

# AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, LTD.



## *ADF Newsletter*

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**The Winter Meeting will be January 26, 2019,  
at First Baptist Church, Clinton, Mississippi**

### **Presidents Column:**

I hope everyone had a great time of celebration and fellowship with family and friends during the holiday season. As we start the new year, January is always a busy time in my world, with the legislature going back into session, and making preparations for the Dixie National Rodeo and Livestock Show that lasts most of the month of February. In spite of the busyness, one of the things I always enjoy is

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### **The Winter Meeting—What to Expect**

- See page two for the meeting agenda.
- Hear the address by Mississippi Commissioner of Agriculture Andy Gipson
- Learn the latest from Baptist Global Response from Jeff Palmer
- Meet Mrs. Adriane Brown who is our new financial manager.

### **Veterinarians and Missions—How do These Two Go Together?**

I have been working in vet missions now for three decades and I am still learning how Gospel missions and vet medicine go together. The Bible says that our Lord Jesus went preaching the Gospel and healing all kinds of diseases. In many parts of the underdeveloped world, livestock health and human health are closely related. The financial success of many families in these countries is also tied to the health and production of their livestock. Vet medicine in missions helps us do what the Lord Jesus did—but just in the animal agriculture context. Usually this mix of Gospel sharing, and animal healing occurs best in a team where there are evangelists and church planters working with the vet missionary.

In current times also, traditional missionaries, are finding it increasingly more difficult to enter countries to do mission work and church planting. There are more countries where there is the need for “platforms” or “creative access” to enter a country or people groups than in previous years. The vet missionary can provide an avenue to access unreached people thru animal health projects. He or she can be a door-opener to get the team into these areas where Christ has not been named. Animal health project breakdown many of these barriers to getting into unreached or under-reached people groups. People are interested in better health for their animals, and so is the vet missionary.

**Winter Meeting  
Agricultural Development Foundation, LTD.  
First Baptist Church  
Clinton, Mississippi**

**January 26, 2019**

- 9:00 a.m.            ADF Board of Directors Meeting**
- 9:30 a.m.            Registration and Refreshments**
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- 9:50 a.m.            Music.....Russel Kyzar**
- 10:00                Welcome.....Dr. Greg Pouncey**
- 10:15                Call to order..... Jim Watson**
- 10:30                Introduction of Speaker.....Jim Watson**
- Address by Mr. Andy Gipson**
- Mississippi Commissioner of Agriculture**
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- Jeff Palmer**
- CEO Baptist Global Response**
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- 12:00 p.m.            Lunch at the church.**
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- 1:00 p.m.            State Reports**
- Business Session:**
- Minutes of Previous Meeting**
- Financial Report**
- Executive Committee Report**
- Project Requests**
- Communication Committee-Don Blasingame**
- Nominating Committee Report- Randy Graves**
- Election**
- Adjourn**

## Directions to First Baptist Church Clinton:

**From Interstate 20 exit north at Spring Ridge Road; continue straight to College Street (about four lights) and turn left. FBC is at 100 E. College Street, and will be on the right. The meeting will be in the Fellowship Hall to the rear.**

Pictured (right) are Mr. and Mrs. Robbie Brown and their three children. Mrs. Adriana Brown is our new financial manager. She graduated from Mississippi College with an undergraduate degree in accounting and an MBA. She has been a CPA for eleven years. The Browns are members of First Baptist Church, Clinton, Mississippi. Adriana looks forward to meeting the ADF family at the Winter Meeting.



President's column continued from page 1: that we have our ADF meeting this time of year. I'm really looking forward to a great program and time of fellowship as we share our passion for using agriculture to share God's word.. Please make plans to join us on January 26<sup>th</sup> at First Baptist Church Clinton, MS.

Web links:  
Baptist Rural Life Ministries – <http://www.BRLM.org>  
Filter of Hope – <http://www.filterofhope.org>  
Gracewater—<http://www.gracewater.org>  
Baptist Global Response—<http://www.gobgr.org>  
Reclaimed Project - <http://www.reclaimedproject.org>

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