

RRVBA/BSM Donations  
Received in July 2019

ATLAS	0
BAGWELL	50.00
BETHEL	105.80
BOUNDS	294.90
BROOKSTON	0
CHICOTA	200.98
CHISUM TRAILS	100.00
CUNNINGHAM	450.00
DIRECT	319.50
DOUBLE R	0
EAST DELTA	589.03
EAST PARIS	208.33
EMBERSON	0
FAITH	0
FBC ANNONA	50.00
FBC BLOSSOM	200.00
FBC BOGATA	1,105.06
FBC CLARKSVILLE	100.00
FBC COOPER	445.69
FBC DEPORT	0
FBC DETROIT	37.93
FBC PARIS	1,218.49
FBC ROXTON	0
FRIENDSHIP	256.00
FULBRIGHT	0
GLORY	0
GRAHAM ST.	0
HIS PLACE	2,000.00
HOWLAND	77.25
IMMANUEL/WMU	75.00
LAMAR POINT	400.00
LEESVILLE	606.50
MAXEY	150.00
MT. OLIVE	380.00
NOVICE	465.00
PACIO	260.28
PATTONVILLE	0
PETTY	0
POWDERLY	300.00
PROVIDENCE	93.89
SALEM	300.00
SOUTHSIDE	743.46
SPRINGLAKE	598.20
TRINITY	0
YOUNG'S CHAPEL	0
TOTAL	11,731.29

BUILDING FUND:  
\$11,948.60

WMU News

Alice Ann White  
RRVBA WMU Director  
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Why don't we call out to Jesus with "Unshakable Pursuit?" He will hear us calling, and He will open the door, come in, and we can fellowship as friends. This should be a daily activity between us and our Savior.

The Association WMU **Ladies' Retreat** is here! Saturday, September 14, 2019, at 10:00 AM in the Love Civic Center, Paris, is when and where it all begins. Come early to register and enjoy a light snack before the program starts.

To give you a brief rundown of what to expect, Shirley McDonald will be the key note speaker; Cheryl will share her missionary experiences serving on the mission field; and Donna Kennemer, Executive Director of Christian Women Job Corp, will give her testimony. To end the day, we will be laughing with **Jewels for Jesus** when Ruby and Pearl take us on a wild 'ride.' There will be several booths to visit during break time and World Crafts will be back again for you to shop. You might want to do some early Christmas shopping. We will be collecting **new blankets** for Native Americans in New Mexico, and **Sandwich, Etc.** is catering the lunch. If you have not registered, you can call the office and do so there by August 29, 2019. Ladies, don't miss this blessing!

**Beans, beans and more beans!** We are collecting dried beans for the same group where the blankets are going. This is your opportunity to help put food on some families' tables that need it! If your church isn't participating, you may bring your beans by the Association office on or before **Thursday, August 29, 2019.**

Remember, Jesus is listening, call and pursue Him!

**Youth Minister wanted:** Permanent, temporary (intern), or part-time. Contact Leesville Baptist Church @ 903-674-5782, [pastor@leesvillebaptistchurch.com](mailto:pastor@leesvillebaptistchurch.com) or [questions@leesvillebc.org](mailto:questions@leesvillebc.org)

Full-time Student Worship Pastor @ FBC Cooper: Job description at [redriverbaptist.com](http://redriverbaptist.com)

JOY ON THE JOURNEY WITH "SEASONED" SAINTS

by Gloria Parker, Senior Adults Director

SEPTEMBER - Great Memories of Senior Adults VBS 2019 - FBC Bogata: 120 from 20 Churches; His Place: 121 from 23 Churches; Immanuel: 100 from 18 Churches; Southside: 104 from 20 churches (Information from FBC Paris will be in next month's article.) The Offering (so far) of \$1,826.86 will go to New Hope Center. The RRVOF Hymn Singers led the singing each week, Directed by Fred Fangio and Pianist Jim Ferrin. Each Host Church was given "Treasures of the 2nd Temple" DVD to enjoy. Theme for 2020 is "Concrete and Cranes" Building A Strong Foundation on Jesus." The dates are August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. The 16th year is gonna be good again!

The Red River Valley Old Fashioned Hymn Singers will meet Thursday, September 12 at 9:30 am to rehearse and go sing with the Residents of Pine Tree Ranch and Springlake Assisted Living Homes. Come sing with us!

Friday Night Out at Denny's 5-7 pm continues to meet the needs of some Widows, Widowers, Singles Again, and Singles who don't like being home alone on Friday nights. The food is GOOD and the fellowship is GREAT!

Our Beloved D.O.M. Bro. Mike, please know what JOY and Serendipities I have experienced with your wonderful leadership. You have enhanced our Senior Adult Ministry in every way possible. Thank YOU for your faithfulness to Our Lord and to us. We look forward to being at His Place Fellowship again! Welcome aboard our new D.O.M. Bro. Guille Seigler. We're with you all the way as you follow our Lord Jesus!

KEEP LOOKING UP, BE READY, JESUS THE PRINCE OF PEACE IS COMING BACK SOON FOR US HIS CHURCH - HIS BRIDE. PRAY FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM, AS WELL AS OUR BELOVED HOME - U.S.A

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING RRVBA EVENTS!

Friday, August 23 & Saturday, August 24: His Church Men's Conference, *His Place Fellowship*

Sunday, August 25: Farewell Reception for DOM Mike Fortenberry, 2:00-4:00 pm, *Southside*

Monday, August 26: Senior Adult VBS, *FBC Paris*

Monday, August 26: PJC Fall Semester begins

Monday, August 26: CWJC Classes begin

Thursday, August 29: Dried Beans for Mission Project due, RRVBA office

Thursday, August 29: Registration @ \$10 due for Ladies' Retreat (\$15 after this date), RRVBA office

Monday, Sept. 2: LABOR DAY (RRVBA office closed)

Wednesday, Sept. 4: Back to School Bash (Jr. & Sr. High School students), 5:30 pm, Love Civic Center

Thursday, Sept. 5: Secretaries/Support Staff lunch, 11:30 pm, RRVBA

Sept. 8th-15th: Mary Hill Davis Offering Week of Prayer

Tuesday, Sept. 10: Finance Committee meeting, 5:30 pm, RRVBA

Saturday, Sept. 14: 7th Annual Ladies' Retreat, 9:30 am Registration, Program @ 10:00 am, Love Civic Center

Tuesday, Sept. 17: Executive Board Meeting (Budget only), 6:00 pm, *His Place* (Dessert fellowship after -No meal)

Sept. 22nd-29th: Reach Texas Offering Week of Prayer

BSM NEWS...

Hello from the Baptist Student Ministry!

I want to invite and encourage you to come alongside me to kick off the new school year at PJC. On the first day of school, August 26, we will be working with the Student Activity Coordinator in the courtyard area on campus handing out donuts, kolaches, water and juice to the students and helping them find where their classes are. We will also be passing out BSM promotional flyers and gospel tracts. For lunch that day the Activity Coordinator is feeding students a free lunch, and I would like to see some support from our churches on campus to assist them and interact with the students. Both activities will be between **8:00am-1:00pm**.

The next day, Tuesday, August 27, I have permission to cook and give away free burgers on campus for the students! I will need helpers to cook, set up, prep the fixings, serve, pass out flyers and gospel tracts. ***Please email me or text or call to volunteer. I cannot do this by myself.*** This will be the most aggressive outreach attempt in recent BSM history, so please get excited about the chance to reach these students and sign up to help. I will need helpers from **10:00am to 2:00pm**.

I am also taking donations of 12 oz canned drinks- Cokes, Dr Pepper, Sprite, Pepsi, Mountain Dew, Coke Zero and half liter water bottles. We also need plastic forks, paper plates and napkins. You can drop these off at the Association Building or BSM building, Mondays thru Thursday 8am - 2pm. If you would rather just make a designated cash donation to be used for these items, that would be great too!

Isaiah 6:8 says, "And I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? ***Then said I, HERE I AM; SEND ME.***" Did you catch that? Isaiah volunteered for service. He didn't look around and wait and hope someone else would do it, He said "I'll do it!" Won't you step up and help me reach these students? The more the merrier!

Pray up! Preach out! Plug in!

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**SECRETARIES/SUPPORT STAFF LUNCH**

Thursday, September 5 @ 11:30 am  
Bring your lunch & fellowship with us!

**Seventh Annual  
WMU Ladies' Retreat  
September 14, 2019  
Love Civic Center  
The Apple of His Eye**



Ladies of all ages are invited to enjoy the food, fun & fellowship! Cost is **\$10** which includes lunch and a goodie bag. **Deadline to register: August 29** after which the cost goes to **\$15** with no guarantee of extras! Register through your RRVBA church or at the RRVBA office, Mon-Thurs, 8am-2pm. Call 903-785-2890 for more information.

**HIS CHURCH  
MEN'S CONFERENCE**

at His Place Fellowship  
(across from Chisum ISD)

with Pastor Mike Fortenberry & Wade White

This free conference is for men of all ages!

**Friday, August 23:**

Meal @ 6 pm, Service @ 7 pm

**Saturday, August 24:**

Breakfast @ 8:30 am, Service @ 9:30 am

Please pre-register @ 903-706-5022 or email [admin@HisPlaceParis.com](mailto:admin@HisPlaceParis.com) so enough food can be prepared! Call Bro. Mike (903-782-6759) or Wade White (903-491-6494) for more information.



**Red River Valley Baptist Association**

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

**September Birthdays**

1	Edna Owens, treasurer	Direct
5	Tim Reger, pastor	Mt. Olive
7	Mavis Miller, secretary	Springlake
9	Terry Sulsar, children	Southside
11	Sheri Wharton, secretary	Bounds
11	Linda Francis, secretary	Novice
13	Bobby Kennedy, spouse	Cunningham
14	Eric Moore, pastor	Immanuel
14	Carol Pearson, spouse	Pacio
19	Johnny Witherspoon, pastor	FBC Cooper
21	Charles Ralson, music	FBC Blossom
30	James Norwood, music	Cunningham

**September Wedding Anniversaries**

2	Mike & Scherlene Shupp, 17 yrs	FBC Blossom
6	Boyd & Teresa Harmening	Leesville
7	Byron & Gayle Robertson, 62 yrs	Bagwell
8	Johnny & Annie Ausburn, 41 yrs	Providence
19	Jerry & Debbie Hindman, 39 yrs	FBC Roxton
25	Deanie & Shirlee Lambert, 49 yrs	FBC Annona
29	Eugene & Jo Ann Adams, 57 yrs	Pacio

**September Church Anniversaries**

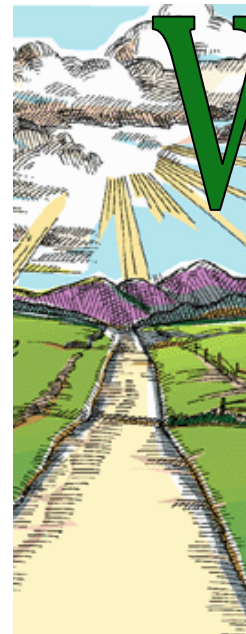
1	Shauna Mercaldo, children, 5 yrs	Immanuel
1	Tena Segleski, treasurer, 5 yrs	Bounds
1	Casey DeLay, music, 6 yrs	Immanuel
1	Brenda Fendley, fin. secretary, 12 yrs	Mt. Olive
1	Teresa Harmoning, music, 38 yrs	Leesville
1	Paula Hutson, treasurer, 13 yrs	FBC Bogata
3	Dennis Pearson, music, 16 yrs	Pacio
19	Karl Bush, pastor, 12 yrs	Bagwell
20	James McLeod, pastor, 14 yrs	Chisum Trails
21	Brent Bolton, education, 16 yrs	FBC Cooper
23	Phil Spann, youth, 12 yrs	Southside



***If you're in  
Junior High School  
or  
Senior High School  
—this is for YOU!!***

You're invited to a ***Back to School Bash***  
@ Love Civic Center on Wednesday,  
September 4, starting @ 5:30 pm  
with ***Pizza & Prizes & recording artist  
Justin Todd Herod!!***

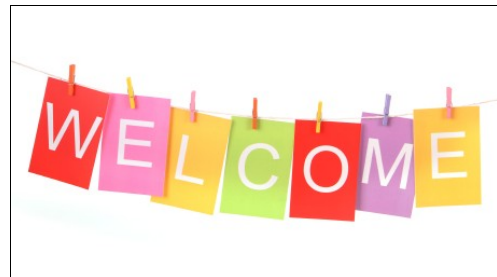
Call Josh Kirby @ 903-272-5211 for information!



# Voice of the Valley

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**Bro. Guille Seigler,  
the new Director of Missions  
for the Red River Valley  
Baptist Association!**

**Changing of the Guard!**

In England there is a very formal and prestigious event known as the Changing of the Guard. People from around the world come to observe this most impressive event. We are in the midst of a changing of the guard transition as well. On Tuesday night August 13th, the association Executive Board met in a special called Executive Board meeting for the purpose of voting on a new Association Director of Missions. Rev. Billy Norris, Chairmen of the association Personnel Committee, made the recommendation to hire Rev. Guille Seigler for the position. The motion was followed by open discussion between Executive Board members and the Chairman and the candidate. At the conclusion of the discussion time, a call for the vote occurred, and the vote was taken. Rev. Seigler was unanimously elected as our new DOM effective September 3rd. Please begin to pray for him and his precious wife as they move into this position and as our association moves forward under his leadership.

I want to finish my last Voice of the Valley article with words of appreciation to our pastors, churches, and our staff. Thank you for the privilege of serving you. I stated when elected that I was the least qualified man to ever fill the position. I also shared I believed God had a purpose in it, and my gifts, and long time association with the churches and their pastors, could be of benefit. I hope it has proven to be so. I am excited about Bro. Guille because I do believe he has a burden and skills and talents that will move us forward to the glory of God!

A special word of thanks to our Office Administrator Nancy Redus for her servant's heart and diligence in doing her job to the benefit of our association. She is a treasure worthy of your prayers and support. I also want to thank Mike Clark. Mike Clark has done an outstanding job this last year as our BSM Director. He has a heart for this ministry and a vision for what needs to happen for it to move forward. Please share that vision and help him accomplish the things which will enrich the lives of PJC students for decades to come!

To God be the glory,

Bro. Mike

**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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***You are invited to attend a Farewell Reception for  
Bro. Mike Fortenberry, who is retiring as Director of Missions  
for the Red River Valley Baptist Association.***

***Sunday, August 25, 2:00 - 4:00 pm***

***Southside Baptist Church***