

Carrollton Baptist Association

Continuing to be an Acts 1:8 Association

Coming Up...

- Cooperative Program Day—April 14
- VBS Clinic—April 15
- Ministry Assistant's Luncheon—April 16
- Executive Committee Meeting—April 22
- Project Pray—April 29-May 2
- Prayer Rally—May 2
- Spiritual Renewal Weekend—May 3-4

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From Your Associational Missionary:

Fourteen years. That seems like a long time. If a child began in PreK 14 years ago they would be graduating from high school this year. If a baby was born 14 years ago, that baby would be a middle schooler. If an individual was 50 fourteen years ago, he/she would be looking very closely at retirement now.

1999. That was fourteen years ago. The Y2k Bug was the topic of conversation but nothing happened. The world didn't end. The euro was established. Unemployment was at 4.2%. The cost of a first class stamp was 33 cents. Denver defeated Atlanta to win the Super Bowl and the NY Yankees beat the Atlanta Braves to win the World Series. Lance Armstrong won his first Tour de France. A magnitude 7.4 earthquake killed more than 15,600 and left 600,000 homeless in Turkey. The Columbine High School massacre occurred and John F. Kennedy Jr., his wife, and her sister were lost at sea after a plane crash. The Roth IRA was born and the Dow

topped the 11,000 mark for the first time. The population of the world was 5.996 billion. Why do I mention all these things?

Well, in March of 1999 you called me as your Associational Missionary, and in April I began. It's hard to believe that was 14 years ago but David was in 5th grade and he graduated from college in 2011. What a wonderful 14 years! I am just as excited today as I was when I arrived to begin this new journey. And it has been an incredible journey. Travels to NY, Mexico, Ohio, Canada, Peru, Senegal, and California to begin mission partnerships; to Moldova and the Czech Republic to serve as pastor for the Sons of Jubal during their mission tour; a baseball clinic, a horse whisperer event, and a motorcycle and bicycle event for our community all bring back pleasant memories and allow me to recall all the lives that were changed. Seeing thousands of shoeboxes in my office every November for Operation Christmas Child and school supplies, paper

goods, detergent and other supplies for GA Baptist Children's Home all demonstrate that the folks in our association do care about others and are "on mission."

Hundreds of VBS workers and Sunday School leaders have been trained during these fourteen years. Over 1500 boys and girls have enjoyed time at Rockridge during our Children's camp. What memories! But you know tomorrow will create another memory and I look forward to what tomorrow holds. Our association is a "Great Commission Resource Center," whose goal is to encourage, motivate, and strengthen every church to be a Great Commission church. We've come a long way but there is still much to do.

Thank you for partnering with us in local, state, national, and international missions. It's a joy to serve as your associational missionary. Thank you for 14 years! Dan



*Associational V.B.S. Clinic
Monday, April 15th
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church
6:30 p.m.
This clinic is for all workers in your
Vacation Bible School*

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Now that we've sprung forward the days are getting longer and the weather is getting warmer. Soon flowers will bloom and the trees will begin to get green. This is always an exciting time in our ministry. We will soon be making selections for next year's Leadership Team. Please pray that our students will be up

to the challenge of leadership and that the right people will apply. Please pray for our new team as they begin to get adjusted to their new positions and begin to plan for next year. Please also pray for our summer missionaries who are preparing to go out and serve God this summer. We want to thank everyone who came to our Dinner

Theater! It was a big success. The money we raised will go to help send out our missionaries. I hope you have a blessed spring!
Bill

Project Pray: April 29-May 2

Monday

Pray for our schools

Tuesday

Pray for our Policemen and Firemen

Wednesday

Pray for our Local Government

Pray for our Churches

Thursday

National Day of Prayer

Pray for our Neighborhoods

April Meetings..

- 4/08 **Missions Development Team Meeting**—8:15 at Chick-fil-A
- 4/10 **Administrative Team Meeting**—following the Ministers' Luncheon at American Pie Pizzeria
- 4/18 **New Church Starts/ Ministry Team Meeting**—noon at the CBA
- 4/22 **Executive Committee Meeting**—7:00 p.m. at the CBA

Prayer Rally—National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 2nd at 7:00 PM at the Carrollton AMP—
Please join us as we gather together to pray for our community, our state, our nation, and our world. Dr. Stephen Peeples, Pastor, Roopville Road Baptist Church, will be our guest speaker.

Spiritual Renewal Weekend with Claude King

Friday May 3rd & Saturday May 4th

Oak Grove Baptist Church

Friday: 7:00PM-9:00PM Saturday: 9:00AM-12:00 noon

Note to Pastors:



We will meet each Wednesday in April at American Pie Pizzeria.

Executive Committee Meeting

April 22
7:00 p.m.

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**GA Baptist
Women's Spring
Event**
April 19-20
Calloway Gardens



State RA/Challengers
Camporee
April 19-20
Camp Kaleo

Cooperative Program Day
Sunday, April 14

**Church
News**



Roopville Road: recently hosted their annual Global Impact Missions Conference with representatives from local ministries & national & international missionaries

Tyus: broke ground on their new Family Life Center in March.

Unity: Recently baptized four youth.

FBC, Villa Rica: recently opened a "Lifetree Café". The Café provides "a comfortable place and time to gather weekly to explore life and faith." They meet each Saturday at 7:00 p.m.



**Associational Ministry
Assistant's Luncheon**

Tuesday, April 16
FBC, Carrollton
11:30 a.m.

All Ministry Assistants in your church are invited.

Please R.S.V.P. by April 10th.

Menu:

Baked Chicken, Squash Casserole,
Green Beans, Salad, Rolls and Dessert

From the WMU

We have many opportunities to serve in our churches, our association, our state, and even around the world. As you become involved in different activities you may feel overwhelmed or weary. Remember the words in Matthew 11:28. *Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.* The Message Bible phrases the same verse a little different: *Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to Me. Get away with Me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest.* These words comfort and remind us of the importance of spending time with God. Remember the story of Mary and Martha. Mar-

tha worked hard to have everything just right when Jesus came to visit. She even went to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me." The Lord answered, "You are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better and it will not be taken away from her." Something I read recently from a devotional book reminds us when we do something for God, remember whom you do it for. Remember why you do it. You do it to honor and glorify God. You do it to make His name known. Do the work of God for the sake of God. I know there are times we get over-

whelmed with things and we want to give up some of our responsibilities. I believe some people may need to lighten their load if they've taken on too much, but try not to give up everything. Look for opportunities to serve using your talents He have given you. I would like to leave you with a verse shared with me recently—
Therefore, my dear brother, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.
Thank you for all you do,
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April 2013



- 1-7 **Pray for Oak Grove**
3 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria.
8 **Missions Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A.
8-14 **Pray for Pleasant Grove**
10 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria.
Administrative Team Meeting—following the Ministers' Luncheon at American Pie Pizzeria.
14 **Cooperative Program Day**
15 **Associational V.B.S. Clinic**—6:30 p.m. at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church.
15-21 **Pray for Pleasant Ridge**
16 **Ministry Assistant's Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at FBC, Carrollton.
17 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria.
18 **New Church Starts Ministry Team**—Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.
19-20 **State R.A. Challengers Camporee**—Camp Kaleo, Forsyth
GA Baptist Women's Spring Event—Calloway Gardens
22 **Executive Committee Meeting**—7:00 p.m. at the CBA
22-28 **Pray for Pleasant View**
23-25 **Associational Vision Trip to Buffalo, NY**
24 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 at American Pie Pizzeria
Administrative Professionals Day
26-27 **GBC Pastor/Deacon/Spouse Retreat**—Toccoa
29-May 2 **Project Pray**
29 **Pray for our Schools**
29-May 5 **Pray for Local Ministries**
30 **Pray for our Police Dept., Sheriff's Dept., & Fire Dept.**