

Pike County Bible Reading Marathon

September 21-27, Pike County Courthouse

Contact Dwain Penn to reserve a time to read.
770-567-4113 or dwarrenpenn@hotmail.com

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

September 7 at 6:30 PM

Maynard Baptist Church
1195 Juliette Road, Forsyth, GA 31029

Any committee chairperson or ministry directors who need to be on the agenda should contact CBA office by Tuesday, Sept. 5.

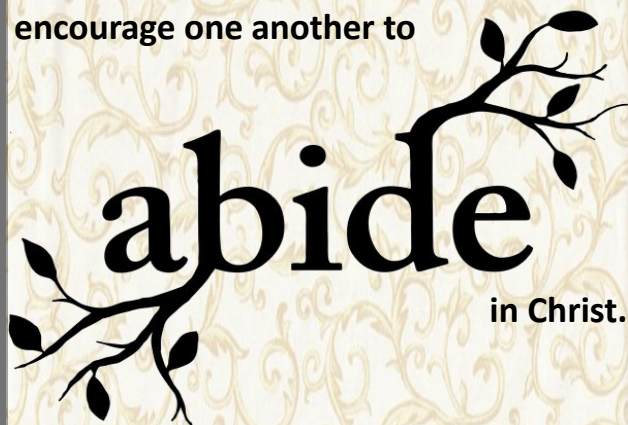


SEPTEMBER 16, 2017: New Providence Baptist Church, Forsyth, GA

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 8, 2017

- If your Primary Unit assignment is Child Care, Cleanup & Recovery, or Feeding, Recertification can be accomplished at this training.
- If your Primary Unit assignment is Chaplaincy or Communications (Unit 14C) and your credentials expired or are expiring this year, attending this training will update your credentials and cross train you as a Universal Yellow Hat.

Ladies, please mark your calendar for the CBA Fall Women's Ministry/WMU conference. May this annual training equip us for the tasks ahead as we encourage one another to



Saturday, November 4th, 9-1 PM
Shiloh Lamar Baptist Church
1530 Hwy 41 S, Barnesville, GA 30204
Come and see what the Lord has for you!

Freedom
Why Me? Women's Conference

Mountain View Baptist Church
2569 Jeff Davis Road - Thomaston

Free Admission September 9, 2017
8 am - 4 pm

Visit: www.mvbcwomenoffaith.com to sign up online.

Lunch included and childcare available
T-Shirts sold separately - \$10 each.

Featuring **Lisa Schmidt**



Reviving the Gospel
A Time of Refreshing for all God's People
4 Churches-4 Nights



October 15	6 PM	Macedonia Baptist	Paul Caspers
October 16	7 PM	East Thomaston Baptist	Bob Wilson
October 17	7 PM	Silvertown Baptist	Joey Smith
October 18	7 PM	Trinity Baptist	Eddie Johnson



A Word from Your Missionary, Steve Laughman

A fellow Associational Missionary recently asked his fellow AMs the question: What's going on in your association that has you excited and energized? His goal was to encourage our fellow AMs by sharing stories of how God is working throughout our state. I didn't have to think long for an answer. To tell the truth, there are so many great things that I struggled to keep my answer short. In fact, this article is too short to include all the positive things I see God doing in the Centennial Baptist Association. He is at work bringing life back to struggling churches, drawing new congregations into partnership, and building connections between churches that show the world what church is about. What an exciting time to serve the Lord in this place! I hope you feel the same way.

The question my friend, Bobby Braswell, asked our fellow AMs is a good one, so I am going to ask it myself in a different way. What is God doing in your church that has you excited and energized? How is He moving and how does this encourage you and your people? We can all get discouraged in ministry, even when things are going well. Let's take some time to encourage one another with some good news. It's OK to brag on Jesus for a minute. In fact, Paul wrote that he boasted only in the Lord.

Here is how this will work: most of you have a Facebook page. If you don't already follow the Centennial Baptist Association page, do that now. I have posted this question on our page. Just add your comment and take the time to read the ones from your fellow believers. My hope is that we will all find encouragement and comradery in this exercise. If you don't have Facebook, I'm sure you can find a fellow church member who can post something for you.

Be sure to make plans to attend our upcoming business meetings to hear more details about what God is doing through the Centennial Association. Executive Committee will meet at Maynard, September 7th at 6:30. We will share a meal and conduct business around the table. This meeting is for all pastors, full-time staff, elected executive committee members, CBA officers, CBA ministry directors and the chairmen of each CBA committee. Our Annual Fall Meeting will be held at Antioch on October 24th beginning at 4:30. We will have a longer business meeting due to extended reports from several committees including our Strategy Planning Team. We will also be collecting backpacks for our partnership with the Bethel Association. This meeting is open to anyone who would like to attend. Messengers from each church will be allowed to vote, so be sure to elect your messengers prior to the meeting.

Thank you for making my job so much fun. We truly do have some of the best churches in the world right here in the Centennial Baptist Association.



**BACKPACKS
OF HOPE**

Centennial will be partnering with the Bethel Baptist Association to help supply **BACKPACKS OF HOPE** to children in *Quitman County* which is one of the poorest counties in GA. If your church, civic/ small group, or family would like to pack a bag for a child in need, please contact our office for information and supplies. We will be *collecting* all filled and labeled packs at our Fall meeting on *October 24 at Antioch Baptist Church.*

CBA Annual Fall Meeting

Antioch Baptist Church

2269 Yatesville-Barnesville Road, Yatesville, GA 30197

4:00 Begins Backpack Collection

4:30 Business

6:00 Dinner

7:00 Worship, Rev. Garth Forster

We look forward to this time of handling the business of CBA and worshipping together as the body of Christ. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. We have much to celebrate!

Ministers Meeting

The Garden Patch
100 Southland Drive
Barnesville, GA 30204

September 11, 2017
12 Noon

All ministers are invited to attend.

Visit www.markbishopmusic.com

IN Concert...

Clarks Chapel Baptist Church Present

Mark Bishop

Saturday October 14 2017

6:30 pm

176 Mathis Lake Road, Thomaston, GA

For Information call

706-647-6169

Listen Learn Lead Suicide Intervention Training Workshop



3 hours POST credit for
Law Enforcement

Wednesday September 13th

10am to 3pm

Silvertown Baptist Church

300 W Goodrich Ave, Thomaston, GA30286 Thomaston, GA

We know the solution to the epidemic of suicide is the training of compassionate community members. Therefore, we are building proven and replicable models of intervention and a caring network of thousands that are discovering their strength to courageously intervene for those at risk. The result will be a culture of positive community health where individuals find an authentic power to choose their purpose instead of their pain. Join 8,000 others that have participated in the Intervention Challenge to Stop Suicide in the USA!

Workshop Objectives

- Increase personal awareness
- Identify risk factors and warning signs
- Discuss attitudes that help and hurt
- Gain skills that save lives

Taught by Kenneth Koon, D.Min.

- Master Intervention Trainer Armed Forces Mission
- Crisis Intervention Chaplain PTC Police Department
- 2016 Trinity Award's Emergency Responder of the Year
- 600+ successful suicide interventions since 2012

"It is not hyperbole when I say that it was the most impactful professional learning I have encountered in my 20 year career. I left the training a different person, equipped with the skills to save a life. I recommend this training, to everyone. Pike County Public Schools looks forward to an on-going partnership as we prepare more educators to accept the Intervene Challenge." Michael Duncan, Ed.D, Superintendent Pike County Schools

Registration cost is only \$5 thanks to the support of our community sponsors.

If you are a Sunday School Director you need to attend the Georgia Baptist Sunday School Directors Summit. You will hear from some of the finest Sunday School leaders, get to network with other Georgia Sunday School Directors, and gain insights in your role of leading all age groups in church.
Fri. 3:30 PM – 8:15 PM, Sat. 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

For more info or to register, visit gabaptist.org/groups • Cost \$39-At the door \$49

GEORGIA BAPTIST

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS SUMMIT

OCTOBER 27 & 28, 2017 • HEATHERWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH, NEWNAN, GA

Church Financial Compliance & Giving Seminar

Keys to Best Practices in
Church Compliance &
Giving in the Church

September 7th, 6:00 - 9:00PM

Mabel White Baptist
1415 Bass Rd., Macon, GA 31020
Mid-State Association
\$10.00 per person



Check website for other
location options.

TWO Tracks • THREE Sessions

Welcome/Intro: 6:00 - 6:15 PM

Session 1: 6:15 - 7:00 PM

- **Track A:** Financial Compliance: Collections, Counting & Culpability - *Tony Neal*
- **Track B:** High Giving Churches: Latest Research & New Insights & tools you can implement now! - *Dr. Scott Preissler - Cooperative Program, Giving & Stewardship*

Break 7:00 - 7:15 PM

Session 2: 7:15 - 8:00 PM

- **Track A:** Financial Compliance: Contribution; Credits & Statements - *Tony Neal*
- **Track B:** The Forgotten Formula for Funding Church Ministry - *Sam Warner, Georgia Baptist Foundation*

Break 8:00 - 8:15 PM

Session 3: 8:15-9:00 PM

- **Track A:** Financial Compliance: Designated Funds & Benevolence - *Tony Neal*
- **Track B:** Church Compliance: Constitution/By-Laws; Policies/Procedures - *D. Alan Folsom*

FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE CHURCH COMPLIANCE GIVING

Registration and Info: gabaptist.org/churchadministration

Income for July 2017

	July 17	Jan17- Dec17
Checking Interest	4.85	30.44
Antioch	537.45	3,835.42
Bethany	250.00	2,250.00
Beulah	144.00	1,812.00
Calvary	0.00	0.00
Clark's Chapel	100.00	800.00
Concord	200.00	1,600.00
Culloden	150.00	450.00
East Thomaston	341.08	2,234.34
Elkins Creek	0.00	0.00
Emory's Chapel	0.00	0.00
FBC Barnesville	1,062.67	8,686.74
FBC Forsyth	0.00	0.00
FBC Thomaston	839.53	6,400.25
Fellowship	0.00	2,670.00
Garden Hill	67.67	469.63
Hendricks	0.00	0.00
Jeff Davis	25.00	175.00
King's Chapel	0.00	100.00
Maynard	545.25	4,411.12
Meansville	241.66	1,933.28
Milner	441.37	3,405.25
Molena	0.00	0.00
Mount Olive	811.96	6,822.18
Mountain View	1,603.00	10,728.00
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	300.00
Mt. Zion	65.00	465.00
Neal	50.00	450.00
New Bethel	50.00	350.00
New Harmony	36.84	567.11
New Hope	250.00	1,500.00
Pine View	0.00	0.00
Pritchett Memorial	195.81	473.56
Russellville	0.00	0.00
Shiloh (Upson)	50.00	350.00
Shiloh Lamar	0.00	1,285.72
Silvertown	204.47	1,174.15
The Rock	23.70	191.28
Trinity	300.00	2,100.00
Valley Grove	0.00	1,763.77
Yatesville	100.00	700.00
Total Church Receipts	8,686.46	70,453.80

Disbursements for July 2017

Administrative Expenses	1,799.59
Associational Programs	0.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00
Organizational Expenses	0.00
Pastorium Maintenance	0.00
Salaries and Allowances	6,775.04
Total Budgeted Expenditures	8,574.63
Designated Accounts Expenses	183.84
Monthly Surplus/Shortfall	111.83

Opportunities & Church News

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

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

Neal in Concord, GA is hosting a Chick-N-Q on October 7th at \$7.00 a plate. All proceeds will help to replace their heating/AC unit. Donations are appreciated. For more information, call Kathy Gresham 706-975-5466.

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

September 2017

7	Executive Committee Mtg.	Maynard	6:30 PM
11	Ministers Meeting	Garden Patch	12 Noon
11	Strategy Team	Meansville	6:00 PM
12	Youth Team Meeting	FBC Barnesville	6:30 PM
13	L3 Suicide Intervention	Silvertown	10AM-3PM
14	Upson/Pike Roundtable	Mount Olive	10:00 AM
18	Missions Committee Mtg.	East Thomaston	2:00 PM
21-27	Pike Co. Bible Reading Marathon	Pike Co. Courthouse	

October 2017

9	Ministers Meeting	Garden Patch	12 Noon
24	Annual Fall Meeting	Antioch	4:30 PM



Shepherd Stories

I remember the first time I worshipped at Bethany. The music was what made such an impression on me that day. I would later understand why. Pastor Jimmy Corbitt loves to sing and is a member of a group that practices every Tuesday. I love this! A pastor who loves to worship God through song will foster a love for the same in his congregation. Pastor Corbitt has served

Bethany for sixteen plus years and he can not hide his love for the people he serves. He is always excited about how God is evident in the life of his church. When you visit, you will see a vibrant church filled with all ages. And to meet the needs of those that call Bethany home, Pastor Corbitt is also passionate about fostering an environment for discipleship. He and Mrs. Susan have led this church through an expansion, not once, but twice. He has faithfully served Centennial this past year on the Steering Com. and I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know his heart. The people of Bethany are blessed to call Pastor Jimmy Corbitt their Shephard. I praise God for men like him who lead others to faith by the way they live and serve. Thank you Pastor Corbitt for loving the Lord and others!

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