

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

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From Your Associational Missionary...

Several weeks ago I visited Pleasant Grove in Villa Rica. Several members had invited me for the service especially since they were baptizing seven people. Dr. Joe Tanner, pastor, has done a wonderful job of reaching out to their community and beyond. As I sat there during the worship service, I noticed several children and youth as well as many young adults. That wasn't true three years ago, but a wonderful thing happened—the church decided to have Vacation Bible School for the first time in many years. Jerry and Vickie Terrell volunteered to be the directors, folks signed up to teach and assist, and 61 children and youth came with a total enrollment of 97. Donna and I visited their VBS that week and there was much excitement throughout the church. Since that VBS event, many lives have been touched and the church has seen an increase in children and youth. In fact they baptized 6 in 2010, after follow up from VBS and these seven (two adults, three youth, and two children) were a direct result of 2011's VBS. They have also had seven others

who have joined by letter. It was an exciting morning at Pleasant Grove and I am glad I had a chance to be there to celebrate with them.

That morning also reminded me of the importance of VBS—it is the greatest outreach tool we have. Pleasant Grove had not done VBS for years because they didn't think they had any children. However when they decided to have VBS and promoted it in their community, they discovered many children and youth. That's what VBS does—it allows the church to see the opportunities and needs in their community. And it also allows the church to minister and reach out to families following VBS.

Let me remind you that our Associational VBS training is scheduled for Monday night, March 26th, at 6:30 PM at Tabernacle. Julie Harris, our Associational VBS Director, has recruited a wonderful lineup of conference leaders who will offer some great info about "Amazing Wonders Aviation: Encountering God's Awesome Power" for all of your different VBS leadership. I hope you have marked it down on your calendars, have encouraged your leaders to come, and are ready to

have a great VBS this summer. This year for the first time we are having to charge \$5.00 per person to help defray some of the costs for the conference. We hope our economy will bounce back soon so that this will be the only year for this charge.

Just wanted to update you on the rebuilding efforts in Trenton, GA. As you know we've helped with several homes at various stages in Ringgold and are now working with Rebuilding Hope to help rebuild 5 homes in Trenton. So far we have purchased the framing materials (everything but the trusses) for 3 homes at a cost of almost \$14,000. We have over \$3,000 to provide some of the materials for a 4th home later this spring. I am grateful to you for giving to this tornado relief fund and grateful that these funds have been used to rebuild those homes.

It's a joy to serve as your Associational Missionary.
Dan

COMING UP...

- **Week of Prayer for North American Missions**—March 4-11
- **GBC Evangelism Conference**—March 5-6, FBC, Newnan
- **Associational VBC Clinic**—March 26—Tabernacle

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Week of Prayer for North American Missions— “Whatever It Takes”

March 4-11

and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

National Goal: \$70 Million

A Look Ahead...

- **Easter**—April 8
- **Executive Committee Meeting**—April 16
- **Ministry Assistant's Luncheon**—April 17
- **Project Pray**—April 30-May 3

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

As spring approaches so do Spring Break mission trips. This year we are taking two trips, one to New York City and the other to New Orleans. Our New York trip will take students into the heart of a city that represents the ends of the earth. Pray for Bill and the students who will be ministering with the Metropolitan Baptist Association in diverse ways to a diverse people. Our New Orleans trip will allow

students the opportunity to help rebuild a city and lives that were devastated by Hurricane Katrina. Pray for me and the students as we work with the North Shore Baptist Association doing light construction, painting, and block parties to shine into a very dark place the light of Christ. Continue to remember us as we make disciples on this campus. A few weeks ago the International Student Club held an in-

ternational night to celebrate the many cultures on our campus, with over 50 countries represented in food or in a talent show. It is incredible to realize the opportunity we have to reach the nations by reaching this campus.

Thank you for all your support!

David Dockery,
UWG, Baptist Collegiate
Ministries Intern



Note to Pastors...

Please make note of the March Ministers' Lunches. We will meet at 11:30 each Wednesday morning. On the 7th we will be at American Pie Pizzeria. Jeff May, our special guest, will help us take a look at security in your church. We will meet at Ryan's on the 14th, 21st, and 28th.

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

All Pastors involved in THRIVE will meet Thursday, March 8th at the Associational office from 11:00 to 12:30. Bring your own lunch.



Daylight Saving Time begins.

March 11

Set your clocks forward one hour.

Looking Ahead...

Ministry Assistant's Luncheon

FBC Carrollton

April 17, 2012

11:30 a.m.



Associational R.A. Pinewood Racer Derby



Saturday, March 3
at Tabernacle Baptist Church

Associational Vacation Bible School Clinic



March 26
at Tabernacle

6:30 p.m.

Bring all your workers for this important training event!

Note: There will be a \$5.00 charge per person to help defray the cost of the conference.

March Meetings:

New Church Starts Ministry Team—3/01 at noon at the Associational office. Bring your own lunch.

Missions Development Team—3/12 at 8:15 at Chick-fil-A

Leadership Development Team—3/13 at 8:15 at Chick-fil-A

Administrative Team—3/14 at Ryan's following the Ministers' Luncheon.

"Salvation: Start to Finish"

with Jerry Vines

March 29-30

North Metro Baptist Church

GBC Evangelism Conference: "Awaken"

March 5-6

FBC, Newnan

National Sunday
School Conference
March 15-16
FBC, Woodstock



*Journey:
A Retreat for
Teen Girls
March 9-10*



CHURCH NEWS

Pleasant Ridge: called Rev. Marcus Merritt as interim pastor.

Elevate Church: the San Diego Mission supported by our association, just celebrated their 3rd anniversary.

Flat Rock: will be in Revival March 11-14 with Dr. Len Turner—11a.m. & 6 p.m. on the 11th; 7p.m. on the 12th-14th.

Temple First: on February 27th Rev. Larry Boswell celebrated 40 years of ministry.

Peachtree Community: Rev. David Reid, Pastor, resigned

Shady Grove: Called Rev. Mike Harris as Pastor

“GA Baptist Women’s Spring Event”

April 27-28

Callaway Gardens

Special Guests: Anne

Graham Lotz, Tom & Kim Blackaby, & Cindy Johnson of Stage 2 Ministries

“Love Loud” Donations

Mountain View is getting ready for their next “Love Loud”, free yard sale. If you have items you would like to donate, they can be dropped off at Bowdon Middle School on Saturday, March 10th from 9am until 12 noon, and during the following week. If you need a pick up for large items, please call the school ahead of time and they will try to have people ready on the 10th to pick items up.

**BCM Dinner Theater
March 30-31**

NOTE: FBC, Franklin, GA is prayerfully seeking a youth director for their student ministry. It is currently a paid part-time position, but potential to become full time. For more info call 706-675-3776 and leave a message.

From the WMU...

Each year I attend our state WMU Missions Encounter I am inspired by the messages from the guest speakers and missionaries as they share personal experiences and testimonies of God working through them. As I return home I have always wanted to share with my church stories that prove God is in control, stories shared by those at the conference.

This year’s meeting on April 27-28 has a different name, Georgia Baptist Women Spring Event, and it is the first time that is going to be held in a location other than a church, Callaway Gardens. It still promises to be as inspirational as any meeting has in the past. There are some wonderful speakers sharing during the conference. Special guests include Anne Graham

Lotz, Tom and Kim Blackaby and worship leader, Cindy Johnson of Stage 2 Ministries.

Women will also have the opportunity to choose from some amazing conference options both Friday and Saturday. As a ministry project they are collecting \$25 or \$50 Wal-Mart gift cards for missionary kids entering college in fall 2012. There is also an opportunity to attend equipping conferences. These conferences are for local church leaders that are wanting to begin or have missions education in your church. These specific conferences will be Friday morning, the 27th for Preschool, Children’s Student, Women’s Ministry Leaders, Adult Missions and WMU Directors. You can find more information about the event and registration at

gabaptistwomenspringevent.com.

You may also call me if you have any questions.

Upcoming Event:

March 24-We are taking a trip to Wellspring Treasures in Peachtree City. Wellspring Treasures are resale boutiques that support the ministry of Wellspring Living. Wellspring Living confronts the issue of exploitation through advocacy, education and treatment programs for girls and women. You can meet us at Pleasant View (N Hwy 27) by 9:00 AM or at Tabernacle by 9:30 AM to ride with us. We will also stop for lunch in Newnan and then return to Carrollton. If you have a small item you would like to donate to Wellspring Treasures you may also bring that.

Thank you for all you do,
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- Feb 27-March 4 **Pray for Mountain View**
- 1 **New Church Starts Ministry Team Meeting**—noon at the associational office
- 3 **Associational RA Pinewood Racer Derby**—Tabernacle Baptist
- 5-6 **GBC Evangelism Conference**—“Awaken.” FBC Newnan
- 5-11 **Week of Prayer for North American Missions & the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**
Pray for Mt. Pleasant
- 7 **Ministers’ Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria, Jeff May, will be the guest speaker.
- 7-9 **G.B.A.M.A.**—GA Baptist Association of Ministry Assistants Conference in Peachtree City
- 8 **Thrive**—11:00 a.m. –12:30 p.m. at the Associational office. Bring your own lunch.
- 9-11 **Journey, A Retreat for Teen Girls**
- 11 **Daylight Saving Time Begins**
- 12 **Missions Development Team meeting**—8:15 at Chick-fil-A
- 12-18 **Pray for Mt. Zion**
- 13 **Leadership Development Team meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 14 **Ministers’ Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at Ryan’s
Administrative Team meeting—following the Ministers’ Luncheon at Ryan’s
- 15-16 **National Sunday School Conference**—FBC Woodstock
- 19-25 **Pray for New Brooklyn**
- 21 **Ministers’ Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at Ryan’s
- 22 **Financial Compliance Update**
- 24 **WMU Trip to “Wellspring Treasures”** in Peachtree City
- 26 **VBS Clinic**—6:30 p.m. at Tabernacle. There will be a cost of \$5.00 per person to help defray cost.
- 26-April 1 **Pray for New Lebanon**
- 27 **Priority of Administration and Leadership Workshop**—1st Baptist Helen
- 28 **Ministers’ Luncheon**—11:30 am at Ryan’s
- 29-30 **“Salvation—Start to Finish”** with Jerry Vines: North Metro Baptist Church
- 30-31 **BCM Dinner Theater**