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The purpose of the Washington Baptist Association is to support member churches as they come together in the common bond of Christ.  
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**Monday, January 8, 2018**

Washington Baptist Association  
615 Hwy. 24 E, Milledgeville

**10:00 a.m.**

**W. B. A.  
Executive Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 13, 2017**

**7:00 p.m. – Fellowship & refreshments  
7:30 p.m. – Business and worship session**

**Hosted by the newest church of the WBA**

**Davisboro Baptist Church**



## Men on Mission

**Tuesday, January 9, 2018  
Ohoopee Baptist Church  
Breakfast is Served!**

### Overview Inc.

We are planning to have a representative come and share how churches can make a difference at a very low cost.

The mission of overview is to identify problems, provide services and operate programs in an effort to enable the elderly and economically disadvantaged citizens achieve self-sufficiency.

### WBA Finance Update for Oct 1 – Nov 30, 2017

Balerma	317.00	Hardwick	804.00	Olive Hill	-
Bethel	-	Harmony	-	Pl Grove	127.63
Bethlehem	-	Is.Creek	1666.00	Powelton	-
Black Spr	-	Jewell	56.18	Ridge Hgt	369.21
Church Ctl	-	Lakeside	1967.69	Riverside	-
Community	118.63	Lighthouse	-	S'ville 1 <sup>st</sup>	1500.66
Culverton	-	Long Cr	150.00	Sinclair	-
Darien	200.00	M'vill 1 <sup>st</sup>	645.84	Sisters	97.95
Davisboro	-	Min Sprgs	400.00	Smyrna	400.00
Devereux	300.00	Mitchell	200.00	Sparta 1 <sup>st</sup>	150.00
Fairmount	-	Mosleyville	250.00	Tennille	459.52
FriendshipG	56.00	Mt Steph.	-	Union	-
FriendshipW	493.00	Northside	1728.04	Victory	-
Grace	-	Ohoopee	286.00	Westview	683.76

Deposits from Churches.....	13,427.11
Personal Donations	-
Interest	1.66
Reimbursements	200.00
Expenses.....	(18,496.43)
Balance Oct 1, 2017.....	19,973.43
Balance Nov 30, 2017.....	15,105.77

**Missionary Moment**  
David Self, Director of Missions

Each Christmas, families and churches put up trees to celebrate the season. Everyone must decide if they want real or artificial trees, white or colored lights, big or small, old fashioned or have a modern theme. To get it right, there must be a lot of collaborating or the family/team will create anything but good memories.

Families and Churches need to exercise great team building. A great team will have the following elements.



**Great Team**

A great team will work together.

A great team has great leadership.

Great teams have shared core values.

Great teams add value to their members.

Great teams will elevate their group's morale.

Great teams have people on which they can rely.

Great teams understand that the payoff comes in time.

Great teams have defined roles based on their areas of ability.

Great teams have a vision of what the church should look like.

Great teams know where they stand in relation to their goal.

In Christ alone

In faith alone

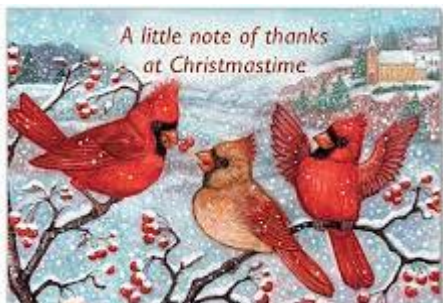
They Stand



**“May your Christmas be filled with Joy & Gratitude because of all that Christ has given you.”**

**Your W.B.A. staff**

*David ~~~~~ Gloria*



From Jean-Ann Washum with Appalachian Outreach in Jefferson City, Tennessee:

**The Christmas Backpacks of Hope give-away went GREAT! The Ministry Center was transformed. We had a lot of volunteers and were even able to help another area. Thank you for collecting the backpacks. It made the event very special.**

\*300 of the 527 backpacks you supplied went to this center. Thanks to each person of the WBA who packed a backpack.

**Woman's Missionary Union**  
Harriett Amerson, Director

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

You don't hear that much anymore. As I go I try to remember to say "Merry Christmas." I believe it kind of picks up a person's spirits when you share this holiday greeting. We, as Christians, should try and spread the word that Christ is still in Christmas.

I know you are all busy with your Christmas shopping and celebrations of Christmas. I hope you are enjoying the Christmas season. If it were not for Jesus, we would not have any hope of a future.

I hope our WMU's are busy with local missions in your individual churches. We will start a new year in January, planning ways to show that we love God and our neighbors. We will be joyful in all that we can do in the midst of turmoil and confusion in our world.

Remember Jesus as you go.  
Love,  
Harriett



The association was able to supply Chaplain Charlene McElheney with several boxes of toiletries, some Christmas cards, and \$1,700 to purchase hygiene items to make the Christmas Season a special occasion for the inmates at Baldwin State Prison. Many of the inmates are indigent and the gift bag containing soap, deodorant, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste and toothbrush helps meet their needs. Thank you!

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

- Pray for Pastor Sammy Allen and his wife Jean (Riverside Baptist) as they recover from the loss of their home due to a fire.
- Pray for Pastor Bill Kitchen (Hardwick Baptist) as he transitions to retirement in February.
- Pray for the churches without pastors: Community, Jewell, Mosleyville, Ohoopee, Westview
- Pray for the finances of the WBA



December 24, 2017  
through  
January 1, 2018

Back in office on  
Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

