

The Light
April 2021

Hallelujah
**CHRIST IS
RISEN**
FROM THE DEAD

I want more Christ in me and in the world. I want to be obedient to Christ and see the Great Commission accomplished. I want to see Christ's kingdom come. We shape more Christ in us and in those around us through the process of disciple-making. We accomplish the Great Commission through disciple-making. We establish the kingdom of God through disciple-making.

The calling and joy of all those who follow Christ is to be spiritually fruitful and multiply by growing in Christlikeness and helping others grow in Christ. Disciple-making is an intentional process which involves, among other things, investing time in others, accountability, grace, joy and missions.

This year's DBA training event focused on disciple-making. All of our sessions were panel discussions led by good brothers and sisters from churches in our own association. Many of us were edified by our time together.

We encourage all DBA churches and members to develop a vision and a plan for disciple-making. In our homes, in our congregation, in our places of influence in the community, disciple-making is our mission.

If you would like to continue the conversation at your church, then invite your DBA servants to bring the disciple-making discussion to you. We will be glad to come alongside, pray with you and discuss our calling to go into all the world and make disciples.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Monday, March 29th, 6:00 pm, Vidalia United Methodist Church

Tuesday, March 30th, 12:00 pm, The Oaks Baptist Church

Wednesday, March 31st, 12:00 pm, Lyons First Baptist Church

Thursday, April 1st, 12:00 pm, Vidalia Church of God

Friday, April 2nd, Vidalia Presbyterian Church



A Prayer for Every Home

A Bible in Every Home

A Prayer for Every Home A Bible in Every Home is your DBA initiative to partner churches together to pursue the salvation of every person in Treutlen, Wheeler, Montgomery and Toombs counties.

The goal of the strategy is for each church to pray for every household in their respective county and then together we offer every home an opportunity to hear the gospel and have a copy of the Word of God.

Your DBA staff is providing the leadership of our member churches an updated contact list of households in their county. We encourage each church to develop their plan to pray for every household in their county.

In order for this spiritual endeavor to be accomplished we need all our churches to participate. Each congregation needs a vision, a decision and a plan. Each church must develop a vision to pray for every home, make a decision to go after that vision and put a plan in place that gets you to that vision.

If we can increase the prayer life of our congregations for the spiritual salvation of our community, then we have taken the first vital steps toward spiritual renewal in our churches and in our community.

We also invite the believers in our churches to join together in corporate fasting every Sunday morning as we seek, ask and knock for the door of spiritual revival to be opened in our area. We encourage each of our churches to make every Sunday morning a morning of prayer and fasting. When physical hunger pulls at us on Sunday morning, we can direct that into spiritual hunger and prayer. May God see that we hunger for his strong arm of salvation.

The Bible tells us that the eyes of our Lord roam to and fro, throughout the earth, so that he may show himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is fully devoted to him (2 Chronicles 16:9). Our prayer for every home, our fasting and our perseverance in prayer will show God that our hearts are devoted to him and his agenda and that our hope is in his mighty arm of salvation.

DBA CHILDREN'S CAMP NOTICE

Dear DBA Camp Family,
DBA Children's Camp in Adrian is being postponed until the summer of 2022.

The Daniell Baptist Association and camp leadership are committed to the health and safety of our campers, staff, and their families and to the protection of camp itself for future generations. Our camp and the Adrian Camp and Conference Center fall under the guidelines for overnight camps in Governor Kemp's Executive Orders for the Covid-19 Public Health State of Emergency updated on February 15, 2021. The requirements set forth in the order would significantly limit our activities and make camp almost unrecognizable.

Please pray with us as we look forward to and plan toward the next DBA Children's Camp!

We are praying for you!

Denise Pournelle, Jason Corbett,
Margaret Pournelle, & Billy Puckett



**Pastors Roundtable
Lunch & Discussion
April 12th, Noon, DBA Office
Topic:
DISCIPLESHIP RESOURCES
Please RSVP by April 7th**

GEORGIA BAPTIST WOMEN SPRING EVENT

April 24, 2021 1 Day, 3 Ways to Attend.

The Georgia Baptist Women's Spring Event is growing and coming to you!! We are so delighted to announce you can now attend Spring Event 3 ways: in-person, in your home, and at your church! We know God is calling us to gather together to worship Him and to learn from Him. We do not want any Georgia Baptist woman to be left out!

Georgia Baptist Women's Spring Event provides an opportunity for women of all ages to experience spiritual inspiration, missions challenge, and personal growth. We desire to keep the passion and priority of missions alive, and as we do, expand to involve all women in Georgia who desire a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

Be part of a movement of women who want to grow and encourage others to be radically involved in the mission of God
<https://georgiabaptistwomen.org/springevent/>



**BAPTIST
MOBILE
HEALTH
MINISTRY UNIT**

May 20-22, 2021
Calvary on Aimwell
607 Aimwell Rd, Vidalia, GA 30474
The services provided are dental extraction(s), filling(s), and cleanings.
If you are 18 years old or older and have no dental insurance you must call the phone number to make your screening appointment.
The phone number will be released about one week before the unit arrives.
Appointments are limited and you must have one in order to be seen.

**BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR SURGE
SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

THE MERCY MINISTRIES

Mercy Medical Clinic • Mercy Dental Clinic • Mercy University



Join us in encouraging and praying for Carly Benton on her new mission and Clint Hutcheson in his new role.

We would also like to welcome and pray for your DBA Pastor Luis Gonzalez as Director of Education & Ministry at The Mercy Ministries!

The Mercy Ministries strives to "put God's love into action by providing healthcare services to those in need." You can support this Kingdom Cause through prayer and financial support at <https://bit.ly/3shdcm1>

Below is a letter from Carly to the Community



Dear Mercy Supporters and Friends,

The Mercy Ministries is ushering into a new season and I want to be the first one to tell you about it. After 5 years with this amazing organization, the Lord has given me peace that my time at Mercy has come to an end. As many of you know, my husband and I have 3 children at home (under 7 years old) and 2 adult children that still need support. In addition, we moved to Laurens Co. last July to be more involved with our church family at Connection Church Dublin, where my husband serves as the lead pastor. Since that time, God has made it abundantly clear that my next mission field is my family, our church, and organizations that serve those in need in the Laurens Co. community.



Next Thursday, March 25th will be my last day as Executive Director and then I will be handing over the reigns to Clint Hutcheson (former Director of Ministry). Clint has been with Mercy for over 8 years and has grown with the organization through many phases of development. Most know him as Mercy's pastor and as the pioneer of our education program, equipping patients and community members with financial management and work-readiness skills through Faith & Finance and Work Life classes.

However, Clint has also been an equal partner in helping me lead the charge to: implement a sustainable funding program (2017), bring our dental program in house to create Mercy Dental Clinic (2018), open a second medical clinic site in Graham, GA (2019), and overhaul our communications systems during a pandemic (2020). He is not only capable of leading The Mercy Ministries into its next era of greatness but has the strengths to make its programs even more effective for the Kingdom!

I am excited about all that the Lord is going to do in and through Clint and YOUR continued support as you partner together to "put God's love into action by providing healthcare services to those in need." TOGETHER you can continue to "eliminate the gaps to healthcare and wellness in every community." Meanwhile, please pray for both of us during this transition and don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or simply want to chat.

It has been MORE than a pleasure to partner with you in the mission of The Mercy Ministries. THANK YOU for your trust in me and for your commitment to the organization. I am BEYOND grateful for my time at TMM and the opportunity to serve alongside its amazing team of staff, volunteers, and board members. God is good and the BEST IS YET TO COME!

Humbly,
Carly

PARTNER WITH YOUR SISTER CHURCHES THIS MONTH

Collect the special Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions



ANNIE ARMSTRONG (1850-1938)

Annie Armstrong was born in Baltimore at a time when women were not expected to lead. She served, challenged churches to action and rallied support for missionaries. Ultimately, Annie was recognized as a national Southern Baptist trailblazer renowned for visionary missions leadership.

Contributions

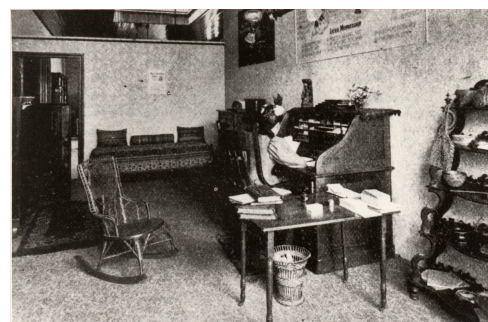
- Helped plant Eutaw Place Baptist Church in Baltimore, Maryland in 1871
- Started Bay View Mission to provide for Baltimore's poor and addicted
- Led the formation of missions' organizations for children to educate them to hear God's call into mission service
- Gained support for the appointment of missionaries to German, Jewish and Italian immigrants
- Handwrote more than 18,000 letters in one year to pastors and SBC leaders advocating for missions
- Paid her own expenses and refused a salary expressing she would, "never give to the Lord that which costs me nothing." (2 Samuel 24:24)
- Initiated fund-raising "brick cards" to build needed church buildings in Cuba
- Encouraged outreach to black Americans and gained support for the first black, female missionaries
- Secured funds in 1888 to relieve China missionary, Lottie Moon, who had worked for 13 years without a furlough
- Advocated for Native Americans and impoverished mountain people bringing their needs to the Home Mission Board
- Started the Church Building Loan Fund and Annuities with the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, which still exists today
- Honored in 1934 when The Home Missions Offering was re-named for her to encourage more to follow her sacrificial example

Today, over \$1 billion has been given through the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering®. All gifts—100%—support thousands of missionaries in church planting and compassion ministries across the U.S. and Canada

Visit <https://www.anniearmstrong.com/> resources such as:

- Free, printable bulletin inserts
- Posters
- Prayer Guides (English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean)
- Offering Envelopes (Bilingual English/Spanish)
- Planning Guide (English, Spanish)
- DVD

and more





MAY IS ACTS 1:8 CALVIN DURRENCE OFFERING

Friends,

You are a valued partner in our work together as the Daniell Baptist Association.

The DBA exists to bring glory to God through facilitating partnerships between churches to accomplish The Great Commission.

The Calvin Durrence Mission Offering is an opportunity each year in the month of May for us to come together as Great Commission churches and make a Great Commission impact! Please see your Acts 1:8 Calvin Durrence Packet, *if your church requested one*, or go to <https://dbachurches.com/cdacts18> for more information and materials you can use to raise awareness and support.

Prayerfully join your local sister churches to support missions, ministry and evangelism locally and around the world. Together we can go from our neighborhoods to the nations in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

DBA VAN

On March 4th, 2021 the Executive Team met to discuss the purchase of a used van. The recommendation was approved. The churches of the DBA can now reserve the “new to us” 2016 Ford 350 Transit, 15 passenger van.

Please note: To assist in the upkeep and maintenance of the DBA Van, the Executive Team requests a \$25 minimum donation each time the van is used.

The Executive Team also voted to bless the Sweet Onion Christin Learning Center with previous van. This will help SOCLC transport students so that they can learn about the Lord and Biblical principals during school hours.





Winter Surge was held on Saturday, February 27th. The event included worship as well as serving the community. There were over 80 teenage participants from many of our local Daniell Baptist Association churches in this fun-filled one day event.



CALENDAR

April

- 12 Pastors Roundtable, DBA, Noon
- 14 Finance Team Meeting, DBA, 4:30
- 15 Administrative Team Meeting, DBA, 5:30



Doyle Waller
Glenn Russell
Molly Corbett
Debbie Baskin
Billy Folsom



Rev. & Mrs. Reece Mincey
Rev. & Mrs. Chester Proctor
Rev. & Mrs. Clarence Best

PRAYER

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

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

(shared with permission)

Bill Black, Joe Siman, Don Moye

All are battling physical ailments.

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

**Bethel ~ Friendship,
Interim Walter Jarrel ~ Normantown ~
Ohoopie lead by Johnny McCullah ~
Stuckey**

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	Mount Vernon FBC	
Beulah	Mt Pisgah	
Cedar Crossing	New Corinth	Tabernacle
Cedar Crossing Hispanic	Normantown	The Way
Faith Missionary	Oak Grove	Trinity
Friendship	Ohoopie	Uvalda
Higgston	Providence	Vidalia FBC
Hope	Rocky Creek	
Journey	Smith Street	
Longpond	South Thompson	
Lyons FBC	Springhill	
	Stuckey	

YTD Gen. Fund Checking	
GF Income:	\$ 20,964.41
GF Expenses:	\$ 16,357.33
YTD Net	\$ 4,607.08
Prev. Yr. Bal. Fwd.	\$ 55,382.16
GF Cash/Hand	\$ 59,989.24

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Deadline for submitting information for the next edition of "The Light" is April **25th**