

## July 2017

*Continuing to be an Acts 1:8 Association*

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### Looking Ahead...

- **Independence Day**—July 4
- **Executive Committee Meeting**—July 24
- **Load the Truck for the GA Baptist Children's Home**—July 25

### From Your Associational Missionary...

As most of you are aware we hosted a group of church planters and their families at Rockridge on April 18-21. These church planters are a part of the Pillar Church Network who are planting churches near U.S. Military installations. They came from Japan, Hawaii, California, Washington, DC and surrounding areas, and Jacksonville, NC. It was an incredible week for them and I am very appreciative of churches who financially supported this week and to churches who "adopted" one of these families. We received the following letter from them.

Carrollton Baptist Association, On behalf of the Pillar Churches, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your member churches for the gracious hosting of our pastors, planters, and families for our annual retreat from April 18-21 at Camp Rockridge.

This was the sixth annual fami-

ly retreat that we have enjoyed together as a young network of churches and this is the first time we have been able to enjoy the same venue two years in a row! It was such a blessing to be able to join together in the scenic area of Camp Rockridge again and to be served by your awesome staff and volunteers from your member churches!

Our network of churches is working diligently to plant a network of like-minded churches in communities near U.S. Military Installations. One of the big efforts of our network is to remain relationally connected as church leaders so that we can conduct pastoral handoffs of members as they transition from place to place throughout their military career. This annual family retreat is a large part of the effort to remain connected.

There is no way for a letter to express the appreciation that we

have towards you all as association of churches, but please know that we thank the Lord for your partnership in the Gospel. It is also evident that you do this as service to our Lord and not to us. For that we are truly thankful.

In Christ,  
Brian O'Day, Pastor/Planter

As I write this article we are only a few days from Children's Camp at Rockridge. Right now we have 85 campers who have signed up—the largest number we have had in several years. I am grateful for everyone who has promoted this week in your church and for Justin Richards, Camp Pastor, and Angie Presnal, Camp Director, for all the planning they have done and recruiting such an awesome group of cabin leaders and other helpers for the week.

I look forward to sharing more about the week next month.  
Dan



## "Load the Truck"

For the Georgia Baptist Children's Home

July 25



This is a great project for Mission Groups, Sunday School Classes, Youth Groups, or your Entire Church.

**Needs:** 100% Fruit Juice, Instant Oatmeal, Crackers—Ritz & Saltines, Vanilla Wafers, and Cooking Oil. Gift Cards are appreciated!

Please have everything into the CBA by Monday, the 24th if possible. The truck will pull out around 10am Tuesday the 25th.

### Baptist Collegiate Ministries

We have been working hard over the last few years to fix problems with our BCM building and to upgrade how the building looks inside. We have been truly blessed with many people who have helped us do projects over the years. I would like to take a minute and thank everyone who has helped with any projects around the BCM! We are continuing to improve our building when God provides. Please stop by and check out some of the improvements that we have made. One of the big projects that we did several years ago was to cut down some Pine trees that were threatening the building. This has left us with a blank area on the side of our building. My vision is to create a prayer area in this space. If anyone would be willing to donate a tree, bush, picnic table, or bench to this project please let us know! Have a great summer! God Bless, Bill

### 2016-2017 CBA Gifts

**Thank you to all the CBA churches who have supported our Association financially since September 1st** ( the beginning of our fiscal year).  
 Antioch, Bethesda, Beulah, Bowdon, Calvary, FBC Carrollton, First Centralhatchee, Concord, Consolation, Ephesus, Flat Rock, Fullerville, Glenloch, Harmony, Indian Creek, Kansas, Mars Hill, Midway Macedonia, Midway West, Mt. Pleasant, Mountain View, Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant View, Rocky Mount, Roopville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Tabernacle, Temple First, Trinity, Tyus, Unity, Veal and FBC, Villa

### Church News...

**Beulah:** Rev. Damon Smith, Pastor, resigned.

**Centralhatchee:** Pastor Mark and Renee Williams will celebrate 10 years of ministry at Centralhatchee on July 9th in a special service with guest singers "Straight from the Heart". A covered dish dinner will follow the morning service.

**Eureka:** Christian sympathy is extended to Rev. Russell and Lynn Shadrix following the home-going of Russell's mother

**Mars Hill:** Rev. Larry Scott, Minister to Senior Adults, resigned.

**Mt. Pleasant:** Christian sympathy is extended to Rev. Mark and Carla Edwards, following the home-going of Carla's mother.

**Son Rise:** J.D. Spense, Minister to Youth, resigned.

We are accepting resumes for bi-vocational youth minister. Send resume to Son Rise Church, P.O. Box 486, Bowdon, GA 30108

### July Meeting Schedule:

7/19 **Administrative Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A

7/24 **Executive Committee Meeting**—7:00 p.m. at the CBA

### Note to Pastors:

Our weekly Ministers' Luncheons will be suspended for the summer. They will resume in August. Have a great summer!

### Executive Committee Meeting

July 24th at 7:00 p.m.

At the Carrollton Baptist Association

### Backpacks of Hope for Appalachia



The backpacks are in! If you haven't reserved your backpacks, do so as soon as possible. The cost this year is \$3.30 each. Fill them with toys, food, clothing, school supplies, etc, and bring them with you to our annual meeting at Roopville Road Baptist Church on October 22. This is the only Christmas present most of these children will receive. This is a wonderful mission opportunity for your mission groups, Sunday School classes, or the entire church!

**NOTE: Please have all announcements for the August Newsletter into the CBA office by July 15th.**

### 2017 V.B.S. Dates...

Eureka	July 29	9am-3pm
Indian Creek	July 9-13	7pm-8:30pm
Mars Hill	July 10-14	6:30pm-8:30pm
Son Rise	July 17-21	6pm-9pm
Unity	July 10-14	6pm-8:30pm

Senior Adult Ministries Day

**Mission Opportunities...**

<b>Midway</b>	June 24-July 1	Eleuthera, Bahamas
<b>Tyus</b>	June 25-July 1	Vermont
<b>Mt. Pleasant</b>	June 24-July 2	South Dakota
<b>Tabernacle</b>	July 2-7	Cumberland, KY
<b>Roopville Road</b>	July 8-15	Honduras
<b>FBC, Villa Rica</b>	July 9-13	Cumberland, KY
<b>Association</b>	July 7-15	Placerville, CA
<b>Antioch</b>	July 10-15	Casper, WY
<b>Midway</b>	July 13-23	Israel
<b>Shady Grove</b>	July 14-22	New Mexico
<b>Roopville Road</b>	July 14-21	Santa Maria, Honduras
<b>Roopville Road</b>	July 24-28	Buffalo, NY
<b>Villa Rica First</b>	August	Los Angeles, CA
<b>Midway</b>	September 23-29	Havana, Cuba



**144th Annual Meeting  
of the Carrollton  
Baptist Association**

**October 22nd at 6:00 pm at  
Roopville Road Baptist  
Church**

Join us as we celebrate what God has done in and through our Association. Bring your filled "Backpacks of Hope" for Appalachia. What a wonderful sight to see hundreds of backpacks circling the worship center as we pray for those who will receive them.

**From the WMU**

Sometimes it's hard to think of something to share in each month's article. I'll think—I already shared about that or I don't know if I can think of enough to write about a topic. I occasionally write about the same things again because I think it's important or someone new will see the information and it might spark an idea for them. This month I just wasn't sure what to write about. I often look at WMU materials including their website to get inspiration. I was excited to see an article written by Maegan Dockery, Dan's daughter-in-law, who works with WMU in Birmingham. She had written an article titled 5 Ways to be On Mission during Summer Vacation. She shared some ideas she thought might work well for youth leaders and their youth groups.

**Volunteer in your community.** Volunteer somewhere locally in your community. You could help at a food bank or an animal shelter or anywhere you know of that needs some extra hands.

**Help with VBS.** If there aren't specific lessons or events for your youth group planned during VBS, consider getting your students to help out where needed. This shows the students they can minister even within their own church family.

**Plan a party at a local nursing home.** Find a day that works for your group and have a good old-fashioned ice cream social or another activity you might think of. Check with the activities director at the nursing home and find out what kind of event might be right for your group.

**Encourage your students to begin a new ministry.** Find out what things your students are passionate about or want to learn more about. They might consider starting a prayer ministry, where they could prayerwalk your church campus or surrounding neighborhoods. Let them explore their interests and empower them to get started.

**Raise money for a cause.** Have a bake sale or a yard sale or whatever works

best for your group. Have your students consider ways they could raise money for a local organization and let them lead it. Find a local ministry that could use your help and surprise them with your donation.

These ideas Maegan shared may also spark some ideas for women's groups too. This might just get you up and going during the summer days.

**Your church mission group/groups.** Please let me know if you would like to start some new groups in your church as the new church year begins. We can meet and talk and discuss some ideas. Also, please plan to prayerwalk a school in your community. I will put more information on our website: [www.carrolltonwmu.com](http://www.carrolltonwmu.com).

Thanks for all you do,  
Keri Perkins

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# July



3-9 **Pray for Shady Grove, Mike Harris, Pastor**  
3-4 **CBA Office closed for Independence Day**  
7-15 **Associational Mission Trip to California**  
10 **Pray for Son Rise, Paul Widener, Pastor**  
16 **Senior Adult Ministry Day**  
17-23 **Pray for Tabernacle, Stephen Allen, Pastor**  
19 **Administrative Team Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A**

24 **Executive Committee Meeting—7:00 p.m. at the CBA.**  
24-30 **Pray for Temple First, Larry Boswell, Pastor**  
25 **Load the Truck for the Georgia Baptist Children's Home.**  
25-26 **SEND Conference—Orlando, FL**  
31-August 6 **Pray for our Schools**