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MAY 2018

Dear Friends,

Thank you for participating in our Week of Prayer for Associational Emphasis. This year's theme is Partnerships: Partner With Someone Missional Somewhere. It challenges us to act out the Great Commission individually, with the churches in our Association and with our partnerships. Our scripture verse behind our theme this year is Acts 16:9, "And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a certain man of Macedonia was standing and appealing to him, and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us."

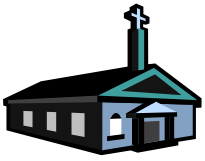
During the Week of Prayer, May 20-27, 2018, we are encouraged to be praying for "You, Your Association and Your Partnerships." Together we can do more, and as we focus together on the possibilities God will give us we can (together) listen for His voice, and the voices of those calling from the "Macedonia's" of this day and time. I think we can all agree that there are people who need the Lord, and who are seeking someone to tell them the Good News. Together we can find ways to meet that challenge, as we pray, listen and take action together, going into all the world, beginning with our own "Jerusalem."

This year we have again decided to divide the Associational offering two ways, with half going to our DDM home and the other half to the BCM debt retirement for their building at Longwood University. We hope you will use your SBA Missions envelopes to encourage a gathering of offerings to support these two worthy missions and use the week of prayer to encourage a time of focused prayer for our people, our churches, our Association and our partnerships.

We are "One in the Bond of Love" through our faith in Jesus Christ. Let's show it, let's prove it ... together.

Upcoming Events: "Helping Your Church Get UNSTUCK", Blackstone Baptist Church, Sunday, April 29, 2018, at 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Fund-raising Concert by Sandy Creek Gospel Bluegrass Band, Sunday, May 6, 2018, at Burkeville Baptist Church, at 6:00 p.m.
Revival Services May 6th – 9th at Dundas Baptist Church, Sunday evening 7:30 p.m., Mon. – Wed. 7:00 p.m. Dr. Sean A. Lee, pastor of Crewe Baptist Church, guest speaker.

Blessings
Mike Clay
SBA Moderator



Church News

ASHCAMP: We were blessed with many donations for the Bland Mission Trip and look forward to hearing the many ways God used the team! It is time to apply for the Ash Camp Scholarships and the deadline is April 30th.

Our nursery school and preschool graduations will be on May 17th & 19th. It's been a great school year for these little ones. On May 19th we will have a breakfast honoring our five high school graduates. Our after school ministry "Kingdom Kids" continue to grow and meet each Wednesday.

BLACKSTONE: Our WMU ladies have been busy the month of April. On April 17th their guest speaker was Lucy Dorr from the Richmond/Petersburg area to share about her daughter's ministries in Haiti. She had a very interesting program and we collected cans for her mission trips. On April 19th our WMU ladies traveled to Farmville to feed the BCM student's dinner. Come join us on Sunday, April 29th at 11:00 a.m. as we worship outside in Seay Park with the other churches in Blackstone, as a joint community worship time. Also, on Sunday, April 29th at 4:00 p.m. Dr. Jim Hamacher will join us to share about "How to get your Church unstuck". This is free and opened to all, please join us. Youth Sunday will be May 6th followed by the Baccalaureate service for the Nottoway High School graduates at 3:00 p.m. Each Saturday in May and June we will have an activity tent set up on the ball field to help watch the smaller siblings of children playing ball. Saturday, May 12th from 11:30-1:30 we will have a "Mother's Day" Luncheon at the church. Tickets are \$7.00 and we will have a fun time with raffles, drawings, tea time and special lunch. In June the Amity Class will have a huge yard sale at the church on June 2nd beginning at 8:00 a.m. Our Youth continue with their fourth Sundays for Funday.

BURKEVILLE: Sunday, May 6TH, at 6:00 p.m. we will be hosting a concert by the Sandy Creek Gospel Bluegrass Band in an effort to raise funds for clean water wells in India. Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the concert. We continue with our Tuesday morning Bible studies entitled "Encounters with Jesus."

HAPPY MOTHER DAY

As Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose daughters you are if you do good and are not afraid with any terror.
I Peter 3:6

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EMPHASIS: "By All Means"

WATCHWORD: "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" I Cor. 9:22b-23.

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU:

Words cannot express our heartfelt thanks for the generous donations from our Assoc. churches for the mission trip to Bland. We will have 2 trucks packed with LOTS of supplies to be distributed. You all are the best and we appreciate your support so very much. We have 15 on the team with several "first timers" to Bland as well as "first timers" on a mission trip!! That's exciting and we hope to light the missional flame so they will want to continue again and again. God is good and we will hopefully give a full report in an upcoming newsletter. Thanks again and KEEP PRAYING!!!

Standing Rock Mission Trip:

Date of Trip: July 22 - 29

Ways you can be involved are collecting items to be delivered:

Pray for those going and those on the reservation

Collect new athletic shoes, new underwear and socks

\$25.00 Walmart cards. Send to SR, WMUV, 2828

Emerywood Parkway, Henrico, VA 23294

New pillows for everyone! Send monies to the Sweet

Dreams Pillow Fund, WMUV, same address as above

Sew Pillowcases

Thank you for your support of this mission trip.

CrossRoads Summer Camp:

It's time to register your campers for summer camp at CrossRoads. View information at www.crossroadscamp.com

Scholarships are available for CrossRoads Summer Camp and should be mailed to WMUV by May 15, 2018.

RA Family Weekend:

Date: June 1-2, 2018

Place: Kings Dominion

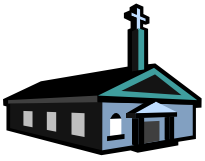
Registration fee is now \$50.00. Rob Ukrop will be the speaker on Friday evening. Visit the WMUV website for info about registration and details on where you can purchase a racer car. It will be a fun time.

TAKE IT TO THE TOP:

The elevator fund for Hunt Hall at CrossRoads has reached \$95,111.33 toward our goal of \$100,000.00!! That leaves just under \$5,000.00 short of the goal. Donations are still being accepted. Thanks for your support!!

COOKBOOKS COOKBOOKS COOKBOOKS:

Still a bargain at only \$15.00!!! Thinking of ideas for moving these in the near future. Please let me know of suggestions you may have. Still have about 400 remaining.



Church News

DUNDAS: Four members attended the SBA Spring Meeting at Sharon Baptist Church on April 15th. We collected items for the Bland Ministry and took them to that meeting. Our church plans to have Revival Services May 6th – 9th. Dr. Sean Lee, Pastor of Crew Baptist Church will be our guest speaker. We will have special music each evening. We begin with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Sunday evening and the service at 7:30 p.m.; Monday – Wed. at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday evening will be Youth night and a time of pizza and fellowship at 6:00 p.m. before the evening service. Looking ahead: June 3rd, we plan to recognize the four graduates at our church and refreshments following the worship service; Vacation Bible School, June 18th – 21st. Dinner at 5:45 – 6:30 p.m. and VBS 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP: Dr. Jerry P. Jordan, Pastor of our church has resigned effective April 28, 2018.

HERITAGE: Our church was privileged to have the VA Baptist Women's Chorale for a very inspirational concert on Sat. April 21st, at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Their theme was entitled, "God Is...." Therefore, the selections of their anthems revealed that God is King, Lord, Awesome, Redeemer, Ever-present, our Help, Shepherd, Teacher, Love, the Word, Faithful, and Holy. The choir loft was filled with 40 women, along with the director, Carol Hill from Derbyshire Baptist Church, Richmond, VA and accompanist, Melissa Fox, from Grandin Court Baptist Church, Roanoke, VA. These talented ladies traveled from all over the state of VA for this evening of sacred music and testimonies. They have served as full-time or part-time Ministers of Music, instrumentalists, accompanists, choir leaders, choir members, denominational workers, or wives of VA Baptist Church staff members. The VA Baptist Women's Chorale is celebrating its 42nd concert season, formed in 1976. The Chorale presents inspiring concerts in churches and at VA Baptist state meeting. Anyone interested in having the Chorale sing for their congregation, please contact Becky Payne, at payne@fbcrichmond.org. For more information, please visit their website at www.vbwc.org. The next two concert dates will be Sat. Sept. 29th at Hulls Memorial BC in Fredericksburg, VA; and on Sat. Oct. 27th at Trinity United Methodist Church in Amelia, VA.

JONESBORO: What a beautiful Easter Sunrise Celebration as we gathered on Easter morning, April 1st, at 7:00 a.m. to celebrate the risen Lord. We welcomed our sister church, Cedar Creek BC, as they joined us for the morning services. Following worship we all gathered around the outside cross, removing the black drape and replacing it with fresh flowers, noting that JESUS IS

ALIVE! The weather was warmer and sunny which helped make this a very special day. Following the cross, we gathered inside the fellowship hall for a delicious breakfast, followed by Sunday School and the children then enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt. It was a great day. The following Sunday, the 8th, we gathered again for breakfast followed by our quarterly Harvest Day meeting. Several members attended the SBA Spring meeting on the 15th at Sharon BC. The Bradshaw's joined 12 other Associational members on a mission trip to the Bland Ministry Center April 22-28. Our mission project for the month was the collection of items for the ministry center. A "fifth Sunday" was enjoyed this month as we gathered for worship and a combined Sunday School with fun and interesting discussions enjoyed by all in attendance. A covered dish luncheon followed as a perfect ending to this special day. We look forward to May and celebrating Mother's Day with more good eats and times together, along with warmer weather and beautiful flowers, always looking to see where God is leading us. Happy Spring everyone!!

PISGAH: Our church welcomes new members: Rebecca Entrekin, Baedra Manning and Susan Patterson. Our Community prayer breakfast was a success! We were blessed by a touching message from Pastor Robert Johansen from Tar Walloway Baptist Church. Consider joining us on May 12th at 7:30 A.M. for our next breakfast. Pisgah's youth picked up 22 bags of trash on our adopted road during their latest community service project. The Pastors' Conference was held at Pisgah on April 3rd. The next Conference will be May 1st with lunch to follow. Several members from Pisgah traveled to Guatemala in January for a life-changing experience. Another mission trip is being planned with a fundraiser taking place at the Heart of VA Festival. Please look for us there! All are welcome to join us June 3-7 for VBS! Join us for Bible Study Sunday evenings at 7:00 P.M.; Baptist Women's group on the first Tuesday at 7:00 P.M.; and 870 AM May 21-25. God is good!

VICTORIA: Victoria Baptist had a packed church on their "Bring a Friend to Church" Sunday. We thank all who invited their friends and Eldridge Bagley, Cindy Foley and their prayer partners who made this day successful. A delicious lunch followed the worship service and we appreciate our Hospitality Committee and all who shared their delicious food. We extend our best wishes to Reverend Stanley Hare who has accepted a call to serve as pastor at Cape Hart Baptist Church in Merry Hill, NC near his home. We will honor our mothers on Mother's Day, May 13th. Our children's choir will be singing in celebration of the occasion!

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RETURN SERVICE REQUEST

Associational Calendar

May

- 1 SBA Pastors Meeting, at Pisgah Baptist Church, 11:00 a.m.**
- 4-5 WMUV Board of Trustees Mtg., Crossroads
- 6 Concert by Sandy Creek Gospel Bluegrass Band at Burkeville BC, at 6:00 p.m. - Fund Raiser for Mission Project: Clean water wells in India.**
- 8 SBA Joy Group Meeting, Pisgah Baptist Church, 12:00 noon.**
- 12-13 Spring Volunteer Event, at CrossRoads
- 13 Mothers Day
- 20-27 SBA Week of Prayer for Associational Mission Offering for: BCM and DDM Home**

June

- 1-2 RA Event at Kings Dominion
- 10-11 National WMU Annual Mtg. in Dallas, TX
- 10 SBC Pastor's Conference, Dallas TX, 6:00 p.m.
- 11-15 CBF Global General Assemblies
- 14 CBF General Assemble (VA State Mtg.) Dallas, TX
- 11-16 CoEd Week, CrossRoads
- 12-13 SBC Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX
- 17 Father's Day
- 18-23 Girl GA/Acteens Week, CrossRoads
- 19 SBA Executive Board Meeting, at Kenbridge Baptist Church, at 6:00 p.m.**
- 25-30 CoEd Week Summer Camp, Crossroads



PRAYER REQUESTS:

The twenty-three churches in our SBA Association. The Baptist Collegiate Ministries. Rev. Janice Kiehm, Minister.
Rev. & Mrs. Ted Smith and family (Ben and Michelle), Ash Camp Baptist Church.
Mrs. Sylvia Bradshaw, SBA WMU Director and a member of Jonesboro Baptist Church.
Rev. James Allcock, a member of Heritage Baptist Church.
Mr. W. Earl Southall, a member of Drakes Branch Baptist Church.
Mrs. Jennifer Sassi, Daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Earl Wallace.
Rev. & Mrs. Clyde Shelton, members of Babgy Memorial Baptist Church.

The following churches in the Southside Baptist Association seeking a pastor:

Bagby Memorial Church
Friendship Baptist Church
Victoria Baptist Church.

