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Supporting Member Churches as They Come Together in the Common Bond of Serving Christ

The
Pastors
Roundtable
A peer learning group for pastors

Thursday, January 20, 2022
Zebulon Community Church
7266 Brown Chapel Rd.
Sparta, Ga
10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Call Rev. Billy Carroll for more information
1-706-829-4403
Lunch is Optional

W. B. A.
Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Friendship W Baptist Church
4339 County Line Rd., Sandersville, Ga

Speaker: Mrs. Dianne Popp, Ministry Assistant
Topic: Her Testimony for Christ During 5x with Cancer
6:15 p.m. Fellowship and Refreshments
7:00 p.m. Business and Worship Session

Prison Ministry Update

Chaplain Charlene McElheney picked up items collected by the churches in the Association on December 7, 2021 for the men at the Baldwin State Prison.

The **Washington Baptist Association Book of Minutes for 2021** will be ready for pickup at the Executive Committee Meeting on February 8, 2022 at **Friendship W Baptist Church**.

**WBA Director of Missions
Search Team Report**

Greetings Washington Baptist Association (WBA) family! I pray this finds you well in your service to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. By His great grace, I am well.

I am pleased to announce that the Director of Missions (DOM) Search Team listening sessions are under way! Thank you to Dr. Clint Miller and the precious folks at First Baptist Church of Milledgeville for hosting our first listening session on Monday, January 10, 2022. You all made us to feel right at home. In addition, we are grateful to all who came and prayerfully shared their thoughts about the future of the Washington Baptist Association. (Continued on Column 2)

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If the Lord is willing, we will conduct three additional listening sessions. The locations were strategically chosen to ensure that every church in the WBA would have convenient access to a listening session. The members of the search team genuinely desire to hear from you.

Please make plans to attend one of the following sessions.

- **Sparta Baptist Church** — Tuesday, January 18, 2022 @ 6:30 PM
- **Victory Baptist Church Milledgeville** — Wednesday, January 19, 2022 @ 6:30 PM (Combination of prayer meeting for the WBA and listening session for the DOM Search Team)
- **Sisters Baptist Church Sandersville** — Thursday, January 20, 2022 @ 6:30 PM

In order to maximize the effectiveness of your participation in the listening sessions, please consider and prepare to respond to the following.

On a scale of 1–10 (with 1 being not very involved and 10 being very involved), please rate your past involvement with the work of the Washington Baptist Association.

1 — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6 — 7 — 8 — 9 — 10

What is your personal assessment of the strengths AND weaknesses of the association?

List the most critical needs that you would like to see addressed by the association in the near future.

Are there new ministry/mission projects or general changes that you would like to see occur within our association over the next three to five years?

Rank the chief skills of a Director of Missions using a scale of 1–5, with 1 being most important:

___ Preaching ___ Administration ___ Education ___
Evangelism ___ Pastoral

Rank these priorities the Director of Missions needs to address in the WBA, using a scale of 1–6, with 1 being most important:

___ Evangelism ___ Church Growth ___ Church Health
___ Social Ministries
___ Moral Issues ___ Work with Other Religious Groups

Would you be willing to provide time and leadership to assist the association to serve more effectively?

___ Yes
___ No

If you are unable to attend a listening session in person, please feel free to respond to the above survey and send your thoughts to me. You can get your responses to me via email — Tim@lakesidebaptistchurch.org. Or by way of the U. S. Postal Service — Lakeside Baptist Church, 1023 Milledgeville Rd., Milledgeville GA 31061.

I am excited to see how our Lord continues to prove Himself faithful through these days. If there is ever any way in which I can be of assistance to you, please let the need be known. Remember, Jesus loves you and I do too!

Serving the Savior, Bro. Tim Oliver— Pastor Lakeside Baptist Church
2 Timothy 2:21

Missionary Moment

Dr. Perry Pickard, Interim Director of Missions

Dear W.B.A. Family,

I hope you have made a good transition into the new year. The beginning of a new year causes us to reflect on God's providence, blessings, and provision over the past year, and to look forward to all he wants was to do in our lives in the new year. Both challenges and blessings lie ahead for us in 2022. The challenges will provide opportunities for us to trust God and will deepen our faith and our prayer lives,. The blessings will serve as constant reminders of God's love and His provision for us.

I want to encourage you to pray earnestly for our Association as we move forward, and especially pray for our A.M.S. Search Committee. This committee is charged with the responsibility of seeking God's leadership and guidance in finding the one who will be our new Associational Mission Strategist. We used to refer to that person as our Director of Missions, but the Georgia Baptist Mission Board has changed the designation to Associational Mission Strategist. Please pray that God will guide our Search Committee to the person of His choosing and that in God's time this crucial position will be filled with our permanent leader. Please continue to pray for me as I serve as your Interim A.M.S. If I can be of service to you in any way, please call. I love you and am praying for you. May God bless and strengthen the work of our churches in this new year.

In Christ's love, Bro Jerry

Sunday School Moment

Kathy Self, Director

The children's curriculum provides a great resource page for sharing the Gospel with kids. This presentation could be used with all ages. I will share a condensed version of this page. How often do you present the Gospel in your Sunday School class? Even if your members profess a relationship with Christ, it is always good to practice and have the members of your class practice sharing the Gospel.

God Rules and created everything. Gen. 1:1, Rev. 4:11, Col. 1:16-17

We Sinned which separates us from God because He is Holy. Rom. 3:23 and 6:23

God Provided by sending Jesus to rescue us from the punishment we deserve. John 3:16 and Eph. 2:8-9

Jesus Gives. He lived a perfect life, died on the cross for our sins, and rose again. Rom. 5:8, 2 Cor. 5:21, and 1 Pet. 3:18

We Respond. ADMIT to God that you are a sinner and turn away from disobeying God in thoughts, words, and actions. (Acts 3:19, 1 John 1:9) BELIEVE that Jesus is God's Son and only He can save you. (Acts 16:31, Acts 4:12, John 14:6, Eph. 2:8-9) CONFESS your faith in Jesus Christ to God and others. (Rom. 10:9-13)

Praying for you and your Sunday School. Let me know how I can help. Kathy Self

UPDATE:

Dianne Popp, Ministry Assistant



I have had 57 chemotherapy treatments since October 15, 2019. My last PET Scan showed two new small tumors in the liver. **Praise the Lord that it has not metastasized somewhere else.** Prayer

Warriors please continue praying for me and the reduction of the tumors. You are doing an awesome job. I tell everyone that my lifeguard walks on water and I am just treading along side of him. **He has this and me.**

Woman's Missionary Union

Harriett Amerson, Director

Behold, I will do a new thing...Isaiah 43:19

Ladies,

I do believe in new beginnings. I hope we all can believe that God has a new plan for WMU. It's hard not to be depressed with our going into the third year of covid. But we have a God who is more powerful than any virus this side of the galaxy. It's just hard to deal with so many loved ones who have had to struggle through the virus. We just need to keep praying for God's will to be done in our lives.

Our WMU team will meet soon, but just know that we are limited to what we can do. We are just going to think positive with "new beginnings."

I'm so proud of the fact that you ladies have rallied around our projects and made them all so successful. We helped a lot of people and we shared with a lot of people.

I would ask you all to pray for covid to be taken out of our lives, that we can share the love of Christ, and that we can win others to Jesus.

"Missions" is what we are all about. We just need to keep up the good work.

I pray God's richest blessings on all of you and your families. Harriett

Please pray for Kim Cornett, our Prayer Coordinator,...she was doing Grandma duty and skating when she fell and broke her left wrist and fractured her right elbow.



CLASSES have been POSTPONED until a later date

Lakeside Baptist Church
1023 Milledgeville HWY,
Milledgeville, GA 31061

Post Abortion Restoration
Mondays 5:30pm-7:30pm
OR
Tuesdays 4pm-6pm

Anxiety Restoration
Mondays 6pm-8pm
OR
Tuesdays 4:30pm-6:30pm

Grief Restoration
Mondays 6pm-8pm
OR
Tuesdays 4:30pm-6:30pm

Classes begin on January 17th, 2021
All books \$10-\$12

All who are interested, please contact:
Kim Cornett at (478) 747-6760 or
cornettkim8@gmail.com

Budget Receipts from Churches October 1, 2021– Sept. 30, 2022

Bethel		Harmony	450.00	PI Grove	503.75
Bethlehem	450.00	Is. Creek	3,000.00	Powelton	
Black Spr	500.00	Jewell	385.44	Ridge Hgt	480.65
Church Ctl		Lakeside	3,671.27	Riverside	
Community	158.00	Lighthouse		S'ville 1 st	3,000.00
Culverton		Long Cr	225.00	Sinclair	375.00
Darien	500.00	M'vill 1 st	1,937.52	Sisters	3,128.63
Davisboro		Min Springs	750.00	Smyrna	900.00
Devereux		Mitchell		Sparta 1 st	225.00
Fairmount		Mosleyville	375.00	Tennille	671.00
FriendshipG	185.00	Mt Steph.		Union	
FriendshipW		Northside	3,408.91	Victory	
Grace		Ohoopee	861.00	Westview	1,662.36
Hardwick	1,500.00	Olive Hill		Word Comm	