

**RRVBA/BSM Donations**  
April 26—May 26

Atlas	\$ 0
Bagwell	\$ 100.00
Bethel	\$ 117.29
Bounds	\$ 231.96
Brookston	\$ 0
Chicota	\$ 179.54
Chisum Trails	\$ 100.00
College Ave.	\$ 22.00
Cunningham	\$ 0
Direct	\$ 277.30
Double R	\$ 381.00
East Delta	\$ 385.81
East Paris	\$ 541.67
Emberson	\$ 80.00
Faith	\$ 0
FBC Annona	\$ 81.00
FBC Blossom	\$ 150.00
FBC Bogata	\$ 1,157.52
FBC Clarksville	\$ 83.33
FBC Cooper	\$ 400.62
FBC Deport	\$ 0
FBC Detroit	\$ 33.46
FBC Paris	\$ 1,157.86
FBC Roxton	\$ 203.00
Friendship	\$ 0
Fulbright	\$ 0
Glory	\$ 127.22
Graham St. (I)	\$ 0
Howland	\$ 74.85
Immanuel/WMU	\$ 643.79
Lakeway	\$ 0
Lamar Point	\$ 100.00
Lanes Chapel (I)	\$ 0
Leesville	\$ 1,645.00
Maxey	\$ 150.00
Mt. Olive	\$ 254.00
Novice	\$ 541.66
Pacio	\$ 114.60
Pattonville	\$ 166.46
Petty	\$ 191.04
Powderly	\$ 300.00
Providence	\$ 161.92
Salem	\$ 150.00
Southside	\$ 635.92
Springlake	\$ 297.53
Trinity	\$ 0
Youngs Chapel	\$ 0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 11,237.35</b>

**RISE & BUILD FUND: \$68,515.31**

Bounds	\$ 5,940.72
Chicota	\$ 2,010.49
Emberson	\$ 125.00
FBC Bogata	\$ 13,866.63
Immanuel	\$ 15.00
Leesville	\$ 3,248.10
Maxey	\$ 1,966.08
Mt. Olive	\$ 191.00
Pacio	\$ 4,382.22
Petty	\$ 10,000.00
Providence	\$ 1,453.14
RRVBA/WMU	\$ 12,834.81
Salem	\$ 3,000.00
Springlake	\$ 1,666.63
Individuals	\$ 5,668.02

# WMU News

Alice Ann White  
RRVBA WMU Director  
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"And the Spirit and the bride say, 'Come!' And let him who hears say, 'Come!'  
And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely. Rev. 22:17

God's simple message: come! We must see to the telling of the story to the future generations. If the story is to live on, those of us who know must be faithful to teach our children and grandchildren how to share the message of Jesus' free gift of the 'water of life'.

The Association WMU is busy offering opportunities for you to serve and be a part of sharing our story. On May 2, 2014, we hosted the reception for CWJC graduation. That is always a fun time to share in the lives of the women reaching this milestone in their life.

Please pray for the team planning the Ladies' Retreat to be September 20, 2014 at Jan-Kay Ranch. They want to plan a day that will bring honor and glory to our Heavenly Father!

I am sure many of you will be assisting in Vacation Bible School this summer. Let us also join in prayer for the children that will be attending across our association. We know many souls are saved during this important time in our churches. I get excited because it is a time we can teach about missionary families that are serving on the field. VBS is a good time to help the boys and girls 'meet' missionaries through videos and learn how they live and share the gospel.

The suggested project for June and July is to collect bears for the newborn babies at the Choctaw Indian Hospital, in Talihina, Oklahoma. Encourage your church to participate.



## JOY ON THE JOURNEY WITH "SEASONED" SAINTS by Gloria Parker

JUNE is busting out all over with all the blessings it brings. "AGENCY D3" VBS will be a great time for children, Adults, and "Seasoned" Senior Adults. All materials are in the capable hands of the Host Churches: July 28 - Springlake: Is Jesus Really God's Son?; Aug. 4 - Immanuel: Was Jesus More Than Just a Good Man?; Aug. 11 - Chicota: Did Jesus Really Die?; Aug. 18 - Southside: Is Jesus Alive?; Aug. 25 - Paris FBC: What Do I Do with the Evidence About Jesus? Don't miss even one Monday, 'cuz it's gonna be GOOD! Start NOW inviting folks to Discover, Decide and Defend what we/they know about Jesus.

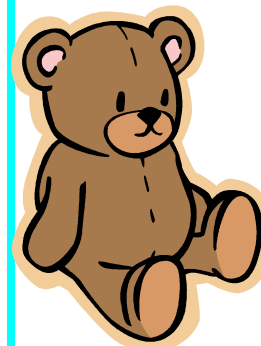
During such a glorious GO TELL Rick Gage Revival CRUSADE with hundreds of decisions for Christ, so many "Seasoned" Seniors assisted in all areas to help cover all the needs. We Praise God for allowing us to experience the beginning of Revival in Delta County, Cooper last Spring, and continue in this Red River Valley! Please, Lord, may it continue until YOU come back to take us HOME!

RRV Old Fashioned Hymn Singers continue to grow in numbers and JOY! On June 12 at 10 AM we will MOVE our 2nd Thursday "Dress Rehearsals" to the Sanctuary of Springlake BC, 3500 Clarksville St., where Fred Fangio is Music Director. Thank you, Bro. Billy Norris and Southside BC, for letting us rehearse in your beautiful Sanctuary all these months. You have been a Blessing to us!

What a Blessing to get to Worship with many of YOU in our beloved RRVBA Churches. Don't be surprised when you see Don and me in YOUR church - you know how I love HUGS!

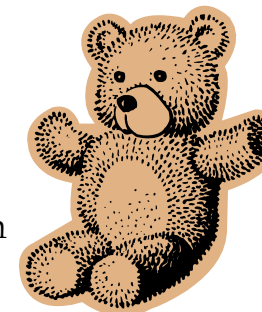
"God can take your trouble and change it into treasure. Your sorrow can become joy -- not just a momentary smile but a deep, new joy. It will be a bubbling experience of new hope that puts a brightness in your eyes and a song in your heart." - Barbara Johnson (in Heaven now) from I DON'T SUFFER FROM INSANITY...I ENJOY EVERY MINUTE OF IT!

**"SEASONED" SAINTS, KEEP LOOKING UP, JESUS IS COMING BACK SOON - BE SURE YOU ARE READY!**



## WMU MISSION PROJECT: June & July

### Bears for Babies



For the next two months, you are invited to collect bears for the Choctaw Indian Hospital in Oklahoma. Drop them off at the RRVBA office Mon-Thurs.

## Congratulations!

Scott Powell, BSM Director, received his Associates Degree at PJC graduation ceremonies on May 9, 2014. Good job!



### NEWS FROM THE BSM. . .

Dear Family,

I want to thank you again for another great year! God has been good and the blessings continue to flow. God uses the BSM lunches as a tool for us to lead people to Christ and this year 3 people came to know Christ through conversations at Lunch. Two others accepted Christ through the Tuesday night Bible Studies. It was a small group of students this year but God moved in a big way and I am blessed to have been a part of it! God is doing a great work in the lives of our students and I'm looking forward to what happens in the fall.

As you know Beach Reach is a life change for students who participate. One of our young men who went to Beach Reach this year, Eric Aguinaga, has been called to participate in Go Now Missions this summer. He will be going to Edinburg, TX for three weeks to help with VBS and then off to New York, NY for two weeks to help with church planting. Please be in prayer for Eric and the rest of the Go Now Missionaries who will be traveling all around the world this summer.

Pastors and Parents, if you have a student graduating from High School this year that will be attending PJC, please help me get connected with them. We can do more to reach our campus if you will help me get connected with your graduating seniors. Your students have a better chance of maintaining their relationships with Christ if they find a place they can get plugged in to. The BSM is an opportunity for your students to get plugged in and feel more confident about reaching their peers for Jesus Christ.

Thanks to everyone for your support of the BSM and the Association. God has called us to be unified. To work together. The more we work together, the better we will be able to reach our community for Jesus Christ, the more we will be able to reach our county for Jesus Christ, the more we will be able to reach our state, our country and our world for Jesus Christ.

As an association we wandered through the desert. We had some tough times. Let us hold to scripture, come together and be obedient to the commandments of God. So we can be blessed with the land we need in order that we might increase our territory in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

**Deuteronomy 8:1-10** *The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the Lord swore to give to your father. And you shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the Lord your God disciplines you. So you shall keep the commandments of the Lord your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. For the Lord your God is bringing you into the a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.*

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



**Red River Valley Baptist Association**

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***Birthdays and Anniversaries***

**June Birthdays**

1st	Tim Parker, pastor	Howland
5th	Marsha Crosswhite, spouse	Lamar Point
7th	Irene Atkins, spouse	Novice
7th	Chuey Potter, music	FBC Roxton
10th	Christine Ellis, spouse	Leesville
13th	Randy Parsons, spouse	Immanuel
16th	Scott Powell, BSM Director	RRVBA
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

**June Wedding Anniversaries**

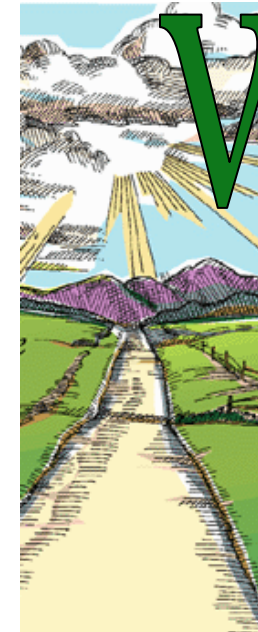
1st	Gilbert & Mavis Miller, 57 yrs	Springlake
2nd	Jody & Carol VanDeaver, 13 yrs	Bethel
5th	Mark & Brenda Fendley, 33 yrs	Mt. Olive
6th	Johnny & Jessica Rickman, 27yrs	Lakeway
8th	L.C. & Jerry Nell Stout, 58 yrs	Faith
10th	Jimmie & Linda Woodard, 54 yrs	FBC Annona
12th	Brent & Deborah Bolton, 27 yrs	FBC Cooper
12th	Jordan & Haley Sharrock, 26 yrs	Novice
12th	Glenn & Tammy Michael, 21 yrs	Brookston
14th	Johnny & Renee Wright, 39 yrs	FBC Paris
15th	Steve & Marlena Gunter, 23 yrs	Immanuel
22nd	Phil & Carla Spann, 29 yrs	Southside

**June Church Anniversaries**

23rd	Jay Morris, pastor, 1 yr	Bounds
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***RRVBA Secretaries and Support Staff Lunch***

**Thursday, June 5 at 11:30 am,  
 RRVBA  
 Bring your lunch—  
 drinks are provided.**



# Voice of the Valley

The monthly publication of the Red River Valley Baptist Association

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Every servant of The Lord is subject to discouragement or despair at one time or another. The enemy enjoys nothing more than to see a believer crippled or downed by discouragement or depression. Even God's greatest leaders and saints have fallen into discouragement at some time during their life. Job laments, "Let the day perish in which I was to be born, and the night which said, 'A boy is to be conceived...Why did I not die at birth?'" (Job 3:2, 11). Elijah said, "O Lord, take my life, for I am not better than my fathers."

When Israel was defeated at Ai by an overwhelming enemy, Joshua became despondent. He soon learned someone had violated the warning that spoils from the defeated city of Jericho were not to be brought into the camp of the Israelites. God had not been unfaithful, but someone has sinned among the people. At the defeat Joshua said, "O Lord God, why did you bring this people over the Jordan only to deliver us into the hands of the Amorites to destroy us."

Many of us are like Joshua. We fall on our face and cry out, become defeated, and wring our hands. We feel hopeless and alone, but God has not left us alone. Strengthened by God's grace and love, Joshua arose and solved the problem, and so must we. In the Great Commission in Matthew 28:18 and following, we dwell on the "go and make" part, but perhaps more important for the disciple is the fact that Jesus speaks with all authority (v18), and then in what seems to be an after-thought, says "and lo, I am with you always, even until the end of the age." We must not spend much time in despair, but draw upon the Lord's promise to always be our constant companion. Our confidence comes from His unending strength and presence in our life. We have marching orders, and just as Joshua arose early and got started again, we too are to be overcomers, empowered by God and His promises.

We have been blessed beyond measure through the Go Tell Crusade. Although the weather threatened and the much needed rains came, we received a flood of blessings as hundreds of new believers came to Christ. Many more found their faith renewed. Now the real work begins in discipling and walking with these new believers. We can look forward to the baptismal waters being stirred and new Sunday School classes formed. Could this bring revival to our area, Lord, let it be.

What can be said about the hundreds of hours of work that went in to seeing Go Tell come together, but thank you to so many of you who spent weeks in seeing to every detail. These events do not come together of themselves. Thank you!

We have been blessed, now we have our marching orders once again to disciple a host of new believers.

Blessings,

Milton Ertelt  
 Interim Director of Missions

**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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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**FBC Blossom:**

looking for a part-time Youth Minister. Call the church at 903-982-5212 or Pastor Mike Shupp at 903-491-5103 for more information.

**East Delta Baptist Church:**

needs a bi-vocational Youth Director. Contact the church at 903-395-2198 or mail your resume to **25 CR 1220, Lake Creek TX 75450.**

**Trinity Baptist Church in Bonham TX:**

accepting resumes for Minister of Education. Position will be bi-vocational to full-time. Duties include teaching youth, assisting children's ministry, and assisting the pastor to plan, coordinate and execute activities to evangelize families of the community. College/Seminary helpful, and College/Seminary students encouraged to apply. Send resumes to [trinitybaptist@cableone.net](mailto:trinitybaptist@cableone.net) or mail to **Trinity Baptist Church, Attn: Minister of Education Search Committee, 219 W. Denison, Bonham TX 75418**

**Clayton Ave. Baptist Church in Hugo OK:**

looking for a Music Director or Music/Youth Director. Mail resumes to the church at **210 North H Street, Hugo OK 74743** or call the church at 580-326-2510.