

Ladies' Corner

Jeremiah 17:7, “Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is.”

I am so thankful that I have the Lord to trust in. In the last few days, I have seen God answer prayer and work in my life in a powerful way.

On Wednesday, December 5th, my 98 year old Mama had a severe heart attack. On Friday, December 7th, after having had two stints put in, she was back at her home at Riverside Place. God is good, and He can be trusted.

I am thankful for good doctors, but my trust isn't in them.

Who is your trust in?

I Wish You All A Merry Christmas,

Brenda Cloud
Associational WMU/Ladies Ministry

January 2019

- 1 New year's Day - Bowen Center Closed
- 7 Pastor's Praise, Worship & Fellowship – 10:30 AM, Bowen Center
- 7 Associational Senior Adult Luncheon – 12 noon, Colquitt
- 17 Executive Committee Meeting – 7 PM, Bowen Center
- 24 VBS Jumpstart – Iron City 7-8:30 PM
- 24-26 Conclave – Chattanooga Marriott Convention Center, Chattanooga, TN
- 24-26 Minister's Wives Retreat – 12 PM, Georgia Baptist Convention Center, Toccoa
- 26 South Georgia Men's Training Conference – 8:00-2:00, First Baptist Church Blackshear
- 28-29 Evangelism Conference – Central Baptist Church, Warner Robins

February 2019

- 4 Pastor's Praise, Worship & Fellowship – 10:30 AM, Bowen Center
- 4 Associational Missionaries Workshop - 5 PM Georgia Baptist Conference Center, Toccoa
- 16 State RA-Challengers Racer Derby – 2:30 PM Camp Kaleo
- 18 55+ Swap Shop Tour – 10:00-12 noon, Schomburg Baptist Church, Columbus
- 18 55+ Swap Shop Tour – 6-8 PM First Baptist Church Moultrie
- 21 Associational Men's Ministry Meeting & Associational WMU/Ladies Spring Inspirational Meeting – 6:30 PM, Donalsonville FBC
- 26 Pastor's Day at the Capitol – 10-2 PM The Empire Room, Atlanta
- 28-2 SELAH – Pinnacle Retreat Center

BOWEN ASSOCIATION PRAYER LIST:

- 1. Baptist Collegiate Ministries – Bradley Crews, Director
 - A. Funds needed and food for students
 - B. Pray for students during summer break
- 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.
- SPECIAL NEEDS:
 - 6 round tables (60")-\$140ea.
- PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR SPECIFICS BEFORE PURCHASING THIS ITEM!
- 6. Pray for “My 85” Ministry–Susan Lanier
- 7. Churches this month:
 - a. Union-Rev. Calvin Arnold
 - b. West Bainbridge-Vacant
 - c. West Street-Vacant
 - d. Antioch-Rev. Jerry Harrell

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VBS Jumpstart

Thursday, January 24th, 2019 ~ 7:00-8:30 PM
Iron City Baptist Church

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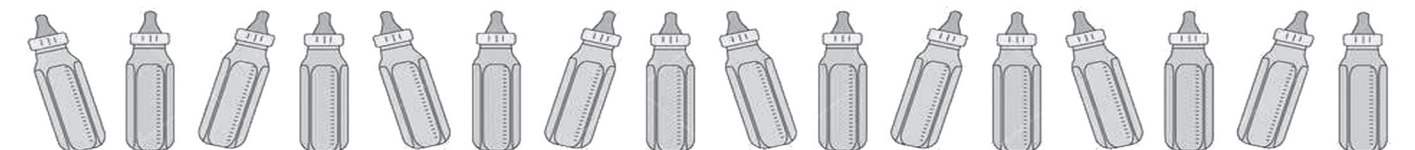
ALPHA PREGNANCY CENTER
ALBANY-DAWSON-DONALSONVILLE

Baby Bottle Campaign
February 1 – 28, 2019

You have an opportunity to help support the Alpha Pregnancy Center. Our Baby Bottle Campaign will be February 1 – 28. A representative from each church will need to come by the Bowen Center and pick up the bottles. Your church is responsible for promoting this campaign and collecting the money that will go toward the pregnancy center. Please make checks payable to Bowen Baptist Association pregnancy center. If the bottle is filled before the deadline, just empty the contents into another container and start over with the same bottle. All bottles and funds are to be turned into the Bowen Center the week of March 4.

The Alpha Center if SWGA is a major ministry outreach to our tri-state area. This non-profit volunteer center is open to women who may or may not be pregnant and who are making critical, life changing decisions. This center is open to all women regardless of age, race, religion, or marital status provides a chance to share the Gospel with them at an important time in their lives.

We appreciate your prayers and support!



Director of Missions

Dear Co-laborers in Christ,
Truly our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, is worthy of all praise for great things he hath done and is doing here in Southwest Georgia. It is an awesome time as we have seen so many teams come to our area to help with the cleanup. We have had teams from all over Georgia from the north to the SE and in between- come to help us. Many more are wanting to come after the first of the year. If you know of people who still need trees removed from their yards, please call the Bowen office with their names, telephone numbers and their addresses, and we will add them to the list. Please pray for these teams as they travel to us, and pray for their safety as they work. We also have had a set of showers loaned to us by the Columbus Association and DOM Bro Jimmy Blanton.

This has been a major help. Please continue to pray for our mission outreach ministries in our association. We still need volunteers for the Alpha Pregnancy Center. We are speaking of only a couple hours a week. Please share this with your church, and pray for God to raise up people to help with this great ministry. If anyone is interested, please call the office and give the information to Mary Anna, our new ministry assistant.

It is amazing how fast this last year has gone by, and we are looking forward to what God is going to do in the coming year. I have received good news concerning my heart; it is completely healthy. Praise the Lord for this good news. My problem was that I wasn't completely over pneumonia, and I got out and worked after the storm and over did it. However, we are fine now, and Brenda and I are excited about what God is going to do in the future. We do appreciate your prayers.

Through all that has gone on as a result of the storm, we have seen what it means to partner with our other churches in the Georgia Baptist Convention. We have seen associations and the state convention at its best. Several thousands of dollars of cooperative program money has come back to Bowen Association through Disaster Relief as well as help for our churches who have had damage. God is so good to us, bless His Holy Name!

Congratulations to FBC Bainbridge on calling their new pastor, Bro. Chris Humphries; also, to Fellowship on calling a new pastor, Bro. Marty Anderson; and to Mt. Olive on calling Bro. Josh Boyette as their new pastor. Please pray for these new pastors and their families as they move into our area and begin their ministry at these churches. Also, please continue to pray for the churches that are without pastors. Pray for God to raise up men to fill the gaps.

Brenda and I are so thankful for the privilege of continuing as your Missionaries. Please continue to pray for us as we serve the Lord here in Southwest Georgia. We thank God for you all and your faithfulness to our Lord.

Your servants in the Lord,
Ken and Brenda Cloud

CHURCH NEWS

Morningside – Rev. Jimmy Dean – We are seeking to fill the position of Worship Leader. This is a bi-vocational position, which includes leading the congregation in worship during each church service, directing the choir for morning services and seasonal cantatas, and leading the praise team that assists in the morning and evening services. If interested, please send resumes to Morningside Baptist Church, ATTN: Worship Leader Search Committee, P.O. Box 7009, Bainbridge, GA 39818.

Mt. Pleasant – Rev. Scott Norman – We are in need of a pianist & a music leader. If you are interested please contact the church at 246-0362 and leave a message. We invite you to listen to our radio broadcast Sunday mornings from 10 – 11 a.m. Stations include: FM 101.9, 106.3, 92.3, 99.3; and WMGR 930AM.

Southwest – Rev. Stanley Phillips – We are currently seeking a full time student pastor. If interested in being part of a growing church family with an active student ministry send resume to: Student Pastor Search Team, 146 Riverchase Dr., Bainbridge, GA 39819. You can also email it to briandjohns@outlook.com with subject “Student Pastor Search Team”.

Springfield – Rev. Zeth Smith – We are seeking a part-time minister of music. Send resumes to Janice Evans, 3139 Fryer Rd., Jakin, GA 39861 or call her at 229-372-4554.

West Bainbridge – We have a food bank that is open on Thursdays from 9 – 10:30 a.m. If your church would like a local mission project, we would greatly appreciate any donations of non-perishable food items. For more information contact Judy Ward at 246-0630.

Please pray for the following churches without a pastor:
Bethany, Eldorado,
Lake Seminole,
Rocky Ridge,
West Bainbridge, West Street

Send us your special events and announcements.
Deadline for the February Informer is January 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

Minister's Wives
Retreat
January 24-26
Georgia Baptist Convention Center, Toccoa

Associational Senior Adult Luncheon
First Baptist Church Colquitt
January 7th, 12 Noon



2019 Women of Joy Tour
“Deeply Rooted”
Dig Deep. Stand Tall.
And let your living spill into thanksgiving.

The deeper the roots, the deeper the love, the deeper the walk.
8 Live events in 2019. For more information and to register, go to womenofjoy.org or call 256-355-1554.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
January 19
Judy & Gwan Garrison



Operation Christmas
Child Shoeboxes 2018

Bainbridge First – 138
Maranatha – 6
West Bainbridge – 900
Fellowship – 100
Lake Seminole – 15
Pine Grove – 70
Brinson – 47
Climax – 351
Southwest – 151
Grace Community – 46
Attapulgus – 20
Morningside – 5
Mt. Zion – 25
Other Churches & Groups – 577
Total – 2,451

Why the Mission Georgia Offering?
The Mission Georgia Offering is an annual emphasis which supports the ministries, missions, and evangelism work of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board.
For more information or to order materials to promote the Mission Georgia Offering, go to https://missiongeorgia.org.

ARNALDO

“He said unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Matthew 16: 15, 16

How was your Christmas celebration? I say celebration because we celebrate the fact that Jesus, the Son of the living God, has been born and is the Savior of all men. God's plan of salvation is effected so that, through the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ, we have atonement for our sins. That should be celebrated every day!

The best part is that we get to proclaim it all year long; God loves you and has a plan for your life. I read a post on Facebook that said, “You weren't born to just work and then die.” God wants to use our life to share the Gospel. Let every man, woman, boy and girl know that God doesn't want any to perish but to have eternal life.

Will you share the Good News to your family, friends and neighbors this message: Before He arose to heaven He commanded us to “Go ye therefore..” In 2019, make this your priority to tell one person each day that Jesus came to save ALL mankind.

Ready to share the Good News,
Arnaldo
Lev 19:3, 34

Bowen Baptist Association, Inc.
Schedule of General Receipts
For eleven months ending November 30, 2018

Antioch.....	\$1,800.00	Iron City	\$3,488.84
Attapulgus.....	\$1,650.00	Jakin	\$1,837.81
Bainbridge FBC	\$17,062.80	Lake Seminole.....	\$1,200.00
Bethany	\$2,081.29	Liberty	\$2,345.00
Bethel	\$1,785.00	Maranatha.....	\$2,415.00
Black Jack.....	\$726.00	Morningside	\$18,830.95
Bride of Christ.....	\$1,018.35	Mt. Olive	--
Brinson.....	\$4,572.13	Mt. Pleasant.....	\$1,530.62
Calvary.....	\$330.00	Mt. Zion.....	\$4,741.63
Climax.....	\$8,987.19	Notchaway.....	\$500.00
Colquitt FBC.....	\$18,400.80	Nueva Vida.....	\$91.85
County Line	\$200.00	Pine Forest.....	\$575.00
Cristo te Ama	\$825.81	Pine Grove.....	\$1,650.00
Donalsonville FBC.....	\$14,648.01	Rocky Ridge.....	\$3,519.60
Eldorado	\$1,125.00	Salem Seminole.....	\$1,148.40
Faceville.....	\$8,608.48	Southwest	\$550.00
.....	Spring Creek.....	\$4,892.78
Fellowship.....	\$8,250.00	Springfield	\$5,188.92
Flat Creek.....	\$8,041.71	Union.....	\$1,990.50
Franklin.....	\$1,261.90	West Bainbridge	\$3,100.12
Grace	\$1,847.69	West Street.....	--
.....	TOTAL	\$162,827.36

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