

# Carrollton Baptist Association

## From Your Associational Missionary

Memories. That's what 2019 is now—memories. Memories of mission trips and local mission projects. Memories of churches celebrating special days like anniversaries and homecomings. Memories of boys and girls having a great time at Children's Camp or Vacation Bible School. Memories of people serving in our community. Memories of baby bottles, supplies for the Children's Home, backpacks and shoeboxes. Even though the year has quickly gone by, those memories remain.

Donna and I attended a journeyman missionary retreat in October and in looking for items to take, came across a journal from 1980. On those pages detailed a four week journey with three other missionary journeymen to three different West Africa countries—Ivory Coast. Upper Volta now called Bukina Faso and Mali. During those four weeks we traveled by money bus (back of a pickup), bus, taxi, missionary vehicle, train, airplane, camel, and boat. We visited with many of our International Missionaries who treated us royally, introduced us to many nation-

als, and gave us wonderful tours of their "home". We visited in many churches and although we didn't understand the language \*(French and some tribal dialects) we could tell from their hearts that they loved Jesus. We even traveled to Timbuktu and had a chance to ride camels into the desert. When we returned to our hotel from our camel journey we were able to purchase and ice cold Coca Cola for \$1.00 and at the moment it was the best coke we ever had. We even had a picnic on a sand dune at sunset with a missionary couple—it was a breathtaking sight! But we also experienced a sandstorm, a major rain (it was a sprinkle), a three day trip down the Niger River (my very first cruise ship experience!), and purchased some unique souvenirs made from ivory, leather, wool, and wood. Thinking back I am still amazed that we were able to pull off this trip! Why? Because I was the only one who spoke any French at all and that was very little. But God protected us, provided for every need, and always had somebody available who either understood my French or who spoke some English. God always provided a way!

Yes, memories of 2019 are rather fresh. And memories of 1980 (40 years ago) are remembered from a journal and they still seem like only yesterday. And now a new year—2020 begins. We know what yesterday brought, I wonder what tomorrow will bring. How do we prepare for a new year? I thought of 4 verses to remember.

"Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever." Hebrews 13:8

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me". Philippians 4:13

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Lean not in your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your paths." Proverbs 3:5-6

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength: they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint". Isaiah 40:31

Let's prepare ourselves to make some lasting memories in 2020. I don't know about tomorrow, but I know the one who holds tomorrow in His hand. Let's make 2020 the best ever!

Dan

*Continuing to be  
an Acts 1:8  
Association*

**January 2020**

### *Minister/Mate After Christmas Fellowship*

**Tuesday, January 21, at 7:00 p.m. at Tabernacle  
(Note the change of venue).**

Menu: Baked Italian Chicken, Green Beans, Loaded Potatoes, Broccoli Salad, Rolls, Key Lime Cake, German Chocolate Cake, & Peach Cobbler. Cost :\$10.00 per person.

All ministers in your church are invited!

**Please R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, January 15.**

**NEWS FROM CHURCHES...**

**Association:** took a group from FBC, Centralhatchee, Antioch, and Oak Grove to Rogersville, TN to distribute backpacks on December 13th & 14th.

**Concord:** took a group to Rogersville, TN to distribute backpacks on December 6th & 7th

**Mt. Pleasant:** is looking for an Administrative Assistant. This position is a support staff position and is full-time. To apply please email resume and cover letter to: [mpbcemploy@gmail.com](mailto:mpbcemploy@gmail.com)

**Roopville Road: Disciple Making Men's 2020 Kickoff Event—Low Country Boil.** Friday, February 21st at 6:00 pm. Cost: \$5.00 per person. Deadline to purchase tickets is February 9. Purchase tickets online at [roopvilleroad.org](http://roopvilleroad.org).

**Trinity Baptist:** is looking for a part-time Pianist. Please send your resume to John Stallings at [jsarchwood@bellsouth.net](mailto:jsarchwood@bellsouth.net).

**Note:** Please have all announcements for the February Newsletter into the CBA office No later than January 15th.

**Note to Pastors...**

We will have our January Ministers' Luncheons on the 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th at 11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria. There will be No luncheon on the 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, Concord, Consolation, Discovery, Flat Rock, Fullerville, Glenloch, Harmony, Indian Creek, Kansas, Midway, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant View, Rocky Mount, Roopville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Son Rise, Tabernacle, FBC Temple, Trinity, Tyus, Veal, FBC, Villa Rica, and Whitesburg

**Baptist Collegiate Ministries**

Hey, everyone! I hope you are having a wonderful New Year! Our Dinner Theater is coming up soon. This is our biggest fundraiser every year. We want to thank everyone who has been so faithful to support this over the years! If you haven't been before we would love for you to come and check it out this year! Our play this year is based in a 1950's diner and is titled "Uncle Phil's Diner". Join us as we go back in time to a simpler day. The cost for Dinner and the play is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children and students. All you need to do to sign up is call the BCM at 770-834-7588. If we don't answer please leave a message and we will get back to you ASAP. If you have any questions please e-mail me at [bgrissett.bcm@gabaptist.org](mailto:bgrissett.bcm@gabaptist.org). God Bless, Bill.

**Samaritans' Purse Shoebox Update**

**Total Shoeboxes given: 3,399**



Thank you to everyone who played a part in making this Ministry a wonderful success—from those who came everyday to help, to those who packed a shoebox—you were all greatly appreciated!!!

**January Meeting Schedule**

- 1/06 **Mission Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 1/07 **Prayer Team Meeting**—7:00 p.m. at the CBA.
- 1/09 **Community Ministries Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- Next Generation Team Meeting**—Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.
- Bi-Vocational Ministers Team Meeting**—7:00 p.m. at the CBA
- 1/15 **Administrative Team Meeting**—at American Pie Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon
- 1/20 **Executive Committee Meeting**—7:00 p.m. at the CBA office.

**From the WMU**

It is hard to believe 2020 is here, twenty years into the millennium. You probably could think back through the past twenty years and remember some wonderful times and maybe some disappointments or hard times you faced. As you look forward what do you want the next twenty years to look like? That seems like a long time doesn't it? I know right now I just seem to be able to handle one day at a time. Maybe we can start thinking about what we might want to work towards for one year, maybe two. Do you have some goals you would like to accomplish personally...study God's Word, pray for wisdom, pray for opportunities to witness? Be

aware of opportunities God gives you to share His love and what He is doing for you. Can you think of ways to use your spiritual gifts in your church as you serve the Lord? I pray we all will continue to grow closer in our relationship with Christ.

A couple of mission opportunities during the winter months include Focus on WMU week during February 10-16. You might use this time to help your church learn about the reach of WMU and encourage greater involvement by highlighting WMU sponsored missions opportunities. February 15 is Children's Ministry Day. This year's

theme, Reach Out, will help the children reach out to your community with God's love. The main idea of CMD is to give children a chance to experience telling someone about God's love. For more information and resources visit [wmu.com/cmd](http://wmu.com/cmd).

Baptist Women's Spring Event is planned for April 24-25 at the Atlanta Evergreen Conference Resort at Stone Mountain. Now is the time to start making plans to attend and register. You can find out all the details at [georgiabaptistwomen.org/springevent](http://georgiabaptistwomen.org/springevent).

Thank you for all you do,  
Keri Perkins



**Sanctity of Human Life Day  
January 19th**



**Baby Bottle Boomerang begins  
January 19th**

This is a wonderful mission project for your mission groups, Sunday School classes, Youth & Children groups and for your entire church!

All money collected goes to the Pregnancy Resource Center.

Bottles due back into the CBA office by Monday, February 10.

**VBS Early Bird Clinic**

January 27th  
6:00 p.m. at Bowdon Baptist Church

**“Concrete and Cranes—  
Building on the Love of Jesus”**  
Philippians 1:6

This clinic is for all Pastors and VBS Directors

**Shift Conference—A Conference to Help  
Stuck Churches Move Again**

Midway Church  
January 30-31  
Thursday: 11:00 am-5:45 pm  
Friday: 9:00 am-4:00 pm

**Conference Leaders: Thom Rainer, Tim Elmore, and Todd Wright**  
To Register: [theshiftcc.com](http://theshiftcc.com)





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# January



30-January 5 **Pray for Discovery, Rev. Alan Trippe, Pastor**

1 **Happy New Years! Office closed**

2 **CBA Office reopens.**

6 **Mission Development Team Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A**

6-12 **Pray for Ephesus, Rev. Kevin Geter, Pastor**

7 **Prayer Team Meeting—7:00 p.m. at the CBA**

8 **Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria**

9 **Community Ministries Team Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A**

**Next Generation Team—Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.**

**Bi-Vocational Ministries Team—7:00 p.m. at the CBA office.**

13-19 **Pray for Eureka, Rev. Russell Shadrix, Pastor**

15 **Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American**

Pie Pizzeria

**Administrative Team Meeting—**at American Pie Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon

19 **Sanctity of Human Life Day**

**Baby Bottle Boomerang Begins**

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

20-26 **Pray for Fellowship, Rev. David Ayers, Pastor**

21 **Minister/Mate After Christmas Fellowship—7: p.m. at Tabernacle**

22 **Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria**

27 **VBS Early Bird Clinic—6:00 p.m. at Bowdon**

27-2/02 **Pray for Flat Rock, Dr. Jerry Brown, Pastor**

29 **Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria**

30-31 **Shift Conference—Midway Church**

