

May 2015

Continuing to be an Acts 1:8 Association

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Looking Ahead...

- **Southern Baptist Convention—June 16-17, Columbus, Ohio**
- **Fathers' Day/ Baptist Men's Day—June 21**
- **Rockridge Children's Camp—June 29-July 2**
- **Mission: Dignity Sunday—June 28**

From Your Associational Missionary...

While recently reading through the book of Joshua, I came across chapter 4 which follows the crossing of the Jordan River. God commands Joshua to choose 12 men, one from each tribe, to take a stone from the Jordan River, and to set up these stones as a memorial to the Lord. Joshua 4:6-7 says, "That this may be a sign among you, that when your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying what mean ye by these stones? Then ye shall answer them, 'That the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the Lord; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off; and these stones shall be a memorial unto the children of Israel forever.' "

These stones were a reminder of how God had demonstrated His power and allowed the children of Israel to walk across on dry ground to bring them into the Promised Land. It was definitely a powerful reminder!

In life we have many reminders. A wedding ring is a reminder of

the commitment a husband and wife have made to each other. A birthday is a reminder that we are getting older but it also represents for Christians that we are another year closer to our heavenly home. A key is a reminder that we have a place to live and a vehicle to drive.

In the Christian life, we just celebrated Easter which is a powerful reminder that the grave is empty, sin and death have been defeated, Jesus is alive! It also reminds us that because He lives, we can face tomorrow, The Lord's Supper reminds us of His sacrifice and how His body was broken and blood was shed for you and me. Christmas reminds us "that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us."

The month of May has several dates set aside to remind us. The first Thursday of the month has been designated as the National Day of Prayer to remind us to pray for our nation. The second Sunday is Mothers' Day to remind us to recognize, honor,

and remember those special ladies in our lives. And the fourth Monday is Memorial Day where we remember those who have given their lives on the battlefield so that we might have our freedom today. All of these dates are simply reminders to help us remember and not forget.

As I grow older I must admit I need reminders to remember upcoming events like a call from the dentist office to remind me of an appointment. Or an email from a minister to remind me of an upcoming conference in May. Both were not on my calendar, so it was good to receive these reminders.

If it is true for me, it's probably true for you. Even in this day of modern technology and smart phones we still need those reminders. Just as it was true for the children of Israel it's also true for us! Why? So we don't forget His blessings, special people, special dates, and upcoming appointments. Dan

Project Pray—May 4-7

Monday: Pray for our schools.

Tuesday: Pray for Firefighters and Law Enforcement Officers

Wednesday: Pray for our City and County Governments and for our Churches.

Thursday: National Day of Prayer and Prayer Rally 7:00 p.m. at the Carrollton AMP.

Church News...

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Spring is always an exciting and sad time of the year for our ministry. This is the time of year when we select new leaders and begin planning for our next year of ministry. We have an excellent Leadership Team selected for next year. We will be leaving soon to go on our annual leadership retreat to pray, worship, and plan together. Please pray for our team as we prayerfully plan out the things that we will be doing next year! Please pray that God would give us His heart in our planning! Spring is also a sad time in our ministry. It is the time when we say goodbye to some of our brightest and best students. We will be losing some talented students from our ministry this year. Please pray for these graduates that God would guide and use them in the next steps in their lives!
 God Bless,
 Bill

2014-2015 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, Bethsaida, Beulah, Bowdon, Calvary, FBC Carrollton, First Central-hatchee, Eureka, Fellowship, Flat Rock, Fullerville, Glenloch, Harmony, Indian Creek, Kansas, Mars Hill, Midway Macedonia, Midway West, Mountain View, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Plaasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant View, Rocky Mount, Roopville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Son Rise, Tabernacle, Temple First, Trinity, Tyus, Veal and FBC, Villa Rica.

Antioch: recognized Rev. Tony McManus on April 26th on his 20th anniversary as Pastor with a special service and dinner on the grounds.

Midway: had their largest worship service attendance ever with 3748 present in their 4 worship services. They also baptized 12 people and had over 30 people identify themselves as having accepted Christ.

Mt. Pleasant: recently hosted the Associational VBS clinic on April 16th with almost 190 VBS workers and leaders.

Also held their annual Global Impact Conference with many missionaries in attendance.

They had a mission team go to Uganda in April.

Roopville: held Friend Day on April 19th and in spite of the weather had a great turnout.

Roopville Road: Easter Sunday's attendance was 1222 which was their 2nd highest attendance ever.

FBC Villa Rica: Easter Sunday brought 1202 people to their 2 worship services which was their largest worship services ever.

Also, they purchased land to build a church in Guatemala.

May Meeting Schedule...

- 5/11 **Mission Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 5/13 **Administrative Team Meeting**—at American Pie Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon.
- 5/14 **Community Ministries Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
Leadership Development Team Meeting—Noon at the Associational office. Bring your own lunch.

Note To Pastors:

We will meet every Wednesday in May at 11:30 a.m. for our weekly Ministers' Luncheon at American Pie Pizzeria.

Memorial Day

May 25, 2015

Office will be closed

**Senior Adult
 Sunday
 May 3**

**Christian Home
 Week
 May 10-17**

NOTE: Please have all announcements for the June Newsletter into the CBA office no later than Thursday, May 14.

Happy 
Mother's
 Day
 May 10

Children's Home Day

From the WMU

Spring Cleaning

A few weeks ago, during spring break, I visited my mom. This trip had a work list attached to it. My sister and I were going to clean out closets and whatever else we might have time to work on. My mom was pretty good about letting us clean out and organize things for her. There were times when we would stop to look at old pictures and reminisce. In one of the closets we came across a bag that had a lot of my ball shirts including my team shirt from the first year I played when I was four or five years old. I also found t-shirts from youth camp and the BSU. It reminded me of good times; times I enjoyed. We sometimes think of the past as “the good old days”, maybe a simpler time.

I read a devotional recently that referred to “the good old days”. In Ecclesiastes 7:10 it reads, “Do not say, ‘Why were the old days better these?’ For it is not wise to ask such questions.” (NIV) Maybe this verse is reminding us to appreciate today and to do our best as we live as Christians each day. May we live our lives daily being an example for others. Make a difference today and in the days to come by praying, giving, going, and doing missions.

Thanks for all you do,
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S.P.L.A.S.H. **Show People Love** **and Share Him**

May 26-28

A Youth “Mission Serve” Project—
Doing random acts of
kindness in our
communities.

NOTE TO ALL **V.B.S.** **DIRECTORS...**

Please get the dates and times of your V.B.S. to the CBA office if you haven’t already done so. I hope to have a complete list in next month’s newsletter.

Baptist Association Emphasis **May 17-24**

“Ready Churches/Ready Harvest

Be much in prayer for the Carrollton Baptist Association and for associations all across our state and nation as they strive to work together with our churches to be an Acts 1:8 association.

Coming Up...

Rockridge Children’s Camp **June 29-July 2**

Plan now to bring a large group of children for this wonderful week!

For all children ages 9-12,
or grades 4-6.

Early Bird Cost—\$135 (by June 15)
\$145 after June 15.

This cost includes the \$25 deposit.

Camp registration begins Monday,
May 4

Mission Trips...

Mt. Pleasant: May 1-June 19,
Copperhill, TN

Association: May 4-7, Project
Pray

Association: May 26-28,
SPLASH

Pleasant View: May 26-June
2nd, Toronto, Canada

Roopville Road: May 29-June 2,
Honduras

FBC, Villa Rica:
May 30-June 6, Guatemala

Glenloch: May 30-June 6,
Nicaragua

Bowdon: June 6-13, Honduras

Oak Grove: June 15-21,
Savannah, GA

Mt. Pleasant: June 27-July 5,
South Dakota

FBC Carrollton: July 12-17,
Jefferson City, TN

Association: July 18-25,
Placerville, CA

Midway: July 14-25, Israel

FBC, Villa Rica: July 19-23,
Atlanta, GA

Midway: July 21-28, North
Africa

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| 3 | Senior Adult Sunday | | |
| 4 | Project Pray —Pray for our Schools | | |
| 4-10 | Pray for Pleasant View | 14 | Community Ministries Team Meeting —8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A |
| 5 | Project Pray —Pray for Firefighters and Law Enforcement | | Leadership Development Team Meeting —Noon at the Carrollton Baptist Association. Bring your own lunch. |
| 6 | Project Pray —Pray for City and County Governments and our Churches | 17-23 | Baptist Association Emphasis: Ready Churches/Ready Harvest |
| | Ministers Luncheon —11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria | 18-24 | Pray for the Carrollton Baptist Association |
| 7 | National Day of Prayer and Prayer Rally — 7:00 p.m. at the Carrollton AMP | 20 | Ministers' Luncheon —11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria |
| 10 | Mother's Day | 25 | Memorial Day —CBA office will be closed. |
| | Children's Home Day | 25-31 | Pray for Providence |
| 11 | Mission Development Team Meeting —8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A | 26-28 | S.P.L.A.S.H —A Youth "Mission Serve" Project |
| 11-17 | Christian Home Week | 27 | Ministers' Luncheon —11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria |
| | Pray for Local Ministries | | |
| 13 | Ministers' Luncheon —11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria | | |
| | Administrative Team Meeting —at | | |