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.

March 2022

- 5-7 Evangelism Conference Tifton, GA
- VBS Training Thomasville
- Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 14 Pastor's Praise & Fellowship 10:30AM, Bowen Office

April 2022

- Pastor's Praise & Fellowship 10:30AM, Bowen office
- 12 Senior Adult Luncheon 12 Noon, Spring Creek
- 14 Ladies Meeting 6:30 PM
- 15 Good Friday Bowen Office Closed
- 17 Easter
- 22-23 WMU Spring Retreat Warner Robins
- 28 Executive Committee Meeting 7PM, Bowen Center
- 29 Bowen Office Closed

BOWEN ASSOCIATION PRAYER LIST:

- 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. Churches this month:
 - A. Lake Seminole– Rev. Rusty Bradley
 - B. Maranatha–Rev. Tim Dean
 - C. Morningside- Rev. Jimmy Dean
 - D. Mt. Olive-VACANT

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LETTER TO THE CHURCHES IN THE BOWEN ASSOCIATION:

We will begin taking donations for the clothing ministry for the children and youth at the Ebenezer Baptist Church for the Blairsville Mission Trip in June. We would like to ask for new socks and underwear, especially in sizes 4-10 children. we would like to limit donations to children and youth size clothing and shoes. Please do not donate adult clothing, household goods, or stained/torn clothing. We will gladly accept cash and gift cards to Walmart to purchase specific items after we assess the needs upon arrival. Each church is asked to provide a donation box and to allow the church personnel to collect the cash and gift card donations to later be brought to the Associational office in early June. Thank you so much for your help with this ministry!!!

The Bowen Informer

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March 2022



Southern Regions Evangelism Conference March 6-7, 2022 First Baptist Church Tifton 404 Love Avenue, Tifton, GA

Conference Speakers:

Dr. JJ Washington, Dr. Herb Reavis, Rev. Brad Waters, Dr. Steve Gaines, Rev. H.B. Charles, JR.
Music led by Daniel Crews

Registration required!!! Gbcevangelismconferences.com

Memory Verse of the Month Psalm 119:10

"With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments."

Bro. Tim's Tidbits

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

Life is full of signs that help us make choices. Highway signs govern the way we drive to keep us safe. Store and product labels help us choose desired brands and ingredients. Even our body language speaks wordless messages.

As for Spiritual matters, signs and labels point the way to greater understanding and warning. Throughout the Bible, names convey certain behaviors/ viewpoints. Consider these: Jews, cows of Bashan, Scribes, Pharisees, Sadducees, Herodians, The Way, etc. In Acts 11:26b we note "...And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch." The name "Christian" was actually a term of derision in reference to those of the new way. Jewish leaders had accused Christians of turning the world "upside down" (Acts 17:6).

In all actuality, Christians weren't turning the world upside down. Absolutely not! They were turning the world rightside up! The world was already upside down and remains that way. Rather, Christians are working to turn things right by turning folks to

Denominational names also hint at their basic theologies. As Southern Baptists, we have called ourselves "People of the Book" for many years because we want to draw our beliefs directly from Scripture. We do not choose what we believe due to church tradition, mixtures of cultural beliefs, etc. As a matter of fact, our Baptist Faith and Message is an outline of Scriptures that help define our trust in God's Word.

On a side note, we do not normally join in with other denominations/faiths/traditions for evangelistic means due to the unscriptural views of many other groups. If we do so, then the world would think that we share other groups' unscriptural views. Now, to even say such as this makes some people angry because many people think that all spirituality leads to Christ. Not so!

Though signs and labels help us have spiritual discernment, we are living in a time in which labels seem to be going too far, even within our own SBC family. Due to some leaders' poor choices, we are experiencing a good bit of division and finger-pointing and at times, the pointing is accurate. When so, we must take Scriptural steps to deal with it. But let me say this, Christ had twelve original disciples and they at times made errant theological choices as well. Furthermore, Paul confronted Peter about being tw0-faced on circumcision. (Gals. 2:11-21)

However, there is a serious issue with some people who have become so "hyper-labelistic" that they don't seem to trust anyone. Some such labels are Calvinist, Reformed, Arminianist and there are certainly others. Oftentimes, people using those labels don't even know what they mean. I have had people point to someone and say "Oh, he's a (fill in the blank with a label) when there is absolutely no evidence of such.

It seems that we have come to a point where if someone listens to a certain podcast/ preacher, then that person is a . If you read the KJV, you are . If you listen to a certain type of Christian music, then you are a . Really? Really??

I told someone the other day that I have wondered what label I may have. Well, I tell you the label that I want!! I want to be called a "Biblicist"!! I want no other Theology in my brain but the wonder and full importance of the Word of God in me.

Brethren, let's put away labels and finger-pointing and follow the truth of the Word. As a matter of fact, the Word tells us how to deal with people who are errant. Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple. (Romans 16:17-18)

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 April Informer is March 15th

Visit our website: www.bowenbaptistassociation.org. 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 March 14, 2022

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 1 – Jimmy Dean March 2 - Brenda Cloud March 3 – Tim VanLandingham March 9 – Brian Hatchett March 11 – Cherise Burke March 19 – Chris Humphries March 20 – Kebo Chapman March 23 – Sherri Anderson March 31 – Alicia Nalls

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

March 14 Ernie & Terri Jones March 16 Marty & Sherri Anderson March 29 Stanley & Rita Phillips

Men available for Pulpit Supply

Dr. Ken Cloud - (229) 221-7837 Rev. Carl Dunn - (229) 894-2337 Dr. Tom Kennedy - (850) 544-0281 Rev. Tim Harrell - (229) 416-6806 Rev. Josh Still - (229) 726-5201 Rev. Tommy McNair - (229) 220-2193 Rev. Jake Williams - (229) 345-5467 Rev. Glen Cloud - (229) 233-3563 Rev. James Holloway - (229) 723-1375 Dr. Jim Nalls - (850) 510-7973 (Sunday night & Wednesday night only) Rev. Jack Cowart - (229) 379-6714

ARNALDO

"And this commandment have we from Him, That he who loveth God love his brother also." 1 John 4:21 Did you notice that this is a commandment: he who loveth God love his brother also.

We have to love all the brothers and sisters in our church. We can't pick and choose who to love or not love. I thank God that it's a commandment or else our churches would really be in a mess

I have seen how many brothers and sisters have shown their love for missions and outreach. I pray we are careful to not let the enemy deceive us as he did Adam and Eve. We need to study His word and be continually in prayer so we are led of the Spirit to love one another.

God loves us, even though we aren't worthy of His love. He will teach us to love each other.

We love you and thank God for you,

Arnaldo Lev 19:34,34

Don't forget to turn baby bottles into the **Bowen Association** the week of March 9th!!!

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

Ladies' Corner

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

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Dear Georgia Baptist Woman

Registration is now open for the 2022 Spring Event featuring speaker and author Lisa Harper. Nothing refreshes the soul like His Spirit and laughter! We get to experience both as Lisa brings her quick wit and encounters with God to women of ALL AGES. Worship sessions, breakout conferences, good food and friends together make an experience you don't want to miss.

Want to make a weekend of it? Come early for Friday dinner and the annual Missions Celebration. Make plans now to join us in person at Central Baptist Church in Warner Robins.

Don't really want to come in person? No problem! Gather a group of women at your church and watch the Spring Event livestream including two worship sessions, your choice of 2 recorded breakout sessions and additional resources for a meaningful one-day retreat at your church.

View details and register online at georgiabaptistwomen.org/springevent

Leanne Guest Associational WMU Director

Bowen Baptist Association, Inc. Schedule of General Receipts For one month ending January 31, 2022

Antioch\$450.00	Iron City \$727.71
Attapulgus\$150.00	Jakin
Bainbridge FBC\$2,515.80	Lake Seminole\$200.00
Bethany\$407.00	
Bethel\$150.00	Maranatha\$
Black Jack\$66.00	Morningside\$1,553.66
Bride of Christ\$131.91	Mt. Olive\$
Brinson\$433.83	Mt. Pleasant\$630.99
Calvary\$	Mt. Zion\$795.40
Climax\$1,744.84	Notchaway\$500.00
Colquitt FBC\$2,718.21	Nueva Vida
County Line\$150.00	Pine Forest\$
Cristo te Ama\$1.00	Pine Grove\$300.00
Donalsonville FBC\$3,088.67	Rocky Ridge\$342.60
Eldorendo\$735.00	Salem Seminole
Faceville\$2,653.20	Southwest\$
	Spring Creek
Fellowship\$	Springfield \$427.32
Flat Creek\$829.36	Union\$
Franklin\$	West Bainbridge\$160.00
Grace\$	West Street
	TOTAL \$22,198.33

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