

“What’s Happening?”

The Newsletter of Southeast Baptist Association

“Southeast Baptist Association exists to glorify God by partnering with local churches to serve the Kingdom of God.”

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**Let us remember daily
to say thank you to our
Great and Awesome God for
the freedoms He allows us.**

And let us never forget :

FREEDOM ISN’ T FREE!



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July 2010

- 1 Pastor's Prayer Meeting for Revival and Spiritual Awakening
8:30 AM Association Office
- 4 Independence Day
- 5 Independence Day Holiday
Association Office closed
- 5-9 World Changers in Brunswick
- 27 Mission: Dignity Sunday

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Church News

First Baptist Woodbine - Pastor Leslie Whitney has resigned effective the end of July.

Pine Haven recently held an Ordination Service to ordain Joe Williamson. into the Gospel Ministry.

Jekvll Chapel - Pastor Jim Crandall is resting at home after being released from the hospital following surgery.

New Day - Pray for Pastor Randy Lamb. He has been diagnosed with Stage 4 liver failure. He is being evaluated by Mayo Clinic for a possible liver and kidney transplant. Whether or not the transplant will be covered by his medical insurance is uncertain. Deductibles, transportation and other related medical expenses not covered by insurance are already mounting and will grow even more rapidly when the transplant occurs. New Day has set up a fund to receive donations to assist with "Medicinal Expenses". Churches and individuals who wish to donate should make checks (clearly designated for "Medical Expenses") payable to New Day Christian Fellowship. Mail donations to :
New Day Christian Fellowship
5420 New Jesup Hwy #195
Brunswick GA 31521.
For more information contact Buford Rowe, Treasurer at 912-242-6486

New Hope Family has relocated their worship services to 3696 Community Road. Their first service in the new location will be July 4. All other contact information remains the same.

Topic: "Enlisting and Training Leaders" Join us for a Webinar on July 22, 2010

Description: Enlisting and training Sunday School leaders is vital for a healthy and growing Sunday School ministry. This short seminar will cover the "do's" and "don'ts" of enlisting Sunday School leaders and how to insure a great start to the new Sunday School year. Also covered will be helpful information on training Sunday School leaders. Andy Anderson is noted for saying, "An untrained soldier is nothing more than a target for the enemy." Every winning team needs to meet to practice, prepare, and strategize.

Leader: Keith Stewart - Sunday School & Open Group Consultant

Title: "Enlisting and Training Leaders"

Date: Thursday, July 22, 2010

Time: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM EDT

Space is limited !

Reserve your Webinar seat now at:

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/764235297>

After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the Webinar.

System Requirements:

PC-based attendees

Required: Windows® 7, Vista, XP, 2003 Server or 2000

Macintosh®-based attendees

Required: Mac OS® X 10.4.11 (Tiger®) or newer

**Sunday School & Open Group Ministries
Georgia Baptist Convention**

**MIGHTY MEN OF GOD
STATEWIDE MEN'S CONFERENCE
FOR MEN 12 TO 112 - SOMETHING FOR ALL AGE GROUPS
Saturday, August 14 - Doors open at 8:00 AM
Maynard Baptist Church, Forsyth GA
Registration Deadline: August 2nd
register online: mens.gabapitst.org
or by phone at 1-866-444-8963**

**Pray for our
Churches in
need of a Pastor**

**First, Brunswick
First, Harriett's Bluff
First, Woodbine
New Hope Family
Southside, Brunswick
Tabernacle**

Revival and Spiritual Awakening

A Workshop for Pastors

Led by Claude V. King

Co-author with Henry Blackaby of: Experiencing God
and Fresh Encounter

Author of: Come to the Lord's Table

Southeast Baptist Association - Conference Center

2220 Perry Lane Road - Brunswick, GA 31520

September 14, 2010 9 AM - 5 PM

Cost \$10 for lunch and snacks.

You can pay at the door but **pre-registration is required.**
To register call: (912) 264-6277 or toll free (877)-928-9200
or email info@southeastbaptistassociation.com



Someone has said if Christians really understood the full extent of the power we have available through prayer, we might be speechless.

Did you know that during WWII there was an advisor to Churchill who organized a group of people who dropped what they were doing **EVERY DAY**, at a prescribed hour, **FOR ONE MINUTE** to collectively pray for the safety of England, its people and peace?

There is a group of people organizing the same thing right now, right here in America. If you want to participate all you need to do is: **EVERY** evening at 9:00 PM Eastern Time (8:00 PM Central) (7:00 PM Mountain) (6:00 PM Pacific) stop where you are and stop what you are doing and spend **ONE MINUTE** in prayer. Pray for the safety of the United States, our troops, our citizens and for a return to a Godly nation.

Our prayers are the most powerful asset we have. If you know anyone who would be willing and able to participate, please pass this on.

2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Sunday School Training Workshop

First Baptist Church of Brunswick

September 11, 2010

Time: 8:30 Am - 12 Noon

Cost: \$5 Per Person

Register Online : ssog.gabaptist.org

CHURCH FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE RETREAT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Friday and Saturday - October 8-9, 2010 - Toccoa Conference Center

To register call the Conference Center at 1-706-886-3133 OR

Register online <http://www.churchfinancialservices.org>

Checks, MasterCard and Visa are accepted.

Double occupancy : \$85

Single occupancy : \$110

Commuter : \$65

Registration deadline is September 17, 2010.

No refunds will be issued after that date.

Registration fee covers: four meals, snacks, teaching materials, handouts, and CD's. Registration limited to 150 individuals.

"What's Happening?" is the newsletter of **Southeast Baptist Association.**

If you would like to receive **"What's Happening?"** in your inbox email your name and email address to info@southeastbaptistassociation.com

NO EMAIL address? Send your name and address to:

Southeast Baptist Association - 2220 Perry Lane Road - Brunswick, GA 31525
to have a copy of **"What's Happening?"** mailed to you.

Words from John

Spring 1950: I was saved at nine. Matthew 28:19-20 and Acts 1:8 were among the many verses I had learned in Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and Royal Ambassadors. I knew we were supposed to witness to others. But I had never thought that being a witness, much less being a missionary applied to me, except in terms of giving. Then during the 1950 Spring Revival in Central Baptist Church, Americus, GA I began to feel an unusual stirring in my soul. Dr. Findley B. Edge, a professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, was the revival preacher. Not only did God use his preaching to convict me of my “worldly” ways but I began to sense that God was calling me to serve Him in some special way. On Wednesday of the revival week, our pastor, Rev. M. C. Gardner, Sr., approached me with an unexpected request. One of my friends, Glenn, had begun to attend our church. Brother Gardner told me that Glenn was lost and asked me if I would talk to him about how he could know Jesus and be saved. I was on the spot. I was very reluctant to do what he asked but I could not say no to my pastor. So I said, “I’ll try.” Frightened out of my wits and not knowing what to say I talked to Glenn. He did not make much response and I was sure I had bungled that assignment. Then to my surprise Glenn walked the aisle Thursday night to trust Jesus as his Savior. I am certain my witness was just a very small part of the many things God used to draw Glenn to salvation in Christ. Nonetheless it was thrilling to think God had used me as part of His plan. Through that Spring I thought often of God’s plan for my life and wondered, “Could God be calling me to serve Him?” I did not talk to the pastor for fear that he would talk me into being a preacher. I did not talk to my parents afraid that they would be disappointed that I was considering a vocation other than being a veterinarian like Daddy. I thought maybe God wants me to be a foreign missionary. To a seventeen year old that sounded glamorous and exciting. So I devised a scheme, I would become a veterinarian, go to Africa and tell people about Jesus while I treated their livestock. Even then I knew that was my dream not God’s plan.

Summer 1950 When my freshman year in college ended, I was still a long way from practicing veterinary medicine but I felt I was making progress. Although I thought about it occasionally I was trying hard to put the idea that God might be calling me on the back burner. I had not found a summer job because my family was moving from Americus back to Cairo where we had lived previously. Just after noon, one Monday in July, the Associational Woman’s Missionary Union Director came to our new home to visit Mother. Somehow their conversation got around to the Associational Royal Ambassador Camp that was starting that day and still needed counselors. I never knew who suggested what, but Mother called me into the room and Mrs. Roddenberry asked me if I would serve as a counselor for nine to twelve year olds at the Associational Royal Ambassador Camp. I agreed and by supertime I was at the old Turkey Creek School and had been assigned a group of nine year olds to lead for the week. I had the privilege of leading one of the boys in my “Chapter” to Christ but it seemed God was working on me more than the boys. During the Thursday evening campfire service I came forward to accept God’s gracious invitation to serve Jesus in vocational ministry.

Summer 2010 It has been a wonderful sixty years. The years have been filled with: the elation of learning God’s Word, the joy of growing in discipleship, the excitement of telling others about Jesus, the high privilege of seeing lives transformed by the Gospel, the honor of serving Jesus by ministering to others, the exhilaration of preaching, the delight of partnering with God’s churches, and the pleasure of ministry shared with a loving wife and supportive family. Southeast Georgia may not be as exotic as the African jungles but God did let me be a missionary! God’s call is as bright, clear, and strong today as it was in 1950. Thank you Lord Jesus for your blessings on me.

John

Keep Praying for GIM summer missions:

1. The summer missionaries are visiting our SBA churches on Sunday mornings and Wednesday night worship services.

Our 2010 Golden Isles Summer Ministry Staff



Peter Copeland
Columbia
South Carolina



Dustin Weaver
Lincolnton
North Carolina



Jennifer Hula
Conyers
Georgia



Joy McCord
Stockbridge
Georgia



Conner Ryan
Myrtle Beach
South Carolina



Brittany Hailey
Woodstock
Georgia

14 mission groups, 5 missionaries, House-Parents Bernie and Patricia Fonner

2. We have had **EIGHTEEN Churches** sign-up for World Changers and they will be serving 16 WC worksites!



3. We still need **7 Crew Chief** volunteers for World Changers contact Peter today if you are skilled in the area of construction.

4. The second and final order of mattresses has been made for our mission group bunk beds. The cost is just under \$1,000.00! Let me know if you would like to **donate money** to help offset the extra cost.



Golden Isles Ministries exists to glorify God by meeting needs through selfless service...

BAPTIST MINISTRY CENTER NEWS

- Special thanks to Angie W. from FBC Brunswick for giving her time and spiritual gift of teaching to the ladies on Tuesday mornings. Please continue to Pray that more women from the Norwich Street Corridor come out for the Tuesday Bible Study.
- ATTENTION: The Food Pantry is getting low. Baptist Ministry Center purchases food for distribution with donations from individuals and businesses, but we also count on our brothers and sisters in Christ to bring in non perishables. Let's get our Sunday School Classes together and STOCK THE SHELVES..

Snellville UMC Youth blessed the Norwich Street area with prayer, movies, snacks, and beautiful praise singing, we were honored to have them.



THRIFT STORE HAPPENINGS

WE NEED MENS CLOTHING.....

WE NEED FURNITURE.... Call for pickup

June, 2010

- *35 individuals provided with clothing*
- *149 families fed*

FRANK J. BUSBEY - PASTORAL COUNSELOR

Frank J. Busbey is serving on the associational staff as Pastoral Counselor. He is a licensed Professional Counselor, a Board Eligible National Certified Counselor and a member of the American Association of Christian Counselors. Mr. Busbey holds a Master of Arts in Professional Counseling from Richmond Graduate University where he specialized in Spirituality and Counseling. He has also received a Masters of Arts in Religion (*Magna cum Laude*) from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and a Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies from Luther Rice University. He has served as counselor for individuals, couples and families in both secular and Christian settings and has previously served as pastor of Baptist Churches in Ohio.

To schedule an appointment please call the association office at 1-912/264-6277 or toll free outside Glynn county 1-877/928-9200. Mr. Busbey will see those in need of his services in the association office, 2220 Perry Lane Road, Brunswick, GA and in First Baptist Church of St. Marys, Camden County. Appointments for 50 minute sessions at the rate of \$35.00 an hour are available to the community. A sliding scale is available for persons who cannot afford a session. No one will be turned away due to lack of funds.



Several of you have asked about the Buckets of Hope, and I apologize for not getting this out to you earlier. I have gotten some pictures to share with you. Terry Ryan from Florida shares the following piece of information: "We have been able to open several containers and distribute the Buckets. It is still slow going due to customs / Shipper issues but Buckets are moving." Please keep praying for the Lord to open the doors for these buckets to get to those who desperately need them.



a 2010 wednesday
night worship event
for students

JUNE THIRTY

JULY FOURTEEN

JULY TWENTY EIGHT



BEAT
THE
HEAT

Open to all SBA churches and CIM mission