

The Light

JANUARY 2017

Grace Notes

Please Pray... Please commit to pray for our search committee and our interim committee for new Director of Missions.

Our quarterly **Pastors/Ministers Roundtable** discussion will take place on Thursday, **January 12th, at 10:00 a.m.** at the DBA office. All pastors are invited to attend. Please put this date on your calendar, make plans to join us, and feel free to bring guests.

Special Executive Team Meeting will be held January 9th at 5:30 p.m. at the DBA Office.

Administrative Team Meeting will be held January 19th at 5:30 p.m. at the DBA Office.

The Hispanic ministry is in need of **ESL teachers and children's helpers** Monday's in Cedar crossing from 7:00-8:30 p.m. or Thursday's at Lyons FBC 7:00-8:30 p.m. This will last from mid January to when schools out for the summer. It is a great way to connect with the Hispanics and to share Jesus with them. If you would like to help, please contact Joey Davis at 912-246-5657. We are in great need if the ministry is to continue, we have the students we just need workers. We can train on site it's easy. ***No Spanish required!***

Praise the Lord! Thank you to all the churches that have participated in the Pedals for Pastors, the cost of **35 bicycles** have been collected so far! **Only 15 more to go.**

If your church has not yet participated and would like to, here is the information:

Pedals for Pastors seeks to provide 50 bicycles for pastors in India by the end of the year. Currently these pastors walk a great distances in order to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ in India. Each bicycle costs \$80 and checks can be made out to the Daniell Baptist Association.



Robby & Sharon have sold their home in Vidalia. They are settling comfortably in new ministries in Morganton. They are, however, COLD! The forecast for this week calls for lows in the teens and snow!



Daniell Baptist Association

Partnering with churches to reach communities for Christ.



Out of the Box (*Creative ideas to assist churches in reaching their communities for Jesus*)

- Transform your church into **temporary housing for the homeless**. If your church has a basement, gym or other open space, consider transforming it into “overflow housing” for local homeless shelters that fill up during the winter months.
 - **Commemorate Martin Luther King Day Jr. of Service on his birthday holiday, Jan. 16.** The day of service offers a great opportunity to meet pressing needs in your community. For more information: NationalService.gov/mlkday.
 - **Hold an indoor bike event for kids.** It’s difficult for families to stay active and for kids to have fun outside when it is cold. Set up cones on the floor of the gym in a zigzagging bike course for kids to ride through, with a stop sign at one point and streamers at another. Kids can bring their own bikes. Advertise on the web and around town.
 - **Simple Living** Offer a class in simple living. Promote it as the “Lifestyle Garage Sale: Getting Rid of the Junk.” Using life-mapping, priority assessments or other tools, invite congregation members and the surrounding community to simplify their lives and focus on priorities. Wrap up the class with a garage sale, encouraging people to not just unclutter their attics for the sale, but eliminate the other distracting “junk” in their lives as well. Donate the proceeds to a local food bank or homeless shelter.
 - **Fit for Life** Is your church building empty most of the week? Offer a weight-loss support group, senior health or regular fitness class (aerobics, Pilates, etc.) at your church and invite the community to attend. Your church can demonstrate its concern for the whole person—not only the spiritual.
 - **Exploring Christianity** Many excellent curricula are now available for leading seeker small groups. Offer a six-week class for people interested in exploring Christianity and promote it in your local paper with intriguing questions: Who was Jesus? How can you know for certain that you’re going to heaven? Make sure the classes are not high pressure; are open and honest; and are a welcoming place to authentically explore Christianity. Encourage worshippers to invite their friends, but the group should consist primarily of unbelievers.
- (Above taken from Outreach Magazine Online)*
- **Backpack for Buddies** When children stream out of school on a Friday, the contents of their backpacks are usually the least of their concerns. But in a growing number of counties in southeast Georgia, inside those bags might be the only food some children eat until they return to school. For more information on this program contact your local Association Office.

Ministry Partner News

Beulah, FBC Soperton, Harmony, Normantown, Tarrytown, United Fellowship and Cross Timbers request your prayers as they seek God for a pastor.



Thank You

A special thank you to the following churches who have partnered with the Association through financial giving during year of 2016. Your giving allows us to continue in our ministries that are helping to reach our world for Christ. Thank you for your partnership.

Ailey	Higgston
Alamo	Hope
Alston	Long Pond
Bear Creek	Mount Pisgah
Bethel	New Corinth
Beulah	Normantown
Boiling Springs	Oak Grove
Cedar Crossing Baptist	Ohoopee
Cedar Crossing Hispanic	Providence
Cornerstone	Red Bluff
Cross Timbers	Rocky Creek
East Gordon	Sardis
Fairview	Smith Street
Faith Missionary	Snow Hill
FBC Glenwood	South Thompson
FBC Lyons	Springhill
FBC Mount Vernon	Stuckey
FBC Soperton	Tabernacle
FBC Uvalda	Tarrytown
FBC Vidalia	The Way
Friendship	Trinity
Grace Truth	Vidalia Baptist Temple
Hammond	

Calendar of Events

January

- 1 DBA Office Closed for Christmas Holidays
 9 Executive Team Meeting, DBA Office, 5:30 p.m.
 19 Administrative Team Meeting, DBA Office, 5:30 p.m.

February

- 06-10 Mission Trip - Kantunilkin, Mexico
 23 Sunday School Workshop, FBC Mt. Vernon, 6:00 p.m.

March

- 5-12 Week of Prayer for North American Missions
 6-11 DBA Dental Ministry, FBC Alamo
 13 WMU Spring Celebration, 6:00 p.m., Location TBA
 27 Associational Bible Drill, DBA Office, 6:00 p.m.

April

- 10 2017 Regional Children's Bible Drill, FBC Cochran, 2:30 p.m.
 17-21 Mission Trip - Fayetteville, West Virginia
 20 Administrative Team Meeting, DBA Office, 5:30 p.m.

May

- 8-12 Mission Trip - Kantunilkin, Mexico
 14 Mother's Day
 21 Acts 1:8/Calvin Durrence Missions Offering
 29 Memorial Day (DBA office closed)

DBA Treasurer's Report 2016

Date	Budget Offerings	Expenses	Net
December	14,404.16	(2995.57)	11,408.59
Year to Date	154,170.48	(139,961.72)	14,208.76

Account	Balance as of: 11/30/16	August Gifts	August Disbursements	Balance as of: 12/31/2016
Acts 1:8	7,359.70	1.44	(925.00)	6,436.14

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