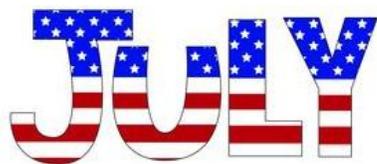


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2018 WBA Youth Camp July 9 – 14

Camp applications should already be turned in. If you have campers who still wish to go, please get the application and deposit turned in **immediately**. An app can be downloaded from the WBA website' youth page.

Donations of candy, canned drinks, and other packaged snacks are requested. These will be sold at the camp store.

Most of all, pray for the camp staff and for God to work in the life of those attending camp this year.

Men on Mission

Tuesday, July 10, 2018
7:00 p.m.

Black Springs Baptist Church

There is a need for a *Men on Mission* leader for the association. Please pray God will call a man to fill this position and he will be obedient to that call.

Sisters Baptist Church in Sandersville, Georgia is requesting your prayers as we search for a new staff person. Our search is for an Associate Pastor of Music & Youth. Serious applicants may send their resume with a cover letter to: office@sistersbaptist.org or 1807 E. McCarty Street, Sandersville, GA 31082 Thank you for your help and your prayers.

Friendship (G) Baptist Church-Mitchell, will be celebrating our 177th Homecoming and Revival beginning Sunday, July 15. Bro. Robert Pruitt, from Gatlinburg, TN, will be singing and preaching on Sunday. Bro. Jerry Bradley from First Baptist Milledgeville will be speaking Monday night, Bro. Lance Hanford, from Aiken, SC will be preaching Tuesday night. Wednesday will be a special guest. Special singing nightly! All night services begin at 7PM.

ALL ARE INVITED!

Wayne Hamilton, Pastor

Middle Georgia NFL Flag Football Registration

What: Middle Georgia NFL Flag League provides a fun, safe environment where kids can learn football skills and play in a safe contact reduced format. The Season will consist of 8 games starting August 4th and ending September 29th. One 1-hour practice per week.

Who: Students Age 5 - 12 year olds (Coed Teams) (Age Divisions TBD) and Ages 13 -14 year olds (Gender based Teams)

Where: Black Springs Baptist Church
673 Sparta HWY NE, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Cost: \$45 per player (Each player receives an official NFL reversible jersey and flag belt)

Online Registration:
<https://vbspro.events/p/events/middlegeorgianflflag>

For more information:
Call or Text (478) 234-2721 (Jason)
Facebook: Middle Georgia NFL Flag League
Email: middlegeorgianflflag@gmail.com

GO
Georgia

August 17-18, 2018

Turning Point at Mabel White Baptist Church

<https://gogeorgia.net>

WHAT IS GO GEORGIA?

A Total Church Leadership Equipping Event

- Leadership Training
- National Speakers
- Breakout Sessions
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Go to the following link to register. Cost is \$45 until August 10.

<https://www.sbcworkspace.com/Pub/Event/Register/55228919>

Missionary Moment
David Self, Director of Missions

Why are we so small?

In Baptist life, many assume that bigger is always better. We think that the greater our attendance, the greater our opportunity to change our community. We think the larger our income, the more programming we can afford to do. However, this is not always true. In fact, God designed His world in a different manner.

I recently ran across a principal of effective organizations which stated, "the greater the size of an organization, the less effective it will likely become." If you don't believe it, call the US government about a tax issue or a large insurance company regarding a particular claim. Unless you know an agent personally, it will be a long phone call.

The undeniable truth is that every group (business, church, government, etc.) will closely follow the mathematical formula below.

(Pareto Distribution)

**Of every group of 10,
3 people will do half the work.**

**Of every group of 100,
10 people will do half the work.**

**Of every group of a 1,000,
30 people will do half the work.**

**Of every group of 10,000,
100 people will do half the work.**

Therefore, the effective Sunday School class will disciple better as a small group. Effective prayer groups and mission groups are often small in number, ramp builders do more with only a few carpenters, and too many WBA camp cooks will spoil the brew. Christ did it with 12, not the 5,000. Small groups disciple easily and at a lower cost. Even large churches have a large number of small groups.

The family is the only group established to sustain humanity and it is a small group. May your church be a family that changes the world.

Budget Receipts from Churches
October 1, 2017 – May 31, 2018

Balerma	1,162.00	Hardwick	4,206.00	Olive Hill	-
Bethel	167.00	Harmony	200.00	Pl Grove	852.51
Bethlehem	650.00	Is.Creek	6,668.00	Powelton	-
Black Spr	3,000.00	Jewell	465.67	Ridge Hgt	1,261.78
Church Ctl	-	Lakeside	7,820.15	Riverside	-
Community	500.43	Lighthouse	100.00	S'ville 1 st	7,002.64
Culverton	58.05	Long Cr	300.00	Sinclair	2,502.75
Darien	1,000.00	M'vill 1 st	5,166.72	Sisters	1,899.16
Davisboro	-	Min Sprgs	1,600.00	Smyrna	1,600.00
Devereux	600.00	Mitchell	400.00	Sparta 1 st	600.00
Fairmount	-	Mosleyville	1,000.00	Tennille	1,499.18
FriendshipG	322.00	Mt Steph.	250.00	Union	450.00
FriendshipW	1,463.00	Northside	6,996.06	Victory	-
Grace	-	Ohoopee	1,013.00	Westview	2,469.42
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Woman's Missionary Union
Harriett Amerson, Director



are now available for purchase through WBA.

Cost = \$4.00 per 17" backpack.

(Age divisions are 4-7, 8-10, 11-15)

(Deadline = August 14th)

Note: If you do not have the ribbons to identify the sex and age group for your backpacks, please mark them some way and we will tie the ribbons on at the WBA office. We have also received *The Christmas Story* leaflets which we will include when you return the backpacks to us.

Some of your WMU ladies (LeeAnne Allen, Harriett Amerson, Cheryl Hart, & Susan Veatch) went to the Palmetto campus of the Georgia Baptist Children's Home in April. We gathered in the gym and had about 30 children, ranging in ages from little to Adults. Two of the children helped us set up. We served refreshments and then we made prayer boxes.

As usual, kids will surprise you with their creativity. One of the girls who helped us said she was not very good at crafts. She worried about how she was going to decorate her box and worked tirelessly. With some assistance, she was finally able to complete the task.

We had one little boy about 7 or 8 who said he did not want to decorate a box. He wanted nothing to do with the activity. We all tried to encourage him, bringing him little boy items that he could put on his box. The worker that was with him said she would help him and began to pick out items to decorate with. He was adamant that he did not want a box. The other children had a ball decorating the boxes and wanted letters to write their names on them, plus so much more. There was one little girl whose mother was there with her. She decorated her box and showed me how she had put her name and her mother's name on the box.

As we were getting ready to pack up and leave, one of the girls came back to the table. She and one of our workers looked like they were in a hurry. Our worker said the girl had given her box to the little boy who did not want to do a box. She was going to try and decorate another one for herself and with assistance, was able to get another one finished.

We enjoyed working with the children. They were great. It was a wonderful mission trip and opportunity to serve these children who need love and attention. Thank you to those who went.

Hope you all are having a great summer.

Blessings,
Harriett

