

Ladies' Corner

OFFEND - cause to feel upset, annoyed or resentful. Do you ever have these feelings? Are you quick to get all bent out of shape when things don't go your way? Fly off the handle at any little thing? Become offended easily?

Our churches are full of people who say someone offended them and they are not going back or are not going to work in the church.

"Psalm 119:165 Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them."

Maybe if we were more in love with Jesus and His words we would be less likely to become offended at the least little thing!! Just saying!!

Brenda Cloud
Associational WMU/Ladies Ministry

May 2018

- 3 National Day of Prayer
- 6 Senior Adult Sunday
- 7 **Pastor's Praise, Worship & Fellowship – 10:30 a.m., Bowen Center**
- 7-10 **Georgia Baptist Children's Home Truck Loading for Bowen Association**
- 13 Mother's Day
- 13-19 Christian Home Week
- 17 **Associational Men's Ministry Meeting – 6:30 p.m., Morningside**
- 20-27 Baptist Association Emphasis
- 27 Life Commitment Sunday
- 28 **Memorial Day, Bowen Center closed**
- 29 **Pastors Round Table – 7:00 p.m., Bowen Center**

June 2018

- 4 **Pastor's Praise, Worship & Fellowship – 10:30 a.m., Bowen Center**
- 9-14 **Migrant Health Fair in Bowen Association**
- 9 Crossover-Southern Baptist Convention – Dallas, TX
- 12-13 Southern Baptist Convention – Dallas, TX
- 17 Baptist Men's Emphasis
- 17 Father's Day
- 24 Mission: Dignity Sunday

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
 - B. Pray for clients to be receptive.
3. Cristo te Ama – Amaldo 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. Bride of Christ-Rev. Bernard Burke
 - b. Brinson-Rev. Robert Crapps
 - c. Calvary
 - d. Climax-Rev. Steve Poppell

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Associational Mission Trip Blairsville, GA July 14 – 20, 2018

We will conduct VBS at Ebenezer Baptist Church.
If you would like more information or to donate to our trip,
please contact the
Bowen Center at 246-1871 or Terry Bell at 416-6591.

The Bowen Informer

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May 2018

GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES Truck Loading "A New Day, A New Start, and A New Life Through Jesus Christ"

Bring your donations to the
Bowen Center
Friday, May 11, 2018
8:30 am – 12:00 noon



The Bowen Baptist Association is collecting: Garden Peas, Carrots, Corn-cream and whole kernel, Rice, Jiffy Muffin Mix, and Liquid Laundry Detergent.
Gift Cards are always appreciated!

2018 VBS

GAME ON

Bainbridge FBC – June 3 – 7
Spring Creek – June 3 – 7; 6 – 8:30 p.m.
(kickoff on June 2)
Liberty – June 10 – 14; supper at 6 p.m.

CAMP MOOSE ON THE LOOSE

Lake Seminole – June 10 – 14; 6 – 8:30 p.m.

TIME LAB – ANSWERS IN GENESIS

Donalsonville FBC – May 27 – June 6; 6 – 8:30 p.m.

If you would like to donate your
VBS decorations to the
Associational Missions Trip to Blairsville,
please call Michelle at the Bowen Center
246-1871. Their theme is Game On.
Send us your VBS dates and time and we will
put it in the Informer.

Director of Missions

Dear Co-laborers in Christ,

I praise the Lord for his continued blessings. We have seen 3 saved this past month and rejoice over the blessing of seeing souls come to Christ! The “Fields are white unto harvest”. We need to be praying for the Lord to send forth laborers into his harvest. Are you willing to share the gospel of Jesus Christ? Our purpose in being here is to bring glory to the Lord in order for others to see the saving power of Christ through our changed lives and our personal witness. Let’s go soul winning!

The last week of March was very special in that I had the privilege of preaching my 1,000 revival. I praise the Lord for his allowing me to continue to preach his word! It is such a privilege to be able to share the Word of God! I am looking forward to what God has in store for us as Brenda and I continue to serve our Lord.

Please keep praying for our sister churches, especially those that are without pastors. We need to be upholding them in prayer and pray that God will raise up men to fill the gaps. We need men that have the heart of a pastor and a heart for preaching the Word of God. I must say, I do not understand when men tell me they have been called of God but yet are content to sit back and let churches go without a pastor. I do praise the Lord for the men in our Association that are willing to help in this area and several of them are serving as interim pastors. We also have a couple of preachers coming along that are just getting started. Please pray for them that they will know God’s will for their lives.

Praise the Lord for the first man saved through the ministry of the Alpha Pregnancy Center this past month. This is what we are here for: to stand between sinners and hell. We should be holding on to sinners and begging them to come to Christ before they slip into hell! I do appreciate Kareen Green and the volunteers that staff this center. PLEASE PRAY AS WE ARE IN GREAT NEED OF NEW VOLUNTEERS!!

Brenda and I are so thankful for your prayers for us and especially for her and please continue to pray that her health will improve as we continue to serve with you all. We love you all and thank God for the privilege of serving with you.

Your servants in the Lord,
Ken and Brenda Cloud

CHURCH NEWS

Bainbridge – Dr. Heath Kahlbau – We have three ministry positions available. We are in need of a pianist for Sunday and Wednesday worship services, choir rehearsals, and special services. We also need a part-time financial secretary with at least two years of experience in fund based accounting and an interim part-time Sr. Adult Minister. Please send resumes to Bainbridge FBC, P O Box 155, Bainbridge, GA 39818 or fax to 229-246-8182.

Donalsonville – Rev. Michael Wingertsahn – We are seeking a full-time youth and children’s minister. Send resumes to Rome Ethredge at ethredge@uga.edu or for more information call the church at 229-524-2166 and talk to Rev. Michael Wingertsahn.

Faceville – Rev. Ernie Jones – We have a sewing ministry that meets the first Friday of the month. If anyone is interested in joining, please call Gail Brown at 972-800-6657.

Morningside – Rev. Jimmy Dean – We are currently seeking a full time minister youth and children. Those interested in this position should send a resume to Morningside Baptist Church, Youth Pastor Search Committee, P O Box 7009, Bainbridge, GA 39818.

Mt. Olive – Rev. Ellis Hardwick – We will have Homecoming on May 6 with Kenneth Cloud as guest speaker and the Money Sisters from Woodville, FL bringing special music. Morning worship will begin at 10:00 a.m. Bring a covered dish.

Mt. Pleasant – We are in need of a pianist. 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.

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 – Rev. Jamie McMillan – 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.

**PASTORS PRAISE,
WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP
Bowen Center
Monday, May 7, 2018
10:30 a.m.**

Please pray for the following churches without a pastor:

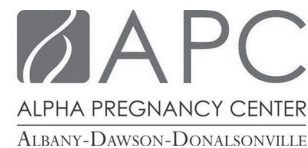
- Bethany, Calvary,
- Eldorendo, Fellowship,
- Mt. Pleasant, Notchaway,
- Rocky Ridge

Send us your special events and announcements. Deadline for the June Informer is May 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

The Associational Men’s Prayer Meeting is every Thursday at 7 a.m. They are meeting at the Bowen Center. All men are welcome

Associational Men’s Meeting Morningside Baptist Church Thursday, May 17, 2018 6:30 p.m.



We held our Baby Bottle Campaign February 1 – 28. There were 16 churches and individuals that contributed \$6,058.19 for the Alpha Pregnancy Center baby store!!! We thank God for each one who supports our Center.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- May 5 – Rosemary Harrell
- May 5 – Jennifer Williams
- May 10 – Greg Ford
- May 14 – Margaret Arnold
- May 19 – David Williams
- May 28 – Kay McCamon
- May 31 – Ken Cloud

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- May 14 Jesus & Yashira Bocanegra
- May 15 Michael & Michelle Wingertsahn
- May 29 Stacy & Pam Glover
- May 30 Steve & Tracy Poppell

USEFUL DONATION IDEAS FOR ALPHA PREGNANCY CENTER

1. Diapers-newborn to size 5 and pullups for toddlers
2. Wipes
3. Baby lotion, wash, shampoo-large and small sizes
4. Wash clothes and towels
5. Baby bottles, sippy cups, baby plates, forks and spoons
6. Bibs
7. Teething rings, rattles, small safe stuffed animals
8. Christian children’s books
9. Scrapbooks or photo albums
10. Piggy banks, picture frames
11. Small easy puzzles, coloring books and crayons
12. Blankets-any style- receiving or large
13. Safety outlet covers
14. Boys and girls clothes- newborn to size 3
15. Socks, hair bows, hats, mittens, shoes
16. Office cleaning supplies, paper towels, toilet tissue, trash bags
17. Hand sanitizer and air freshener

ARNALDO

Then he said to the crowd, “If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me.” Luke 9:23 NLT

As I share with people I am surprised to hear that almost all know the Lord Jesus Christ. According to them Jesus is their best friend. And yet you ask what church they serve in and they say none. They just serve him at home.

Jesus says if we are to follow Him we must identify with Him. I believe that includes His house of worship. There are no secret agents serving Jesus. There are no Lone Rangers in His service. He established a church and expects us to serve together in one Spirit and one purpose. Out on our own we are not following His plan and purpose.

For us to be able to preach the Gospel to all we must be united by His Spirit so we will be effective in our service. Anyone that wants to serve Jesus must be a part of His body (see Psalm 133).

I invite you to be a part of the body of Christ on Sunday and enjoy the fellowship of believers that meet to worship and praise the Lord and receive His instructions through the preaching of His word.

Ready to go be with the brethren this Sunday,

Arnaldo
Lev 19:33, 34

**Bowen Baptist Association, Inc.
Schedule of General Receipts
For three months ending March 31, 2018**

Antioch.....	\$900.00	Iron City	--
Attapulcus.....	\$450.00	Jakin	\$450.25
Bainbridge FBC	\$3,973.63	Lake Seminole.....	\$400.00
Bethany	\$523.00	Liberty	\$566.00
Bethel	\$450.00	Maranatha.....	\$1,207.50
Black Jack	\$198.00	Morningside	\$4,867.74
Bride of Christ.....	\$285.74	Mt. Olive	--
Brinson.....	\$1,226.49	Mt. Pleasant.....	\$351.90
Calvary.....	\$90.00	Mt. Zion.....	\$2,217.49
Climax.....	\$3,221.26	Notchaway.....	--
Colquitt FBC.....	\$5,935.08	Nueva Vida.....	\$27.90
County Line	\$50.00	Pine Forest.....	--
Cristo te Ama	\$167.39	Pine Grove.....	\$450.00
Donalsonville FBC.....	\$6,949.64	Rocky Ridge.....	\$967.99
Eldorendo	\$450.00	Salem Seminole.....	\$269.84
Faceville.....	\$1,705.92	Southwest	\$150.00
.....	Spring Creek.....	\$1,087.10
Fellowship.....	\$2,250.00	Springfield	\$1,527.20
Flat Creek.....	\$2,180.83	Union.....	--
Franklin.....	\$528.00	West Bainbridge	\$861.87
Grace	\$615.60	West Street.....	--
.....	TOTAL	\$47,553.36

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