

Carrollton Baptist Association

June 2020

A Word From Dan...

Someone has said that the seven last words of the church was “We’ve never done it like that before.” Well, for the last two months these words have been pushed out the door because of the Covid 19 pandemic in our community, state, nation, and world. Our pastors and churches have had to try new things in order to reach out to their congregations who had to “stay at home” in order to keep the virus from spreading and overrun our medical facilities with patients. And I have been amazed and encouraged by the ways our churches have used technology and other creative ideas to preach the Word and minister to people.

In the last nine weeks I have watched Sunday morning services from many of our churches—some pastors at their church preaching to empty pews; some pastors around their kitchen table or a pulpit in their living room. Some have been in their office or home office sharing God’s Word. Several of our churches have had or are

having drive in services so that folks could at least wave at one another. (Donna and I have attended five of these.) And one pastor set in his rocking chair on Wednesday night to teach and to pray.

Churches have even used Facebook live, Zoom, Skype, and other meeting technology for Sunday School and Small Groups. Its been neat to watch teachers for preschoolers, children, and youth share the lesson.

So, even though the church doors have been closed for many weeks, God’s Word has been proclaimed and we know folks have been watching not just in our community, but in our state, nation and even world. Its been incredible to see how God has used His church in spite of the four walls being closed! Thank you for your faithfulness to be “in” church, to give, and to meet the needs of people in our community! You have been the church deployed! Keep it up! Dan

News from Churches

Note: Please have all church news or announcements for July into the CBA office **no later than** June 15.

Association: Please note that we will only be sending this newsletter on-line. If you know of members that normally get a copy through the mail, please share with them.

Bowdon: Rev. Benny Boggus, Minister of Music, retired. His last Sunday will be August 9th.

Rockridge Children’s Camp

New Dates: August 28-30

Registration begins Friday at 5:00 p.m.

Camp ends Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

Cost: \$100.00



Information will be sent out by July 1st.

Registration will begin August 1st.

Thank you to all the churches who have supported the CBA financially since September 1st, 2019, the beginning of our financial year...

Antioch, Bethesda, Beulah, Bowdon, Calvary, FBC Carrollton, FBC Centralhatchee, Christ The King, Concord, Consolation, Discovery, Ephesus, Flat Rock, Fullerville, Glenloch, Harmony, Indian Creek, Kansas, Midway Macedonia, Midway West, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant View, Providence, Rocky Mount, Roopville, Roopville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Tabernacle, FBC Temple, Trinity, Tyus, Veal, FBC Villa Rica, and Whitesburg

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

To the following Pastors and their wives with June Birthdays

- 2 Rev. Alan Trippe, Pastor, Discovery Church
- 3 Rev. Ronnie Puckett, Interim Pastor, Salem
Rev. Todd Wright, Pastor, Midway
- 9 Rev. Joey Dedman, Pastor, Concord
- 11 Mrs. Cheryl Huggins, Retired Pastor's wife
- 16 Rev. Kenneth Bryant, Pastor, Bethesda
- 24 Rev. Paul Widener, Pastor, Son Rise
- 25 Mrs. Kimberly King, Pastor's wife, Unity
- 27 Dr. Steve Davis, Pastor, FBC, Carrollton
- 29 Mrs. Melinda Swafford, Pastor's wife,
Fullerville

Virtual VBS

- June 8-12 FBC, Carrollton
- June 21-25 Oak Grove

June 2020 Calendar

- 1-7 Pray for Rocky Mount—Rev. Steve Riddle, Pastor
- 8-14 Pray for Roopville, Rev. Wayne Webb, Pastor
- 15-21 Pray for Rockridge Baptist Assembly, Rev. Jody Thrower, Camp Director
- 21 Father's Day
Baptist Men's Emphasis
- 22-28 Pray for Roopville Road—Dr. Stephen Peebles, Pastor
- 28 Citizenship and Religious Liberty Sunday
Mission Dignity Sunday
- 29-July 5 Pray for Salem

Looking Ahead:

Sunday School Leadership Conference—
August 13th at Roopville Road.

From the WMU

I read a devotional entry written by Candy Paull recently entitled *Persevere in Tough Times*. It reads...

Losses, layoffs, deaths, sudden changes—life takes its toll and you begin to be afraid that the road of life has turned into a dark and dangerous dead end. Unexpected detours happen. Tough times have their seasons. But the seasons change, and what you thought was the end of the road may turn out to be only a bend in the road.

When you feel overwhelmed, take time to nurture your relationship with God. Persevere and trust that His strength sustains you through every trouble and trial, and through all the changes of a lifetime. Rely on this inner strength to help you deal with the challenges of daily life.

I hope those thoughts will encourage you.

Thank you for all you do,
Keri Perkins