Partnering with churches to reach communities for Christ! February 2013

## **Grace Notes**

- The Minister's Wives Fellowship at Captain's Corner on January 24<sup>th</sup> was a great time of food and fellowship and a true blessing. Thank you Cheryl Waters and your team for providing this wonderful ministry.
- First Baptist Soperton is replacing their Worship Center choir chairs and is therefore willing to donate their old chairs to a church that could use them. They have 31 available. If interested please contact Joshua Johnson at 912-529-3422.
- Our Acts 1:8 Missions Team is doing a great job and has planned two wonderful mission trips. The first is a short
  mission trip for men planned for February 28-March 3 where we will be doing a lot of painting. If you can help
  us with this mission emphases please call our DBA offices for an application form and return it ASAP. The cost
  of the trip is \$30 per person which includes transportation, food, and lodging.

The second trip is to Memphis, Tennessee June 2-7 where we will be doing Bible Schools, light construction, and worship services. If this ministry sounds interesting to you please attend the important information meeting on Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at our DBA office in Ailey. This trip is well suited for youth and adults as well as families.

- Our DBA Children's Bible Drill will be held Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at our DBA office in Ailey. This is a wonderful way to teach children God's Word through study and memorization. For more information go to <a href="http://bit.ly/bLskGm">http://bit.ly/bLskGm</a>
- Our DBA Youth Ministry Team is busy at work planning our upcoming DBA **D-NOW** event for February 22-24, 2013. The Team is changing it up this year and I'm excited about these changes as it moves to a regional event (still in our DBA area) using updated technology to reach the students of our community. For more information please contact our DBA Youth Ministry Team Leader Scott Morrison at 912-537-4196.

We now have some new resources available for our churches to use. Our newest resources are:

DVD/CD Duplicator

Sound System

Musical Accompaniment System

If you would like to use these or any of the other DBA resources please just call our office and reserve what you need.

Living for Him,

Robby

Congratulations to Chuck and Valerie Mullis on the birth of their son Luke Aaron Mullis, born on December 28, and weighing 8 pounds, 10 ounces. Luke joins big brother Russell and big sister Hannah. His proud grandparents are Rev. Glenn and Sandy Russell of Fairview Baptist. Chuck and Valerie serve as volunteer missionaries in Connelly Springs, North Carolina where our association has joined with them on mission trips the past two summers.

# Out of the Box (creative ideas to reach our communities for Christ)

- Palm Party Hold your children's Easter outreach event on Palm Sunday and reenact the Triumphal Entry (complete with live donkey and palm branches) for a captive audience. Include egg decorating, games, and an Easter video or story for a celebration children are sure to remember.
- DaVinci's "Last Supper" Reenactment Maundy Thursday (also called Holy Thursday) is traditionally remembered as the night Christ ate the Last Supper with His disciples. Attract art appreciators with an Easter drama of the scene, using Scripture as a script and DaVinci's painting for costume and backdrop inspiration.
- Artists at the Foot of the Cross -Create an atmosphere of experiential worship for postmodern seekers using both classical and contemporary art (projected on a screen), poetry (recited or projected on screen), and music to offer a glimpse of the crucifixion through the eyes of famous and not-so-famous artists in a candlelight service.
- Artists at the Foot of the Cross Gallery -Turn a gym or multipurpose room into a gallery of crucifixion art, poetry, and music created by church members of all ages as well as the unchurched in your community. (Be careful to note that the church reserves the right not to display gallery entries it deems inappropriate.)
- **Spring Tea** -A traditional English tea party (especially one in a colorful garden) offers a brief escape for today's busy women who would never, of their own volition, take the time to sit outside and enjoy a cup of tea and a crumpet. Throw in a speaker (with a topic general enough to appeal to a broad spectrum) or even live music, and you'll have an event church women will feel confident inviting female friends to enjoy.
- Spring Makeover -Organize a crack team of handymen (and women) to tackle a run-down building in your community. Be sure it's a selfless task that benefits those "outside" the Kingdom. Get the proper permission, permits, and supplies and have fun.

### **Ministry Partner News**

- Alston Baptist has Called Rev. Doyle Waller as their new pastor.
- Fairview Baptist had a note burning celebration on January 20th on behalf of paying off their debt.
- First Baptist Alamo will be celebrating their 100th anniversary on Sunday, February 24th.

# <u>Upcoming Dates to Remember</u>

## <u>January</u>

- 31- Rachel's House banquet 6:30 p.m. @ FBC Vidalia February
- 07–08- Immersion Conference, Villa Rica
  - 09- Evangelism Trailer Training on Both Trailers 10:-00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. @ DBA Office
  - 12- Evangelism Committee Meeting 10:00 a.m. @ DBA Office
  - 19- Memphis Mission Trip Info.Mtg. 7:00 p.m. @ DBA Office
  - 21- Discipleship Team Meeting 9:30 a.m. @ DBA Office
  - 21- Sunday School Mentoring 6:30 p.m.
  - 24- Children's Camp Min. Team 2:00 p.m. @ DBA Office
- 25-26- Evangelism Conference, FBC Douglasville
- 28- Mission team departs for Shiloh Baptist, Greensboro, GA
- 03- Mission team returns
- 05- Missions Inspirational Celebration 6:00 p.m. @ FBC Mt. Vernon
- 09- Regional VBS workshop 8:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m., Rincon
- 09- First Aid Training 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. @ DBA Office
- 11- Associational Bible Drill 6:00 p.m. @ DBA Office
- 14- Feed employees at Alamo prison
- 16- Shoot to win Treutlen County
- 21- Sunday School Mentoring 6:30 p.m.
- 26- Regional Bible Drill @ FBC Statesboro
- 31- Easter

### April

- 06- Bridges Banquet 6:00 p.m. @ FBC Lyons
- 07- Bridges in DBA Churches a.m. Services
- 09- Admin. Ministry Team Mtg. 5:30 p.m. @ DBA office
- 11- DBA VBS Clinic 6:30 8:30 p.m. @ FBC Mt. Vernon
- 18- Sunday School Mentoring 6:30 p.m.
- 22- Executive Committee Mtg. 5:30 p.m. @ DBA office

The Duncan McRae House (Assisted Living) in Mt. Vernon is looking for church groups to minister on Monday evenings for approximately 30 minutes. What the residents enjoy the most is congregational singing and a few short testimonies. If you or your church would be willing to provide this ministry a few times a year please call the DBA office.

#### **DBA Treasurer's Report 2012**

	Budget Offerings	Designated Gifts	Expenses	Net
Dec. 2012	13,461.64	-	(12,796.81)	664.83
2012 - YTD	138,447.40	12,742.02	(156,610.97)	(5,421.55)
Acts 1:8	Bal. as of 12/01/2012	Gifts	Disbursements	Bal. as of 11/30/2012
	13,865.60	4.59	(850.00)	13,020.19

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