

Carrollton Baptist Association

From Your Associational Missionary

I love Vacation Bible School! I have been involved with Vacation Bible School not only as a kid growing up but since 1984 have served as a director, teacher, or cheerleader! I remember one summer while serving as pastor of a church in TN, that I received a phone call from a lady who wanted to know the dates and times of our VBS. She ran an afternoon “daycare” and wanted to bring her kids to VBS. When I asked how many children she had who were 4 or older, she said 10! My first thought was that we were going to provide free childcare for 3 hours and she was still going to get paid for keeping them. But then another thought came to my mind—these kids are going to be exposed to the gospel for 3 hours every day! So instead of seeing it as “free childcare”, I began to see it as an incredible opportunity to share the gospel with some kids who had probably never heard the gospel. She brought those 10 kids every night to our church having the permission of every parent, and

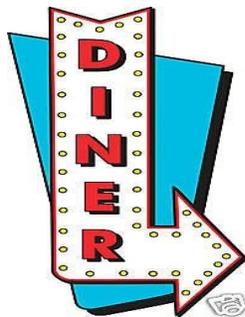
at the end of that week, 2 of those kids made a decision to accept Christ. When I called their parents after our VBS was over to let them know about their child’s decision, they let me know that their child had shared it with them and they would be talking with their pastor soon about it. I was glad to hear that! And even though we didn’t get any of these kids and their families, we knew that God had given us a unique opportunity to use VBS as an incredible outreach tool for our church.

This story came to my mind while reading a book by Landry Holmes entitled It’s Worth It: Uncovering How One Week Can Transform Your Church. He shared that the first VBS began in 1898 by Virginia Hawes, not in a church but in a rented beer parlor. She saw some of the misery of New York’s East Side, just a mile from her church and decided to do something about it. So she rented the beer parlor (it was closed during the day) because it was close to where the children were. They did not keep records the first year but on the first day of the second year

they had 114 who attended. It definitely met a need in that community. Why do I share about VBS in March? Because we should already be getting ready for it! Many of our churches have already ordered their materials through our office (Thank You); 15 churches attended our Early Bird Clinic; and many are recruiting workers. But we also need to train each worker for your week of VBS. A new statistic I have just read in this book is that for every one VBS leader who is trained, there are 1.1 salvation decisions. Encourage every worker you have recruited to come Thursday April 16th to our Associational Clinic at 6:30 pm at Tabernacle. It will be a great night of training, and will help your leaders get ready for an incredible week of VBS in your church. Thank you for your support of our local Pregnancy Resource Center through Baby Bottle Boomerang. We have seen hundreds of bottles come through our office full of money for this great cause. Thank you for making a difference.

Dan

*Continuing to be an
Acts 1:8
Association
March 2020*



**BCM Dinner Theater
“Uncle Phil’s Diner”**

March 6-7 at 7:00 pm each night

Cost is \$15.00 for adults and
\$10.00 for Children

You can e-mail us with your reservations at
bgrissett.bcm@gabaptist.org

NEWS FROM CHURCHES...

Association: hosted Mark and Cherry Brum-below, Pastor of Grace Baptist Church in Wild Peach, Texas for our Minister's Luncheon on February 19th. Pastor Mark & Cherry shared with Pastors and laymen/women how their church of 53 members packed over 11,000 shoe-boxes for Operation Christmas Child last year. It was an incredible story of trusting God and being obedient to His direction.

FBC, Carrollton: On January 30th, 2020, the William Wofford Chapter of the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century, placed an Historic Marker at FBC. The event was attended by FBC staff, members, community, and Betty Cason, Mayor.

Roopville Road: had Jeremiah Castille, Alabama football Chaplain, as their guest speaker on February 23rd.

Tabernacle: hosted Chris Holcolme, Chief Meteorologist for 11 Alive, for a Senior Adult Luncheon.

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

**Church Planting
Emphasis Sunday
March 15**

**Substance Abuse
Prevention Sunday
March 29**

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! Our students are working hard to prepare this year's Dinner Theater! They have been hard at work since last November getting everything ready. Our play this year is called Uncle Phil's Diner. The play is set in a typical 1950's weekend. Come and step back in time with us to a simpler time and place. The play will be Friday, March 6 and Saturday, March 7 both nights at 7:00 PM. The play will be at the BCM, which is at 2301 W. Georgia Dr. The cost for Dinner and a play is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children and students. If you have any questions or would like to sign up to come, please e-mail us at bgrissett.bcm@gabaptist.org

Blessings, Bill

Note: Please have all announcements for the April Newsletter into the CBA office No later than March 15th.

Note to Pastors...

We will have our March Ministers' Lunch-eons every Wednesday in March at 11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria.

March Meeting Schedule

- 3/09 **Mission Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 3/11 **Administrative Team Meeting**—at American Pie Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon
- 3/12 **Community Ministries Team Meeting**—8:15a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 3/19 **Next Generation Team Meeting**—Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.

From the WMU

How much water do you drink per day! How much water do you use per day? I drink more water than anything else. It definitely quenches my thirst. According to the United States Geological Survey each person uses about 80-100 gallons of water per day. Have you considered what you would do if you had no clean water?

The missionaries featured in the February Mission Mosaic shared that providing water filters opens doors for them to introduce people to Jesus, the source of living water. Volunteers have helped set up a water tank for a school with no water. This was a concrete way the missionaries and the volunteers could show their love to the people in the villages

while also telling them Jesus loves them.

WMU has a ministry to help provide clean water to missionaries, the people they serve, and mission teams. Pure Water, Pure Love provides water filters to missionaries. They also provide the people they serve with wells that offer clean water. PWPL also provides water filters to mission teams for use on short-term mission trips.

Throughout the world people face diseases or parasites from their water. Many carry heavy jugs for miles just to be sure their families have clean, healthy water. For others clean water is not available at all. With your help and the help of churches

Pure Water Pure Love provides thousands of water filters to missionary families and helps fund clean water projects.

If you are interested in helping please find more information I've linked to our website, www.carrolltonwmu.com. There is a lot of information and resources to help you learn more.

Don't forget...

- March 1-8: Week of Prayer for North American Missions
- Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- April 24-25: Georgia Baptist Women Spring Event, Stone Mountain

Thank you for all you do,
Keri Perkins



**Week of Prayer for
North American Missions and the
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**

March 1-8

“It’s All About the Gospel”

“For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.”
I Corinthians 14:25

National Goal: 70 Million

Baby Bottle Boomerang

Thank you to everyone who participated in “Baby Bottle Boomerang” which helps support the Pregnancy Resource Center



Count to Date:
\$15,745.23





Daylight Saving Time
Begins
Sunday, March 8

Looking Ahead to April...

4/16 **Associational VBS Clinic—at Tabernacle.**
This clinic is for all VBS workers in your church.

4/21 **Ministry Assistants Luncheon—11:30a.m. at Chicken Salad Chick.** Please invite all Ministry Assistants in your church.

4/22-4/24 **50th Annual GBAMA (GA Baptist Association of Ministry Assistant’s) Conference—St. Simons Island**





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Associational Missionary
Mrs. Teresa Britt:
Ministry Assistant



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| 24-23/01 | Pray for Indian Creek—Rev. Ralph Caldwell, Pastor | 12 | Pizzeria following the Ministers’ Luncheon |
| 1-8 | Week of Prayer for North American Missions and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering | 12 | Community Ministries Team Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A |
| 2-8 | Pray for Kansas, Rev. Randall Eidson, Pastor | 15 | Church Planting Emphasis Sunday |
| 4 | Ministers’ Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria | 16-22 | Pray for Midway, Rev. Todd Wright, Pastor |
| 6-7 | BCM Dinner Theater—7:00 p.m. each night | 18 | Ministers’ Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria |
| 8 | Daylight Saving Time Begins | 19 | Next Generation Team Meeting—Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch. |
| 9 | Mission Development Team Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A | 21 | Disaster Relief Orientation—Atlanta |
| 9-15 | Pray for Mars Hill, Rev. Cecil Clegg, Interim Pastor | 23-29 | Pray for Midway West, Rev. Hal Waters Pastor |
| 11 | Ministers’ Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria | 25 | Ministers’ Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria |
| | Administrative Team Meeting—at American Pie | 29 | Substance Abuse Prevention Sunday |
| | | 30-4/05 | Pray for Mountain View, Rev. Scott Estes, Pastor |

