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2017-2018 Officers of the WBA

(left to right): Gloria Burke, Clerk; Janie Dunn, Treasurer; David Self, Director of Missions; David Perry, Moderator; Arthur Gunn, Vice Moderator; Phil Bishop, Music Director

Lakeside Baptist Church stepped up to the plate in meeting the needs of hurricane evacuees. They provided for the families' physical needs and showed them God's love in so many ways.

They had 66 men, women, and children staying in their church over a six-day period. Approximately 156 volunteers helped serve over 800 meals, monitor the church grounds, and kept the facility clean. Thank you, Lakeside, for being the hands and feet of Jesus.

Annual Church Reports

are due NOW at the WBA office. Thanks to all those who completed the reports. If your church hasn't submitted the ACR, please do so as soon as possible.





26 Buckets of Care were collected from our churches for distribution to flood victims of the recent hurricanes through Georgia Baptist Disaster Relief.



Ohoopee Baptist Church celebrated its 225th Anniversary on October 15, 2017. Dr. Bobby Boswell presented the church with a congratulatory plaque from the Georgia Baptist Mission Board. Accepting it was Rev. Paul Melton, former pastor, and Gerdine Brown.

Missionary Moment David Self, Director of Missions

Be in prayer for Rev. Burt Mauldin of Culverton Baptist Church as he is recovering from surgery. You may wish to write him at 371 Dry Creek Rd, Sparta, GA 31087

If you are a **Sunday School Director** you need to attend the Georgia Baptist Sunday School Directors Summit. At this event you will learn the skills and tasks that make a great Sunday School Director. You will hear from some of the finest Sunday School leaders and you'll get to network with other Georgia Sunday School Directors. This event will provide you with the tools needed to lead your Sunday School and you will gain insights in your role for leading all age groups in your church.

Cost: \$39 per person thru October 23. \$49 per person at the door.

Location: Heatherwood White Oak Bapt. Church Address: 721 Shenandoah Blvd, Newnan, GA 30265 Dates: Friday, October 27 (3:30 PM - 8:15 PM) Saturday, October 28 (8:00 AM - 3:30 PM)

Associational Missionaries get to see and hear more than the average person the variety of churches in our region. Some churches are very resilient despite their lack of attendees. Last week I had Sunday lunch with Fairmount Baptist, one of our smaller churches in Sparta. Although their numbers were small, their harmony was sweet. Pastor Barry Wren loves his church and travels from his home in Martinez, Georgia to preach the gospel and love his people. After the service, the pastor invited the church and friends to join him at a local restaurant in downtown Sparta for some old-fashioned country cooking. The attendees took up half the restaurant. There is nothing as good as fellowship among God's people. Guard it closely. It is more valuable than the parking lot and your building. Love never fails.



October 10, 2017 at the 190th annual session of the Washington Baptist Association, we voted to admit Davisboro Baptist Church into our association's fellowship. Rev. Larry Glover is the pastor.

WELCOME!

Christmas Extravaganza Friday, December 1, 2017

7:00 p.m. Hosted by Northside Baptist Church



You are invited to participate in an evening of music, celebrating the birth of our Savior by showcasing your choir, ensembles, soloists, or instrumentalists. A love offering will be taken for Baptist Collegiate Ministry Summer Mission projects. Refreshments will be served after the service.

Contact Billy Sutton, Minister of Music at Northside. <u>Billy.sutton24@yahoo.com</u> or text 478-456-4688.

Woman's Missionary Union Harriett Amerson, Director

Yea! Fall is finally approaching....I love these cool mornings. There's nothing like putting on a jacket and walking in the fall weather, the leaves are falling and the breeze is crisp.

I hope you all are planning to attend our "Evening of Prayer & Mission Projects." It will be at Tennille Baptist Church on Monday, November 6th. We will have refreshment at 6:45 p.m. and then the program at 7:15 p.m. We are emphasizing our international, state, and local missions by carrying out a project that you all will help prepare. (We will make fishing kits, sewing kits, and candy favors for the nursing home, and gather school supplies for the Palmetto Children's Home). We will all join together and pray for the needs of women from 7 different world continents. Our needs sometimes are about the same even though we are a world apart from them. Let's have a good group this year to lift prayers together as one nation under God. (See the announcement on the front page.)

PLEASE BRING PAPER, PENS, AND PENCILS WITH YOU TO THE MEETING.







Don't forget the changes this year in your **SHOEBOXES**. NO candy or toothpaste. This is against customs regulations. Also, our postage has gone up to \$9. See what "wow" gift you can find this year to help brings smiles and hope to children who otherwise would not even know the love of Jesus. If you would like to send a monitory gift, I will be glad to pack your shoebox.

God bless you. See you Monday, November 6th. Harriett

Christmas Prison Ministry Project

Chaplain Charlene McElheney, Baldwin State Prison, has requested hygiene items for the 1,000+ men at her prison. Many are indigent and really need these items. If you wish to participate in this project, we will be collecting the following items at the WBA through the end of November.



Deodorant	Shampoo
Lotion	Toothpaste
Toothbrush	



Upcoming **EVENTS**

November 6- Evening of Prayer & Mission Projects, 6:45 pm, Tennille

November 13-14 – GA Baptist Convention, Lawrenceville

November 13 – 20 – Shoebox collection hours

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Monday} - \mbox{Friday} = & 9 \mbox{ am} - 2 \mbox{ pm} \\ \mbox{Saturday} = & 9 \mbox{ am} - noon \\ \mbox{Sunday} = & 1 \mbox{ pm} - 5 \mbox{ pm} \\ \mbox{Monday, } 20^{th} = & 8 \mbox{ am} - 10 \mbox{ am} \end{array}$