

Carrollton Baptist Association

From Your Associational Missionary

Recently our Association was recognized by Samaritan's Purse for 15 years of serving as a Drop Off Center for Operation Christmas Child. We were given a beautiful figurine of a boy and girl receiving a shoebox which is now displayed in our office. It was a wonderful recognition and a reminder of how many lives have been touched by your generosity and giving spirit.

Last year I was asked by one of our churches to share about the importance of Sunday School in the overall Ministry of the church. It was a wonderful topic and made me think about all the things I had learned through the years in Sunday School—things like the importance of attendance, giving, reading my Bible each day, inviting people, fellowship, discipleship, evangelism, just to name a few. But then as I thought of the overall purpose I came up with three—Sunday School is what gives the church life; Sunday School is what gives the church purpose;

and Sunday School is what gives the church vision.

How does the Sunday School give the church life? Well Sunday School is where we have the most volunteers that teach, reach, greet, and minister. It's where we have the most small groups from preschool to adult. It's where we live life together. It's where we pray, cry, laugh, and come along side people. It's not just for an hour a week—it's daily as we love on those members.

How does the Sunday School give the church purpose? Matthew 28:18-20 commands us to make disciples. Sunday School is where we help folks grow in Christ! It's where we help folks not just be members but followers of Christ. We have discovered that if a person does not get involved in a small group/ Sunday School class, they will not be very involved in the life of the church and many will leave after several months. For teachers it's not a job but a min-

istry as they shepherd that small group God has placed before them.

How does the Sunday School give the church vision? Sunday School is where we see beyond the four walls and see our community—preschoolers, children, youth and adults. It helps us be On Mission because as the church's "largest" mission organization we take the church outside those four walls of our classroom. When we have high attendance campaigns or special Sundays, it gives us a picture of what the church could be. If your church has a growing Sunday School you will have a growing church.

Why am I sharing so much about Sunday School/Small Groups? In August the 10 month Sunday School Mentoring Program will begin in 7-8 of our churches. I hope your church will want to participate in this very helpful program for your church.
Dan

March 2018

*Continuing to be
an Acts 1:8
Association*

ON MISSION
**HERE &
NOW**

**Week of Prayer for North American Missions
and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**

March 4-11, 2018

National Goal: \$70 Million

100% of your gifts support
North American Missionaries



NEWS FROM CHURCHES...

Antioch: Rev. Tony McManus, Pastor, resigned effective March 25.

Salem: honored Pastor Milford Ballenger and wife Joyce on February 11th on his retirement after serving 19 years as Pastor of Salem. Rev. Ballenger had the privilege of baptizing two young people on February 18th after they came forward on February 11th.

Tabernacle: Called Rev. Rob Sauls as Minister of Discipleship. He began on Monday, February 19th

FBC Villa Rica: Called Dr. Doug New as Minister of Pastoral Care.

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Hey Everyone! As I write this letter my son is sick with strep throat. He got sick the evening that my daughter recovered from the flu. This winter has been the worst for sickness in my family for a long time. It seems like one of the four of us have been sick since New Year's Day! I am so ready for spring, good weather, and an end to flu sea-

son! The coming of spring means so many things. One of those things is the celebration of Easter! I am really looking forward to Easter this year. After a long cold winter nothing is more welcome than a celebration of our Lord and Savior conquering hell and death through the cross!

God Bless, Bill

March Meeting Schedule.....

- 3/01 **Community Ministries Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- Leadership Development Team Meeting**—Noon at the CBA. Lunch will be provided by the CBA.
- 3/05 **Mission Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 3/14 **Administrative Team Meeting**—at American Pie Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon.

Looking Ahead...

**Associational Children's Camp at Rockridge
June 25-28**

Early Bird Cost: 150.00
After June 14: \$170.00



Make plans now to bring a large group of children to this wonderful week of Bible Study, Music, Fellowship with friends, and Fun!

Thank you to all the churches who have supported the CBA financially since September 1st, 2017, the beginning of our financial year....

Antioch, Bethesda, Beulah, Bowdon, FBC Carrollton, First Centralhatchee, Christ The King, Concord, Consolation, 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, Providence, Rocky Mount, Roopville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Tabernacle, Temple First, Trinity, Tyus, Unity, Veal and FBC, Villa Rica

Thank You! (written vertically)


Note to Pastors...

We will meet for our Ministers' Luncheon every Wednesday in March at American Pie Pizzeria at 11:30 a.m.



TAKE NOTE

Please have all announcements for the April Newsletter into the CBA office no later than March 15th. Thank you!



Daylight Saving Time Begins
March 11
Spring Forward

Substance Abuse Prevention Sunday
March 18th



From the WMU

Someone recently shared this message with me as we talked about how our lives may influence others.

Watch your thoughts, they become your words.

Watch your words, they become your actions.

Watch your actions, they become your habits.

Watch your habits, they become your character.

Watch your character, it becomes your destiny.

We can also find scripture that guides us to live so that we do not become a stumbling block for

others. We should strive to honor God.

Philippians 4:8, Ephesians 4:29, Proverbs 21:23, Matthew 6:33, Matthew 26:41, 2 Timothy 2:15-16

Week of Prayer for North American Missions is March 4-11.

Please pray for our missionaries and give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. You can find some great resources to share in your church and small groups at <https://www.anniearmstrong.com/resources/>.

Upcoming State Events

March 8-10—SELAH: A training

retreat for Georgia Baptist Women’s Ministry Leaders, Pinnacle Retreat Center, Clayton, GA.

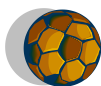
Find more information and register at <https://gabaptist.org/event/selah2018/>.

April 13-14—Georgia Baptist Women’s Spring Event: Atlanta Evergreen Marriott Conference Resort, Stone Mountain. Find more information and register at <https://gabaptistwomenspringevent.com/>.

Thanks for all you do,
Keri Perkins
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St. Margaret’s Episcopal Church will host the lunch/worship each day during Holy Week. Lunch will start at noon. Worship will start at 12:25. Each day a different church/preacher will lead. Schedule—Monday: Rev. Bradley Bell, Whosoever Will Christ Centered Bible Church; Tuesday: Rev. Burnetta Armour, Carrollton Presbyterian Church; Wednesday: Rev. Joannah Cook, Chaplain, Tanner Health/Carrollton First UMC; Thursday—Dr. Stephen Allen, Tabernacle Baptist Church; Friday: Rev. Jeff Jackson, St. Margaret’s Episcopal Church



GAME ON!



“Gearing Up For Life’s Big Game”

Associational VBS Clinic Thursday, April 12th

This year’s Associational VBS Clinic will be at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Thursday, April 12th at 6:30 pm. Please plan to bring all your VBS workers to this important training event. There will be a conference for all age group workers, as well as Missions, and Music.

Attention VBS Directors: Please get your VBS dates to the CBA office, if we don’t already have them. We plan to put them in the May Newsletter.

On Mission...

FBC, Villa Rica Association	April 6-10 April 30-May 3	Surprise, Arizona “I Love My Community Week”
Midway	May 19-26	Havana, Cuba
Midway	May 19-26	Eleuthera, Bahamas
Roopville Road	May 20-25	Jaars Waxhaw, NC
Mt. Pleasant	May 21-26	Dominican Republic
FBC, Villa Rica	May 27-31	Cumberland, KY
Roopville Road	June 1-8	La Has/Santa Maria, Honduras
FBC, Villa Rica	June 1-9	Guatemala
Mt. Pleasant	June 23-July 1	South Dakota
Mt. Pleasant	June 24-30	Guatemala
Roopville Road	July 7-14	Roatan, Honduras
Roopville Road	July 16-21	Albion, NY, Frontier Association
Midway	August 18-25	Anchorage, Alaska
Mt. Pleasant	August 19-25	Uganda



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Associational Missionary
Mrs. Teresa Britt:
Ministry Assistant



March



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| Feb. 26-March 4 | Pray for Indian Creek, Rev. Ralph Caldwell, Pastor | 14 | Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria. |
| 1 | Community Ministries Team Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A | | Administrative Team Meeting— at American Pie following the Ministers' Luncheon |
| | Leadership Development Team Meeting—Noon at the CBA. <u>Lunch will be provided.</u> | 17 | Love Loud |
| | The Rapha Clinic's <u>Sound of Medicine</u> | 18 | Substance Abuse Prevention Sunday |
| 4-10 | SBC Youth Week | 19-25 | Pray for Midway, Rev. Todd Wright, Pastor |
| 4-11 | Week of Prayer & Mission Study for North American Missions and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. | 21 | Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria. Sam Warner of the GA Baptist Foundation will be our guest speaker. |
| 5 | Mission Development Team Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A | 25 | Palm Sunday |
| 5-11 | Pray for Kansas, Rev. Randall Eidson, Pastor | 26-30 | Holy Week Services |
| 7 | Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria | 26-April 1 | Pray for Midway West, Rev. Hal Waters, Pastor |
| 11 | Daylight Saving Time Begins | 28 | Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pizzeria |
| 12-18 | Pray for Mars Hill, Rev. Tommy Driver, Pastor | 30 | Good Friday |

