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Serving 23 churches



September, 2007



IT'S STILL NOT TO LATE

Southside Baptist Association is sponsoring a mission trip to Port Sulfur/New Orleans on October 7-13, 2007. We have had two meetings with about 32 people who want to go to Louisiana and minister in the name of God to the victims of hurricane Katrina. If you feel that God is leading you to join this team and do His will, it is not too late. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, September 16, 2007 at Kenbridge Baptist Church at 3:00 P.M. Cost for the trip is \$200.00 per person. If you have any questions, you may contact our Rev. Jon Parks, who is chairman of our committee at (434) 676-2455, or call the Association office for more information at (434) 696-2252. PLEASE PRAY FOR THIS TRIP AND FOR GOD'S GUIDANCE IN ALL WE DO TO SERVE HIM!

Wish List for Southside Group Home

- DVD player or two (for dens)
- Arts & Craft Supplies (Good drawing paper, colored pencils, markers, items to make wreaths, model car kits & paint, construction paper, ribbon, and etc.)
- Holiday decorations (or items to make them)
- Wal-Mart Gift Cards
- Local restaurant gift certificates
- Office/Computer Desk
- Computer System or Laptop (for supervisor)
- TV for staff room
- Personal Hygiene/Toiletry Items
- Large tables/chairs for basement to do art projects
- Outdoor furniture (rocking chairs, table with umbrella, etc.)
- Gift certificates for movie theatre or video rentals
- Sports equipment (volleyball/badminton set, soccer ball, Nerf/regular football, horse shoe set, ping pong table, pool table, dart set (plastic tips)
- Digital Camera
- Karaoke Machine & CD's
- Stereo system



FROM YOUR COORDINATOR . . .

It is the end of summer and all the school age children are back in school and ready for another year of learning. I have begun my third year in seminary and I am excited about finishing (I hope) in May of 2008. We as Christians never finish learning about God's work in our lives and about what Jesus Christ has done for us as Christians. Each year about this time, every church begins a new church year. Churches have ordered their Sunday School literature and pastors are looking at the new calendar year and planning ahead for revivals, meetings, and other church functions. Individually, we need to look to God for all of our needs and put our trust in Him. As you start a new church year, let this year be a year of learning about God, trusting in His Word, and telling others about the Good News that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior!

Dennis K. Myers
Your Coordinator of Missions

Matthew 5:16

IGLESIA HISPANA BAUTISTA ANASTASIS:

God is blessing our Worship Services each Sunday. At this present time we have 9-10 families who are attending the church almost every Sunday. Praise the Lord! Twice a month we have Bible Study with the inmates at Lunenburg Correctional Center. We have men from Cuba, Mexico, Honduras, El Salvador, Peru and etc. At the present time we have three Bible Studies; One in Crewe on Monday, and the other two in Blackstone on Wednesday and Friday, and we have more candidates to be baptized. Twice a month we are having Worship Service at Ash Camp BC with the Hispanics in the Keysville Area. Every Thursday we have a Prayer and Praise service at our church. We thank God for all who helped build the church we are now enjoying. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH!**

God bless you MUCHO!
Juan Carlos Gascon, Pastor

Thank You

Many, many thanks to all the WMU groups who donated items for the international students welcome packets. The students were VERY appreciative, and it gave us an opportunity to introduce them to BCM and invite them to join us. Thanks, also, to all the churches who collected spare change for us last year. The grand total was \$1922.36! I hope you will consider collecting change for BCM again this year and helping support our summer missions program. You can get a spare change jar from me at the Fall Assoc. Meeting. See you there!

Cheri Wise
Baptist Campus Minister

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.

Attention SBA Team Leaders:

Please send your Committee Reports to the SBA Office by Sept. 17th for the "Book of Reports". Thanks!

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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).

**Alma Hunt Week of Prayer & Offering for
Virginia Missions:**

Theme: Live It!Together

Date: September 9-16

Scripture: John 17:21

"I want all of them to be one with each other, just as I am with you and you are one with me. I also want them to be with us. Then the people of the world will believe that you sent me."

Church Directors should have received materials for promoting this including the new Virginia Missions magazine and envelopes.

Women's Get-Away & Annual Meeting:

Date: November 2-3 & 3-4, 2007

Keynote Speaker: Kaye Miller, President, National
WMU

Cost: \$75.00 for Hotel, \$57.00 for the Lodge

Contact Eagle Eyrie at 1-434-384-2211 for reservations

Emphasis Books Available:

Our emphasis book for the year, Directionally Challenged by Travis Collins, is now available from me at cost of \$13.00. Rev. Collins is pastor of Bon Air Church in Richmond and he will be coming to our Assoc. in January, 2008 for the book study. More details on that later. If you wish to purchase the book, please give me a call. I will have them at the Executive meeting in September. It is a wonderful book and I encourage each of you to read it. It follows our theme "Live The Call".

SBA WMU Leadership Team:

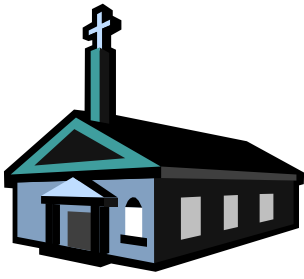
Your leadership team met in August to plan the coming year. There will be some new things happening and we're excited about the changes. A new calendar and more details will be available in September. One thing to note is that we will NOT be collecting blankets in October for the Hispanic Ministry.

Our Sympathy:

We were sorry to learn of the death of Valerie Carter's husband earlier this month. Many of you remember her as a dynamic speaker with WMUV who visited our Assoc. on several occasions. She left WMUV several years ago to become an Associate Pastor at Bon Air. Please remember Valerie and her two sons in your prayers.

Reports Due:

Yearly reports are due to me **ASAP**. Thank you for your prompt response.



CHURCH NEWS:

ASH CAMP: We welcomed Rev. Dave Murlock and Rev. Alden Hicks to our church as guest speakers. It was good to have them and their wives visit with us and they enriched our lives with their messages while our pastor and family were on vacation. Best wishes and prayers are sent to our college students as they leave for their respective schools. Our new deacons have been elected to serve the next four years. They are Randy Claybrook, Todd Henry, Ralph Gibbs and J.H. Goude. Thanks to Kevin Tuck for presiding during our pastor's absence. Kevin's solo was inspiring and uplifting. We're glad that our former pastor and friend, Rev. Coan Agee is home and doing well after a triple by-pass. Allison Freeland and son Conner went on a mission trip to Canada. They joined a group from Briery Presbyterian Church.

BURKEVILLE: The Women on Mission will visit the "Woodlands" Nursing Home Facilities, Hickory Hill Nursing Home, and the Adult Home, Farmville, at least once a quarter for the 2007-08 church year. The WOM are collecting used stamps, and large coffee cans for the VA hospital and Campbell soup labels for the Bland project. The ladies will help provide pound cakes to be shared at the VA hospital. As the Christmas in August initiative, the WOM will offer Bibles and toiletries in packets for the Powhatan and Deep Meadow Correctional Centers. The church will participate in the "Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoe Box Program". Several of our members will go on the SBA New Orleans Mission trip Oct. 7-13. The Choir will sing at the 175th Anniversary of the First Nottoway Baptist Church on Sept. 23rd. Following lunch, Rev. Wirt will be the guest speaker. Angie Shelton and Mary Link will start a new class for high school graduates. Bena Banton and Becky Covington will have a class for young married and/or single adults. Our members are anxiously waiting for the completion of the new fellowship hall, which may be as soon as Thanksgiving.

CREWE: Sept. is bringing many new activities to Crewe. New studies on Sun. morning (9:30-10:30 AM) include Daniel by Beth Moore (Living in Faith Class) and "Becoming a Woman of Excellence" by Cynthia Head (Breaking Free Class). Thursdays, beginning Sept. 6 at 7:00 AM, community youth can assemble again for the Breakfast Crewe – a good breakfast and a brief devotion. Youth Lounge resumes on Saturday, Sept. 8, 7:00 – 10:00 PM. Awana will begin with a kick-off & registration on Sat., Sept. 22, followed by their first meeting on Sun., Sept. 23. Sundays are going to be really busy – Beginning Sept. 16: 5:00 PM – Taking the Next Step – Effective Church Membership Class led by Dr. Ben Powers, 6:00 PM – New Testament Survey, led by Roy Meekins beginning Sept. 23, 6:00 PM – Awana, 6:00 PM – "Effective Parenting in a Defective World", led by Marye Pond.

DRAKES BRANCH: We have been blessed with many opportunities for fellowship at covered dish lunches after Sunday service each week. The Singles and Doubles II class enjoyed visiting the residents of the Southside Home. Our Boy Scout troop held a Court of Honor. Each scout advanced at least one rank. Sept. marks the retirement of Rachel Loke, Shirley Nichols and Eva Wilmoth, who collectively taught the Elementary S.S. class for over 180 years. The church will honor the commitment of these ladies on Sept. 9 during the Sunday service.

DUNDAS: We praise God for the four who were saved and baptized during August. Our church has recently purchased a new digital piano console. This will greatly improve our musical program. "Round-up Sunday" will be held Sept. 16th. Our goal is 100 in the 11:00 am Service. There will be special singing and dinner will follow. On Aug. 18th our WMU made clothing for children in Africa. Sept. 8th our teens plan to attend a Christian concert at Nottoway Middle School at 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. On Sept. 15th our Acteens/Challengers mission groups will meet at our church from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

HERITAGE: This Fall at Heritage will be exciting. We will have Bible Study and activities for all ages. After dinner, the children and youth will be gathering for study, music, and activities. The adults will choose between several study courses. Pastor Jeff will lead a course developed by Dr. Rick Warren on Discovery of Your Spiritual Maturity. This course is designed to give any believer the tools necessary to develop and maintain a vibrant walk with Christ. Another course on Effective Parenting in a Defective World will be facilitated by Laura French and Sandra Lowe. There will also be a video driven study given on Boundaries developed by Dr. Henry Cloud and Dr. John Townsend of New Life Clinics. Dave McMillian will facilitate a

study on Maxwell's "21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership." Visit HBC on www.hbcfarmville.com for more information.

JONESBORO: We celebrated "Christmas In August" by putting up our Christmas tree, complete with lights, and covering it with children's under ware and socks as we collected these for the Bland Ministry Center. It was so cute! We are also collecting clothes for a new born in our community who has been separated from her family. Our youth and several adults traveled to the DDM home on Aug. 19th taking puppets and refreshments to share with the residents there. It was a special time. We supported the BCM by sending tooth brushes, and tooth paste for the welcome packets for the 26 international students arriving at Longwood. A highlight of our month was BANANA SPLIT SUNDAY, held on the 26th. Members brought bananas to the Morning Worship and we gathered in the afternoon to assemble a 10 foot banana split. It was great fun and wonderful fellowship as this was the BIGGEST BANANA SPLIT ever at Jonesboro. We continued our Bible study on Wed. evening as well as planning for the new church year with calendaring and planning the budget. It's been a busy month as work continues on our new fellowship building.

KENBRIDGE Sept. means **celebration** at KBC! Sept. 9th will be our 95th Anniversary, and we will enjoy fellowship time with past and present members during S.S. and Worship. Our S.S. hour will be used to praise God through music – from handbells, to saxophones, to guitars and banjos, not to mention our voices – we will rejoice! During Worship our guest speaker will be former pastor Charles Smith. Sept. 30th we will have another children and youth led Worship Service. (They did such a wonderful job in July they are back by popular demand!) We look forward to seeing them "center stage" as they actively participate in worship through music, drama, and interpretative dance as well as leading us in prayers and responsive readings. Our Wednesday night CONNECT meetings for prayer and Bible study will begin again on Sept. 12th at 6:30 p.m., and will continue through mid-November.

MT. TIRZAH: Our Pastor, Matthew Rondeau started Youth Movie Night on July 13th with good attendance and discussion. Homecoming Service is planned for Sept. 16th. The guest speaker will be Rev. Lewis Harris. Mission Projects: WMU made 12 hygiene bags for Southside Community Hospital Intensive Care Unit to be used for families having to spend nights in the waiting room. Collected bars of soap to donate to the welcome bags for International students at Longwood University BCM. Purchased supplies for school for each Charlotte County Elementary School for children who need pencils, paper, tissues and other supplies. Pastor Matthew has started a web site for Mt. Tirzah, mountrizahbaptistchurch.com. Aug. 8th was church fellowship dinner. We continue to enjoy Fellowship Breakfast each Sunday at 9:15 prior to S.S. Children from VBS provided special music on Aug. 19th.

PISGAH Our church welcomed three new members: Tom Wilmoth, Taylor Schmidt and Kendall Schmidt. A dedication service for Delley Leigh Daniel took place on Aug. 19th. Our church choir, under the leadership of Choir Director, Linda Reid, has enjoyed sharing the message through song each Sunday in August with the residents at Holly Manor Nursing Home. Summer attendance has held extremely well and the congregation is busy preparing for the upcoming Fall season. The Nominating Committee has begun to work on selection of Candidates to fill positions for the new church year beginning in Oct. Community breakfasts will resume beginning Sat., Sept. 8, at 7:30 AM. All are welcome. AWANA began on Tues. Aug. 21, for children ages 3-12. AWANA will meet each Tues., 6:30-8:00 PM. This is a wonderful program designed to bring the Gospel to our youth.. We pray for speedy recovery for church members: Phyllis Martin, Peggy Jenkins and Virgie Martin. Pisgah also extends heartfelt sympathy to Joyce Trent in the death of James Trent, a highly regarded member of the Rice community to be greatly missed.

SHARON: Gene Brooks, an active Gideon with the Farmville Gideon Camp brought us a report and update on the Gideon ministry on Sunday, August 5th. Jennifer Bailey shared about her summer mission trip with a mission team conducting VBS in seven churches in Norfolk. Jessie Hines left Aug. 17th to Eastern New Mexico Univ. in Portales, N.M. where she will be attending college.

UNION GROVE: Sept. 2nd Sunday School only. Sept. 5th – Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. Sept. 30th, Homecoming, Speaker – Rev. Jimmy Lewis, Pastor. Special music by "True Spirit". Oct. 1-3 Revival Services. Speaker: Rev. Joey Anthony. Special music nightly.

VICTORIA Nearly 20 leaders and youth attended Eagle Eyrie Missions Week July 23-28. Aug. 17 Victoria Baptist, Victoria United Methodist Church and the Lunenburg Rotary Club partnered together and packaged nutritious meals for the "Stop Hunger Now" program which feeds millions of hungry people in over 50 countries. Sunday School Promotion day was August 26th. Those with perfect attendance for the year were: Buck Tharpe, Taylor Newton, Erica Newton, Eddie, Robi & Melba Dale Jeter. The annual fish fry and talent show was held on the evening of Aug. 26th. The event was well attended and enjoyed by all. Choir Director, Mrs. Glada Dunnivant, was recognized with gifts, flowers, cards, and a plaque honoring her for the many years of dedicated service to Victoria Baptist Church.

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ACTIVITIES FOR SEPTEMBER

- 3 Labor Day
- 7-8 WMUV Advisory Board, Cross Roads Camp & Conference Ctr.
- 9-16 Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Mission Emphasis/Week of prayer.
- 11 Joy Group Meeting – Friendship BC – 12:00 Noon
- 14-15 S.S. Summit (S3) – Josh Hunt, Keynote Speaker, Eagle Eyrie
- 17 Team Leaders – Send your Committee Reports to the SBA Office by Sept. 17th for the “Book of Reports.” Thanks!
- 18 SBA Executive Board Meeting – Blackstone BC – 6:00 P.M.
- 23 Religious Herald Sunday
- 24-26 Silver Summit, Cross Roads Camp & Conference Center
- 29 SBA Minister’s/Wives and Family Fall Fish Fry
4:30 PM to fish - Dinner at 6:00 PM
Home of Coan & Velda Agee, Keysville

Looking ahead: October

- Oct. 1st Pastor’s Meeting – Tussekiah BC – 11:00 A.M.
- Oct. 7-13 SBA Mission Trip to PortSulphur/New Orleans
- Oct. 10th Deadline Date for SBA Clerks to send ACP completed Forms To: Jean G. Fowlkes
1215 Grape Lawn Rd.
Burkeville, VA 23922-9618
- Oct. 12-13 VA Baptist Library Assoc. Conference – First BC Richmond.
- Oct. 21st SBA Annual Fall Meeting – Meherrin BC –
4:00 – 8:00 PM
- Oct. 27th “Hands for Christ” – Kenbridge BC



PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray For:

Louisiana Mission Trip – October 7-13, 2007
Iglesia Hispana Bautista Anastasis
Rev. & Mrs. Juan Carlos Gascon
SBA Missions Offering – Goal \$5,000.00.
Rev. Coan Agee, recovery from a triple by-pass.