

Church News Briefs! :

North Newington Baptist Church will have a one day Back-to-School Bash in July 18th from 10-2pm. They will have fun events for students, school supplies, games and food. Fun for all!

Middle Ground Baptist Church will celebrate Homecoming on July 19th and have their Summer Revival July 19-22, evenings at 7pm. Rev. John Connell is guest speaker. Covered dish lunch on Sunday after Morning Worship. Ice cream social Wednesday to close Revival. All invited!

Charlie Cooper will preach Homecoming and Revival Services at **Memorial Baptist Church** September 20-23. Sunday 11am, Lunch, No Sunday Night Service. Monday-Wednesday 7pm. Special Music at each service.

Helping Rock Thrift Store for homeless assistance programs...
516 W. Ogeechee St, Sylvania — Eddy Reyes, Administrator

Pineview Nursing Home, to volunteer, please call Tanissha Major, Activities Dir. (912)486-5067.

Prayer Walk

FOR OUR SCHOOLS



SCREVEN CO.
AUGUST 2ND
2:30PM
MEET AT THE
MARKET ON
MAPLE AND
THEN GO TO
SCHOOLS OF
CHOICE!
PRAYER
MAKES A
DIFFERENCE!



For children who have finished 1st grade thru just finished 6th grade. Held at the Coastal Empire Christian Camp. Application available at Mission Center or on our FB page. \$85/camper — Scholarships available if needed. Call MBA (912)564-2884



Middle Baptist Association

The Lighthouse July 2026

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Middle Baptist Association
SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING
August 2, 2026 — FBC Sylvania— 4:00pm
Keynote Speaker: Carlton Berry
(FB: Church and Kingdom Growth)
3 Breakout Sessions



For Sunday School Teachers, Assistants,
Directors, Pastors...

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From the Desk of your AMS by Russell Lyle

Sunday School Still Matters

Churches today have more ministry options than ever before. From small groups to online Bible studies, there are many ways for people to grow spiritually. Yet despite all these opportunities, Sunday School continues to serve a unique and important role in the life of the church. It remains one of the best settings for biblical learning, meaningful fellowship, and personal spiritual growth.

Sunday School provides a setting where people can do more than simply hear the Bible taught. It gives them an opportunity to discuss Scripture, ask questions, and learn from one another. While the worship service remains central to the life of the church, Sunday School allows people to dig deeper into God's Word and consider how it applies to everyday life.

Sunday School helps people connect. In many churches, it is easy for someone to attend worship regularly and never really get to know anyone. Sunday School creates a smaller community within the larger church family. It is often where friendships are formed, prayer requests are shared, and people find the encouragement they need to keep following Christ.

Sunday School also plays an important role in caring for people. Pastors cannot personally keep up with every need in the congregation, but a healthy Sunday School class can help ensure that no one slips through the cracks. When someone is absent, sick, grieving, or struggling, class members are often the first to notice and offer support.

It also remains one of the best entry points for new people. Walking into a worship service can be intimidating. A Sunday School class provides a place where guests can meet people, ask questions, and begin building relationships.

The name may vary from church to church, Sunday School, Bible Fellowship, Life Groups, or Small Groups, but the purpose remains the same. God uses His Word and His people to help believers grow. For that reason alone, Sunday School still matters.

Happy Birthday to:

Barbara Morgan-14-Retired
Al Usher-17-Union
Angie Usher-17-Union
Linda Cooper-21-Middle Grd
Betty Hall – 24- Retired
Brad Asbury-29-Millen

Happy Pastor Anniversary to:

George Pabst -03- Crossroads
Chris Roberson -93- Pine St
Ralph Dixon-08-Jackson



Disaster Relief

Intro: August 7-8
Sandersville, GA

August &
September
SPARK
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A TOTAL
CHURCH
EQUIPPING
CONFERENCE
Various Locations

The MBA now offers
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COLLECTION BOX AT MISSION
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A ministry provided by the Ogeechee River Baptist Network, Middle Baptist
Association, Tattall-Evans Baptist Association & Guido Bible College

Who Is This For?

- Those who are exploring a call to ministry
- Experienced pastors with formal training
- Experienced pastors with no formal training
- Those who want to mentor those aspiring to ministry
- Those who don't sense a call to ministry but may occasionally teach or preach



Scan the QR code
to register:



Monday Nights, 6 - 8 PM

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2026

600 N. Lewis St., Metter, GA,
Guido Bible College

For more information:
Jeff Parmer 229-425-9726

For Your Calendar!!!

- **MBA Children's Camp, July 7-9, brochure with application available. \$85/ camper. Finished 1st thru finished 6th grade.**
- **Sunday School Training: August 2nd at FBC Sylvania, 4pm...3 breakout sessions!**
- **Practical Preaching Workshop: \$30/ student, Guido Bible College, Mondays in August & September-6 to 8pm. Waiting list only!!!**
- **MBA Annual Meeting, September 13th at Oak Hill Baptist Church**

Food pantry : Open Monday thru
Thursday...referrals or our churches
can request boxes to deliver
themselves.
Share food &
Share the Gospel!