

Networking churches to make disciples

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Mount Olive Baptist Church 1177 Hwy 109 Molena, GA January 27 @ 2:30 PM

This FREE equipping workshop is designed to provide our churches with resources, breakouts, and roundtable discussions that will inform, challenge, equip and inspire anyone who works with children. Bring a group from your church and expect God to move you.

Workshops will include:

- Starting a Good News Club
- Connecting Children to the Bible
- •Ministry & Outreach through Children's Sunday School
- •Kids and Missions
- VBS Preview by Group Publishing

SS Mentoring/ Small Groups Training

Trinity Baptist Church, Thomaston Monday, January 14, 6:30

As part of our ongoing Sunday School Mentoring program, the January 14, 2019 session will include special age-graded training by experts in the field of effective Sunday School practices. Because of the special nature of this session, we are inviting EVERYONE who works in Sunday School/ Small Groups to attend. You DO NOT have to be a part of Sunday School Mentoring to participate. A meal will be provided.

We do ask that you help us out with the following:

- •RSVP to the CBA office (706-647-4959) by January 8, especially if you plan to eat with us.
- Encourage others from your church to join you. This is a great time to recruit new workers who may be interested in working in Sunday School/ Small Groups in your church.
- •Include this information in your church newsletter, bulletin, or Sunday School announcements.

Groups and Speakers include:

- •Adults Matthew Gibbs, Second B C, Warner Robins
- •Youth Jeff Glenn, Shirley Hills B C, Macon
- Children Amy Autry, SonRise B C, Newnan
- Preschool Nan Harmon, New Hope B C, Fayetteville



JOHNNY HUNT

Valley Grove Baptist Church Feb 2, 2019 Starts @ 8:00 AM \$20 Tickets available at CBA office

Rev. Steve Laughman- Associational Mission Strategist

Rev. Bill Barber- Moderator

Rev. Joey Smith- Vice Moderator

Mrs. Marni Laughman- Ministry Assistant & Clerk Mrs. Gail West- Treasurer



A Word from Your Mission Strategist, Steve Laughman

New year = new opportunities! Throughout my ministry I have heard that the most productive years of ministry are years 7-10. I don't know of any data supporting this, but if it is true, we are in for a great year. It is hard to believe we are into our seventh year at the Centennial Association, but looking back I am blessed to see how much God has done here. I pray that you are all thinking strategically about how your church will impact your community in 2019 and beyond. The enemy has a plan. Let's be on the offensive to gain more ground this year than he does.

This edition of the newsletter includes several opportunities for your leaders to be equipped to make a difference. Take advantage of the ones you believe will make the

biggest impact. Let me take a minute to preview just a few that I think are worth your time.

<u>Sunday School Training</u> – January 14 @ Trinity. As an extension of the SS Mentoring Program we are inviting all our churches to participate in this session where we will have experts in each age group speaking on teaching and outreach methods.

<u>Children's Ministry Workshop</u> – January 27 @ Mt. Olive. Our annual lineup of workshops for all your children's workers will cover topics that affect every church. You will also be able to preview VBS material and even purchase Lifeway VBS through the CBA.

<u>Johnny Hunt Replay</u> – February 2 @ Valley Grove. The Men's Conference will be held as a one day event this year, but there will still be steak! Breakouts will include both recorded ones from the conference at Woodstock and ones offered by some of our local pastors.

Women's Inspirational – February 25 @ Macedonia. The annual Inspirational meeting for all our women is always a great time of worship and fellowship. Make plans now to be a part of this.

<u>Elevate</u> – April 30 @ FBC Barnesville. Save the date now! Bob Bickford with NAMB Replant will be with us to discuss every church's role in revitalization.

These are just a few of the training events we have planned for 2019. If there is ever a need in your church above and beyond what we offer here, call on me. Either I will come lead a training session for your folks, or I will connect you with someone else who is more capable than I on the subject. Our goal is to help you be the best church you can be – the one God wants you to be for the sake of His Kingdom. Our task of reaching the world is great, but our God is greater! Praise be to our Father for His plan to reach the nations using people like us.



Join Clark's Chapel On January 5th at 6:30 PM. Call 706-647-6169 for more information.



January 28-29
Central Baptist Church, 1120 Lake Joy Road
Warner Robins, GA

Women's
Inspirational
Meeting

February 25 th Macedonia Baptist Church

512 Hightower St, Thomaston

6 PM

Come and enjoy a covered dish meal and a time to recharge. This night will leave you inspired to do the hard work



with a heart like His. We will hear from sojourners who desire to pour into and encourage others.

"May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be pleasing I your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer." Ps 19:14

Ministers Meeting/ Pastor Enrichment

Sam Warner, GB Foundation
*FREE LUNCH *

The Garden Patch 100 Southland Drive Barnesville, GA 30204

January 14, 2019

Music Ministers Roundtable January 8th 11:30 AM Country Cupboard, Thomaston All music ministers are invited.



Equip Your Students To Go From "Scared To Prepared"
To Share Their Faith Story With The World!

IMAGINE...

...your church, along with hundreds of others, multiplying shared faith stories across the state of Georgia, starting with your own community

... thousands of stories shared one-to-one — and in the online world by video... producing digital gospel witnesses working 24/7 to bring people to Jesus.

... a predictable, done-for-you discipleship process to equip your students to do it all again and again with ease

Here are just a few benefits:

- A turn-key 4-week teaching series to watch your students go FROM SCARED TO PREPARED...excited to share their faith.
- A "gospel confirmation" process that helps UNSAVED STUDENTS UNDERSTAND the Gospel... and gain their own story.
- Access to real-world VIDEOGRAPHY TRAINING... getting every student testimony harvested by video and into the social media world with powerful results.

Become part of a story-sharing movement designed to impact the lives of your students so they can impact their world!

Register your church TODAY!



OUR VISION:

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

Bumper Sticker Version:

Equipping Churches To Make Disciples

2019 MINISTERS WIVES RETREAT

JAN 24 @ 4:00 PM — JAN 26 @
NOON
GA BAPTIST CC, TOCCOA, GA
2019 MINISTERS WIVES RETREAT
IS DESIGNED TO GIVE OUR GEORGIA
BAPTIST MINISTERS' WIVES A
WEEKEND RETREAT FOR SPIRITUAL
RENEWAL, PHYSICAL REST AND
WELLNESS, EMOTIONAL
RESTORATION AND
ENCOURAGEMENT IN THE ROLE OF
A MINISTERS' WIFE.
\$50/PERSON DOUBLE OCC
\$125/PERSON SINGLE OCC

YOU DO NOT WANT TO MISS THIS! REGISTER YOURSELF AND A FRIEND NOW!



Centennial has a vision for an Outreach Trailer. This resource will be filled with inflatables, block party games, popcorn machine, and more. We pray it will be an incredible resource

for your church to use as a tool to engage the lost in your community. Will you join

with us as we pray for wisdom to move forward? If you, your church, Sunday school class, or family would like to financially contribute, send donations to the CBA office designated as "Outreach Equipment".



Income for Nove		
_	Nov 18	Jan18 - Nov18
Checking Interest	6.76	70.58
Antioch	633.69	7,799.39
Bethany	0.00	2,750.00
Beulah	235.00	2,462.00
Calvary	0.00	0.00
Clark's Chapel	100.00	1,100.00
Concord	0.00	1,400.00
Culloden	0.00	600.00
East Thomaston	288.14	3,906.58
Elkins Creek	0.00	0.00
Emory's Chapel	0.00	0.00
FBC Barnesville	0.00	15,119.53
FBC Forsyth	0.00	0.00
FBC Thomaston	590.51	9,493.04
Fellowship	545.37	6,572.02
Garden Hill	0.00	0.00
GracePoint	50.00	350.00
Hendricks	0.00	0.00
Jeff Davis	0.00	250.00
King's Chapel	0.00	200.00
Macedonia	0.00	300.00
Maynard	632.11	6,336.75
Meansville	241.66	2,658.26
Milner	394.97	4,951.06
Molena	0.00	0.00
Mount Olive	997.90	12,423.46
Mountain View	2,021.00	20,376.00
Mt. Pleasant Mt. Zion	100.00 40.00	400.00 826.00
Neal	50.00	600.00
New Bethel	50.00	550.00
New Harmony	23.26	415.01
New Hope Thomaston	100.00	468.36
New Hope Zebulon	165.51	1,676.77
Pine View	0.00	300.00
Pritchett Memorial	152.64	622.40
Russellville	59.86	657.64
Shiloh Upson	50.00	550.00
Shiloh Lamar	0.00	1,827.00
Silvertown	0.00	1,729.60
The Rock	21.20	268.70
Trinity	300.00	3,300.00
Valley Grove	0.00	3,989.87
Yatesville	100.00	1,200.00
Total Church Receipts	7,942.82	118,429.44
Disbursements for Nov Administrative Expenses	ember 20°	990.95
Associational Programs		83.43
Miscellaneous Expenses Organizational Expenses		0.00 0.00
Pastorium Maintenance		0.00
Salaries and Allowances		<u>6,902.06</u> 7,976.44
Total Budgeted Expenditures Designated Accounts Expenses	S	7,976.44 1,149.61
Monthly Surplus/Shortfall		(33.62)

Opportunities & Church News

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

Molena is seeking *volunteers to serve in music and youth ministries*. Contact Pastor Terry Murphey at murpheyc1@bellsouth.net

FBC Barnesville would like to donate 53 maroon *choir robes* to a sister congregation. Contact Greg Burrell.

Calendar of Events

January 2018

T variu	ary 2010		
8	Music Min Roundtable	Country Cupboard	11:30 AM
	Monroe Roundtable	New Providence	2 PM
	Steering Committee	Milner	6:30 PM
14	Ministers Mtg/Pastor Enrichment	Garden Patch	12 Noon
	SS Mentoring/Sm Group Training	Trinity	6:30 PM
24	Upson Pike Roundtable	Gathering Grounds	10 AM
27	Children's Ministry Workshop	Mount Olive	2:30 PM
Febr	uary 2019		
2	Johnny Hunt Men's Conf. Replay	Valley Grove	8 AM
11	Ministers Meeting	Garden Patch	12 Noon
	SS Mentoring Session #7	FBC Thomaston	6:30 PM
14	Quarterly Lunch Fellowship	New Bethel	12 Noon
21	Executive Committee	TBD	6:30 PM
25	Southside Summit	Eagle's Landing FBC	8 AM- 4 PM
	CBA Women's Inspirational Mtg	Macedonia	6 PM

Shepherd Stories

Ken and Melanie Shearer serve at Pine View in Barnesville. The church property is strategically located beside the campus of Gordon State College and serves many that are within walking distance of the church. Ken is bivocational and splits his attention between Pine View and a jewelry store. Most of you know that ministry is never part time, so to say that Ken has a busy schedule most days is a gross understatement. Being bivocational affords Ken the opportunity to get to know the community and to build



relationships with some that may never darken the doors of any established place of worship. Pine View hosted the Dental Clinic for Centennial in 2017 and was the recipient of some volunteer work during Equip Missions 2018. They regularly offer language classes for the community as well. Before I started working here, I would see Melanie at Upson Lee North while I was volunteering in the library. She began subbing for Upson County schools and eventually was hired as the new Spanish teacher at Upson Lee High School. That, dear friends, is the natural progression of pouring into your community and God widening your sphere of influence. The Shearers have two children, Hannah and Zachary. The photo above is a reminder to us all that ministry is a wild ride and we need to throw our hands in the air and enjoy the process. We may not know what is on the track ahead of us, but we are promised that God never leaves us or forsakes His own.