

### Networking churches to make disciples

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MINISTRY WORKSHOP

Mount Olive Baptist Church 1177 Hwy 109 Molena, GA

January 28 @ 2:30 PM

Breakouts include:

Sharing the Gospel with Children

How to Have an Evangelistic VBS

Ministering to Busy Families

Group VBS and Dig In Preview

Stewards of Children additional training



Rev. Steve Laughman- Associational Missionary

Rev. Bill Barber- Moderator

Rev. Joey Smith- Vice Moderator

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



### A Word from Your Missionary, Steve Laughman

Happy New Year! My prayer is that God will make His presence known to you and through you in 2018. Last month I promised that we would take some time each month to unpack each of the four priorities established through our recent strategy planning process.

Priority One is to **provide** training and equipping of churches in missions and ministry. As you know, this has been part of what we have done as an association for the last several years. We found during our strategy process that most of our pastors look to us for training and equipping, and we want to meet that expectation well. We understand that there are other sources for training. In addition to what we provide, we will continue to promote Georgia Baptist training events and others that will meet your needs.

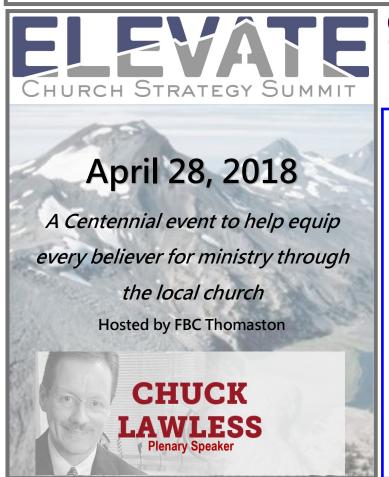
We set three goals related to this first priority. Allow me a few moments to expand on how we are accomplishing those goals right now.

Goal 1: <u>Develop an associational training event beginning Spring 2018</u>. ELEVATE: Church Strategy Summit is meant to train and equip every member of your church. Workshops include topics on missions, small groups, worship, women's ministry, outreach, and student ministry. There will be something for you no matter what you area of ministry. Dr. Chuck Lawless is scheduled to be our main speaker. He along with our workshop leaders brings a wealth of knowledge to the table. Registration information will be available soon on our website.

Goal 2: <u>Utilize existing associational events as opportunities for training</u>. You may have noticed that most of the events we have traditionally had now include a training element. The Fall Women's Event now is Abide, a day of inspiration and training for women. A couple of years ago, we changed our annual VBS preview day to the Children's Ministry Workshop. This event will be held this month and is designed for anyone who works with children, not just leaders. Because we believe the church is the place where we gain the tools to do ministry, we will continue to provide opportunities for our churches to join together for training.

Goal 3: <u>Develop quarterly training opportunities for pastors</u>. We will continue to host Roundtables for pastors where these men of God sharpen one another. In addition to that, four times a year the monthly ministers meeting will include a special guest speaker who will address a specific topic related to pastoral ministry. We call this Pastor Enrichment. The first one will be held January 8 at noon at the Garden Patch restaurant. Bryan Alexander from the GBMB Church Minister Relations Department will speak on the topic of handling conflict.

Together we can accomplish so much more. Thank you for being a part of the Centennial Baptist Association!



# OUR VISION:

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





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

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.

## **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 12, 2018.

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MEANSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH 12295 Hwy 109

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**CBA STUDENT** DISCIPLESHIP WEEKEND Monthly Ministers Meeting &

Pastor Enrichment

Monday, January 8, 12:00 PM



Garden Patch Restaurant. Barnesville

Speaker: State Missionary Bryan Alexander, **Church Minister Relations** 

**Topic: Handling Conflict** 

### Income for November 2017

income for	140Verriber 20	17
	Nov 17	Jan17- Dec17
Checking Interest	5.26	50.72
Antioch	787.64	6,619.88
Bethany	250.00	3,000.00
Beulah	247.00	2,524.00
Calvary	0.00	0.00
Clark's Chapel	100.00	1,100.00
Concord	200.00	2,200.00
Culloden	0.00	600.00
East Thomaston	353.20	3,735.98
Elkins Creek	0.00	0.00
Emory's Chapel	0.00	0.00
FBC Barnesville	7,540.84	20,011.91
FBC Forsyth	0.00	0.00
FBC Thomaston	1,045.87	9,951.79
Fellowship	492.00	5,342.00
Garden Hill	0.00	469.63
Hendricks	0.00	0.00
Jeff Davis	25.00	275.00
King's Chapel	0.00	200.00
Maynard	629.59	6,150.32
Meansville	241.66	2,658.26
Milner	534.93	5,402.41
Molena	0.00	0.00
Mount Olive	1,215.13	11,213.71
Mountain View	0.00	17,481.00
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	300.00
Mt. Zion	66.00	725.00
Neal	50.00	550.00
New Bethel	50.00	550.00
<b>New Harmony</b>	50.28	756.35
New Hope	0.00	2,250.00
Pine View	0.00	300.00
Pritchett Memorial	0.00	473.56
Russellville	600.00	600.00
Shiloh (Upson)	50.00	550.00
Shiloh Lamar	357.14	2,162.86
Silvertown	149.11	1,832.11
The Rock	26.70	298.14
Trinity	300.00	3,300.00
Valley Grove	336.10	3,202.55
Yatesville	100.00	1,100.00
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#### Disbursements for November 2017

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Administrative Expenses	1,253.14
Associational Programs	1,019.96
Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00
Organizational Expenses	0.00
Pastorium Maintenance	100.00
Salaries and Allowances	8,152.06
Total Budgeted Expenditures	10,525.16
Designated Accounts Expenses	189.25
Monthly Surplus/Shortfall	5.273.03

### **Opportunities & Church News**

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

**New Hope** is seeking a *pianist*. If you are interested in applying, please email your resume to <a href="mailto:newhopebaptist1@windstream.net">newhopebaptist1@windstream.net</a>

**Silvertown** is seeking a *pianist*. Anyone interested should contact Steve Shock at (706) 741-6762.

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

**Northridge** is hosting a CRAS (Civilian Response to an Active Shooter) session led by the GBI on January 20 beginning at 8:00 AM. Cost is \$10.

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.

### Calendar of Events

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January 2	2018			
2	Bethlehem Mission Team Mtg	FBC Thomaston	6:30 PM	
8	Ministers Mtg/Pastor Enrichment	Garden Patch	12 noon	
11	Upson Pike Roundtable	<b>East Thomaston</b>	10 AM	
11	Steering Committee	Milner	6:30 PM	
16	Monroe Roundtable	<b>New Providence</b>	2 PM	
28	Children's Ministry Workshop	Mount Olive	2-5 PM	
29-30	GBMB Reach Evangelism Conf	Warner Robins		
February	2018			
3	Johnny Hunt Men's Conference	Trinity	8 AM	
8	Quarterly Lunch Fellowship	Fellowship	12 Noon	
12	Ministers Meeting	Garden Patch	12 Noon	
15	<b>Executive Committee</b>	King's Chapel	6:30 PM	
24	GBMB Children's Mission Day	Bethany	9:30-3:30	
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# **Shepherd Stories**

Two things will happen when you meet Dr. Rex King: he will always remember your name and you will never forget him. To say that Pastor Rex has enough personality to fill any room is an understatement.

Churches tend to take on the personality of their pastor over time. There is no mistaking that Mountain View Baptist Church reflects their shepherd. In February, Rex King will celebrate 40 years of ministry as the pastor of Mountain View. His passion for reaching the lost and his love for the Word of God is engrained in the DNA of his

church. However, if you were to ask him, he would no doubt tell you that his greatest desire is for the church to reflect the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ. He has spent a lifetime pointing people to Jesus, and we have yet to see all the souls that will be affected by his ministry.

When Pastor Rex, and his wife Vicki, began their ministry at Mountain View in February of 1978, it was a small country church. Although the church has grown considerably under his leadership, Pastor Rex has kept that familiar atmosphere that only comes from knowing you're among family. He loves to worship and has been known to come as close as any Baptist to dancing down the aisle. He visits the sick and believes wholeheartedly that missions begins at home. I thank God for blessing Thomaston and this association with Rex King.