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**AUG 17-18** 

2018

Mabel White **Baptist Church** 1415 Bass Road Macon, GA 31210

**NATIONAL SPEAKERS** 



**LEADERSHIP TRAINING** 

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS** 



## **Ouarterly Fellowship Lunch**

Camp Kaleo 463 Old Zebulon Rd. Forsyth, GA

> May 10, 2018 Noon \$6 a person

We will enjoy a catered meal.



**VBS Season is right** around the corner. If you want to publish your VBS in this newsletter, contact us with the date, time, & location. For most churches, VBS is the largest outreach platform of the entire year. May God be in the details and bring many to Himself this year at YOUR VBS!!

# Update on the Bethlehem, PA Mission Trip:

Thank you for praying for the Bethlehem Mission Team! Keep praying as we seek the Lord regarding how to best partner with Travis Ross and Star City Church in the future.

To see pictures from the trip, go to the Silvertown Baptist Church page on Facebook and check out the Photo Album entitled CBA Mission Trip to Star City.

Thank you to Pastor Paul Caspers, our very capable photographer.

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

This year has been packed with opportunities to work together for the Kingdom. In March we hosted our fourth dental clinic, completing our plan to provide free dental care in each of our four counties over a four year period. Thanks to the great volunteers including dental and medical professionals we treated nearly 70 people. Plans are already being made for the 2019 clinic. Thank you for supporting this vital ministry to our communities.

In April a mission team comprised of members from four CBA churches traveled to Bethlehem, PA, to work with Travis and Grace Ross. They are church planters with the North American Mission Board and the Riverbend Church Planting Network. Travis will serve as pastor of the Star City Church which they hope to launch by the end of 2018. Your team represented you well as we helped Travis and Grace build relationships in the community. We spoke with homeless people and professionals, students and shop owners. God demonstrated His grace by orchestrating many Gospel conversations. We left knowing that we had accomplished our goals of encouraging Travis and Ross and helping him build relationships in the community. Pray with me that we will find the best way to partner with Star City Church in the future.

Elevate has been a monumental undertaking requiring the body of Christ to work together in so many ways. I am extremely grateful for the tremendous resources we have through the Cooperative Program and the Georgia Baptist Mission Board. I am also thankful for churches and pastors who understand the importance of continued equipping for ministry. We are blessed to have experts willing to share their experience and wisdom with us. My prayer throughout this process has been that our members will leave with the tools they need to effectively make disciples.

Thank you for doing the work of ministry wherever you are. It is my privilege to serve the Lord with you.

# GC Challenge

What is your personal goal for gospel conversations in 2018?

Be intentional. Be the church. Cause ain't nobody else gonna do it!

https://gcchallenge.com/

# **Dental Assistance for Ministerial Staff and Their Spouses**

May 17-19 New Providence Baptist Church, Smarr, Georgia

Open to any Georgia Baptist Convention ministerial staff and spouses who do not have dental insurance. For information, questions or to make an appointment, please contact Ted Kandler by calling 912-656-5129 or by email tkandler@gabaptist.org

Sept 12-15 Ministers Wellness Retreat, Georgia Baptist Conference Center, Toccoa Sponsored by Georgia Baptist Mission Board Church Minister Relations Ministry. Registration is open to any Georgia Baptist Convention minister and spouse who do not have preventive health insurance. Dental service is offered to participants of this event who do not have dental insurance.

Sponsored by the Georgia Baptist Mobile Health Ministry and thanks to your gifts through the Cooperative Program.





**OUR VISION:** 

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

# Ministers Meeting & Pastor Enrichment

The Garden Patch 100 Southland Drive Barnesville, GA 30204

> May 14, 2018 12 Noon



Dennis Rivera, GBMB
Intercultural Church Planting &
Missions Ministry
All ministers are invited.

## **Steering Committee**

Meeting
May 8, 2018
6:30 PM
Milner Baptist Church

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The recipient for the Cliburn Scholarship will be voted on at this meeting.



# **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

#### **Lamar County**

- First Baptist Church, Barnesville, Family Life Center
- Thursday, May 3, 12:10 PM
- Lunch for suggested donation of \$1 for Lamar County Ministerial Association

#### **Monroe County**

- Monroe County Courthouse, Forsyth
- Thursday, May 3, 12:00 PM

#### **Pike County**

- Pike County Courthouse, Zebulon (Rain, FBC Zebulon)
- Thursday, May 3, 12:00 PM

#### **Upson County**

- Upson County Courthouse (Rain, St. Michael's)
- Thursday, May 3, 12:00 PM
- Upson County will host a Day of Bible Reading beginning at 8:00 AM and will read through the four Gospels. To reserve a time for you or your church to read, contact the CBA office at 706-647-4959 or centennialbaptistassociation@gmail.com.

# Ladies Night Fellowship Baptist Church

May 12<sup>th</sup> @5:00 PM

Dress Up. Dine Out. Discover

Dinner- Your Choice of Pork Loin, Chicken or Salad Bar

**Entertainment-Caitlynn Weeks** 

**Worship-Front Porch Worship** 

Speaker-Lisa Thompson-President of GA W.M.U/W.E.M

Tickets- \$10.00 Each or TWO- \$15.00, Age 18 & Up

Sunday School Mentoring
Informational Meeting
for Pastors & Sunday School Directors



Monday, May 14 @ 6:00 PM

First Baptist Church, Thomaston

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to P.O. Box 210, Thomaston, GA 30286-0003.  Income for March 2018						
		Jan18 - Mar18				
Checking Interest	6.31	17.83				
Antioch	576.30	1,929.25				
Bethany	500.00	1,000.00				
Beulah	190.00	663.00				
Calvary	0.00	0.00				
Clark's Chapel	200.00	300.00				
Concord	200.00	600.00				
Culloden	0.00	150.00				
East Thomaston	354.42	1,058.98				
Elkins Creek	0.00	0.00				
Emory's Chapel	0.00	0.00				
FBC Barnesville	1,013.08	6,053.34				
FBC Forsyth	0.00	0.00				
FBC Thomaston	789.74	2,775.48				
Fellowship	494.16	1,672.72				
Garden Hill	0.00	0.00				
GracePoint	0.00	0.00				
Hendricks	0.00	0.00				
Jeff Davis	25.00	75.00				
King's Chapel	100.00	100.00				
Macedonia	0.00	0.00				
Maynard	0.00	1,266.99				
Meansville	241.66	724.98				
Milner	456.64	1,380.08				
Molena	0.00	0.00				
Mount Olive	1,036.67	3,196.80				
Mountain View	1,730.00	5,501.00				
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	0.00				
Mt. Zion	0.00	182.00				
Neal	50.00	200.00				
New Bethel	50.00	150.00				
New Harmony	30.24	125.28				
New Hope Thomaston	163.08	163.08				
New Hope Zebulon	0.00	380.02				
Pine View	0.00	0.00				
Pritchett Memorial	0.00	0.00				
Russellville	64.20	120.39				
Shiloh Upson	50.00	150.00				
Shiloh Lamar	300.00	560.00				
Silvertown The Rock	111.62 24.16	563.92				
	300.00	76.60 900.00				
Trinity Valley Grove	408.27	1,545.15				
Yatesville	100.00					
Total Church Receipts	9,559.24	300.00 33,864.06				
Disbursements fo Administrative Expenses Associational Programs Miscellaneous Expenses Organizational Expenses Pastorium Maintenance Salaries and Allowances Total Budgeted Expenditure		1,246.78 168.69 0.00 358.63 191.40 6,902.06 <b>9,479.04</b>				
Designated Accounts Expen		1,261.65				
Monthly Surplus/Shortfall YTD Surplus/Shortfall		80.20 5,074.46				

## **Opportunities & Church News**

**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 searching for an *Associate Pastor of Music*. This 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.

Clark's Chapel presents the LeFevre Quartet May 31st at 7 PM. This event is free.For more information call 706-647-6169 or visit clarkschapelchurch.com

#### Calendar of Events

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3	National Day of Prayer		
8	Steering Committee	Milner	6:30 PM
9	Upson Pike Roundtable	Macedonia	10:00 AM
10	Quarterly Fellowship Lunch	Camp Kaleo	12 Noon
13	Mother's Day	•	
14	Ministers Meeting	Garden Patch	12 Noon
14	SS Mentoring Info Meeting	FBC Thomaston	6:00 PM
15	Monroe Roundtable	New Providence	2:00 PM

#### June 2018

12-13	Georgia Baptist Convention	Dallas, TX CE	3A Office	Closed 11-14
18	Ministers Meeting	Garden P	atch	12 Noon
24-27	Equip Missions	FBC Barn	esville	

## **Shephard Stories**

Bob and Glenna Wilson were one of the first couples to reach out to Steve and me when were moved to Thomaston back in 2012. They became fast friends and confidants. I trust Bob with my husband. This statement is not easy for a



minister's wife to make, and I believe that every minister should have a friend like Bob. They live out Proverbs 27:17, and for this I am grateful! I immediately started a small group bible study in Glenna's home every Tuesday morning as well as another small group on Thursday evenings with other ladies from Trinity. These ladies held me together and loved on me during our transition to Upson County. I praise God for their willingness to embrace the "new Associational Missionary's wife". This ministry couple understands doing everything with excellence, and I do not worry about Associational tasks that are delegated to them personally or to their church family. Trinity is a healthy body of believers willing to do the hard work necessary to be salt and light to those that live in Upson County, Georgia, North America, and beyond. Bob is a teaching pastor whose style is easy to understand, challenging to the mind, and forces you to choose to walk in obedience or deny God's call. His children understand the gravity of being ministry kids and any one of them will engage you in a deep no frills discussion about Scripture. That is evidence of the Word in its rightful place in the home. Now, when Bob calls the office, I don't expect him to tell me bye before he disconnects the call. He's got other things more pressing on his agenda. I know that now, and I find it endearing. I praise the Lord for these two lovers of God, and I am honored to call them friends. Marni