

CHURCH NEWS

**Fellowship** - Fellowship Baptist Church is prayerfully seeking a Youth & Children’s Minister. Those interested in the position can send their resume to Fellowship Baptist Church, 2861 Spring Creek Road, Brinson, GA 39825, or call Pastor Marty at the church (229) 246-1364 or (912) 282-0768.

**Spring Creek** – We are currently seeking a bi-vocational youth minister. For more information, please call Bro. Brian Hatchett at (229) 726-6254.

**Mt. Pleasant** – Rev. Scott Norman – We are in need of a pianist & a music leader. If you are interested, please contact the church at (229) 246-0342 and leave a message.

We invite you to listen to our radio broadcast on Sunday mornings from 10-11 a.m. Stations include FM 101.9, 106.3, 92.3, 99.3; and WMGR 930AM.

**West Bainbridge** – We have a food bank that is open on Thursdays from 9 – 10:30 a.m. **We are looking for volunteers to help with this ministry.** If your church would like to support a local mission project, we would greatly appreciate any donations of non-perishable food items. **For more information, call Dana Boyd at (229) 254-1788.**

April 2020

- 6 **Pastor’s Praise, Worship, & Fellowship – 10:30 AM, Bowen Center**
- 9 **Associational WMU/Ladies Meeting – 6:30PM, Faceville Baptist Church**
- 10 **Good Friday – Bowen Center closed**
- 12 **Easter**
- 13 **Associational Senior Adult Luncheon – 12 PM, Colquitt 1st**
- 16 **Executive Committee Meeting – 7 PM, Bowen Center**
- 22 **Earth Day**

May 2020

- 4 **Pastor’s Praise, Fellowship, & Worship – 10:30 AM, Bowen Center**
- 10 **Mother’s Day**
- 15 **Georgia Baptist Children’s Home Truck Loading - 10-12 PM, Bowen Center**
- 21 **Associational Men’s Meeting – 6:30 PM**
- 25 **Memorial Day – Bowen Center closed**

BOWEN ASSOCIATION PRAYER LIST:

- 1. Baptist Collegiate Ministries – Bradley Crews, Director
  - A. Funds needed and food for students
  - B. Pray for students as they return to school
- 2. Alpha Pregnancy Center – Karren Green, Director
  - A. Volunteers to help staff the clinic - **URGENT**
  - B. Pray for clients to be receptive.
- 3. Cristo te Ama – Arnaldo González, Pastor
  - A. Pray for spiritual growth and souls to be saved
- 4. New Life–Jesus Bocanegra, Pastor
  - A. Pray for spiritual growth and souls to be saved
- 5. Bride of Christ – Bernard Burke, Pastor
  - A. Pray for spiritual growth and souls to be saved.
- 6. **Churches this month:**
  - A. Fellowship–Rev. Marty Anderson
  - B. Flat Creek–Rev. Cory Thomas
  - C. Franklin–Rev. Gwan Garrison
  - D. Grace Community–Rev. Conrad Salter

\*\*VBS TRAINING\*\*

The training will include a kick start to the VBS season with an introduction to the Bible study, rotations, and of course worship rally! We will discuss safety and security, and leading a child to Christ. The hope is for this to be a fun time together to encourage and prepare leaders for the largest outreach their church has.

**Where: Iron City Baptist Church • When: Sunday, May 3 • Time: 5-7 PM**  
**This is a free event open to anyone, but an RSVP is requested to get a head count.**  
If you plan to attend, please e-mail Jennifer Williams at jenn5587@gmail.com, or call the Bowen Office.

The Bowen Informer

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April 2020

The Bowen Baptist Association  
Would like to welcome our new DOM,  
Rev. Tim VanLandingham & wife, Brenda!



We are excited to have Bro. Tim as our new Director of Missions and look forward to what the Lord will do in our Association through him!

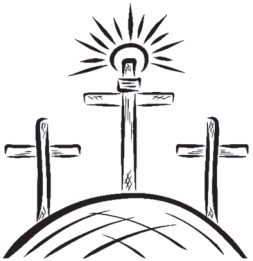
PASSION WALK 2020

All are invited to Passion Walk 2020!!

The Passion Walk is an interactive drama played out through various characters and scenes. Groups of 12 – 15 people are led by a guide to each scene that ends at the cross. The Passion Walk is an opportunity to prepare your heart for focused worship of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. Please come and bring a friend with you! The cost is absolutely free!

❖To register go to  
ironcitybaptist.org/passionwalk

❖Walk-in’s are welcome!



❖When: Good Friday, April 10th

❖Time: 8 PM

❖Where: Iron City Baptist Church

❖Cost: FREE

Director of Missions . . . . .

Dear Bowen Baptist Association Family and Friends Beyond:  
It is a pleasure to begin growing in Christlikeness with you. From the time the search committee asked me to complete an in-depth questionnaire last fall, through the interview and voting process, my wife Brenda and I have rejoiced in the faith of those who have worked with us and issued my call to work with and among you. The search team pastors, Reverends Jimmy Dean, Steve Poppell, David Williams, Michael Wingertsahn, and Chairman Conrad Salter are passionate about living out the Great Commission.

Our Moderator Dr. Ernie Jones, whom we have known for quite a few years, has served above and beyond the call of duty as our Interim Director of Missions. He has also been a boon for me as I settle in. And I could not leave out Mrs. Mary Anna Chapman, our Ministry Assistant. That young lady lives up to her title. She so wonderfully loves serving our Lord through the Bowen office, and will continue to do so with fervor.

Brenda and I are visiting among our forty-one churches and are enjoying meeting our pastors and people. Of course, it will take time visiting on Sundays and Wednesdays in order to be in every church, but we will, and we will also see one another during associational events. Pastors, please keep us informed of your needs, of your joys, and of your personal and ministry events (revivals, homecomings, mission trips, etc.). Call, text, and/or email me at any time. We know that we cannot attend every event due to the number of churches and events, but we want to lift every need in prayer.

My work as Director of Missions may best be described in three ways: 1) to be a pastor to pastors, 2) to be a catalyst, working to “elicit, combine, and direct the energies of our people in the most effective manner” (BF&M 2000) to reach souls for Christ, and 3) to be a liaison between our association, other associations, our conventions, and other Biblical entities with whom we Scripturally agree.

Finally, let me tell you little bit about us. After my Dad’s retirement from the United States Air Force, we settled in my parents’ hometown of Cairo, and that is where I grew up. After earning my Master of Divinity degree at New Orleans Baptist Seminary, I returned to Georgia in 1989 after my ordination to serve my first church in Norman Park as a single pastor.

Brenda’s Dad was a bivocational pastor of several SBC churches, and she grew up in Norman Park where we met. She earned a Master of Religious Education Degree at NOBTS and taught public school in Moultrie for eleven years and was incredibly involved in associational and state leadership. Brenda faithfully homeschooled our children: David, 25; Hannah, 24; and Rebekah, 22.

Through our almost twenty-nine years of marriage, and my thirty plus years as a pastor, serving our Lord through His church has been our call and our passion. We have been actively involved in each of the four associations where I have served as pastor and prayerfully trust Christ as we serve you, and work alongside you.

Together, let’s be the Light of Christ in a dark world! “Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ:” (Eph. 4:13)

In the Matchless Name of Jesus,  
Rev. Tim VanLandingham, Director of Missions

**The Compassoin Journey hosted by  
First Baptist Church Bainbridge has been  
cancelled due to the recommendation of  
Compassion International among the ongoing  
COVID-19 outbreak.  
Thank you for your understanding.**

**Please pray for the following  
churches without a pastor:**  
Antioch, Attapulcus,  
Bethany, Lake Seminole,  
Springfield, West Street

Send us your special events  
and announcements.  
Deadline for the May  
Informer is April 15th

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go to our website or  
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**Pastor’s Praise,  
Worship, & Fellowship**  
*First Monday of every month*  
*10:30 AM at Bowen Center*  
The next fellowship is on April 6, 2020

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
April 2– Cheryl Donley  
April 3– Jim Nalls  
April 5– Luz Gonzalex  
April 7– Josh Boyette  
April 9– Ty Bell  
April 12– Mary Anna Chapman  
April 25– Heather Hatchett

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**  
April 3  
John & Christy Crisp  
April 20  
Jimmy & Pat Dean  
April 21  
David & Lauren Roland

  
**Associational Senior  
Adult Luncheon  
Monday, April 13th  
12 PM – Colquitt First  
Baptist Church**

**ARNALDO**  
“Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty.  
Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night, nor the arrow that flies in the day.  
Do not dread the diseases that stalks in darkness, nor the disaster that strikes at midday  
Though a thousand fall at your side, though ten thousand are dying around you, these evils will not touch you..” Psalms 91:1; 5-7

Good morning (I am writing this at 10:30 a.m.)!  
Well we are being bombarded with so much news regarding the Corona Virus.

What we should and should not do as we face the reality of this disease and its effect on our lives.

I just want to encourage all to be safe and to follow the instructions of those who are in the medical field. Many voices raise up to try to help. Others are trying to scare folks to make bad decisions on how to face this problem so they can take advantage of the public.

I read in God’s word that we are under His care and that NOTHING can reach us there. God’s love and power are still available to His children. Just trust and obey Him. I pray for all of us to remember that when all others fall down we’re on the solid ground that is unshakable. Jesus never fails!

Pray for others; pray for yourselves and keep on visiting God’s house to get the spiritual filling we need.

God bless us all!  
In His Service and yours,  
Arnaldo Gonzalez  
Lev. 19:33;34

**Easter Sunday**  
  
**April 12, 2020**

*Ladies’ Corner*  
**Every Woman. In Community. On Mission**  
**Discover and Live Out YOUR Purpose Today**  
**GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN’S HOME**  
**TRUCK LOADING**  
**“A NEW DAY, A NEW START, AND A NEW LIFE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST”**

Bring your donations to the Bowen Center  
**Friday, May 15 – 10 am – 12:00 noon**  
The Bowen Baptist Association is collecting: Bathroom cleaners (non-aerosol), 13 gallon trash bags, green beans, corn-cream & whole kernel, and mac & cheese. Gift Cards are always appreciated!



**Mark your calendar and plan to attend:**  
**Associational Women’s Quarterly Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 9th, 6:30 PM**  
**Faceville Baptist Church**  
**Bring your favorite Salad!**

Leanne Guest  
Associational WMU Director

**Bowen Baptist Association, Inc.**  
**Schedule of General Receipts**  
**For two months ending February 29, 2020**

Antioch.....	\$450.00	Iron City .....	\$1,135.49
Attapulcus.....	\$300.00	Jakin .....	\$332.13
Bainbridge FBC .....	\$4,315.62	Lake Seminole.....	\$400.00
Bethany .....	\$502.25	Liberty .....	\$313.00
Bethel .....	\$450.00	Maranatha.....	\$
Black Jack .....	\$198.00	Morningside .....	\$3,639.91
Bride of Christ.....	\$314.51	Mt. Olive .....	\$
Brinson.....	\$867.66	Mt. Pleasant.....	\$346.64
Calvary.....	\$60.00	Mt. Zion.....	\$2,048.28
Climax.....	\$1,853.94	Notchaway.....	\$
Colquitt FBC.....	\$4,212.68	Nueva Vida.....	\$13.00
County Line .....	\$150.00	Pine Forest.....	\$287.50
Cristo te Ama .....	\$104.00	Pine Grove.....	\$300.00
Donalsonville FBC.....	\$5,256.01	Rocky Ridge.....	\$294.84
Eldorendo .....	\$225.00	Salem Seminole.....	\$277.62
Faceville.....	\$2,011.71	Southwest .....	\$300.00
.....		Spring Creek.....	\$891.07
Fellowship.....	\$1,500.00	Springfield.....	\$1,057.90
Flat Creek.....	\$2,382.83	Union.....	\$659.26
Franklin.....	\$243.24	West Bainbridge .....	\$352.84
Grace .....	\$527.63	West Street.....	--
.....		<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$38,457.59</b>
<b>The above amount includes receipts for Bowen Baptist Association general fund and Cristo Te Ama General Fund.</b>			