloy —770-328-5874



Daylight Saving Time Begins March 8

Looking Ahead...

Ministry Assistants' Luncheon—April 14th at 11:30 a.m. at FBC, Carrollton. All Ministry Assistants are invited to join us for this fun time!

Associational VBS Clinic— April 16th at 6:30 p.m. at Mt. Pleasant. This clinic is for all Pastors, Directors and VBS workers.

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.

Week of Pray for North American Missions and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering March 1-8

Send >> North America

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19

Church News:

Association: Congratulations to Rev. Dan Dockery, who was recognized as Associational Missionary of the Year by the GBC.

Bethesda: Celebrated the remodeling of their sanctuary and classroom space with an open House February 15th. **Shady Grove:** Will have a one day Revival March 1st, 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Dr. Wayne Jenkins, Associational Missionary to the Western Association, and former IMB Missionary to Germany will be speaking. Also, they will have Friend Day on March 22nd.

Tabernacle: Rev. Chad Sipes, Minister of Youth, resigned <u>Whitesburg:</u> will celebrate Homecoming March 22 at 10:30 a.m. They will be in Revival March 23-25 at 7:00 pm

From The WMU

Week of Pray for SEND>>North America and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering—March 1-8, 2015

Each year as we give to the North American Missions offering many of us also remember Annie Armstrong for whom our Easter offering is named. Annie Armstrong led women to come together for mission endeavors. That led to the formation of Woman's Missionary Union. Annie believed in and followed Christ with all her heart. She spent a great amount of time typing and writing letters in support of missions. She also distributed food, clothing, and the Word of God to those in need. Annie was a woman of prayer. She prayed for the missionaries and for those they were helping discover Christ. Annie was able to get churches to come together to give more, pray more and do more for reaching people for Christ. May we continue to work as diligently as she did.

You can find resources to learn more about Annie Armstrong and

the Week of Prayer at <u>anniearm-</u> <u>strong .com.</u> Click on Learn. You can find information and video clips for Annie and the featured 2015 missionaries. I've also linked these resources to our website at <u>carrollton-</u> wmu.com.

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- 1-8 Week of Prayer for North American Missions and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- 2 Missions Development Team Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 2-8 **Pray for Midway West**
- 4 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.
- 4-7 Associational Vision Trip to Washington, D.C8 Daylight Saving Time Begins.
- 9-15 **Pray for Mountain View**
- Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American
 Pie Pizzeria
 Administrative Team Meeting—at American

Pie Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon.

- 11-13 G.B.A.M.A: Georgia Baptist Association of Ministry Assistants 2015 Conference— Edgewood Baptist Church, Columbus
- 12 **Community Ministries Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A

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

Associational PraiseSing—7:00 p.m. at Roopville Road Baptist Church

- 16-22 **Pray for Mt. Pleasant**
- 18 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria
- 20 "Journey" State Mission Retreat for Teen Girls. Savannah
- 20-22 Global Impact Conference—Roopville Road Baptist Church
- 23-29 Pray for Mt. Zion
- 25 Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria. Dr. Robert White will be our guest speaker. He will be sharing about "Pray Georgia"
- 29 Palm Sunday
- 30-April 5 Pray for New Brooklyn