

## CHURCH NEWS

**Fellowship** - We have started a food pantry at our church every Monday from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. For more information, call the church office at (229) 246-1364.

**Bethel** – We are looking to hire a piano player. If interested. Call Bro. Newton Cranford at (229) 400-3224.

**Mt. Pleasant** – We are in need of a pianist & a music leader. If you are interested, please contact the church at (229) 246-0362 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.

## April 2022

- 29-9 Mission trip to Mbale, Uganda – Rev. Brian Hatchett & Terry Bell
- 4 Pastor's Praise & Fellowship – 10:30AM, Bowen office
- 4 BCM at SRTC/ABAC
- 6 Prayer Time at Alpha Pregnancy Center – 12 Noon
- 11 BCM at SRTC/ABAC
- 12 Senior Adult Luncheon – 12 Noon, Spring Creek
- 13 Prayer Time at Alpha Pregnancy Center – 12 Noon
- 14 Ladies Meeting – 6:30 PM, Eldorado
- 15 Good Friday – Bowen Office Closed
- 17 Easter
- 18 BCM at SRTC/ABAC
- 19 Alpha Pregnancy Center Diaper Drop – 11AM
- 20 Prayer Time at Alpha Pregnancy Center – 12 Noon
- 22-23 WMU Spring Retreat – Warner Robins
- 25 BCM at SRTC/ABAC
- 27 Prayer Time at Alpha Pregnancy Center – 12 Noon
- 28 Executive Committee Meeting – 7PM, Bowen Center
- 29 Bowen Office Closed

## May 2022

- 2 Pastor's Praise & Fellowship – 10:30 AM, Bowen Office
- 12 Music Minister's Fellowship – 6:30 PM, Bowen Office
- 8 Mother's Day
- 19 Men's Meeting – 6:30PM, Spring Creek
- 30 Memorial Day, Bowen Office 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 in training at this time**
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. Pray for Uganda Mission Trip, March29-April 9, 2022
6. Churches this month:
  - A. Mt. Pleasant– Rev. Robert Johns, INT.
  - B. Mt. Zion– Rev. Greg Ford
  - C. Nueva Vida– Rev. Jesus Bocanegra
  - D. Notchaway–Dr. Jim Nalls

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**Senior Adult Luncheon**  
**April 12th, 2022**  
**Spring Creek Baptist Church**

## The Bowen Informer

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**BOWEN Baptist**  
**ASSOCIATION**

*Forty one SBC Churches - One Mission*

*April 2022*

HE IS RISEN  
*alleluia*

*"He is not here, for He has risen, as He said..."*



*Come, see the place where He lay.*

**Matthew 28:6**

Memory Verse of the Month  
1 Peter 1:3

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
which according to His abundant Mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope  
by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.”

Bro. Tim’s Tidbits . . . . .

Dear Bowen Pastors, Church Families, and Friends in Christ:

Spring officially arrived on Sunday, March 20th at 11:33 AM. It is the time when we witness nature come alive again after the winter rest period. Of course, down south where we live, we have been witnessing trees and plants blooming out and warmer temperatures increasing for a couple of months now. Regardless of the timestamp of Spring’s arrival, we enjoy watching God’s creation “green-up” and come back to life.

Christ speaks of the renewal from winter to spring in John 12:24 as He says *Verily, verily, I say unto you, except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.* We know that Jesus was referencing His death on Calvary’s cruel cross. He would bear the sins of all men of all time, be buried, then rise again. On April 17th, we celebrate Resurrection Sunday, the day the “corn of wheat” rose from the grave where He was placed after the crucifixion. Thank you, precious Lord, for this unmatched gift!

The same analogy may be drawn of you and me as an illustration of our Salvation. When we confessed our sins to Christ, begged Him to become our Lord, and professed our faith in Him publicly, we died to ourselves and began a new life in Him.

The grain of wheat analogy may be further applied to our churches. We are slowly sprouting from a two-year burial, as it may seem, due to the covid virus pandemic. And quite honestly, we are growing stronger and with new stems and leaves, people. Regardless of the darkness of the soil of pandemic, the seed of the church germinated a stronger, more vibrant growth, able to withstand the pelts of sin and doubt. Churches who remained faithful to Christ have endured and are being used mightily by Him. God is blessing that faithfulness.

The same is occurring in Bowen Association, and prayerfully in all others. Throughout the pandemic, ministry continued. We might not have been able to have dinners, suppers, large gatherings, etc. Yet, we have sought ways to reach our communities together for Christ. Mission trips, pastoral strengthening, Servolution, and other growing events have allowed us to minister and to strengthen our walk together in Christ.

Our longer-standing ministries are being renewed as well. In early 2021, our Ladies Ministry began anew. Our Blairsville mission trip involved more volunteers than ever before. We tooled our first Fall Annual Meeting to be a vibrant worship opportunity. We involved fourteen churches in serving our communities and shared our supplies and faith through backpacks. In February, our Men’s Ministry kickstarted after a two-year hiatus. We began a Music Ministers Quarterly fellowship. At printing time, two of our own are in Mbale, Uganda sharing Christ. During mid-March, we were notified by the Migrant program that the Migrant Health Fair will resume June 4th-10th and we will have a great part.

Since I mentioned that, we will need lots of help in carrying out this great outreach. As we will coordinate the GBMB Dental Bus, we will need Ditty Bags made, meals, transportation set-up, and volunteers in place. How exciting this Christ-sharing event will be! We will be sending out specifics soon. What will you and your church do to help serve.

In short, let’s celebrate our churches and our association, growing out of the dark seed of pandemic, branching out to share the Gospel of our Lord with a lost community. It’s good to be a Southern Baptist, a Georgia Baptist, a Bowen Baptist, and a add your church name Baptist. It is a joy to serve!!

In the Matchless Name of Christ,



Timothy C. VanLandingham  
Associational Missionary

Please pray for the following  
churches without a pastor:  
Calvary, FBC Colquitt,  
Mt. Olive, Mt. Pleasant  
and West Street

Send us your special events and  
announcements.

Deadline for the May Informer  
is April 15th

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If you would like to subscribe to  
the *Informer* by email, please go to  
our website or  
call us at 229-246-1871

Pastor’s Praise,  
Worship, & Fellowship

*First Monday of every month*

*10:30 AM at Bowen Center*

The next fellowship is on  
April 4, 2022

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 2 – Cheryl Donley  
April 3 – Jim Nalls  
April 5 – Luz Gonzalez  
April 7 – Josh Boyett  
April 9 – Ty Bell  
April 12 – Mary Anna Chapman  
April 25 – Heather Hatchett

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

April 3  
John & Christy Crisp  
April 7  
Tim & Brenda VanLandingham  
April 20  
Jimmy & Pat Dean  
April 21  
David & Lauren Roland

HELP US SPREAD  
THE NEWS!!!

Alpha Pregnancy Center

Diaper Drop

April 19th at 11AM

321 E. 3rd Street,

Donalsonville, GA 39845

ARNALDO

We read in Ephesians 2:5 the  
following:

“(God) ...made us alive with  
Christ even when we were dead in  
transgressions—it is by grace you  
have been saved.”

God’s grace gave us life when we  
deserved death.

That is what Grace does, it gives us  
what we don’t deserve. His Mercy  
withholds what we do deserve:  
death-because “All have sinned and  
come short of the glory of God.”  
Romans 3:23.

What great news that an all-powerful  
God would be so loving as to forgive  
all our sins because Jesus died in  
our place. We deserve death. But  
Jesus says “I have come that they  
may have life, and have it to the full.  
John 20:20.

Have you received the free gift  
of salvation from God the Father  
because of what His Son has done  
for us?

Grateful for this God of grace,  
Arnaldo  
Lev. 19:33,34

ReCharge – A SW  
Region Event  
of Worship &  
Encouragement

ReCharge is a time  
of worship and  
encouragement. We will  
worship, be encouraged  
through the Word and  
interact during a lunch  
and learn.

April 28th from  
10:30 – 1 PM

FBC Moultrie, GA  
Speaker –

Pastor Bill Purvis  
Worship Leader – Lee Hill

Ladies’ Corner

Every Woman. In Community. On Mission  
Discover and Live Out YOUR Purpose Today

Every Woman.  
In Community.  
On Mission.

Ladies Quarterly Meeting  
Thursday April 14, 2022  
6:30 PM

Eldorado Baptist church  
Bring Your Favorite Salad

It’s not too late to register for the Georgia Baptist Women’s Spring Event  
April 22-23 Central Baptist Church Warner Robbins  
Consider Attending at Your Church or in Your Home via Video  
Go to: <https://georgiabaptistwomen.org/springevent/> for more information

Leanne Guest  
Associational WMU Director

Bowen Baptist Association, Inc.  
Schedule of General Receipts  
For two months ending February 28, 2022

Antioch.....	\$450.00	Iron City .....	\$1,144.91
Attapulcus.....	\$150.00	Jakin .....	\$310.48
Bainbridge FBC .....	\$4,496.74	Lake Seminole.....	\$300.00
Bethany .....	\$407.00	.....	
Bethel .....	\$300.00	Maranatha.....	\$
Black Jack .....	\$132.00	Morningside .....	\$3,604.11
Bride of Christ.....	\$181.91	Mt. Olive .....	\$
Brinson.....	\$867.66	Mt. Pleasant.....	\$921.99
Calvary.....	\$	Mt. Zion.....	\$1,473.28
Climax.....	\$1,744.84	Notchaway.....	\$500.00
Colquitt FBC.....	\$4,120.51	Nueva Vida.....	\$4.00
County Line .....	\$150.00	Pine Forest.....	\$
Cristo te Ama .....	\$28.00	Pine Grove.....	\$450.00
Donalsonville FBC.....	\$5,257.50	Rocky Ridge.....	\$795.85
Eldorado.....	\$735.00	Salem Seminole.....	\$276.14
Faceville.....	\$2,653.20	Southwest .....	\$200.00
.....		Spring Creek.....	\$290.11
Fellowship.....	\$1,000.00	Springfield .....	\$962.78
Flat Creek.....	\$1,649.86	Union.....	\$
Franklin .....	\$	West Bainbridge .....	\$360.00
Grace .....	\$466.36	West Street.....	--
.....		<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$36,384.23</b>

The above amount includes receipts for Bowen Baptist Association general fund  
and Cristo Te Ama General Fund.

