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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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Men on Mission
April 12, 2022

(To Be Announced)

Check Website

First Baptist of Milledgeville

The Perspectives class at First Baptist would like to invite all WBA churches to attend our class on Thursday, April 28th from 6:30-9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be Lorna Bius from Mission Georgia. Perspectives (perspectives.org/Milledgeville2022) is a 15-week discipleship class focused on God's mission in the world. This date will be our final class, and the topic is World Christian Discipleship. Lorna will also share from her personal experiences with NAMB and Mission Georgia, including how Baptist churches can get involved in hands-on missions work here in Georgia.

Please continue to pray for the DOM Search Committee as they continue their work.

WBA Calendar April

April 17	Easter
May 8	Mother's Day
May 30	Memorial Day
June 19	Father's Day
July 11-16	WBA Youth Camp, Crawfordville



2022 WBA Youth Camp July 11-16, 2022

Camp applications are on-line.

Go to: www.washingtonbaptistassociation.org and look under the youth tab to print off as many copies as you need. The total cost is only \$120. You can hold your child's space for \$60 PLUS a completed form. The remaining \$60 will be due on or before the first day of camp. If for some reason you cannot print an application, we can mail you one.

Each year many delay getting their applications and/or money in on time. Our workers volunteer their time to serve in many capacities. Accepting late applications will delay camp planning and the overall quality of the program. Please observe the **deadline date of Friday, June 10th**.

If you are a youth worker, send applications as you get them. Many youth choose camp because they know that a friend is coming. We will routinely let you know who has signed up.

Churches, you can help by sponsoring a youth.

Missionary Moment

Dr. Jerry Pickard , Interim Director of Missions

Dear W.B.A. Family,

So many people have asked about our Washington Baptist Association. The main question is, "What is the purpose of the Association?" The next question is, "What does the Association do?" In our last newsletter, I began trying to answer those questions. In this newsletter, I'd like for us to think about some of the things an Association does. There are many functions of a Baptist Association. The following is a partial list.

Most Associations including ours seek to foster Fraternal relationships especially for pastors and church staff members in order to strengthen pastor/staff relationships;
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(Continued from Front Page) provide for doctrinal accountability and safeguard doctrinal integrity and purity in the churches; promote and facilitate church planting; sponsor strategic evangelistic initiatives; sponsor and encourage short term mission trips and missions involvement; provide training and leadership development for pastors, staff members, church leaders, pastor search committees, etc.; provide help/guidance for churches without pastors; provide counsel for churches experiencing problems, division, and difficulties; provide counsel to churches who may be considering merging with other congregations; provide summer camps and other activities for youth; provide Christian social ministries that meet the physical/material/spiritual needs of people; support disaster relief efforts; provide books/training materials/discipleship materials for churches; sponsor/promote involvement in ministries to economically depressed areas (i.e. backpacks, shoeboxes, etc.); promote/publicize events taking place in our churches; provide prayer support for the churches; provide limited financial support under certain conditions; assist churches with ordination counsels and ordinations as needed; assist churches with special needs as requested; promote fellowship, unity, peace, and cooperation among the churches; promote and encourage the expansion of the Kingdom of God and the spread of the Gospel...

This listing is not all-inclusive. The Association seeks to be responsive to the churches and to assist and support them in every way possible. I hope that this will help us all understand something of what our Association provides for Washington Baptists. We are blessed to have a good Association with a long and rich heritage. As the W.B.A. seeks to support you as fellow churches, may you pray for and support your Association.

In Christ's Love,
 Bro. Jerry

Sunday School Moment
Kathy Self, Director

“We never have any guests.”
Prescription: Matt. 28:18-20, Luke 15:1-7, Matt. 9:37-38, Acts 1:8

- Leaders and members need to arrive early to prepare for class and welcome guests.
- Make sure facilities are clean and free of clutter.
- Post signs so guests will know where to find classrooms, restrooms, etc.
- Assign greeters to assist guests.
- INVITE friends, CONTACT absentees, and PRAY for unchurched prospects.
- Have name tags available for everyone in the class when guests are present.
- Follow-up with guests by showing appreciation, initiating relationships, and inviting them to attend again.
- Make sure the Bible study is interactive, age appropriate, and communicated with passion.
- Plan fellowships and invite guests and prospects.

And remember, anytime you have a guest, be sure to present the Gospel during your Sunday School class or fellowship. Praying for you and your Sunday School.
 Kathy Self



Jesus' death on the cross and resurrection provides Eternal Life for those who BELIEVE. Celebrate the REAL meaning of Easter

Woman's Missionary Union
Harriett Amerson, Director

ANNIE ARMSTRONG -----STILL AT WORK

Every year, during the week following the first Sunday in March, Southern Baptist churches pray and learn about the missionaries work in the United States and Canada. Our churches also give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering which is named to honor the work that she did. She helped to start the first WMU meeting. She was a terrific advocate for missions.

What we learn during this week of prayer is what and how the missionaries are at work. We know their main goal is to work on the vast lostness of our country.

The unity of our churches is tied to the message of telling the world God sent His Son to display God's perfect love for us. Our churches should look like something different that lost people need.

Our most powerful step is to pray for these missionaries all over the US and Canada, then give so that they might have the tools they need to continue telling others about Jesus

Won't you share the love of Jesus Christ with someone today?

God bless you,
 Harriett

Prayer Coordinator
Kim Cornett

“Rally @ the Barn”

Briarpatch Farm, 725 Pea Ridge Rd Eatonton, GA
 Community wide Revival Services April 10-13th

Many exciting things are happening in our communities as our Lord works among us for our good and His eternal glory. As we continue to gather in prayerful expectation for awakening and revival within the Washington Baptist Association communities, please Mark your calendar and plan to join us 7:00 pm April 10-13th for “Rally @ the Barn”.

This will be the second year that multiple churches are joining to host a series of community wide revival services for our area! Services will begin 7:00 pm Palm Sunday evening and continue nightly through Wednesday evening. Evangelist, Dr. Levi Skipper, will be preaching. What a marvelous way for our hearts to be prepared for Resurrection Sunday

Our Lord desires to answer the prayers of His children. Most especially when these prayers align with issues on our Father's heart. We know the hour is late and we can hear Him calling lost children to come home! Our association pastors are asking our church memberships to join with them in specific prayer asking our dear Lord to move mightily in these services. The specific prayer points are listed below:

500 people in attendance in at least one service
 45 Salvations
 2 people surrendered to ministry/missions

Budget Receipts from Churches
October 1, 2021 – February 28 , 2022

		Hardwick	2,250.00	Olive Hill	
Bethel	250.00	Harmony	750.00	Pl Grove	1,023.95
Bethlehem	1,200.00	Is.Creek	5,000.00	Powelton	
Black Spr	500.00	Jewell	531.39	Ridge Hgt	749.74
Church Ctl		Lakeside	8,480.52	Riverside	
Community	383.24	Lighthouse		S'ville 1 st	5,332.00
Culverton		Long Cr	375.00	Sinclair	625.00
Darien	500.00	M'vill 1 st	2,583.36	Sisters	3,717.68
Davisboro		Min Sprgs	1,250.00	Smyrna	1,500.00
Devereux	300.00	Mitchell	500.00	Sparta 1 st	1,018.00
Fairmount		Mosleyville	625.00	Tennille	671.00
FriendshipG	265.00	Mt Steph.		Union	
FriendshipW	1,037.00	Northside	5,648.05	Victory	
Grace		Ohoopee	1,332.00	Westview	2,509.57
				Word Comm	