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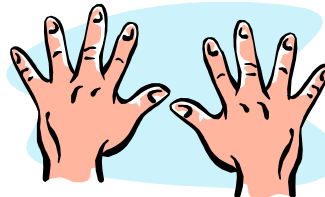


October, 2007

SBA ANNUAL MEETING

On Sunday, October 21, 2007, Southside Baptist Association will come together for our Annual meeting. The meeting will be held at Meherrin Baptist Church, and will begin at 4:00 P.M. with our Annual Business Session. The session will be led by our moderator, Mr. Mike Clay. This is Mike's last meeting as moderator and I know everyone will want to come out and thank him for the outstanding job he has done in leading our Association. After the business session, we will have fellowship provided by Meherrin Baptist Church. At 6:30 P.M., we will have our annual church service with the theme being **SALT**; Southside Association Laborers Together. Let us come together and thank God for all the blessings that He has given us during the past Association year. See you on the 21st. GOD BLESS YOU!!!

HANDS FOR CHRIST 2007



"Being The Hands Of Jesus"

WHO?

SBA Youth, Grades 7-12

And some willing adults too!

WHEN?

All day Saturday, October 27th

Registration 7:30 AM – Dismissal 8:30 PM

WHERE?

Kenbridge Baptist Church

and worksite in surrounding areas

HOW MUCH?

Cost is \$15.00 per person (cash or check)

This registration cost includes a t-shirt and food for the day

WHAT?

What We're Doing . . .

Minor repairs and improvements to homes and yards of area residents who need our help and sharing God's love both with our hands and with our words!

What to Bring . . .

WORK CLOTHES (pants, long sleeves, & stuff you don't mind getting messy in!)

WORK STUFF (gloves, hammers)

REGISTRATION FORM (a release form is required for ALL YOUTH)

Contact your youth leader, or Jon Parks (434-676-2160, jon@kenbridgebaptist.org) for more information.



FROM YOUR COORDINATOR . . .

On Sunday, October 7, 2007 thirty five people, from nine churches in Southside, will be leaving for New Orleans to help with building from the devastation of hurricane Katrina. Please pray for safe travel, God's guidance, and a great trip. For some, this will be another mission opportunity to serve God. For many, this will be their first experience of "going on a mission trip." I ask that our Association pray for each member, church, pastor, and layperson that is going and pray that God's will for New Orleans be done by the people and churches of Southside Baptist Association as we "GLORIFY GOD THROUGH THE GREAT COMMISSION."

Dennis K. Myers
Your Coordinator of Missions

Matthew 5:16

IGLESIA HISPANA BAUTISTA ANASTASIS:

Every week we are experiencing the big transition that occurred this year. We have families at our church, and little by little we are getting things in shape at our church with our activities. We have a Sunday School, and Prayer Meeting every Thursday, and are very excited with these activities every week. Furthermore, we have three Bible studies; two in Blackstone, one in Crewe; and we are looking for one more in Kenbridge. Twice a month we have Bible study at Lunenburg Correctional Center with the inmates. Our church has voted on the Budget for 2007-08. We have nominated our Church Treasurer, Juan Reyes. We want to face our ministry with three important words that we can read in the Bible: Faith, Hope, and Determination. We have nominated our planning committee and praying about the activities and work for the next year. We finished the work at Keysville with the migrants and we are planning a new strategy for the next year to continue work there. Finally, as you at your churches have American families, we want to have more Hispanic families: The Gonzalez, Flores, Reyes, Penas, Aguileras, Vazquez, Gascons, etc. God is blessing this ministry with families, PRAISE THE LORD! Keep praying for us! This ministry with the Hispanic population has been possible because of your SUPPORT, PRAYER AND LOVE.

God bless you MUCHO!
Juan Carlos Gascon, Pastor

Attention SBA Church Clerks:

Send completed ACP forms to Jean G. Fowlkes by Oct. 10, 2007.
Address: 1215 Grape Lawn Rd., Burkeville, VA. 23922-9618.

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"Walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God" (Colossians 1:10 KJV).

Women's Get-Away & Annual Meeting:

Theme: For the Living of These Days

Date: November 2-3 & 3-4

WMUV Annual Meeting will be on Saturday

From 2:00 – 3:30 PM

Keynote Speaker: Kaye Miller, President, National WMU

Place: Eagle Eyrie Conference Center, Lynchburg, VA

For additional information, call 1-800-255-2428, ext. 8267

Directionally Challenged

This is our new emphasis book, written by Rev. Travis Collins, pastor of Bon Air Baptist Church in Richmond. The books are available at a cost of \$13.00, and I will have them available at upcoming associational events. We look forward to welcoming Rev. Collins to our Assoc. as he will come in January, 2008 to lead a book study. More details will be coming soon. In the meantime, let's get at least one book into each church for you to begin reading.

International Mission Study & World Crafts Party:

Date: Sunday, November 18th

Place: Kenbridge BC

Time: 3:00 PM

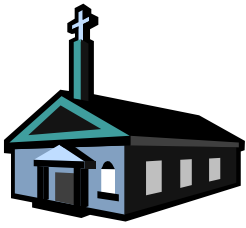
Theme: Tell Me! The Story of Jesus Moldova

Please mark your calendars and announce in your churches this important study of the work being done in Moldova. Betty Marker will be leading the study on her first hand account of her trip there.

Following the study, there will be a World Crafts party where you can purchase items made by women of other countries. What a perfect time to begin your Christmas shopping with these unique, one of a kind gifts. Hope to see you there!

Ellen Gravatt Scholarship Funds continue to be available for those Assoc. members going on Mission Trips. Please call to get an application.

There will be **NO** blanket drive for the Hispanic Ministry this year.



Church News

BAGBY MEMORIAL: In August, Bagby WMU contributed wash clothes to the Baptist Collegiate Ministry, and toiletry items and Bibles to the Virginia Baptist prison ministry. Twelve youth and chaperones attended the Youth Evangelism Conference. The youth also went ice skating with the associational youth group. In Sept., our WMU provided funds for the Southside Adult Home to purchase entertainment items for the residents. On Labor Day, our youth painted the Weekday Religious Education Building at Burkeville Elementary School. As a “thank you,” they were treated to an ice cream social.

BURKEVILLE: Our church members look forward to “Days of Refreshing” as we plan our Homecoming and Revival activities. Our Homecoming Worship Service will be held Oct. 7th, at 11:00 AM, with Rev. Jimmy Dunn as guest speaker. Lunch will follow on the parsonage lawn. Revival services are scheduled to begin Oct. 14th, 11:00 AM service, with Rev. Roger Roller as guest speaker. The Revival Services will continue Sun. evening through Wed. evening, 7:00 PM. Special music is planned for each evening. We always extend a welcome to Rev. Jimmy Dunn and family to Burkeville as he was born and raised here. His graduating class from Crewe High School celebrated their 50th Class Reunion this year. Rev. Dunn attended Bluefield Jr. College, and graduated from the Univ. of Richmond and Southeastern Seminary. He serves as pastor of First Baptist Church, Dillwyn, VA. Rev. Roger Roller attended Bluefield College, completed his college education with a degree in Business Administration. He then attended Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, receiving a Master of Divinity Degree. He served as pastor of Rustburg Baptist Church for seven years and in 1993 formed the Roger Roller Evangelistic Assoc. He and his wife, Ester, live in Forest, VA. They have three grown children. We invite all to come and join us in these special services.

DRAKES BRANCH: The ladies enjoyed meeting for dinner in Sept. We plan to host a craft night in Oct. This should be a fun time of fellowship. The children entered a float in the Drakes Branch parade this year. We are planning a church-wide fall picnic for October. Our Boy Scout troop remains active with camping, canoeing, and bicycling trips. Practice for this year’s Christmas Cantata began on Sept. 23rd.

DUNDAS: We praise God that we reached our goal of 100 in attendance on Round-Up Day”, Sept. 16. Cody Arthur was baptized, and Sunday dinner followed the morning service. Mrs. Gem Jenkins is planning a missions trip to South Africa at the end of October. She will be taking clothes for children in the orphanage there. Our youth plan to attend Scaremare, Oct. 13th. Meet at the church at 5:00 P.M. Oct. 28 is our Fall Festival at the Dundas Ruritan House from 3:00-6:00 P.M. There will be fun, food, games, and fellowship. All are invited.

FARMVILLE: The Installation of the Rev. Amanda Barbour-Johnston at Farmville BC will be held on Sun., Oct. 7 during the 11:00 Worship Service. Dr. Curtis Freeman, the director of the Baptist House of Studies at the Duke Divinity School, Duke Univ. will be speaking. There will be a reception held afterward, and all local ministers are cordially invited to attend. On Sunday, Oct. 28, our church will have a college student led morning worship at 11:00 AM. College students from Longwood Univ. and Hampden-Sydney College will lead in all aspects of the worship service. There will be a free luncheon for college students after the service.

FRIENDSHIP: The WMU made a donation to purchase a filtering system thru the “Pure Water-Pure Love” ministry of the WMU Foundation. This project was started in 1997 to provide wells and filtering systems for missionaries and the people they serve. Also, they donated to the Rick Institute in Liberia to provide animals for the animal husbandry program of that faith based school. Our Fall Revival will be Oct. 21-24 with Rev. Matt Wilkins.

JONESBORO: September began with promotions as we began a new Sunday School year and the observance of Lord’s Supper, followed by the usual monthly meetings. Special recognition was given to Eleanor Hudson who hasn’t missed a Sunday in 30+ years. What a record! The week of prayer for State Missions began on Sunday Sept. 9 with announcements and bulletin inserts. The Alma Hunt Offering was received during the entire month. Six members attended the Sunday School Summit at Eagle Eyrie, Sept. 14-15. We also traveled to Heritage BC on the 16th for a conference on Spiritual Development of Children. Both events were very

helpful and informative for our teachers. A prayer retreat followed worship on the 23rd. Fifth Sunday fellowship breakfast was held on the 30th and we enjoyed a Hymn Fest during the worship hour. Work continues on our new fellowship hall and we appreciate the work team from Crewe Baptist who have helped on several Saturdays.

KENBRIDGE: Our 95th Anniversary Celebration held Sept. 9th was a wonderful day of worship and fellowship. During our 11:00 AM service our current and two former pastors led us in communion. What a touching and meaningful way to express our spirit of cooperation and also to reflect on God’s work in our midst – in the past as well as the present. We also were able to see a glimpse of our future as our children and youth led us again in worship through prayers, responsive readings, music, drama, and interpretative dance on Sept. 30th. During Oct. we concentrate on missions and outreach as several of our church members join a team going to Louisiana on a Hurricane Katrina Recovery Mission Trip; the church prepares a dinner for the Longwood BCM on Oct. 18; and we “cook up” something special for our local children on Oct. 31 – (chili on the church steps).

MT. TIRZAH: The Women on Mission held their yearly planning meeting on Aug. 29 to coordinate projects for the coming year. Special emphasis during the Mission Moment on Sept. 9 was the Week of Prayer for VA Missions and the Alma Hunt Offering. The Passionate Hearts Prayer Group is meeting each Sat. morning at 6:30 in preparation for the Passionate Hearts Conference Mtg. in Nov. Homecoming Sun. was Sept 16. The day was beautiful – weather, attendance, program and the fellowship meal following. The theme for the day was “A New Beginning”, and the new front doors of the church donated by the Mills family, were dedicated to the memory of one of our deceased faithful members, J.E. Mills. Movie night for the Youth was Sept. 29, “Facing the Giants”. Dr. & Mrs. Black, missionaries to Ethiopia, spoke in the morning service on Sept. 30.

MT. ZION: Our church has a busy schedule for the end of Sept. and the month of Oct. On Sept. 26 we ministered to the residents of the Chase City nursing facility. Sun. Sept. 30 at 8:00 AM breakfast was served at the church. We will celebrate Homecoming on Oct. 7 with guest speaker Dr. Charles Beckett at 11:00 AM. Lunch will be served at 12:30 PM at the church pavilion. The afternoon program will start at 2:00 PM, music by the Blue Grass Country Gospel Express. Our church will visit Britthaven Nursing Home on Oct. 9 at 7:00 PM. We are blessed to be able to minister to the residents and staff. Revival services will begin on Oct. 14-17. Ted Smith, Pastor at Ash Camp BC will be bringing the message each night. Special music will be in the program each night. On Oct. 24 at 7:00 PM we will again be visiting the Chase City Nursing Home to sing hymns and provide a devotional service. On Sat. Oct 27 Mt. Zion will cook their annual stew at Mike & Tina’s home and we want to welcome all friends of the community to attend.

PISGAH: Our church would like to welcome our newest member, Zachary Foster, who was baptized on Sun., Sept. 23, during regular service. Later that same day sisters, Taylor and Kendall Schmidt were baptized in the James River in Cartersville. Congratulations to Frank & Kim Hailey on the birth of their son, Jackson Thomas in June, and to Tracey & Tonya Clark on the birth of their daughter, Alexandra Marie in Sept. The next community prayer breakfast will be on Sat., Oct. 13 at 7:30 AM. Our Choir will be singing at Burkeville BC during their revival celebration on Oct. 17. Pisgah’s Revival will begin Sun. evening, Nov. 4, at 7:30 PM and will continue nightly through Wed., Nov. 7th. There will be special music and a different guest speaker each night and nursery will be provided. Please remember to support our Awana Club and encourage your young people to attend this wonderful program. The meetings are each Tue. night from 6:30 – 8:00 PM.

VICTORIA : Our Women on Mission met on Sept. 11 with Mrs. Betty Marker as guest speaker. The Alma Hunt State Missions offering was emphasized with offering envelopes and prayer booklets. In the continuous celebration of our church 100th Anniversary, we had a cornerstone opening on Sat., Sept. 15, with a brief service outside followed by refreshments in the fellowship hall. Items removed from the cornerstone can be viewed in a glass showcase near the fellowship hall. The big Centennial Celebration is planned for Sun., Oct. 14. We are looking forward to special guests and pastors from the past. John Upton, Executive Director of the VA Baptist Resource Center will be the featured speaker. Lunch will be provided by the church following the Worship Service.

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ACTIVITIES FOR OCTOBER

- 1** Pastor's Meeting – Tussekiah BC – 11:00 A.M.
7-13 SBA Mission Trip to Port Sulphur/New Orleans
10 Deadline Date for SBA Clerks to send ACP completed forms to: **Jean G. Fowlkes**
1215 Grape Lawn Rd.
Burkeville, VA 23922-9618
- 12-13 VA Baptist Library Assoc. Conference – First BC, Richmond
12-14 Junior High Weekend, Eagle Eyrie
14 World Hunger Sunday
15-18 “Gathering of Silence” Retreat, CrossRoads Camp and Conference Center
19-21 Special Needs Retreat, Eagle Eyrie
21 SBA Annual Fall Meeting – Meherrin BC – 4:00 –8:00 PM
26-27 Axis Collegiate Conference, Eagle Eyrie
27 “Hands for Christ” – Kenbridge BC – 7:30 AM – 8:30 PM
28 “Consider Your Call” Sunday

Looking ahead: November

- 2-3 Women's Get Away I, Eagle Eyrie
3 Women's Rally/WMUV Annual Meeting, Eagle Eyrie
3-4 Women's Get Away II & Annual Meeting, Eagle Eyrie
Lynchburg, VA For additional information, call
800-255-2428, ext. 8267
5 SBA Pastor's Meeting – Mt. Zion BC – 11:00 A.M.
13 Joy Group Meeting – Jonesboro BC – 12:00 Noon



PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray For:

Louisiana Mission Trip – October 7-13, 2007
Iglesia Hispana Bautista Anastasis
Rev. & Mrs. Juan Carlos Gascon