

WMU News

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RRVBA/BSM Donations April 20-May 20	Year to Date
ATLAS	0 600.00
BAGWELL	50.00 250.00
BETHEL	110.56 548.28
BOUNDS	287.52 1,146.24
BROOKSTON	0 0
CHICOTA	133.41 628.87
CHISUM TRAILS	100.00 400.00
COLLEGE AVE.	0 0
CUNNINGHAM	0 360.00
DIRECT	277.77 1,128.74
DOUBLE R	0 680.00
EAST DELTA	658.14 2,652.46
EAST PARIS	125.00 2,291.68
EMBERSON	0 160.00
FAITH	0 1,016.00
FBC ANNONA	197.63 561.46
FBC BLOSSOM	0 800.00
FBC BOGATA	1,359.37 5,463.66
FBC CLARKSVILLE	100.00 500.00
FBC COOPER	0 747.68
FBC DEPORT	0 0
FBC DETROIT	0 139.54
FBC PARIS	1,225.77 5,888.02
FBC ROXTON	0 0
FRIENDSHIP	120.00 650.00
FULBRIGHT	0 0
GLORY	127.84 274.40
GRAHAM ST.	0 0
HIS PLACE	1,000.00 1,000.00
HOWLAND	91.83 380.88
IMMANUEL/WMU	0 11,365.28
LAKEWAY	0 0
LAMAR POINT	0 810.00
LANE'S CHAPEL	0 0
LEESVILLE	472.00 2,525.00
MAXEY	150.00 600.00
MT. OLIVE	0 926.00
NOVICE	429.00 2,326.45
PACIO	186.18 939.84
PATTONVILLE	0 240.00
PETTY	681.18 681.18
POWDERLY	300.00 1,200.00
PROVIDENCE	181.24 821.82
SALEM	300.00 1,500.00
SOUTHSIDE	609.10 2,465.62
SPRINGLAKE	406.11 1,757.57
TRINITY	0 0
YOUNG'S CHAPEL	0 0
TOTAL	9,679.65 55,746.67

**RISE & BUILD FUND:
\$103,271.39**

We do not know how God changes us from mourning to laughing and from living in the dark to living in the light—but we know He does! We also know we have the help of His presence at all times. So “By All Means” we should be able to say with Paul: “I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.” 1 Corinthians 9:22b-23 (NIV)

The Mission Study on Norway was a very different type of meeting, but very enjoyable. We learned a lot about the country and the missionary family serving there, Zack and Jennifer Dove. Men and women attended from 11 different churches. We are thinking about making this an annual event, learning about different locations and missionaries.

Our outreach project for this quarter is to gather requested items for Christian Women Job Corp. Carol King, Site Coordinator, has compiled a list of objects they use. If your church wants to participate and has not been contacted, please call the Association office (903.785.2890). This ministry is making an impact and changing lives in women in our area. Please be a part of helping where you can.

The Ladies Retreat will be Saturday, September 9, 2017, at the Love Civic Center in Paris. Please save this date and begin now to make plans to attend. I'll be giving you information each month about the event. *Gency Fortenberry* will be our Bible study leader this year, and we're asking attendees to bring a 'gently' used or new coat/jacket or a new blanket/throw for Mission Service Corps volunteers ministering in New Mexico. Stay tuned for more information each month.



FLAG DAY—JUNE 14

Show your colors!



JOY ON THE JOURNEY WITH "SEASONED" SAINTS by Gloria Parker, RRVBA Senior Adults Director

JUNE - Remember when we tho't we'd never be 13, then 20? Now, we wonder what happened to those years as some of us look at 80 and better - Wow! I hope 1/2 of YOU had a Happy Mother's Day, and that the other 1/2 of YOU will have a Happy Father's Day. Many of us can Praise God for our Christian Heritage; may we continue to pass on this precious Legacy through the Love of our Lord and Savior Jesus' Blood!

Our Red River Valley Old Fashion Hymn Singers will meet at Springlake BC on Thursday June 8 at 9:30 am to rehearse and go sing at Lamar Place.

Senior Adults VBS is coming fast - July 31 - Southside, Aug. 7 - Chicota assisted by Bounds, Aug. 14 - Novice, Aug. 21 - Immanuel, and Aug. 28 - Paris FBC. We'll discover more than we ever dreamed about God's Amazing Galactic Creation! Invite everyone you know "our ages" and bring them!

Let me encourage each of us to be more aware and show more appreciation to our wonderful Police Officers, Firemen, and ALL First Responders. The Police Officers especially have really taken a beating recently with so much hatred and violence toward them. They lay their lives on the line daily for our safety and protection. Let's be sure to THANK them for their service, just as I hope we are doing for ALL our Military Officers, too. Hey, you know how much I love hugs! I've been known to hug many of them as I Thank them for all they do for us. One of the First and Basic Principles we taught our children early in life is that the Police Officers are our Friends, and to go to one whenever they needed help! That still goes today!

"Maxine" asks: What hair color do they put on driver's licenses of bald men?
Keep Looking UP, "Seasoned" Saints - JESUS THE PRINCE OF PEACE IS COMING BACK SOON and WE MUST BE READY!

NEWS FROM THE BSM. . .

Dear Family,

The time is drawing very close for us to be moving to Colorado. We would ask for your continued prayers as we are still dealing with a couple things that may or may not delay us. We trust that God is in control and we will head out when He is ready for us. We would also ask that you continue to pray for us to find work (strategic work that allows flexibility and plants us firmly within the community) and housing. We are loving living in our RV, but it is not a unit that is ready for the harsh winters of Colorado and would not likely do well to keep us warm. Last request for prayer is this: we know that since God has called us to this He will provide, but finances will be a huge need. If you would like to become a prayer partner or make a donation to the ministry please visit www.reachloveland.com. Thanks to all of you for the love and support you have given us these last several years. We hope to be able to come back and give reports on what God will be doing through us in Colorado.

The South Dakota trip is quickly approaching! I will be spearheading that this year again. We will be going to Whitewood, SD, and hosting a day camp for children at Black Hills Baptist Church. The dates are July 28th through August 5th. The cost is \$50 per person. If you are unable to pay and your church is unable to sponsor you please contact Brother Mike at the association office to discuss other options. We will take helpers who have completed the 7th grade and up. If you would like to go and have younger children you are welcome to bring them, and they will be able to participate in the day camp which will be for children K-6th. The Holy Spirit moved last year and there was a great response to His calling. There were almost twice as many children as were expected. The church is excited to have us back and we are looking forward to seeing many of last year's faces and many new ones as well. To confirm your spot on the trip contact me NO LATER than July 14th. We need people who can teach lessons to children, coordinate crafts, escort kids from activity to activity, help with recreation and help with food. If you can do any of that then this is a trip you can be a part of.

"Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"" Romans 10:9-15 ESV

Take advantage of the opportunities the Lord has placed before you!

Living God, Loving Life,
Scott Powell 903-246-1364



WMU Quarterly Missions Project: *Christian Women's Job Corps*

Churches will be contacted individually about items needed by CWJC on a daily basis. If you don't know what your church has been asked to supply, please call the Association office at 903-785-2890.

Thank you to those churches who have chosen to provide one of the "big ticket" items! Still needed are the task chairs and a storage cabinet. Also still needed are workers and materials for ceiling repair and painting. Contact Carol King [903-517-8665] about these remaining items or helping with the 'hands-on' projects.

CWJC can ALWAYS use financial partners. Individuals and churches are encouraged to give on a monthly basis to keep this ministry going. Next year their funding will change to matching funds in order to receive their grant. Start helping change lives today!

Red River Valley Baptist Association

Regular Office Hours: Monday—Thursday, 8 am to 2 pm
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Birthdays and Anniversaries

June Birthdays

1st	Tim Parker, pastor	Howland
1st	Casey DeLay, music	Immanuel
4th	Tim Sullivan, assoc pastor	East Paris
4th	Brandi Moore, spouse	FBC Paris
5th	Marsha Crosswhite, spouse	Lamar Point
5th	Shirlee Lambert, spouse	FBC Annona
6th	Jamie Ash, youth	FBC Blossom
7th	Chuey Potter, music	FBC Roxton
8th	Jason Soward, youth/music	FBC Cooper
10th	Kay Burrow, spouse	Chicota
10th	Curtis Adams, treasurer	Maxey
13th	Angela Frachiseur, spouse	East Paris
14th	Richard Mercaldo, spouse	Immanuel
16th	Scott Powell, director	BSM
18th	Lindsay Glossup, spouse	East Delta
19th	Jeremy Glossup, media	East Delta
20th	Donna Kropp, clerk	Emberson
21st	Cheryl Reed, spouse	Emberson
23rd	Gilbert Miller, spouse	Springlake
24th	Marlena Gunter, spouse	Immanuel
24th	June Davis, secretary	Emberson
24th	Jody VanDeaver, pastor	Bethel
26th	Jonathan Moore, worshp/youth	FBC Paris
26th	Wesley Lucas, spouse	FBC Cooper
30th	Michaella Bumgarner, music	Bounds

June Wedding Anniversaries

1st	Gilbert & Mavis Miller, 60 yrs	Springlake
2nd	Jody & Carol VanDeaver, 16 yrs	Bethel
5th	Mark & Brenda Fendley, 36 yrs	Mt. Olive
8th	L.C. & Jerry Nell Stout, 61 yrs	Faith
8th	Joseph & Jamie Ash, 2 yrs	FBC Blossom
12th	Brent & Deborah Bolton, 30 yrs	FBC Cooper
14th	Johnny & Renee Wright, 42 yrs	FBC Paris
14th	Dean & Donna Houchins, 48 yrs	East Delta
14th	Junior & Sherry Moore, 42 yrs	Direct
14th	Matt & Lori Russell, 14 yrs	Immanuel
15th	Steve & Marlena Gunter, 26 yrs	Immanuel
22nd	Phil & Carla Spann, 32 yrs	Southside
29th	Skip & Julie Perkins, 26 yrs	Bounds

June Church Anniversaries

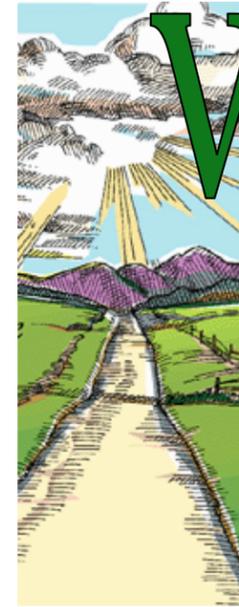
7th	Martha Lucas, secretary, 1 yr	FBC Cooper
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HELP WANTED!

Hwy 82 Baptist Church needs a Piano Player. Call Jerry Clements at 903-249-0037.

SPRINGLAKE BAPTIST CHURCH is looking for a Nursery Worker. Call the church at 903-785-1859 for more information.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH needs Nursery Workers. Call Shauna Mercaldo at 713-377-2889



Voice of the Valley

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No Greater Love - John 15:13

I was recently honored when asked to give the commencement address for the Arlington Baptist University 2017 Graduating Class. I used this verse as my text referring to Christ's admonition that there is no greater act of human emotion than to love some one enough to "lay down your life", for them. I reminded the students the Memorial Day Holiday recognizes all of our military who have sacrificed and suffered for our nation and its freedom, especially those who paid the ultimate price ... the loss of their own life. I went on to recognize all the parents, family members, coaches, teachers, college professors, pastors, youth ministers etc. who lay down their time, talent, treasure, skills, etc. to enrich the graduates knowledge, accomplishments and life! As your church recognizes your high school and college graduates consider this thought; "Yesterday is past, tomorrow has not yet come, all that we have is today and what prayers we pray and spiritual works we do."

As we approach the summer with all sorts of extra ministry opportunities; VBS, Youth Camp, Day Camp, Mission Trips, etc. our churches usually need more volunteers or servant leaders. Pray that God would prepare people to serve, and that your church members will be good stewards of their gifts and talents. The Apostle Paul introduces himself to the church at Rome with these words "Paul, a servant of the Lord Jesus Christ." Paul emphasizes his role as a servant over his position as an Apostle. I believe Paul was following the example of Jesus Christ and his words in Philippians 2:5-7 reflect this. "Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness." Paul like Jesus, wanted to serve others rather than being served. May God bless each of our churches with members who have that heart. I believe it is a worthy dream to see all believers working within the church and its ministries and their God-created passion!

"Back to Bethel" Camp Meeting! The RRV Bible Camp is hosting its "Back to Bethel" Camp Meeting June 26-29. This year we are pleased to announce that Dr. Jerry Vines, former SBC president and long time pastor at FBC Jacksonville, FL, will be our featured speaker Monday and Tuesday nights. There will also be a special lunch with Dr. Vines followed by a Question & Answer session at noon on Tuesday, June 27. For further information call the office or Bro. Mike at 903-782-6759.

He's Coming Again,
Bro. Mike
DOM RRVB Association

RRVBA Mission Statement:

Help each other become healthy "Great Commission" churches.

RRVBA Vision Statement:

We are a family of churches who are committed to sharing ourselves, resources, and expertise with one another for the purpose of fulfilling the "Great Commission."

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SECRETARIES/SUPPORT STAFF FREE BBQ LUNCH

Thursday, June 1, at 11:30 am

RSVP by Noon on Tuesday, May 30

with your choice of: *Beef (sliced or chopped), Ham, or Links*. Each plate comes with beans and potato salad, and we'll provide the drinks. Call Nancy at 903-785-2890 to RSVP. Come and fellowship!

THE ARMOR OF GOD

(Ephesians 6:10-18)

TCB Children's Day Camp
at RRV Bible Camp
June 20-22

Ages: 5 yrs—6th grade

Cost: \$65 per child
(Scholarships available!)

Call the office (903-785-2890) or Bro. Mike (903-782-6759) for registration and scholarship information.



June 26-29, 2017 "Back to Bethel"

Red River Valley Bible Camp Meeting with Dr. Jerry Vines preaching on Monday & Tuesday. Come and hear him and other great preachers! Call RRVBA for more information.



South Dakota Mission Trip
July 28- August 5

Call Scott Powell to sign up.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon, May 29: *MEMORIAL DAY (RRVBA office will be closed)*

Thurs, June 1: *Secretaries/Support Staff FREE BBQ lunch, 11:30 am, RRVBA*

Tues, June 13-Wed, June 14: *SBC Convention, Phoenix AZ*

Wed, June 14: *FLAG DAY*

Sun, June 18: *FATHER'S DAY*

Tues, June 20-Thurs, June 22: *TCB Day Camp, RRV Bible Camp*

Mon, June 26-Thurs, June 29; *Back to Bethel Camp Meeting at RRV Bible Camp with Dr. Jerry Vines preaching on Monday & Tuesday nights*