

Centennial

BAPTIST NEWS

Networking churches to make disciples

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JOHNNY HUNT MEN'S CONFERENCE SIMULCAST EVENT

UNSPOKEN

WHAT MEN
WON'T
TALK ABOUT
AND WHY

CBA EVENT • TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH
2/3/2018 • 8 AM - 3 PM • STEAK LUNCH



CHILDREN'S MISSIONS EXTRAVAGANZA

February 24, 2018

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Location: Bethany Baptist Church,
365 Pea Ridge Road, Bolingbroke, GA

What to expect:

- Experience community mission projects
- Meet missionaries
- Do hands-on ministry activities
- Pray for the nations
- Opportunity to give financially to kids in Israel

Cost \$20
per person

(Includes lunch, all ministry
supplies for the day,
children's missions day
badge--while supplies last)



Register and learn more at:
gabaptist.org/childrensmissionsday



*This opportunity is sponsored by: Georgia WMU and Women's Ministry and
hosted by Centennial Baptist Association and Bethany Baptist Church.*

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A Word from Your Missionary, Steve Laughman

This is the second article in a series related to our new strategy and vision as an association.

Priority Two is to assist churches in developing strategic direction. Most of the members of the Strategy Planning team for CBA were also pastors. It became abundantly clear as we worked through the process that many of our churches would benefit from taking time to examine themselves and define their purpose. The need for churches to refocus and revitalize is great. It also became evident that the association could play a vital role in that.

To that end, we set the following goals:

Goal 1: Cast a vision for strategic direction by October 2107. This vision was outlined at the Fall meeting in October. For those who were unable to attend, you will find the information we shared on our website under "Our Strategy." I will also continue to share over the next several months how this vision is being fulfilled.

Goal 2: Identify 4-6 churches annually that are willing to engage in strategic planning. I know what you are thinking – at that rate, by the time you get through all the churches, it will be time to cast a new vision. In truth, we would need to move at a much more rapid pace to keep up with the need. However, we also understand that not every church desires or needs to go through this process at this time. So far in 2018 I have begun working with two churches and have spoken to several pastors about the possibility.

Goal 3: Enlist a Strategy Development Team to work with churches by October 2018. I will be working with the Nominating Committee to enlist volunteers to help me work with churches that desire to go through a strategy development process. Over time we should be able to multiply our efforts and make it easier for every church to experience the benefits.

Goal 4: Lead 4-6 churches through strategy development annually. This is an extension of Goal 2. We do not want to just identify churches, but we want to actually see the process through to completion. Some of our churches know firsthand how God can bless a church that understands her purpose and sets tangible, reachable goals. It is exciting to see what God will do in our churches who commit to this.

Don't forget to check out all the great ministries that are working this month and next. There is literally something for every age group in your church. Let us know if you have questions about anything you see here in the newsletter.

ELEVATE

CHURCH STRATEGY SUMMIT

A Centennial event to help equip every believer for ministry through the local church

April 28, 2018

Workshops on topics including but not limited to

Mission Strategy, Sunday School & Small Group
Mentoring, Reaching the Next Generation,
Women's Ministry, Caring for the Hurting, Music Ministry,
Reaching your Community, Church Health,
& Children's Ministry.



**CHUCK
LAWLESS**

Plenary Speaker

Hosted by
FBC Thomaston
208 S Church Street
Thomaston, GA 30286

LISTEN UP

**STUDENTS & WORKERS
6TH GRADE & UP**

MARCH 9 & 10

**MEANSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
12295 HWY 109**

**EQUIP
TO
WIN**

\$20

EQUIP

2018

BIBLE EMPHASIS WEEKEND

March 3, 2018



Dr. Daniel Warner
ARCHEOLOGIST AND PROFESSOR

THEME BIBLICAL ARCHEOLOGY

Lunch provided. Please RSVP by calling 770-358-2354

FBC Barnesville
200 Zebulon St.

Help kids develop

a LOVE for
God's Word

through Bible Skills, Bible reading, and
scripture memorization at church and home!



GEORGIA
Bible Drill

Associational Bible Drill Event

Sunday April 15 @ 5:00 PM

FBC Barnesville

200 Zebulon Street

For more information, contact Kristi Miller
770-358-2353

Order your
VBS material
through the
office at CBA.



Email us at
centennialbaptistassociation@gmail.com
for a downloadable form. Orders must be
placed by 2/28

Quarterly Fellowship Lunch

Do not miss out on this time of fellowship
and fun each quarter. Bring a side dish to
share and a friend to sit beside.

All are invited to attend!

Fellowship Baptist Church

3133 Crest Highway, Thomaston, 30286

2-8-18 @ 12:00 Noon

2018 Dental Clinic

FBC Forsyth

95 West Morse St.

Forsyth, GA 31029

March 15-17, 2018

If you or someone you know is interested in
attending, appointments are given on a first
come first serve basis beginning March 12th at
9:00 AM. 706-427-3387

OUR VISION:

By 2020, CBA will be a unified yet diverse
network of equipped churches moving in a
strategic missional direction.

Ministers Meeting

The Garden Patch
100 Southland Drive
Barnesville, GA 30204

February 12, 2018
12 Noon

All ministers are invited to attend.

Notice of Date Change

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Tuesday, February 13
at 6:30 PM

King's Chapel Baptist Church

4126 Waymanville Rd
Thomaston, GA 30286

Because **Elevate** is taking the place of our Spring Business
meeting, we want to try to handle all business for Centennial at
Executive Committee. Any committee chairperson or ministry
director who wishes to be on the agenda should contact our
office by 10 AM, Monday, February 12.

Income for December 2017

	Dec 17	Jan17- Dec17
Checking Interest	5.86	56.58
Antioch	717.81	7,337.69
Bethany	0.00	3,000.00
Beulah	150.00	2,674.00
Calvary	0.00	0.00
Clark's Chapel	100.00	1,200.00
Concord	200.00	2,400.00
Culloden	0.00	600.00
East Thomaston	307.28	4,043.26
Elkins Creek	0.00	0.00
Emory's Chapel	0.00	0.00
FBC Barnesville	0.00	20,011.91
FBC Forsyth	0.00	0.00
FBC Thomaston	765.41	10,717.20
Fellowship	470.00	5,812.00
Garden Hill	0.00	469.63
GracePoint	0.00	0.00
Hendricks	0.00	0.00
Jeff Davis	25.00	300.00
King's Chapel	0.00	200.00
Macedonia	0.00	0.00
Maynard	471.76	6,622.08
Meansville	241.66	2,899.92
Milner	409.59	5,812.00
Molena	0.00	0.00
Mount Olive	875.65	12,089.36
Mountain View	1,924.00	19,405.00
Mt. Pleasant	300.00	600.00
Mt. Zion	60.00	785.00
Neal	0.00	550.00
New Bethel	50.00	600.00
New Harmony	0.00	756.35
New Hope Thomaston	0.00	2,250.00
New Hope Zebulon	155.47	155.47
Pine View	0.00	300.00
Pritchett Memorial	0.00	473.56
Russellville	0.00	600.00
Shiloh Upson	50.00	600.00
Shiloh Lamar	0.00	2,162.86
Silvertown	0.00	1,832.11
The Rock	21.86	320.00
Trinity	300.00	3,600.00
Valley Grove	0.00	3,202.55
Yatesville	0.00	1,100.00
Total Church Receipts	7,595.49	125,481.95

Disbursements for December 2017

Administrative Expenses	1,162.57
Associational Programs	71.61
Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00
Organizational Expenses	118.90
Pastorium Maintenance	1,242.00
Salaries and Allowances	6,775.04
Total Budgeted Expenditures	9,370.12
Designated Accounts Expenses	0.00
Monthly Surplus/Shortfall	(1,774.63)
Year End Surplus/Shortfall	16,382.68

Opportunities & Church News

Mountain View will celebrate Pastor Rex King's 40th anniversary as their pastor on Sunday, Feb. 11 at 10:30 AM.

Clark's Chapel is hosting a revival with evangelist Rick Coram March 4-7.

New Hope is seeking a *pianist*. If you are interested in applying, please email your resume to newhopebaptist1@windstream.net

Silvertown is searching for an Associate Pastor of Music. This is a bi-vocational position requiring approximately 12-16 hours per week. Visit www.silvertownbc.com/staffneeds for details and application instructions.

GracePoint is seeking a *pianist*. Contact Derrick Keeter at 678-898-9864 if you are interested in applying.

New Providence will be hosting a Marriage Conference February 16th-17th for couples in the community. <http://www.npbcsmar.org/marriage-conference>

If your church would like to post a ministry opportunity or an event, please contact the CBA office by the third week of the month to get it into the next month's newsletter.

February 2018

1 Pre EQUIP Meeting
3 Johnny Hunt Men's Conference
5-7 Assoc. Missionary & Wives Retreat
8 The Great Exchange
8 Quarterly Lunch Fellowship
12 Ministers Meeting
13 Executive Committee
22 Elevate Program Committee Mtg
24 GBMB Children's Mission Day

March 2018

1 Upson Pike Roundtable
9-10 EQUIP Weekend
12 Ministers Meeting
12 Women's Inspirational Meeting
13 Monroe Roundtable
15-17 Dental Health Clinic

Calendar of Events

Meansville 6:30 PM
Trinity 8:00 AM
Toccoa CBA closed
Gordon College 10 AM- 2PM
Fellowship 12 Noon
Garden Patch 12 Noon
King's Chapel 6:30 PM
FBC Thomaston 10:00 AM
Bethany 9:30-3:30
Meansville 10:00 AM
Meansville 6:15 Check In
The Garden Patch 12 Noon
Valley Grove 6:00 PM
New Providence 2:00 PM
FBC Forsyth 4:00 PM



Shepherd Stories

Mike McMullan and his bride, Paula, have been serving the congregation at Garden Hill Baptist Church for many years. The people that call this church home make you feel very relaxed while you are there. They are located right off of 75 South in Forsyth and are faithful supporters of Centennial. Pastor Mike and Mrs. Paula are both retired now, but have not used that as an excuse to shake their sandals clean of responsibility.

Mrs. Paula is currently serving on the Steering Committee for Centennial while Pastor Mike has served on Budget and Finance. Both are excellent examples of humility and grace. Steve and I are fortunate to call this dear couple our friends. Fun fact, the McMullans worshipped at Garden Hill before the congregation asked Mike to be their Pastor. I'm sure the church reminisced on the times they had worshipped beside Pastor Mike, and knew they could trust him to shepherd them as a congregation. He will celebrate 17 years of ministry there at the end of March. Isaiah 52:7 says, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news". Pastor Mike and Mrs. Paula, you have beautiful feet and Centennial is blessed to partner with you both for the purpose of reducing lostness and discipling believers!

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