

# *The Light*

We are emerging from our quarantine. We have learned a lot and our eyes have been opened to some things and we need to act on them. Here are some questions to ask:

- **How can we continue and increase the spiritual activity which has developed during the quarantine within the home and within the family unit?** We do not want the church to compartmentalize and relegate spiritual activity only to certain times during the week and only within the buildings in which we gather.
- **How can we continue to deliver the Word to those that are not currently interested in coming inside the building but are interested in community and what the Bible teaches?** During the quarantine we have connected with the lost and those who do not have a solid connection to a church family. How can we continue to get the Word out of the walls and into the world?
- **How can the church get out of the walls of the building and get in the game of serving our neighbors and our community, especially during times of crisis and difficulty?** We are to serve others, especially the vulnerable and marginalized. The presence of the people of God ought to be felt and have impact within the community.

Let's gather our elders, think and discuss these questions and mobilize God's gifted children. Let's nail down a vision, a mission and some actions that we can take through the end of this year and beyond which can win souls, disciple the church and make an eternal kingdom impact.

## ***On another note:***

Have you discussed how the gospel addresses the George Floyd incident with your people? The biblical worldview provides the people of God with a lens through which to understand all the issues and we need to know God's heart and mind. We need to discuss these things within the church and make every effort to live what the Bible teaches about love and justice so that we can proclaim to a broken world the wisdom of God.

There are any number of scripture passages which address how we ought to respond to our governing authorities and how the gospel informs the manner in which we relate to people who are of a different socio-economic or ethnic background. Just a few examples are Luke 9:46-56; Luke 10:30-37; Ephesians 2:11-22; Acts 10:24-29; Romans 13:1-10; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; James 2:1-9.

Love and justice are two sides of the same coin. We need to understand how they come together at the cross, in the church and in our community.

Please address these issues within our churches and discuss what the Bible teaches and how we can apply what the Bible teaches so that the church can be the light of the world and lead the way. If we are silent about these issues of sin and brokenness which are plaguing the world then we need to consider whether we are only committed to those parts of the Word of God that are palatable and tickle the ears of the people.



# 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	
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.

5 churches have participated financially in the effort.

We are marketing 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 requests for prayer and Bibles. These requests have reached the double digits.

Additionally, we have yard signs available for only \$3 each. We would love to see a sign in every DBA church member's yard to encourage people to reach out for prayers 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.



# UNITY *in our* COMMUNITY



*free community event*

**SAT | JULY 11**

**6:00 PM**

**MOUNT VERNON COURTHOUSE**



*Games*

*Family Fun*

*Food*

*Music*

**Encouragement from Community Leaders**

**We are our brothers keepers**

**Sponsored by Montgomery County Churches**



Paul Wilkes  
BL Horne  
Patsy Mincy



Rev. & Mrs. Kevin Hammons  
Rev. & Mrs. Keith Tipton

Rev. & Mrs. Donny Crosby  
Rev. & Mrs. Owen Waters

## Calendar

### June

8-10 Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting  
23 Finance Team Meeting, DBA Office, 4:30 p.m.

### July

11 Unity in our Community Event, Mount Vernon Courthouse, 6:00 p.m.  
16 Administrative Team Meeting, DBA Office, 5:30 p.m.

### Weekly Events:

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

**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!**

Alston	Higgston	Ohoopce	The Way Hispanic
Bethel	Hope	Providence	Trinity
Cedar Crossing	Longpond	Smith Street	Vidalia Baptist Temple
Cedar Crossing Hispanic	Lyons FBC	South Thompson	Vidalia FBC
Cornerstone	Mount Vernon FBC	Springhill	
Faith Missionary	Normantown	Stuckey	
Friendship	North Thompson Baptist	Tabernacle	

### 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. Ridgdill

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**

### Treasurer's Report

	Income	Expenses	Net
<b>05/30/20</b>	14,210.45	(14,738.25)	(527.80)
<b>YTD - 2020</b>	63,208.40	(69,387.33)	(6,178.93)

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