

# Carrollton Baptist Association— Striving to be an Acts 1:8 Association

August, 2010

## From Your Associational Missionary...

I'm writing this article while in flight from San Diego to Atlanta. It has been a great week ministering with Kevin Campbell and Elevate Church located just north of San Diego in Del Mar. The team had a chance to attend worship on Sunday and assist with the setting up and tearing down of the worship area. The church has moved to a volleyball facility that has proven to be a great location for space, potential growth and ease of fellowship after the service. Previously, they met in a movie theater and had only thirty minutes to tear down after the worship service. It was neat seeing everyone working together to accomplish all that needed to be done.

When we originally scheduled the mission trip in June, we were going to assist in a sports camp (baseball, flag football, and soccer). But when we discovered that school would not be out, the trip was delayed to the first week of July. In talking with Kevin, several key people would be away that week so the sports camp was postponed until August. But with the team recruited and tickets already purchased we had to travel this week. We began to look at the talents of

the team and realized God had uniquely gifted this team to be able to do some things mission teams don't normally do. Monday we began to assist Kevin with some much needed office work and car maintenance. During the week Vic Folds and Anthony Puckett worked on five of Elevate's team cars—Kevin, Susan, Maggie, Jeremy and Simeon, replacing brakes (3 cars), fixing air conditioners (3 cars), and fixing a transmission problem. They also did a maintenance check on each vehicle adding oil, transmission fluid, and brake fluid. This unique ministry saved hundreds of dollars for the Elevate team. It was a wonderful ministry and one I had never considered for a mission trip.

We also helped with a block party on Wednesday night and discovered an artist on our mission team—Shane Avery—who drew and painted all the signs advertising the block party. He and his wife Jayanna, did a great job with these signs and the signs will be used again this summer. He also designed the flyer that was distributed around the park.

Over 150 people came out for the block party and all the boys and girls enjoyed the inflatable to jump on and the hot dogs and cookies. Many contacts were made for the church and I had a chance to personally talk with several families. Kevin was thrilled with the response in this new park with hundreds of homes within walking distance of the park. He is hoping to do other block parties this summer because of the success of this one.

Right before the block party, we experienced an earthquake—5.4 on the Richter scale. I was in a grocery store buying supplies when the quake hit. No I didn't catch any bread flying off the shelves or hit the deck (floor) seeking safety, but it definitely caught my attention! It came and went in seconds. Later I found out it was an earthquake! It was definitely a first for me!

We also built soundproof walls for the church using Styrofoam and soundproof sheets. Hopefully these will be very beneficial to buffet the sound for the worship service and children's area.

Overall it was a very eventful week meeting several needs of this young church. We left tired but reminded again that our God is definitely an awesome God who knew the plans for us this week before we did.

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## Coming Up...

- **Team Kid Conference**—August 12
- **Statewide Men's Conference**—August 14
- **Regional WMU Training Conference at FBC Bremen**—August 21

## A Look Ahead

- **Sunday School Equipping Tour at Midway Macedonia**—September 18
- **Associational Annual Meeting**—October 11 & 12
- **Project Hope**—September 25

## Georgia Sunday School Equipping Tour

Saturday, September 18

### Midway Macedonia Baptist Church

Cost: \$5 per person

Time: 8:30 a.m.-12 Noon

Register online at [ssog.gabaptist.org](http://ssog.gabaptist.org)

We are blessed to have this conference in our area. Get this date on your calendar & plan now to bring a large group from your church.



Looking Ahead...

## Baptist Collegiate Ministries

It has been a busy summer for the Grissett Family. We have completed the transition to being full time residents of Carroll County. Almost all of our boxes are unpacked. It will still be a while before we are completely settled, but we are getting there fast. We will have close to two thousand new freshmen who will be

coming to West Georgia this fall. They will be lost and lonely for quite a while. Please encourage your congregation to be sensitive to these students when they see them in grocery stores and Wal-Mart looking lost. Encourage them to be ready to share with them, help them and invite them to your

church. We will be sending out a letter soon with some information on how you can interact with the students at the BCM during the first few weeks of school. Until then, enjoy the rest of your summer! God Bless!

Bill Grissett

### Note to Pastors:

**Please make note of the dates, programs and locations for the August Ministers' Luncheons.**

**August 4th**—No luncheon

**August 11th**—11:30 a.m. at Ryan's

**August 18th**—11:30 a.m. at Ryan's.

**August 25th**—11:30 a.m. at Ryan's

### August Prayer Walking Schedule:

July 26-August 1: **Trinity**

August 2-9: **Tyus**

August 9-15: **Unity**

August 16-22: **Veal**

August 23-29: **FBC Villa Rica**

August 30-September 5: **Whitesburg**

Thinking Ahead...



Place this date on your calendar now & plan to bring a group from your church.

**Carrollton Baptist Association Annual Meeting**

October 11-12, 2010

Monday: Kansas

Tuesday: Mt. Pleasant

### Sunday School Mentoring Plan Celebration

**Oak Grove Baptist Church**

Tuesday, August 24

Dinner: 6:30

Rally 7:00-8:30

This night is for all churches that participated in the Sunday School Mentoring Plan Program

### August Meetings...

August 9: **Missions Development Team meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-Fil-A

August 10: **Budget & Finance Team meeting**—Noon at the Associational Office.

August 11: **Administrative Team meeting**—1:00 p.m. following the Ministers Luncheon at Ryan's

August 15: **Leadership Development Team meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-Fil-A

### Preschool and Children Mission Leaders

Come and hear new ideas on involving Children in Missions



**Bremen First Baptist**

August 21 8:30—12:15

\$5.00 Registration **includes Lunch**

Using this fun theme, this year's mission lessons will teach children to set aside things that weigh them down, to pull up their anchors, and sail full speed ahead as they learn about missionaries, and are challenged to participate in ministries in their communities. Children will be encouraged to "navigate the course", following missionaries' examples. No matter what your time or resources to teach missions, there will be something you will find useful!

For more information call Sonjia @ 770-365-1438 or email: sonjia@bellsouth.net

### Regional WMU Training

FBC Bremen

August 21st

8:30 a.m.

There will be training for all age groups. We look forward to having a large group from your church.

**Please Pray for these  
Upcoming Mission Trips....**

July 31-August 5: **Shady Grove**—W. Virginia  
 August 6-13: **Bethesda**—Wales  
 August 20-28: **Mt. Pleasant**—Uganda  
 August 22-27: **Bethesda**—San Diego, CA  
 September 20-28: **Roopville Road**—Uganda  
 September 25: **Association**—Project Hope  
 October 8-15: **Midway Macedonia**—San Diego  
 October 18-23: **Roopville Road**—Honduras  
 November 8-13: **Association**—Peru

**Team Kid  
Conference**

August 12th  
7:00-8:30

Rocky Mount Baptist Church

**News** From Churches

**Fullerville:** honored their Pastor, Rev. Steve Swafford, and his family for 14 years of faithful service.

**New Lebanon:** called Rev. Tommy Akin as Pastor.

**Whitesburg:** called Rev. Mike Owenby as Pastor.

**FBC Carrollton:** honored their Pastor, Dr. Steve Davis, and his family for their 15 years of service by sending them to Hawaii for the Baptist World Alliance meeting and a time of relaxation.

**Vacation Bible School Results:**

Church	Enrollment	Av. Attend.	Prof. of Faith
Antioch	178	116	13
Flat Rock	189		5
Pleasant Grove	68		8
Pleasant View	125	95	7
Shady Grove	151	123	1

If we do not have your Vacation Bible School results, please call or email us with your enrollment, average attendance, and professions of faith.

**Statewide Men's  
Conference: "Mighty  
Men of God"**

August 14

Maynard Baptist Church,  
Forsyth, GA

Boys ages 12 + are included in this conference.

**From the WMU.....**

As I write this article for our newsletter I am a little sad since this will be my last one. Having served for ten years plus as the WMU director I am now stepping down to be the assistant director to Keri Perkins. Keri and I are simply reversing our past roles. She has been an excellent assistant to me and will be a wonderful leader for us in her new role. I ask that you continue to pray for her and all of us who seek to keep missions out in front of our people. I came on board about the same time that Dan came and I am so pleased at the many ways he has led us into new areas of ministry and the many people who have been

touched by what we have been involved in.

One of the greatest things that we have been so great in doing is the Operation Christmas Child shoebox ministry. We started this ministry in 1999 and the first year we collected 802 boxes. Last year, 2009 was our eleventh year and we have now collected a total of 28,373! Just think of that many children being given a gift most likely for the very first time. This ministry has meant the world to me and one reason is that Harold and I shared in getting the work all together. Since his home going in March of last year I felt I could not handle all the details alone so after fulfilling all the duties in 2009 I am now turning over the

leadership to two wonderful couples who will share the responsibility—Lewis and Gloria North and Charlotte and Pat Culwell. Please pray for them and support them in the wonderful way you have supported us in the past. I will still be around to help and look forward to us continuing this wonderful ministry on and on!

Thank you for your love and support these past years. I love each of you and God has so richly blessed me to serve Him with so many wonderful people and pastors in the Carrollton Baptist Association. I feel we have the best association in the state!

His Servant,  
Barbara Swayingham

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| 4  | <b>There will be No Minister's Luncheon</b>  | Maynard Baptist Church, Forsyth  |
| 7  | <b>Prayer Walking in Schools</b>   | 15 <b>Leadership Development Team meeting—</b>   |
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