



Back in 2014, Centennial committed to partner with the Copper Basin Association located in Duck Town, TN. Mines closing left thousands without work which lead to homes going unkempt, schools left deteriorating, and the economy stricken. This moved many in our area to want to help. They saw the potential for that same community breakdown right here. We decided to partner with the Copper Basin Crisis Center for the purpose of missions and ministry. So many of you have backed backpacks for the children these last four years and they are beyond appreciative. We have grown to love the area and respect the ongoing work desperately needed there.

This is our last year as an association to partner with Copper Basin.

If you want to join this 5 day trip, mark your calendar.

**Mission Trip dates: July 7-11**

\$200 per person

**Planning & Information Meeting**

**June 4 at 4:30 at Trinity**

## MOVINGBEYOND

A ONE DAY LEADERSHIP EVENT



WITH  
**JOHNNY HUNT**

MAY 18, 2017

GEORGIA BAPTIST MISSIONS &  
MINISTRY CENTER  
DULUTH, GA

REGISTER TODAY:

[GABAPTIST.ORG/MOVINGBEYOND](http://GABAPTIST.ORG/MOVINGBEYOND)



North American  
Mission Board

Anyone interested in carpooling, contact the office or Steve directly.

### A Word from Your Missionary:

There are times in our lives when the future seems full of hope and promise: Graduation Day, the birth of a child, your Wedding Day, or the first day on a new job. Although I do not have a child graduating this year, the feelings are still fresh. As parents, our emotions are all mixed up between the sense of losing something and the joy of accomplishing something. While the student graduating is looking toward the future, we are remembering the journey that led us there.

Our Association has had 134 years of ministry. What an accomplishment! Our past is rich, and our future is bright! I want to thank the Strategy Planning team for bringing their experience and wisdom to the table as we seek to plot a course for the next 3-5 years. I also want to extend my gratitude to all the pastors who were able to be part of the evaluation process on April 24 & 25. I look forward to hearing the report from our State Missionaries regarding your input. The initial reports I received were enlightening and encouraging. Thank you again for sharing your advice and your concerns with us.

Only the Lord knows what the future holds, but my hope is that God continues to use the Centennial Baptist Association to equip churches and leaders to reach their communities for many years to come. The fields are ready for the harvest. Most of our churches have plenty of empty seats and room to grow. The next generation desperately needs to see a church that is alive, has answers to life's challenges, and loves them with the love of God. We owe it to them to be the community of faith they need.

Join me in praying that God will strengthen our churches and renew a passion for the lost around us. May He empower us to love the way He loves. I envision churches that experience such a move of God that they cannot even explain how it happened.

Thank you for what you do to shine the light of Jesus. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your ministry. Do not hesitate to call on me when I can be of service.

In His Name,  
Steve Laughman

**#SOLIDARITY**  
**June 25-28, 2017**  
**\$50**

WITH

**Dave Edwards**



**EQUIP**  
**missions**

Worship lead by  
**Grace Church**  
[www.grace-fellowship-church.org](http://www.grace-fellowship-church.org)



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CODE TO  
REGISTER  
ONLINE.



**Special Guest:**  
**Mr. Versee**

All Youth workers are encouraged to register and bring your students to this missions camp. The students will experience various opportunities for service right here in our area. Christ knew that as His created, we needed to be told to serve others. Service changes our hearts to be like Christ. Let's commit to serve our community together.



## CBA VBS Summer 2017

**Trinity** May 31-June 2  
**East Thomaston** June 2-4  
**FBC Barnesville** June 4-8  
**Valley Grove** June 4-8  
**FBC Thomaston** June 5-9  
**Clark's Chapel** June 6-9  
**Mount Olive** June 11-15  
**FBC Forsyth** June 12-16  
**Fellowship** June 15-18  
**Mountain View** June 19-23  
**Russellville** June 24  
**Silvertown** June 25-30  
**Concord** July 10-14

For more information  
regarding each VBS, please  
contact the church directly.  
If you would like for us to  
promote your VBS, please  
contact the office.

## Ministers Meeting with Gerald Colbert, GBMB

The Garden Patch  
100 Southland Drive  
Barnesville, GA 30204

May 8, 2017

12:00 Noon

This meeting is for anyone in  
ministry.



### Men's Prayer & Coffee

7:00 AM May 16

Shiloh Upson **Community** Prayer Time

All are welcome.



### Shiloh Lamar Baptist Church 9th Annual Alvin Hunnicutt Memorial Golf Tournament

Forsyth Golf Club

May 20, 2017 at 9 AM

**Four Man Scramble**

\$200 Per Team Entry

Prizes: 1st Place \$400

2nd Place \$200

3rd Place \$100

Contact Wesley Zellner @ 478-973-2372

Or Sinclair Horne @ 478-994-9299

— The 66th Annual National Observance —

May 4, 2017

FOR YOUR  
**GREAT**  
NAME'S SAKE!

HEAR US... FORGIVE US... HEAL US!



www.NATIONALDAYOFPRAYER.ORG

### Lamar Co. Observance:

12:05 @ FBC Barnesville

### Monroe Co. Observance:

12:00 @ Courthouse

### Pike Co. Observance:

12:00 @ Courthouse

### Upson Co. Observance:

12:00 @ Courthouse

## Bible Reading Marathon

Upson County Courthouse lawn

April 30- May 5

Sign up today

<http://www.centennialbaptistassociation.com/bible-reading-marathon/>

## Church Receipts: March 2017

	Mar 17	Jan17– Dec17
Antioch	539.71	1314.12
Bethany	250.00	1,000.00
Beulah	437.00	895.00
Calvary	0.00	0.00
Clark's Chapel	100.00	300.00
Concord	800.00	800.00
Culloden	0.00	150.00
East Thomaston	293.45	929.26
Elkins Creek	0.00	0.00
Emory's Chapel	0.00	0.00
FBC Barnesville	1,080.34	3,797.56
FBC Forsyth	0.00	0.00
FBC Thomaston	893.02	3,159.44
Fellowship	881.00	1,738.00
Garden Hill	136.32	258.13
Hendricks	0.00	0.00
Jeff Davis	25.00	75.00
King's Chapel	0.00	0.00
Maynard	393.77	1,974.02
Meansville	483.32	966.64
Milner	464.94	1,358.07
Molena	0.00	0.00
Mount Olive	908.30	2,849.84
Mountain View	1,989.00	3,522.00
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	0.00
Mt. Zion	115.00	233.00
Neal	100.00	200.00
New Bethel	100.00	200.00
New Harmony	98.11	127.99
New Hope	250.00	500.00
Pine View	0.00	0.00
Pritchett Memorial	0.00	277.75
Russellville	0.00	0.00
Shiloh (Upson)	50.00	150.00
Shiloh Lamar	360.00	360.00
Silvertown	111.09	426.14
The Rock	59.30	103.42
Trinity	600.00	1,200.00
Valley Grove	609.02	923.54
Yatesville	200.00	300.00
<b>Total Church Receipts</b>	<b>12,327.69</b>	<b>30,088.92</b>

### Disbursements for March 2017

Administrative Expenses	2,319.70
Associational Programs	30.75
Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00
Organizational Expenses	1,054.02
Pastorium Maintenance	2,029.40
Salaries and Allowances	6,775.06
<b>Total Budgeted Expenditures</b>	<b>12,208.93</b>
Designated Accounts Expenses	2,901.14
<b>Monthly Surplus/Shortfall</b>	<b>118.76</b>

### Opportunities & Church News

**Jeff Davis** is seeking a pianist. Contact Betty Blackston at 706-647-9273 or mail inquiry to: Jeff Davis Baptist Church, 236 Jeff Davis Road, Thomaston, GA 30286.

**Antioch** seeks a Family Minister to oversee all of their Youth & Children's Ministries. Please send resumes to [antioch.pastor@windstream.net](mailto:antioch.pastor@windstream.net)

**New Hope** is seeking a pianist. Also seeking a worship leader. Blended worship for all services. Part-time position with the potential for full time as they grow. If you are interested in applying for either position, please email your resume to [newhopebaptist1@windstream.net](mailto:newhopebaptist1@windstream.net)

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

**Valley Grove** is seeking a part-time youth director. 12 hrs. minimum per week. Will lead middle and high school age youth on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights. High school diploma required. Send resume to [secretary@valleygrovechurch.org](mailto:secretary@valleygrovechurch.org) or to 1372 Atwater Rd, Thomaston, GA 30286.

**Concord** seeks a full-time senior pastor as we seek His will for His church. Those interested may email their resume to: [searchcommittee2017@gmail.com](mailto:searchcommittee2017@gmail.com) or Pastor Search Committee, Concord Baptist Church, P.O. Box 181, Concord, GA 30206. We will accept resumes through April 15, 2017.

**Piano/Organ** donated to a good church. Contact Pauline Hartness for more details. 400 Woodall St, Barnesville, GA; 706-601-8664

**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

#### May 2017

4/30-5/5	Bible Reading Marathon	Upson Courthouse	2:00 PM
2	Steering Committee	Yatesville	6:30 PM
4	National Day of Prayer		
8	Ministers Meeting	Garden Patch	12 Noon
11	Quarterly Fellowship Lunch	Shiloh Upson	12 Noon
14	Mother's Day		
15	Strategy Planning Mtg	Meansville	6 PM
16	Men's Prayer & Coffee	Shiloh Upson	7 AM
16	Upson/Pike Roundtable	Macedonia	10 AM
18	Moving Beyond	GBMMC	9:30-3 PM
29	Memorial Day	CBA Office Closed	

#### June 2017

12	Ministers Meeting	Garden Patch	12 Noon
13-14	Southern Baptist Convention	Phoenix, AZ	
25-28	EQUIP on Mission	FBC Barnesville	
30	Decision Deadline Cliburn Scholarship		

### Our Pastors...

Formerly, this section of the newsletter celebrated our Ministers' birthdays and anniversaries of being called to their respective churches. I wanted to introduce something new and fresh. It is my desire for you all to know each of the Shepherds that serve in Centennial. I have had the honor to sit under the teachings of almost all of them, and I wanted to take this opportunity to share with you, the association, our Shepherds. So, beginning next month, I will dedicate this space for that purpose. I want you to know the men the Lord has called here. Each one has his own flavor you might say. Feel free to call the office and brag on your Pastor. I will keep a journal of the tidbits given, and when the Lord leads, I will share with you here. I desire this to honor the men God has entrusted to us.

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matt 5:16