Carrollton Baptist Association

From Your Associational Missionary

I always like to share devotionals that catch my attention. This one from Experiencing God Day By Day by Henry and Richard Blackaby on July 5th spoke to me.

Choose To Rejoice

But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.

"Your joy as a Christian should not depend on your circumstances. Joy comes from God, and therefore it cannot be affected by what is outside of you. Don't be fooled into letting the actions of others determine your joy. True joy comes from knowing that God Himself lives within you and has fellowship with you, regardless of your environment. Real joy lies in the knowledge that holy God has completely forgiven you of every sin, and even now, He has a home prepared in heaven where you can spend eternity with Him (John 14:3). The circumstances of your life cannot



change these truths!

Paul and Silas faced some of the most difficult circumstances imaginable. They were falsely accused, arrested, and imprisoned. They were beaten and shackled in the darkest, coldest section of the prison. But they refused to allow their horrific situation to dampen their joy! They did not blame God for allowing these things to happen to them. Instead, they praised Him for His goodness! In the darkness of the night, they prayed and they sang. God brought a miracle that released them from their chains, but perhaps the greater miracle was that His Holy Spirit could so fill them that even in their painful imprisonment they could overflow with Joy!

Do not allow difficult events to cancel the joy of knowing you are a child of God. Choose to allow God's Spirit to fill you with His unquenchable joy, and your life will be a miracle to those who watch you face the trials that come.

Think you again for your incredible response to our VBS Mission Project of translating the Gospel of John into a Manding Cluster language for the first time. Although we have not received all the money from our churches we know from your reports that every verse in the 21 chapters of John have been adopted! To God be the Glory! With these funds the translation project can begin and hopefully by our Annual Meeting in 2019 we will have copies of the Gospel of John for each church. Thank you for helping make this happen.

Also, thank you for all the items you brought for the Load the Truck collection for the GA Baptist Children's Home. I believe they will have enough aluminum foil, dryer sheets, bleach, gallon storage bags, and dishwashing liquid for several months –even possibly a year. They even received several gift cards and money. Thanks for your response!

Christmas Backpacks

The backpacks are in! If you haven't reserved your backpacks, do so as soon as possible. The cost this year is \$3.20 each. Fill them with toys, food, clothing, etc., and bring them with you to our annual meeting at Mt. Pleasant on October 21. This is the only Christmas present most of these children will receive, so fill them as you would for your own child, or grandchild. What a wonderful mission opportunity for your mission groups, Sunday School classes, or the entire church!

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NEWS FROM CHURCHES...

Beulah: called Keith Horsley as Pastor

Mars Hill: Rev. Mike Jiles, Worship Leader, resigned.

<u>Rocky Mount:</u> is looking for a part-time Youth Minister. If interested or for more information, contact Dale Driver at 770-617-3882

<u>Roopville Road:</u> recognized Dr. Stephen Peeples, Pastor, for his 20 faithful years of ministry on July 15th.

Also, they celebrated their 40th year anniversary on July 22nd with Dr. Jerry Vines, preaching.

FBC, Villa Rica: Rev. Jon Price, Minister of Discipleship, resigned.

Note to Pastors...

The weekly Ministers' Luncheons will resume August 8th. We will have a luncheon every Wednesday in August at 11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria. Note: Please have all announcements for the September Newsletter into the CBA office by August 15th

Student Evangelism Sunday

August 12th

Social Issues Sunday August 5th

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

I hope everyone is having a great end to their summer! The leaves will be changing and the weather will be cooling off! This is both an exciting time of the year and also a sad time of the year! It is an exciting time because for students it is the beginning of the school year and everything is new. We will have close to two thousand new students descending on our campus soon. They are nervous and excited! As a parent, it is a sad time of the year because when school starts back I know that I won't be able to see my kids as much as I have during the summer. Many parents are sending their kids off to college, a great adventure, which for the first time in their children's lives they won't be able to participate in (except for financially and emotionally). Often times parents struggle with their kids going off to college more than the kids do. Please pray for all of this activity and all of the mixed emotions of excitement, sadness, home sickness, and all of the adjustments for both parents and students! Please pray that the students would make good choices and find their way to a solid ministry! God Bless! Bill

Load The Truck

A big "Thank You" to each church in our association who participated in this wonderful mission project for the Georgia Baptist Children's Home!!! It was a great success!



August Meeting Schedule..... 8/02 **Community Team** Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A **Mission Development** 8/06 Team Meeting-8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A 8/08 Administrative Team Meeting—At American Pie Pizzeria following the Ministers' Luncheon 8/09 Leadership Development Team Meeting-Noon at the CBA

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Thank You!!

Thank you to all the churches who have supported the CBA financially since September 1st, 2017, the beginning of our financial year....

Antioch, Bethesda, Beulah, Bowdon, Calvary, FBC Carrollton, First Centralhatchee, Christ The King, Concord, Consolation, Ephesus, Flat Rock, Fullerville, Glenloch, Harmony, Indian Creek, Kansas, Mars Hill, Midway Macedonia, Midway West, Mountain View, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant View, Providence, Rocky Mount, Roopville Road, Salem, Shady Grove, Son Rise, Tabernacle, Temple First, Trinity, Tyus, Unity, Veal, FBC, Villa Rica, and Whitesburg.

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From the WMU

Honoring a Missions Hero

The WMU Foundation in Birmingham is offering a way to support WMU and honor someone that has meant a lot to you and made a difference as a missions leader in your life. National WMU's Walk of Faith is a brand-new honor/ memorial garden recognizing past and present missions heroes. Purchasing a brick in honor or memory of a missions hero allows 100% of your money to go to the Wanda Lee Joy Fund to meet WMU's operational needs. To read some of the Walk of Faith stories, to purchase a brick online or by mail, or to get more information go to www.wmufoundation.com/walkof faith. The July Mission Mosaic

also had a personal story on page 46

you may like to read.

WMU Foundation—The WMU Foundation was started in 1995. They support those who are taking the Gospel to the nations through a variety of funds and endowments. They also provide scholarships to Baptist missionary kids and those who are pursuing mission work both in the U.S. and around the world. You might have seen some wonderful information in the center of the June Mission Mosaic magazine.

Reminders—I hope your church has planned to prayerwalk a school in your community. You may also want to partner with that school to offer school supplies or offer them other assistance they may need. I mentioned Christmas in August in the July newsletter. If you missed it go back and look or find information at <u>www.carrolltonwmu.com</u>. It's a great way to help North American missionaries.

Our state WMU will participate in GOGeorgia by leading a variety of sessions at Mabel White Baptist Church in Macon on August 17 and 18. If your church has a group going you may consider attending too and going to some of the sessions offered by WMU. Check out gogeorgia.net and click on Sessions at the top and then click on WMU and Women's Ministry.

Thanks for all you do, Keri Perkins

PrayerWalking Schools Saturday, August 4th

GoGeorgia Sunday School Training

August 17-18 Mabel White Baptist Church, Macon

145th Annual Meeting of the Carrollton Baptist Association

October 21st at 6:00 p.m. Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church

Join us as we celebrate what God has done in and through our Association. Bring your filled "Christmas Backpacks" for Appalachia. What a wonderful sight to see hundreds of backpacks being brought to the meeting and praying for those who will receive them.

VBS Mission Project 2018

Our 2018 VBS Project to translate the Book of John into the language of the Manding Cluster, an unreached people group in the Ivory Coast, was an unbelievable success! We surpassed our goal of \$21,975.00 that was needed to translate the entire book of John.

Thank you to everyone who participated!

On Mission...

Midway	August 18-25	Anch
Mt. Pleasant	August 19-25	Ugan
FBC, Villa Rica	Sept. 7-14	Los A
Association	Oct. 22	Roger
Midway	Oct. 25-Nov. 4	Lijian
Midway	Oct. 25-Nov. 4	Casab
FBC, Villa Rica	Oct 27-Nov. 3	Guate
Midway	October 28-Nov.5	Pragu

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Thursday:

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Closed on Fridays

Rev. Tony McManus: Moderator Rev. Mike Harris: Vice Moderator Rev. Dan Dockery: Associational Missionary Mrs. Teresa Britt: Ministry Assistant

8:00 a.m.-Noon

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August



30-August 5 Pray for SonRise, Rev. Paul Widener, Pastor

- 2 Community Ministries Team Meeting—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 4 PrayerWalk Schools
- 5 Social Issues Sunday

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- 6 **Missions Development Team Meeting**—8:15 a.m. at Chick-fil-A
- 6-12 **Pray for Tabernacle, Dr. Stephen Allen, Pastor**
- 8 Ministers' Luncheon—11:30 a.m. at American
 Pie Pizzeria
 Administrative Team Meeting—at American Pie

Pizzeria, following the Ministers Luncheon.

9 **Leadership Development Team Meeting**—Noon at the CBA. Bring your own lunch.

- 12 Student Evangelism Day
- 13-19 Pray for FBC Temple, Rev. Larry Boswell, Pastor
- 15 **Ministers' Luncheon**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria
- 17-18 **"Go Georgia" Sunday School Training Conference:** Mabel White Baptist Church, Macon
- 20-26 Pray for Trinity, Rev Jay Sutton, Pastor
- 22 **Ministers' Conference**—11:30 a.m. at American Pie Pizzeria
- 27-Sept. 2 Pray for Unity, Rev. Randy King, Pastor