

THE LIGHT

September 2018

Dear Pastors and Church leaders,

On Sunday evening October 14th at 6:00, First Baptist Lyons is hosting the Daniell Baptist Association Annual Celebration service. As you would know, this is the ONLY time each year that the entire DBA comes together as a unified body of churches to celebrate what God has done, fellowship together, worship, feast on the word of God, and be challenged with a kingdom vision for the coming year.

This year we are asking all our churches to participate by bringing choir members and worship leaders to join as one mass group leading us to exalt the wonder of our Lord and His glorious gospel message. We are also in hopes that every Pastor will join with us and bring your members to hear Dr Bailey Smith's son Scott preach the word of God. I have heard Scott preach and he has the heart of an evangelist, communication skills second to none, and is cutting edge and current on what it takes to revitalize a church and expand the kingdom of God.

I believe your participation in this service will revive your heart, inspire and encourage your people, and help you with ideas to improve the impact of your church in the expansion God's Kingdom.

Bring as many as can and will come. I can't wait to fill the house and experience God as He works among us.

For the glory of our Lord,
Bro. Dannie Williams
Pastor FBC Lyons

I know you will join me in expressing gratitude to FBC Lyons for hosting all of us as we gather to worship together. This is a tremendous blessing to us all because we increase our vision and strength as we gather with our sister churches and urge one another on to love and good deeds; as we partner together in the work of the kingdom; and celebrate the victories of the gospel.

I think the influence of the Spirit of Christ increases through unity between churches in an area, and Satan has greater influence in an environment of separation and insulation. I am confident that your congregation will grow and be more effective at discipling people, if your partnering DBA churches are healthy, doing evangelism and discipling their people. The Spirit of Christ can hold sway over our community. We don't have to be withdrawn and insulated. As churches join together, praying for and with one another, partnering together in gospel ventures and celebrating gospel wins, the highways of the kingdom grow wider, extend farther and reach into more places in our communities to deliver the message and power of the gospel. We can be on the offensive, growing, instead of on the defensive, trying only to keep the members we have. We pray that every person, from Ohoopie to Alamo, from Red Bluff to Uvalda, will be confronted by the compelling Spirit of Christ through the testimony of joy and unity of the people of God flowing from church to church.

Come be together at First Lyons on October 14th. Lead your people into prayer and fellowship with your partner churches, and encourage them to participate in the association wide worship choir. We have the sheet music and the music tracks ready so that your people can practice the songs. I think they will be energized and excited about it, and even more if you are. Let's make 2018-2019 a time of increasing unity and influence of the churches in our DBA area and pray for the Spirit of Christ to cover our community like the waters cover the sea.

Bro. Billy

DBA News

Our August Pastor's Roundtable and lunch was tremendously valuable to all who were able to attend. The pastors discussed ministering to those in grief. We encouraged one another through sharing our experiences and the insights we gained through those opportunities.

Our good brother, Chester Proctor, Pastor of Smith Street Baptist, recommended a resource: Tim Clinton and Ron Hawkins, *The Quick-Reference Guide to Biblical Counseling*. Let's encourage one another to continue to strive to be better equipped for the work of grief ministry.

Our next Round Table is scheduled for Monday, September 10th. The discussion begins at 11 am and lunch will follow.

TOPIC: Capitalizing on the Holidays

While we would absolutely love to have you at both, please do not feel obligated to come to both, you can come to discussion and/or the lunch. Please bring a friend or two to join us as well!

Please let us know if you will be able to attend and how many will be with you, so there is plenty of food for everyone.

Bro. Billy

Annual Fall Celebration October 14th at 6:00 p.m. First Baptist Church of Lyons Fellowship Hall

144 S Washington St, Lyons, GA 30436

Mission Fair: 5:00 p.m. in the Youth Room

If your church would like to participate in the DBA Choir this year please contact Jeff Scoggins at (912) 585-2150.

The Executive Team Business Meeting will be held before the celebration at 5:00 p.m. @ FBC Lyons, light refreshments will be served.

Annual Church Reports It's that time again! Annual Church reports are ready to be completed.

If you would like to complete your church's report online, please contact the DBA office at (912)583-2713 or daniellbaptist@gmail.com, for your instructions, usernames, and passwords.

Mailed paper copies of ACRs have been sent out, if you did not receive yours, please contact the office as soon as possible. Annual Church **Reports are due by September 17, 2017.**

Thank you to the following churches who have already submitted their reports:

Hope Baptist Church

GREAT JOB!!

Trailers Please note that the Evangelism & Adventure Trailers have been combined into the one awesome block party trailer and hold all three inflatables.

Prison Ministry Please continue to lift up our brothers as they minister to those in prison.

September: Bro. Ricky Cummings

October Teacher: Bro. Karl Hay

900-N-3 Coaches: Bro. Mike Keene & Bro. Joe Aldridge

Veterans Day Please let us know if you or someone in your congregation or community is a veteran so that they may be recognized in November's newsletter.

Women's Ministry

Devotion from Teresa Meadows

Isaiah 41:13

For I, the Lord your God, will hold your right hand, saying to you, "Fear not, I will help you." Isaiah was sharing God's Word with His people; a message of a hope and a promise to come after the Babylonian Captivity. This would not be an easy wait for the children of Israel. The captivity lasting 70 years would see kingdoms rise and fall. Kings would go mad. Those who stood when others kneeled would be thrown into fiery furnaces. Those who prayed to the One True God while others worshipped idols would find the lion's den as their reward. The faithful, through God's providence, would be delivered while others would not be making the journey home. It was not an easy road ahead.

It was important for Israel to know that even though they had been unfaithful to God, God would still keep His covenant. Israel had the habit of turning to idols for help instead of turning to God. These idols were sometimes images of wood or stone made by man; sometimes it was a foreign power or a king with an army. They would look low instead of high for a deliverer. They knew what God did in the past but for some reason could not dare to see what He could do for the future.

I love this verse and all that implies about an intimate trusting relationship with God as He holds my hand. Holding hands is an intimate act of fellowship. The interlocking of fingers can make for a firm grip as two people hold on to one another. But I believe in this verse it is more the case of a larger hand holding a much smaller hand. Like a father taking the hand of his small child and holding it firmly for safety and security. Knowing the smaller hand is unable to keep up the connection the larger, stronger hand sustains the tight grip that refuses to let go.

The fact that it was the right hand is significant as well. The right hand serves as a symbol of strength, honor, authority, and blessing. So for God to take my right hand means that I am submitting all that I have to all that He is. In doing this, I am then relieved of all fear because now I am being held by the One that holds it all.

In having that saving relationship with God the Father through Christ the Son, we live with a peace that surpasses all understanding. He will never let go of His child. He is an ever-present help in times of trouble.

Teresa Meadows

All Women are Invite to Come Learn About a New Direction for Women's Ministry

Come meet Teresa Meadows, the Daniell Baptist

Association's Women's/WMU team leader

Light refreshments will be served

Thursday, September 13th 2018 at 6:15 p.m.

Daniell Baptist Association Office

205 S Railroad Ave.

Ailey, GA 30410

Please RSVP by September 10th (912) 583-2713

CONGRATULATIONS TO EL CAMINO HISPANIC CHURCH on the opening of and first services of the new location! What a better way to celebrate the first service than with a baptism!

Bro. Joey Davis writes: God has led Iglesia Bautista El Camino to replant in Lyons in order to reach more Hispanics for the gospel. On August 4th in cooperation with First Baptist Church of Lyons and the support of the Daniel Baptist Association and churches, El Camino was relaunched. The first service was an amazing work of God. Members of FBC Lyons and Fairview Baptist Church helped us with evangelism and outreach before the kickoff service. We saw around 60 Hispanics show up for the first service. Bro. Danny Williams preached on John 3 and I translated for him, Mitch and Kelly helped with the children, and Jeff prepared worship in English and Spanish so we could worship as one. The service started with the baptism of Maria Quintero and her profession of faith in Jesus Christ. She received the Lord in FBC Lyons just a few weeks prior. The members from Iglesia Bautista de Cedar Crossing and Iglesia Bautista El Camino cooked and served Latin food for everyone present. It was an amazing evening as we watched the members of FBC Lyons open their arms and hearts to the Hispanic people. A real reflection of the kingdom was portrayed as I watched both cultures love and serve each other. We were able to make many new contacts and are seeing an average of 35 on Sunday night during this first month. We also have people coming to Discipleship on Wednesday night. We are seeing God do something new in our area as two cultures are working together for the gospel. My heart is grateful to God for how He is working. Thank you DBA, FBC Lyons, FBC Vidalia, and all DBA churches and individuals that have supported and helped us in this ministry. I am praying for revival in our area and the mobilization of our people with the gospel to all peoples for the glory of God. Much love to all my family in Christ.

Bro Dannie Williams writes: The launch of El Amino Church was an incredible experience. It was such a unifying and joyful time for everyone. We are expecting a coming harvest that will one day gather with us around God's throne.

MISSION INDIA

Mission India is a ministry of the Daniell Baptist Association in partnership with Victory Baptist Association, pastor Pandu Maddala in India. Pastor Pandu is working diligently for the Kingdom. He is training pastors, distributing the Word of Our Lord to coverts from Muslim, and teaching truth. In 2019, the DBA would like to assist Pastor Pandu with holding a crusade. Last year's crusade was attended by our own pastors Dannie Williams & Jeff Scoggins in which over 9,000 people received Christ. As an association we can reach many lost souls for the Kingdome if we come together. Our goal is \$50,000 to help with the crusade, \$1,000 per church. If the 2019 produces the same amount of fruit as 2018, that is a cost of \$9 per salvation. If you have 50 members of your church, and each gave just \$20 to this cause, they will have taken part in helping lead two people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ! Please consider sharing this with your congregation & teams.

Please see below for recent news from Pastor Pandu.

Prayer Request July 7 Dear friends, Greetings to you all in Jesus name. Please pray for our short term Discipleship training programme here in India for six months from June through November for fifty students and last month our trainers planted 18 churches where there is no churches. I humbly requesting you all to pray

In Christ Pandu Maddala

Aug. 2 Dear friends, We Distributed Bibles for needy new converts to build their Christian Life on the word of God, please pray for India ministry.

Aug. 10 Dear friends, one our pastor giving the baptisms for new converts, praise God.

Aug. 20 Today VBA new church inauguration at peda avutapalli fifty people joined in church and we Distributed Bibles for needy new converts. Praise to God

Aug. 26 Flood victims attended worship service on Sunday at outside the church in Kerala

You can find Pastor Pandu on Facebook at www.facebook.com/tippanagunta

Dear friends,

I wanted to thank you all for these past 12 years of prayerful and loving support to the missions and ministry that we have been so blessed to have taken part in. My first mission venue was in Motorcycle Ministry w / BFC International, which was fun, very challenging, and rewarding. I then was able to serve thru NAMB as a Mission Service Corp Missionary (MSC) with my first venue being in the inner city of Savannah for nearly a year. Serving thru the Savannah Baptist Center, I led the Bible studies with our homeless men and many Veterans and helped feed and clothe folks in need on a weekly basis. What a humbling, growing, skin-thickening ministry it was! I returned home and met with former D.O.M. Robbie Smith, who not only asked me to join the DBA team but prayerfully consider implementing DBA ministry in our prison system. 9 years ago Bro Stan Hutto and I entered the prison gates amongst a throng of Jehovah Witnesses, a Catholic Nun, a Mennonite Pastor, and others for the first training session! God has and continues to do a wonderful work to His glory in that dark spiritual place of 3000 incarcerated men and over 400 staff! I wish I had time for the God stories and the vast numbers that came to Christ over the years! I can only say " Glory!" We saw expansion of our ministry into other dorms as God continued to chase away much darkness with the light of His word! This led to the Higher Learning & mentoring teaching programs.. it's as if God showed us the Prayer of Jabez expanding His presence through DBA's solid teachers. What an awesome, growing experience in both our and these men's lives. (Hebrews 13:3)

I have been so blessed to witness on foreign soil.. in the very places Paul preached and even where Christ's earthly ministry took place. I have met the boldest of witnesses for the cause of Christ, made lifetime friends, and learned much from their devoted hearts. It has been a wonderful blessing to lead Bible studies, preach the Word in many of our DBA churches and evangelize in our communities.

I want to thank Bro Robbie Smith, our current DBA D.O.M. Billy Puckett, and Jessica our wonderful secretary for your insight, trust, wisdom, friendship, and support. A special thank you to my Pastor and mentor, Bro Dannie Williams, who always inspired, guided, and trusted in me through each " stepping stone of faith." Thank you to my wonderful mission minded church FBC Lyons and our great Association, DBA for lovingly supporting our mission efforts over these years. Thanks to my right hand man Stan, an obedient servant and great encouraging friend from the start. And to my loving wife and wonderful parents, I absolutely could not have done any of this without your years of daily encouragement! Thank you!

So now, as my tenure ends with NAMB and DBA, I'm excited about the new direction of ministry He's provided and I urge each of you to " step out in faith while you can." (Acts 1:8) Again, thank ALL of you for your loving support. A " hometown missionary" couldn't ask for a better team!

Keep us in your prayers as He opens another door for us. We love you all and covet your prayers and friendship.

Serving Together,
Bro. Keith Horne

Bro. Chester Proctor (Smith Street) will be attending the GBMB Disaster Relief Training on September 15th in Moultrie, and is offering to carpool with other gentlemen. If you would like to attend the orientation, please sign up before Sep 7. The cost is \$40 and this is PHASE 1 (Yellow Hat) for the GBMB Disaster Relief Services. There are many different areas of focus if you choose to pursue something advanced later on, but if you have not taken any training, this is to certify you as a Yellow Hat (level 1) volunteer.

To learn more about Disaster Relief & how they spread the Good News as they serve the community during times of devastation, please visit <https://bit.ly/2Cdb4WS> You can also sign up for training at this link.

The cost is \$40 & if you would like to ride with Chester, please contact him by calling Office: 912-537-8661 or Cell: 912-293-1323.

An ACTS 1:8 Christmas

Jerusalem (Local) 2018 Wheeler County Christmas Backpack DBA Goal: 100

Everything is the same for the local backpacks as for the Appalachia backpacks, except these backpacks will go to children & teens in Wheeler County.

Backpack Information: Please make sure the backpack & contents are **New**.

Please make sure each backpack has a ribbon for both age & gender

(see instructions). Instructions and other resources can be found [here](#).

*****Please let us know how many backpacks are to go to the local level & how many to the state level when dropping them off***** Drop off backpacks at the Annual Celebration or November 5-7 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Basket Blessings are being collected for the elderly & shut-ins this year. If you or you know of anyone who would be blessed by receiving a basket, please contact Jessica at the DBA office. Please keep an eye out for more information, including instructions and drop off times, which will be available soon!

Judea (State) 2018 Appalachia Christmas Backpack DBA Goal: 400

Each year the DBA partners with GBMB to collect Christmas backpacks for children & teens residing in Appalachia as well as in the most poverty stricken counties in Southwest Georgia. Please visit <https://gabaptist.org/backpacks> for free printables and instructions. The DBA has copies of the Christmas Story that we would love to provide.

Samaria (USA) Christmas is a hard time for those soldiers who are away from their homes, family, and friends. One of the most appreciated gifts a soldier receives is cards and letters from the men, women, & children that they are fighting to protect. Join your sister churches in remembering our men and women overseas this Christmas season.

How to Participate:

Please let the DBA know how many cards you and/or your church would like to pledge.

Write an encouraging note and Bible verse in a Christmas card. You can send one or one million! Individual cards should be addressed to "any Service Member" and can be signed each by their sender. Hand-made cards do not need an envelope. Otherwise, cards should have an envelope that they are sealed in. Please identify if a card or care package is specifically for a male or female.

Drop off at the DBA Office before November 20th.

Uttermost Parts (International)

The Daniell Association is excited to announce that we have 700 OCC boxes, instructions, and prayer bookmarks available for FREE for anyone who would like to pack a box! Just call or stop by the office and we will be happy to provide you or your church with as many as you need! Please drop boxes off to the DBA office no later than November 15th at 2:30 p.m. We will transport them to the nearest drop off location.

DBA Ministry Partner News

MISSION GEORGIA September is GBMB Mission Georgia Season of Prayer and Offering for State Missions. Please visit <https://missiongeorgia.org/give/> for resources , information, and to see the abundance of ways your donation is used for the Kingdom.

WELCOME REV. PAUL & WILMA WILKES

The Lord has led the search team to call Rev. Paul Wilkes as pastor of Mount Pisgah Baptist Church. Bro. Paul is married to Mrs. Wilma and they have two children Brittany, 31, and Bradley, 28. Bro. Paul received his Masters of Divinity at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Please commit to pray for the Wilkes as they transition to and lead Mount Pisgah.

STUDENT & PASTOR MEET & GREET

Thank you to the following churches who participated and showed the love of Christ to the students at Brewton Parker College at the Students & Pastors Meet & Greet

Better Together
Connections
El Camino
FBC Glenwood
FBC Mount Vernon
FBC Lyons
FBC Soperton
Higgston
Mount Pisgah
Normantown
St. John's AME
Smith Street
Tabernacle

PRAYER

Would you join us in praying for the following churches & pastors by name:

South Thompson, Pastor B.L. Horne, Spring Hill, Pastor Niles Dixon, Stuckey, Tabernacle, Pastor Bobby Thompson

Commit to prayer the following churches as they seek God's wisdom in searching for a pastor:

FBC Alamo, FBC Soperton: Int. Joshua Johnson, Friendship, Int. Donnie Brown, Ohoopee; Stuckey; Tarrytown;

Would you give us the opportunity to partner in prayer for you? It would be an honor to partner in prayer with you, please contact us with your prayer requests. All requests are confidential, unless corporate prayer is invited.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Amy Bowers	Judy Tipton
Bobby Thompson	Kristy Cummings
Debbie Hammons	Margaret Tapley
Jamie Bell	Maureen Crosby
Jolie McDuffie	Thomas Bowers

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Rev. & Mrs. Bill Black

Mr. & Mrs. David Barrett

CALENDAR

September

Begin Gathering Christmas Backpacks

- 3 Office Closed for Labor Day
- 10 Pastor/Leader's Roundtable & Lunch, DBA Office 11:00 a.m.
- 13 DBA Women's Ministry Get Together
- 17 **Annual Church Reports Due**

October

- 13 Annual Executive Business Meeting FBC Lyons, 5pm
Annual Celebration, FBC Lyons, 6pm
- 25-26 Feast of Tabernacles Camp-Out, BPC

November

- 2 **Operation Christmas Cards Due**
- 5-7 **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Due**
- 8 Administrative Team Meeting, DBA Office, 5:30 p.m.
- 9 Minister's & Wives Holiday Party, Tabernacle Baptist Church, 6 pm
- 11-13 GBMB Annual Meeting
- 12-16 **Christmas Backpacks Due**
- 19-22 Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

December

- 2-9 Week of Prayer and Mission Study for International Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- 6 Cake's for Baxley Children's Home Collection, Tabernacle Baptist Church, 7:00 am
- 20-1/2 Office Closed for Christmas Holidays
- Graduation for School Of Leadership Development Program, Wheeler Correctional Facility

Weekly Events:

Wednesday - Wheeler County Prison Ministry, 9:00 a.m.

Treasurer's Report

	Budget		
	Offerings	Expenses	Net
07/31/18	7,280.59	(12,742.10)	(5,461.51)
YTD - 2018	79,372.23	(86,312.95)	(6,940.72)

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