Carrollton Baptist Association

From Your Associational Missionary

Recently, I spent the afternoon visiting patients at Tanner. As a pastor, this was a weekly occurrence. But as your associational missionary, I don't visit there very often. I went to the hospital to visit 2 patients, but God provided other opportunities. On this particular afternoon my visits took me to ICU to visit my neighbor's Dad; to the short stay unit to visit with a retired minister and his wife following her knee surgery; to another retired minister who was undergoing some heart tests; and to a former building and grounds team member who had some health issues. As you can imagine each were glad for the visit and I was thankful that I had a chance to minister to them in their time of need.

The next morning I came across this devotional by Dr. Tony Evans entitled "He Can Find You" based upon the story of Jesus in Matthew 14:25-33 when Jesus came to His disciples on the Sea of Galilee in a raging storm. I thought it might be helpful to you as you face your trials or your storms in life.

"By the time Jesus came to the disciples in their trial, it was late—and dark. But He came right on time with the word they needed. That's what He wants to do for you too. Let me show you three ways Christ can encourage you in your trials.

First, because Jesus is God, He knows exactly where you are, and He can find you even in the dark. By now the disciples had been out in the boat about twelve hours without Jesus. So it wasn't when the storm hit that Jesus showed up, but He did show up. He may not have come when they wished He would, but He came on time.

Have you ever been in the middle of a trial and wondered where Jesus was? You've been out there on the stormy sea fighting for your life, and no Jesus. No problem—at least not for Him. He'll arrive on time.

Second, remember that what you see is not necessarily all there is. What the disciples thought was a "sho-nuff" serious problem, a ghost coming out to scare them, turned out to be their salvation in the Person of Jesus.

The very thing that could be looking like the worst possible problem for you may be the thing the Savior used to deliver you. What you may see as a source of great fear may be God's way of saying, "Take courage." Trials have a way of clouding your vision so that you may not really be seeing what you think you're seeing That's why you must always look for Christ.

A third source of encouragement in trials is Jesus' authoritative word. "Do not be afraid." See, He did not change the disciples' circumstance. He changed them. He did not deal with what they were facing on the outside. He first calmed them down on the inside.

Jesus will do the same for you in your trials. Your circumstances are no sweat

for Him. He can walk right over the top of your storm, because He's bigger than your problem. He wants you to learn that you can face the enemy on the outside because Jesus is with you on the inside. Think about it—Jesus has you on His radar screen, and He will come just when you need Him. And He has no problem getting to you."

In this newsletter, there are many events coming up in September and October that you might like to mark on your calendar to attend. Let me simply highlight them:

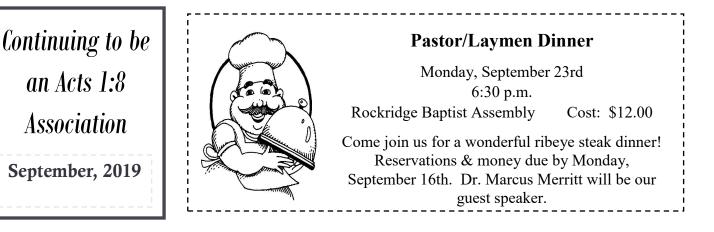
September 23rd: Pastor/Layman Dinner— 6:30 at Rockridge—\$12.00

September 26th:Pregnancy Resource Center Banquet at Mill Town, Bremen October 3:A Positive View of Dementia— Midway—8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. : \$10 which includes lunch.

October 8: Church Protection Seminar— FBC, Villa Rica; 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.. \$10 or \$15 at door

October 17: Darkness to Light Training— Tabernacle; 6:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m.; \$10 October 20th: CBA Annual Meeting/ Mission Celebration—6:00 p.m. at FBC, Villa Rica. Please bring your backpacks October 21—Backpacks loaded and taken to Rogersville, TN

Hope to see you at some of these events.



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NEWS FROM CHURCHES...

Bowdon: is now taking applications for Pastoral Ministry Assistant. The position provides secretarial support to the ministerial staff and performs other important duties such as maintaining church membership records. Please apply in person at the church office. Monday-Thursday 8-5 and Friday 8-noon.

<u>Centralhatchee:</u> Welcomes *Appointed*, a Southern gospel quartet that will minister with song and testimony, Sunday, Sept. 15th during the 11:00 worship service. Covered dish fellowship to follow.

<u>Rocky Mount:</u> is now taking applications for part-time Youth Minister. Please send resume to ddriver.prism@gmail.com. For more information about the position contact Dale Driver at 770-617-3882 or Rev. Steve Riddle @ 470-497-9773

<u>Shady Grove:</u> will celebrate Homecoming Sept. 29th beginning at 10:30. They welcome musical group *Not By Chance*. The morning worship will be followed by a covered dish luncheon.

September Meeting Schedule

- 9/05 Community Ministries Team Meeting—8:15

 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
 Leadership Development Team Meeting—Noon
 at the CBA. Bring your own lunch..
- 9/09 **Mission Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 9/10 Associational Prayer Team—7:00 p.m. at the CBA office.
- 9/11 Administrative Team Meeting—at American Pie Pizzeria following the Minister's Luncheon.
- 9/16 **Executive Committee Meeting**—7:00 p.m. at the CBA office.

Thank you to all the churches who have supported the CBA financially since September 1st, 2018, the beginning of our financial year....

Antioch, Bethesda, Bethsaida, Beulah, Bowdon, Calvary, FBC Carrollton, FBC Centralhatchee, Christ The King Church, Concord, Consolation, Discovery, Ephesus, Flat Rock, Fullerville, Glenloch, Harmony, Indian Creek, Kansas, Mars Hill, Midway, Midway West, Mountain View, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant View, Providence, Rocky Mount, Roopville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Tabernacle, FBC Temple, Trinity, Tyus, Veal, FBC, Villa Rica and Whitesburg

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Hey everyone! I hope you're having a great beginning to your fall. I always enjoy the change of seasons and especially the weather beginning to cool. We have had a great start to our year. Our student leaders have done a great job of reaching out to our campus. It struck me today as I was walking back to our building after an outreach that statistics tell us that 70% of our students are lost and heading to an eternity without Jesus. Please pray that God will give us divine appointments with these students. Please pray that we would be led to the ones who are ready to hear the Gospel. Please pray that we will reap a harvest in the days and weeks to come! I hope you have a blessed and safe fall!! God Bless, Bill

Note: Please have all announcements for the October Newsletter into the CBA office <u>No later</u> <u>than</u> September 15th.

North Georgia Men's Training Conference

September 28th Toccoa Conference Center

2019 Mission Opportunities

Midway	Fish Hoek, South Africa
Association	Rogersville, TN
FBC, Villa Rica	Guatemala
Association	Operation Christmas
	Child
Association	Rogersville, TN
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Note to Pastors... Join us every Wednesday in September at 11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria for our weekly Ministers' Luncheons

Executive Committee Meeting September 16 7:00 p.m. CBA Office

September 2019

From the WMU

September's special missions emphasis is State Missions. This year's theme is Strengthen. We are given an opportunity to support our state missions by giving an offering to the state. You can find resources at missiongeorgia.org. There is a prayer guide available that will allow you to pray for mission needs in our state. You can also find volunteer opportunities. The materials are not dated if you consider focusing on state missions during another month.

Something to consider...How often do you think about your everyday actions and reactions to others? We may not always think before we react to something, but we need to keep in mind people are watching. We need to let them see Jesus. The August Mission Mosaic Prayer Patterns devotions had us considering the impact of living with an awareness that someone is watching. Let's show them Jesus. Haggai 1:5 reads, "Now this is what the Lord Almighty says: 'Give careful thought to your ways'."

Please help us support the Christmas Backpack ministry. Our association sends backpacks to Rogersville, TN. Find information at <u>gabaptist.org/ backpacks</u> to find guidelines and gift suggestions. The backpacks will be collected at our annual meeting on Sunday, October 20th at FBC Villa Rica.

Thanks for all you do, Keri Perkins

Come be a 5K Hero To the kids at the Georgia Baptist Children's Home!

October 19th. Race begins at 8:30 a.m. 9250 Hutcheson Ferry Rd, Palmetto, GA Pre registration \$25. Day of race \$35. Register at www.beahero5k.com All proceeds go to the GA Baptist Children's home.

2019 Church Protection Seminar

October 8th from 6-9 pm at FBC, Villa Rica \$10 on line, or \$15 at the door Registration: gabaptist.org/churchcompliance

Protecting your church and Ministries in three crucial areas:

- Financial Compliance and Safeguards
 - Safety and Security
 - Religious Freedom

2019 VBS Project— Adopt A Verse

Thank you for participating in this great project to have the Gospel of John printed in the Sauta language for an unreached people group in Asia. Money is still coming in. To date we have collected \$12,352.67. Praise the Lord!

146th Annual Meeting of the Carrollton Baptist Association Sunday, October 20th at 6:00 p.m. at FBC, Villa Rica Please bring your filled backpacks to this meeting so they will be ready to leave on the truck to Rogersville, TN Monday morning. Alzheimer's Group of Carroll County– A Positive Approach to Dementia

presented by Teepa Snow October 3 at Midway Church 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. \$10:00 includes lunch Register online at alzgroup.org

Christmas Backpacks

I hope your church is participating in the Christmas Backpack project. We still have a few backpacks here at the CBA office, if you need a few more. Please have your filled backpacks at our Annual Meeting Sunday, October 20th at 6:00 p.m. at FBC, Villa Rica. We will leave out with them Monday morning for Rogersville, TN.

September 2019

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Closed on Fridays

Rev. Tony McManus: Moderator Rev. Mark Williams: Vice Moderator Rev. Dan Dockery: Associational Missionary Mrs. Teresa Britt: Ministry Assistant

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26-9/01 Pray for Veal, Rev. Wesley Bowman, Pastor

- 1 **Single Adult Day**
- Labor Day-Office Closed 2
- 2-8 Pray for FBC, Villa Rica, Dr. Kevin Williams, Pastor
- 4 Ministers' Luncheon-11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria
- 5 Community Ministries Team Meeting-8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A

Leadership Development Team Meeting-Noon at the CBA office.

- Missions Development Team Meeting-8:15 9 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- Pray for Whitesburg, Rev. David Haag, Pastor 9-15
- 10 Associational Prayer Team Meeting-7:00 p.m. at the CBA Office
- 11 Ministers' Luncheon-11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria

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- 15 Anti-Gambling Day
- 16 Executive Committee Meeting-7:00 p.m. at the CBA
- 16-22 **Pray for State Missions**
- 18 Ministers' Luncheon-11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria

Pastor/Laymen Dinner-6:30 p.m. at Rockridge 23 Baptist Assembly: Dr. Marcus Merritt, guest speaker

Pray for Local Ministries: Manna House, 415 23-29 Hope House, Pregnancy Resource Center, Rapha **Clinic, LifeLine Missions, Open Hands Ministry**

- Ministers' Luncheon-11:30 a.m. at American Pie 25 Pizzeria
- 28 North Georgia Men's Training Conference—Toccoa
- 30-Oct. 6 Pray for Antioch, Rev. Jamie Beam, Pastor

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