



The Georgia Baptist Evangelism Conference is back for 2023 with 2 different venues to join in growth and fellowship on February 26-27 or March 12-13. The Breakout Sessions throughout the days are geared to pour into you as our church leadership and to strengthen your own evangelism journey. There will also be dedicated worship each day of the conference.

The 2023 theme is "Entrusted with the Gospel" and the theme verse is 1 Thessalonians 2:4: "But as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, even so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God who tests our hearts."

Like Paul, The GBMB's desire is for our churches to see themselves as stewards entrusted by God to carry the gospel to the lost.

Visit [www.gbcevangalismconferences.com/](http://www.gbcevangalismconferences.com/) for more information & to register.

Free

## DENTAL CLINIC

March 9-11

### LIMITED APPOINTMENTS

Call 762-319-2966 on March 6 @ 9 AM to schedule a screening.  
Number will not be active until this date & time.

A photograph of a dentist examining a child's teeth in a dental clinic.

Hosted by GBMB, & Centennial Association at First Baptist Church Thomaston

### BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND...

We are incredibly excited that Centennial will be hosting the Georgia Baptist Mobile Dental Health unit March 9-11. FBC Thomaston has agreed to host this event on their campus located at 208 South Church Street in Upson County. Anyone wishing to call for a screening appointment will need to call 762-319-2966 on Monday morning March 6th beginning at 9:00 AM. Pretend you are calling the radio station for tickets to the Super Bowl!! These appointments are filled quickly. Please exercise grace and patience. For more information, click [HERE](#) or visit

[www.centennialbaptistassociation.com/dental-health-ministry](http://www.centennialbaptistassociation.com/dental-health-ministry)

January 29th from 6 PM-7:30PM Fellowship's Children's Ministry will have a **kids revival and ice cream social**! Every child from any church or community from ages 4-11 years old is invited to attend! Kolby King and Daniel Mulkey will be in both the 11 AM and 6 PM services. Drop off will ONLY be down at the gym doors.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Abi Horn at 360-941-0239. Fellowship is so excited and can't wait to see you all there!

MUSIC DANIEL MULKEY

SPEAKER KOLBY KING

JOIN US FOR

# KIDS REVIVAL & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

## 2023

JANUARY 29 | FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH  
1165 HANNAHS MILL RD. THOMASTON, GA  
6-7:30PM

FBC BARNESVILLE | 200 ZEBULON ST | 770-358-2343

# Bible Emphasis

## WEEKEND 2023

MARCH 4, 2023 | DOORS OPEN AT 7:45 A  
COME EXPERIENCE ISRAEL NOW WITH REV. ANDY COOK!  
BREAKFAST AND LUNCH WILL BE SERVED. THIS IS A FREE EVENT!

CALL OR REGISTER ONLINE AT [WWW.FBCBARNESVILLE.COM/BEW](http://WWW.FBCBARNESVILLE.COM/BEW)

FBC Barnesville would like to invite everyone to join them for their annual Bible Emphasis Weekend on March 4th. Enjoy five workshops lead by five area pastors on various topics from "How to study the Bible" to "How we got the Bible" to "The Biblical Timeline" and more. This is a free event. If you are interested in attending visit [www.fbcarnesville.com/bew](http://www.fbcarnesville.com/bew) to register.

Rev. Steve Laughman- Associational Mission Strategist  
Rev. Eddie Johnson- Moderator  
Rev. Mark Harris- Vice Moderator

Mrs. Marni Laughman- Ministry Assistant  
Mrs. Joan German- Treasurer

**A Word from Your Mission Strategist, Steve Laughman**  
 Happy New Year! I pray that 2023 has been a great year for you so far. I'm excited to kick off the new year by implementing our new strategy voted on by you in our Annual Fall Meeting in October. Priority Teams are being formed and beginning to meet. Plans are in the works for opportunities for you and your church, and I would like to share a few of those with you.

Centennial has restructured our budget and teams around four key priorities:

- Church Health & Strengthening
- Missions & Community Impact
- Collegiate & Campus Ministry
- Church Planting & Replanting

A team for each of these priorities is being formed to focus our efforts as an association. If you are interested in serving on any of these teams, please contact our office, and we will connect you with the Priority Team Leader.

**Church Health & Strengthening** will introduce some new groups this year called Discipleship Learning Communities. These are open to anyone and will meet 6 times a year. The goal is to equip leaders in the area of discipling believers and to provide practical steps toward healthy church growth. The first two Learning Communities will meet Tuesday, January 17 at noon and 6 PM at FBC Barnesville. A meal was provided.



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**Missions & Community Impact** will continue the partnership with the Blackmons in Bangkok with monthly contributions, prayer support, and regular reports right here in the Centennial News. We will also be discussing a future mission trip to Thailand. Once again, we will be hosting the Dental Health Clinic. FBC Thomaston will be our host on March 9-11. More information will be forthcoming. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the CBA office.

Ministry on the Gordon Campus is going strong. We would love for every church to be involved in some way with what God is doing on our local college campus. Our spring equipping conference will focus on **Collegiate & Campus Ministry** this year, helping churches engage with students both on campus and in their communities. We hope you will make plans to attend. This event is scheduled for April 23-24.

**Church Planting & Replanting** is in the early stages of work. We know the need is great for some churches who need help. If your church would be willing to help a hurting church, we would love to hear from you. If your church needs help, we would love to hear from you.

This is going to be a big year for our association. Thank you for your continued support and for all you do in your local church to build the Kingdom. I'm so thankful we get to do this together.



## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WORKING DINNER

NEW HOPE ZEBULON BAPTIST CHURCH  
 4920 NEW HOPE ROAD • ZEBULON • 30295

Feb 16th  
 @  
 6:30 PM

Membership: "The Executive committee shall be composed of the pastor of each church, one lay member from each church elected by the church, the Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, members of the Steering Committee, all Directors and Committee Chairmen, Associational Missionary, and all full-time staff of member churches."

Please RSVP to the CBA office at 706-647-4959 if you are planning to attend the Executive Committee meal hosted at New Hope Zebulon on February 16th at 6:30 PM. This meeting is designed to be a working meal and meeting. If you are on a committee or team and will be giving a report or you would like present any business, please email the office to be included in the agenda for the evening.

[centennialbaptistassociation@gmail.com](mailto:centennialbaptistassociation@gmail.com)



## Blackmons in Bangkok

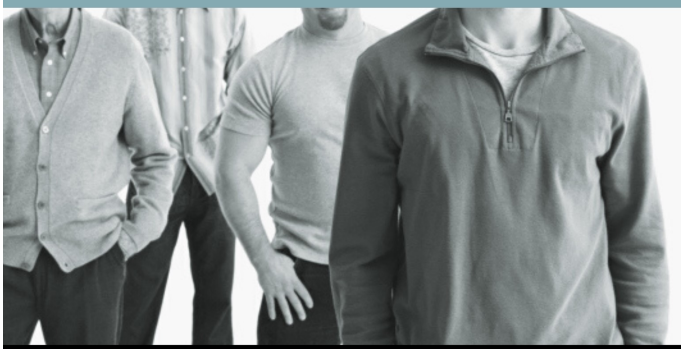
The Blackmons have been in Bangkok five months now. It's hard to believe until you look at the recent pictures of the children in their latest newsletter. They are growing up so fast! If you want to stay in touch, see current photos, and pray specifically, subscribe to their newsletter by simply emailing [bangkokblackmons@gmail.com](mailto:bangkokblackmons@gmail.com) or by following John on at [facebook.com/john.blackmon.39](https://www.facebook.com/john.blackmon.39)

Before leaving the states, John sent prayer cards to be distributed among Centennial churches. Drop in, pick one up, and post it on your refrigerator as a reminder to pray for the Blackmons as they serve the people of Thailand.



John, Josiah, Lillie Jo & Cheryl Blackmon

Please clearly mark all financial support sent to, PO BOX 210 Thomaston, GA 30286 for "Thailand Missions". [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Centennial's partnership with the Blackmons.



WHERE IRON SHARPENS IRON

## PASTOR ROUNDTABLES

Upson-Pike  
Feb 9 · 10 AM  
Country Cupboard

Monroe-Lamar  
Feb 7 · 10 AM  
New Providence BC

No one knows what it is like to pastor a church, but a pastor. Each of us comes to the table with different perspectives, levels of experience, and personal challenges. We all leave the table encouraged and knowing that we are not alone. Minister Roundtables provide a place for... [MORE](#) or visit [www.centennialbaptistassociation.com/minister-roundtables](http://www.centennialbaptistassociation.com/minister-roundtables)



CHURCH  
FINANCIAL  
CONFERENCE

### Serving Your Church's Vision for Gospel Impact

Is your church finance team following best practices? Join us at one of our [Church Financial Conferences in 2023 \(CFC23\)](#) to discover sustainable giving solutions for your church members, budgeting strategies to advance kingdom work, pastor compensation recommendations that demonstrate the value of pastoral ministry, and practical guidance on navigating financial and tax matters above reproach. Get your tickets at the early bird rate of \$15, which includes admissions, conference packet, dinner, and more.



Georgia Baptist  
Foundation

## DISCIPLESHIP LEARNING COMMUNITIES

With  
Matthew  
Gibbs

Georgia Baptist Mission Board

LEARN MORE

SIX TOPICS  
IN  
SIX SESSIONS  
IN 2023



### One of the most asked questions we get as an association is "How can I help my church grow?"

Although there are several ways to measure growth, most would agree that making more disciples and helping them grow in their personal walk with the Lord is a key part of any healthy church growth.

The purpose of a Discipleship Learning Community is... [MORE](#)



### United to Reach North America with the Gospel

Many North American cities could reasonably be called pre-Christian. Even in the traditional "Bible Belt" Christianity is being pushed to the margins. In the midst of this, God is bringing the nations to our shores and offering unprecedented opportunities for the gospel.

At the North American Mission Board, we see a mission field that needs the hope of the gospel. With your partnership, we're committed to taking this hope to cities, small towns and college campuses.

### What is the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering?

The offering was started in 1895 by Woman's Missionary Union® (WMU) to benefit the work of the Home Mission Board (now North American Mission Board). In 1934, it was named in honor of Annie Armstrong, a bold missions advocate and WMU's first national executive leader. Today, more than \$2 billion has been donated by Southern Baptist churches and individuals to support thousands of missionaries in church planting and compassion ministries. Because of this sacrificial giving, millions of lives have been and continue to be transformed by the power of the gospel.

Give now at [www.anniearmstrong.com/checkout/](http://www.anniearmstrong.com/checkout/)



### CBA Financials for December 2022

	Dec 22	Jan - Dec 22
Checking Interest	3.56	26.69
Antioch	943.38	8,001.83
Bethany	666.67	5,999.97
Beulah	615.00	3,587.00
Calvary	0.00	1,086.41
Clark's Chapel	100.00	1,400.00
Concord	300.00	1,800.00
Culloden	0.00	450.00
East Thomaston	293.10	3,796.73
Elkins Creek	0.00	0.00
Emory's Chapel	0.00	0.00
FBC Barnesville	0.00	17,630.21
FBC Forsyth	100.00	1,200.00
FBC of High Falls	0.00	4,440.87
FBC Thomaston	738.24	11,822.83
Fellowship	0.00	2,662.79
Garden Hill	0.00	225.00
Grace Community	0.00	0.00
GracePoint	0.00	0.00
Hendricks	200.00	500.00
Jeff Davis	0.00	225.00
King's Chapel	0.00	0.00
Macedonia	150.00	1,800.00
Maynard	723.88	9,704.87
Meansville	250.00	3,000.00
Milner	367.05	5,378.77
Mount Olive	1,469.56	18,378.72
Mountain View	1,982.00	21,398.00
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	800.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	40.00
Neal	100.00	750.00
New Bethel	50.00	600.00
New Harmony	65.56	415.09
New Hope Zebulon	337.89	4,213.65
Pritchett Memorial	242.20	2,413.73
Russellville	62.22	1,091.00
Shiloh Lamar	325.00	1,975.00
Shiloh Upson	50.00	600.00
Silvertown	89.61	1,532.40
The Rock	0.00	1,423.83
Trinity	300.00	3,600.00
Valley Grove	851.14	7,247.64
Yatesville	175.00	2,100.00
Miscellaneous Income	0.00	1,565.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>11,551.06</b>	<b>153,318.03</b>

Disbursements for December 2022	
Total Budgeted Expenditures	11,582.17
Designated Accounts Expenses	1,004.20
<b>Monthly Surplus/Shortfall</b>	<b>(31.11)</b>

**Opportunities & Church News** (Full job descriptions and other positions are listed [HERE](#))  
**Bethany** is seeking a **PT Children's Director**. For more information or to apply contact the church office at 478-974-0002.  
**Concord** is seeking a full-time **Minister to Students and Family**. Send resumes to [jeff.yearwood@fnf.com](mailto:jeff.yearwood@fnf.com)  
**FBC Forsyth** is seeking both an organist and pianist to play for their traditional service. Contact [jerryelder@fbcforsyth.com](mailto:jerryelder@fbcforsyth.com)  
**FBC Barnesville** is seeking a full-time Creative Arts Director. Please send a cover letter, resume, and, if available, an online portfolio link by email only to [family@fbcarnesville.com](mailto:family@fbcarnesville.com).

#### January 2023

30-1	Associational Missions Retreat	Camp Kaleo & Maynard, Forsyth
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#### February 2023

7	Monroe Lamar Roundtable	New Providence BC	10:00 AM
9	Upson Pike Roundtable	Country Cupboard	10:00 AM
16	Executive Committee Meeting	New Hope Zebulon	6:30 PM
26-27	Evangelism Conference	Warner Robins	

#### March 2023

6	Dental Clinic Screening Appointments	762-319-2966	9:00 AM
9-11	Dental Clinic	FBC Thomaston, Upson County	By appointment only



Experience community with other Christ-followers as we are inspired to grow closer to Him and to each other through powerful worship and teaching. Embrace the challenge to explore how you are living on mission as a disciple maker and leave with a strong connection to the Georgia Baptist Women family.

Registration is open for the 2023 Georgia Baptist Women's Spring Event! **Join us on Saturday, April 22, at Second Baptist Church, Warner Robins**, featuring author and speaker, [Kandi Gallaty](#). Kandi is devoted to making disciples by cultivating a passion for women in God's Word. Experience community with other Christ-followers as we are inspired to grow closer to Him and each other through powerful worship and teaching. Embrace the challenge to explore how you are living on mission as a disciple maker and leave with a strong connection to the Georgia Baptist Women family! Come early on **Friday, April 21, for a hands-on mission project, dinner, and the annual Missions Celebration!** Through missionary testimonies and ministry highlights from Georgia Baptist Women and Camp Pinnacle we will celebrate God's work around the world. Register by March 15 to take advantage of the Early Bird rate! To view details and register online visit [www.georgiabaptistwomen.org/springevent](http://www.georgiabaptistwomen.org/springevent).



**CAMP KALEO**  
EST. 1987

### 2023 Summer Fun at Camp Kaleo

The facilities at the camp are comfortable yet rustic with a wilderness camp atmosphere. The campus features a lake, swimming pool, activity field, gymnasium, and trails cutting through the surrounding hardwood forest. Come join us!

Camp Kaleo provides summer camps for families with children who need a safe environment during summer break. We look forward to seeing you! Visit our website at <https://campkaleo.org/>