

# *The Light*

We are learning some tremendous lessons during these days of shelter-in place, social distancing and the pandemic. I'm praying that we hang on to these lessons and are intentional to try to put them into practical use. We have been challenged to think about how to go outside the walls of the building, how to get spiritual content into homes, avenues and techniques of effective communication of the gospel, getting the gospel in front of the lost and thinking outside the box on how to practice our faith. We have been given the opportunity to experience the truth that the building in which we gather is not the church. We are the church.

I am thankful for these days, and I am confident and prayerful that our Lord will use this time to grow our ability to serve His kingdom and His bride.

I am also thankful for these days because our Lord has slowed us down. I've enjoyed not having an event that I must attend every waking moment of my life. What concerns me is that when the doors reopen everyone is going to be standing in line to get back on the massive unstoppable train that is our materialistic consumer culture. Every waking moment focused on "What am I going to eat? What am I going to wear? Where am I going to live?" I don't have time to be still and know that He is God. I might be able to pencil in a meeting with Him on my Google calendar if He sends me an email.

You know what business I hear is booming right now, during this time in which we are being still? Gardening. Apparently, a lot of people are planting gardens. You realize we were made to work in a garden. Interesting

that when the hustle and bustle of this world slows down, we turn back to the garden. We enjoy time in the garden and trying to grow things. The garden is a blessing. The garden is a place where we walk with our Father, He causes things to grow and we get to help. We expectantly look forward to enjoying the harvest.

When the doors open and the economic engine revs up and all the consumers get back on the workaholic train (which deep down they don't even want to be on) are all those gardens going to wilt for lack of attention? Are those gardens going to get choked out by weeds? Are all the good intentions going to die on the vine as we become too busy and distracted by the things of this world to do what we were originally designed to do?

The current of our culture sweeps us up into a rat race. We are designed to walk in the garden with our Father and help things grow. Maybe we have a sense of that yearning and calling during this time in which we are required to be still, but I'm confident that when this thing opens back up, we'll have to paddle against the current if we want to continue to spend time in the garden and experience the wonderful fruit of the garden.

So many lessons. I pray that we are thinking and listening. May God grant us to remember that He makes the world go around. May He grant to us the wisdom to know how to seek first the Kingdom of Christ and resist the temptation to chase what Satan says is good and what the pagans seek after. May He bless His people in the days to come for the glory of His son Jesus Christ. Amen.



# A Prayer for Every Home

## A Bible in Every Home

Church	Rec'd	Participating	Funding
Ailey	X	X	
Alston	X	X	X
Bear Creek			
Bethel	X	X	
Better Together	X	X	
Beulah	X	X	
Boiling Springs	X	X	
Calvary on Aimwell	X	X	
Cedar Crossing	X	X	
Cedar Crossing Hispanic	X	X	
Cornerstone	X	X	
Cross Timbers	X	X	
East Gordon Street	X?		
El Camino	X	X	
Fairview	X	X	X
Faith			
FBC Alamo	X	X	X
FBC Glenwood	X	X	
FBC Lyons	X	X	
FBC Mount Vernon	X	X	
FBC Soperton	X	X	
FBC Uvalda	X	X	
FBC Vidalia	X	X	
Friendship			
Hammond	X	X	
Harmony	X	X	X
Higgston	X	X	
Hope	X	X	
Journey Community Church	X		
Long Pond	X	X	
Mount Pisgah	X	X	
New Corinth	X		
Normantown	X	X	
North Thompson			
Oak Grove			
Ohoopee	X		
Primera Iglesia Bautista	X		
Providence	X	X	
Red Bluff			
Rocky Creek	X	X	X
Sardis	X		
Smith Street	X	X	
Snow Hill			
South Thompson	X	X	
Spring Hill	X	X	
Stucky	X	X	
Tabernacle	X	X	
Tarrytown	X		
Trinity	X	X	X
United Fellowship	X	X	
Vidalia Baptist Temple	X	X	

The best news is that 38 of our 53 churches are engaged and praying for each home in our 4-county area! I am confident that a great move of God will follow a great move of prayer!

Every census area has a church within it who is praying, which means that through the faithful commitment and follow through of our churches, every home in our 4-counties will receive prayer.

We have purchased 200 quality Bibles for distribution.

6 churches have participated financially in the effort.

We have begun to market the opportunity to receive prayer or a free Bible via Billboards and social media.

If you see one of our social media posts I ask that you would share the opportunity to receive prayer or a free Bible with those whom you are connected.

### **We have received over 30 requests for prayer and Bibles!**

Several of our pastors have mobilized in response to these requests for prayer and the Bible. Pastors have contacted, prayed with and delivered Bibles to our neighbors.\*

\*The methods of delivering Bibles and sharing the gospel will take into account social distancing and best practices in light of our current context and the Covid-19 virus.

Please continue to pray for every home. We led with prayer and the success of this effort depends on our persistence in prayer because the success of this effort will come from the mighty hand of God. We are counting on God. We are asking and seeking and knocking. Some are fasting. We need persistence. We need to wear Him out with our constant prayers for the salvation of our neighbors. His eyes are looking for those whose heart is committed so that He can show Himself strong among them. A Prayer For Every Home A Bible In Every Home. Together, by His power and for His Kingdom, we can accomplish this great and God honoring task.

# **PICK YOUR SUNDAY** **for the** **CALVIN DURRENCE ACTS 1:8 OFFERING**



The month of May is Calvin Durrence Acts 1:8 month! Churches are invited to choose which Sunday works best for them to take up the offering. The DBA will gladly provide offering envelopes for the occasion.

We celebrate with you as DBA churches collect and are excited about the work we are accomplishing together through the Calvin Durrence Acts 1:8 mission offering. In 2020, the Calvin Durrence Acts 1:8 offering will provide the following support:

\$1,000 to Dream Center  
\$1,000 to Mercy Medical Clinic  
\$1,000 to Rachel's House  
\$1,800 to Sweet Onion Christian Learning Center  
\$1,000 to India  
\$600 to a North American Church Plant  
\$6,400 Annually

The total monthly cost to support these ministries is \$533.33

The Calvin Durrence offering is completely funded by the offerings collected through:

1. The Calvin Durrence Acts 1:8 mission offering in May, which supports gospel ministry in honor of the life and work of Calvin Durrence (similar to the NAMB Annie Armstrong and IMB Lottie Moon offerings)
2. and the offering taken up at the DBA Annual Celebration each October.

**100% from these offerings goes to The Calvin Durrence Acts 1:8 fund.**

Please let the DBA office know which Sunday your church chooses to participate in the Calvin Durrence Acts 1:8 Offering by calling (912) 583-2713 or emailing [daniellbaptist@gmail.com](mailto:daniellbaptist@gmail.com)

# PRAY GOD'S GLORY *Across the Earth*

"FOR THE EARTH WILL BE FILLED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE  
OF THE GLORY OF THE LORD AS THE WATERS COVER THE SEA."

HABAKKUK 2:14 NIV

MAY 7, 2020

## 2020 NATIONAL PRAYER FOR AMERICA

Lord, we exist to give You glory.

We exist because of Your glory, and in Your glory, as our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

We give you thanks and praise for every breath and moment You have given to us.

We repent of our sin; for the shameful things we have done against You and for our silence when we did not speak up to proclaim Your Name, profess Your Word, or protect and practice Your will.

We ask Your forgiveness.

We pray that the knowledge of the glory of the Lord will spread across our nation and the entire earth as we seek Your Kingdom and righteousness; as we walk in obedience to You, and in humble unity, love one another.

Jesus, the Bible says that You are "the knowledge of the glory of the Lord."

You have taught us to pray, commanded us to love, and commissioned us to share Your gospel of grace.

Your glory fills our hearts and families, it overflows into our neighborhoods, workplaces, campuses, churches, in our entertainment and media.

We give thanks for our military and ask that Your glory would spread to, and through them as they preserve freedom around the world.

We pray for our government, that all of our leaders and laws would be filled with Your glory, that they would magnify Your Holy Word and honor Your will and ways.

We pray that Your grace and glory would spread to bring hope to the hopeless, and love where there is hurt and hate.

God, use us as we pray your promise, that "the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea." In Jesus Name, Amen!

Kathy Branzell  
President, National Day of Prayer Task Force

For more information and downloadable resources, please visit <https://www.nationaldayofprayer.org/>

## 2020 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER



KATHY BRANZELL



WILL GRAHAM



NICK HALL



MICHAEL W. SMITH



HARRY JACKSON



ANDREW PALAU



BLAIR LINNE



ROBERT MORRIS



JIM CYMBALA



GABRIELLE ODOM



BILLY WILSON

ALONG WITH OTHER LEADERS FROM ACROSS AMERICA!

**NATIONAL BROADCAST**  
MAY 7TH, 8 to 10 PM ET  
ON GODTV, DAYSTAR, MOODY  
BROADCASTING, FACEBOOK LIVE,  
AND MORE

PRAY  
GOD'S GLORY  
*Across the Earth*

HABAKKUK 2:14 NIV

NATIONAL  
DAY OF  
PRAYER





# Congratulations Class of 2020

## High School Graduates

### Liberty Christian Academy

Noel Smith      Lyons First Baptist Church

### Montgomery Co High School

Stephen Best      Buelah Baptist Church  
Fred Foster      Uvalda Baptist Church  
Kevin De Leon      FBC Mt. Vernon  
Macie Pittman      FBC Mt. Vernon  
Glendon Russell      Fairview Baptist Church  
Jakobe Russell      Better Together  
Rachel Thigpen      Uvalda Baptist Church

### Swainsboro High School

Jazmine Jones      United Fellowship Baptist Church

### Toombs County High School

Hunter Bradford      Rocky Creek Baptist Church  
Carson Burton      Fairview Baptist Church  
Blake Campbell      Rocky Creek Baptist church  
Miguell Copeland      Fairview Baptist Church  
Brook Coxwell      Tabernacle Baptist Church  
Justin Dees      Lyons First Baptist Church  
Christopher Dykes      Cedar Crossing Baptist Church  
Makensey Grimes      Lyons First Baptist Church  
Shianne Hackle      Fairview Baptist Church  
Dylan Helmly      Rocky Creek Baptist Church  
Madison Hitchcock      Cedar Crossing Baptist Church  
Falyn Holland      Cedar Crossing Baptist Church  
Caylee Lynn      Lyons First Baptist Church  
Lexie Martin      Lyons First Baptist Church  
Chase Miller      FBC Lyons  
Madison Mimbs      Cedar Crossing Baptist Church  
Carley Partin      Cedar Crossing Baptist Church  
Jadon Riner      Cedar Crossing Baptist Church  
Darby Roberson      South Thompson Baptist Church  
Maggie Waller      Lyons First Baptist Church

### Treutlen High School

Logan Powell      FBC Soperton

### Vidalia Heritage Academy

Briley Braddy      FBC Mt. Vernon  
Jadelynn Disharoon      Cedar Crossing Baptist Church  
Logan McBride      Lyons First Baptist Church  
Sarah Alice Connell      First Baptist Church Vidalia

### Vidalia High School

Emma Braddy      Higgston Baptist  
Kendall Braddy      Higgston Baptist Church  
Colton Claxton      Higgston Baptist Church  
Trennt Folsum      FBC Lyons  
Brianna Helms      Tabernacle Baptist Church  
Mitchell Moore      Tabernacle Baptist Church  
Hailey Mixon      Higgston Baptist Church  
Luke Perry      Tabernacle Baptist Church  
Keon Thomas      Better Together  
James Varnedoe      Smith Street Baptist Church  
Caitlyn Wilson      FBC Mt. Vernon

### Wheeler County High School

Towns Ethridge      Tabernacle Baptist Church

## College Graduates

### Brewton Parker College

Rachel Thigpen      Uvalda Baptist Church  
Glendon Russell      Fairview Baptist Church  
Kennedy Russell      Fairview Baptist Church

### University of Georgia

Joseph Braddock      Lyons First Baptist Church

### Albany State College

Jasmine Russell      Better Together

*"And we pray... that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way; bearing fruit in every good work, and growing in the knowledge of God..." Colossians 1:10*

# DBA SUMMER CAMPS NOTICES

Dear DBA SURGE Youth Camp Family,

2020 was set to be our 20th year of DBA Surge youth camp at Brewton-Parker College. However, due to the health and safety of all, we are cancelling camp this year. We have spent much time in prayer over this, but believe this is the best decision. We will be praying for all of our campers and want to encourage all of you to stay active in your local church and be a leader for Christ in all that you do. We will certainly miss being together, and will look forward to the time when we can be together again.

Much love and hugs,  
Laura Hay  
Billy Puckett

*“Though the fig tree should not blossom and there be no fruit on the vines, though the yield of the olive should fail and the fields produce no food, though the flock should be cut off from the fold and there be no cattle in the stalls, yet I will exult in the Lord, I will rejoice in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength, and He has made my feet like hinds’ feet, and makes me walk on high places.”*  
*Habakkuk 3:17-19*

Dear DBA Camp family,

It is with the joyous words of the prophet Habakkuk but heavy hearts that we come to you with the news that DBA Children’s Camp has been cancelled for 2020 due to the threat imposed by COVID 19.

All Georgia Baptist student camps taking place through the end of June were cancelled as of April 17, and we will follow their lead at the associational level.

Daniell Baptist Association and camp leadership are committed to the health and safety of our campers, staff, and their families and have made this most difficult decision believing that adherence to social distancing and other criteria set forth by the governing authorities would be virtually impossible to maintain at camp as we know it.

Mr. Croft has graciously transferred our deposit to next year to reserve us a week at the Adrian Camp and Conference Center for DBA Children’s Camp 2021, and the dates will be publicized as soon as they are received.

Let us all pray, plan, work toward, and anticipate when we again gather in Adrian to share Jesus with our campers!

Blessings and much love to you all,  
Denise Pournelle  
Jason Corbett  
Billy Puckett

# Calendar

## May: CALVIN DURRENCE MONTH

7 National Day of Prayer

## June

8-10 Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting

## July

16 Administrative Team Meeting, 5:30pm, DBA Office

## August

25 Find Your Sunday, Church Meet & Greet with BPC Students, 5:00 p.m. Phillips Center Lobby

## ATTENTION PASTORS

### Please update your contact information

We are asking that all pastors email us the following information so that we can ensure that all our pastors are getting up to date information. Please include:

**Your Name**

**Your Church**

**Your Cell Phone Number**

**Your Email Address**

Let's celebrate these churches that have participated financially in our cooperative effort.  
We hope you are encouraged by your fellow churches that have partnered with you!

Alamo FBC	Higgston	Providence	Trinity
Alston	Hope	Smith Street	Uvalda FBC
Beulah	Longpond	South Thompson	Vidalia Baptist Temple
Cedar Crossing	Lyons FBC	Springhill	Vidalia FBC
Cornerstone	Mount Vernon FBC	Soperton FBC	
Fairview	Normantown	Stuckey	
Faith Missionary	Oak Grove	Tabernacle	
Friendship	Ohoopce	Tarrytown	

### PRAYER

Each pastor in our association and around the world struggles with physical, spiritual, and family health.

Pastors, please utilize the monthly Pastor Connect to connect to and pray for each other.

Everyone please commit to pray for the following pastors who are currently having physical health issues

(These pastors have given us permission to request corporate prayer from our DBA Family)

Owen Waters & Daughter Felicia

Bill Black

H.G. Ridgill

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

**Friendship, Int. Donnie Brown Ohoopce; Red Bluff; Stuckey**

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