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**2014 MONTGOMERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL CELEBRATION**

WHEN: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2014

WHERE: HAMER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

4830 NC Hwy 109S, Mt Gilead

TIME: 6:30PM

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!

From Hal's Heart

Missions Breathes New Life into Churches

A great local church lives out the Great Command (love God and people) and the Great Commission (go, make disciples, baptize, teach). The essence of being and doing church is expressed in these two "greats".

A church without great love cannot worship, fellowship, or represent Jesus to their community (John 13:45-35). A church without a great mission exists for itself and will implode or explode and then wither away. Great local churches embrace the Gospel, go with it, and build upon it. Missions draws us out of ourselves and into God's activity, giving life to our profession of faith.

The 2015 Acts 1:8 Celebration is designed strengthen our churches' resolve in fulfilling the Great Commission. Engaging in local missions (Stanly) requires that we pray and pay attention to the opportunities around us. Local missions is strengthened as we cooperate together, learn from one another, and combine our forces and resources - for we are not competitors but laborers together with God. Engaging in missions regionally, nationally, and globally means we join with other local churches through mission agencies in order to learn of mission needs/activities, pray fervently, give obediently, and serve faithfully.

Having RLM's (real live missionaries) will close the gap of knowing and responding to today's mission challenges. Getting to know to RLMs will breathe a new life into seeing the world through God's eyes and responding to God's invitation to be on mission with Him from here to the ends of the earth.

I encourage all churches to participate in this opportunity, in conjunction with our 2015 SBA Annual meeting. Each participating church will have an international, national, and regional missionary to speak on Sunday morning, Sunday evening, and Wednesday evening of that week. However, your church needs to make arrangements in order to participate. Detailed information is available at your associational office.

In grateful service,

Hal



Remember to complete your 2014 ACP & return it to the MBA office as soon as possible. I need all information prior to the annual meeting in October. Thanks.

We would like to thank Doug Martin for donating a refrigerator to our food pantry. Also thanks to Jerry Hunsucker and to the Liberty Hill men for going to pick it up and delivering it to the food pantry. Praise the Lord!

The deadline for October's newsletter articles will be September 26th. I will be glad to post your church event information to share with others. Just send the information to my email @ secretary@mbanc.org or call (910) 572-2451.

DATES TO REMEMBER

BIBLE ASSOC. 7pm Tues, Sept 2 @ Troy Library.

CANDOR BAPTIST: Revival every Sunday evening in September. 7:00 pm.

TROY FIRST: Saturday, Oct. 4th Annual Chili Cook-off & Auction. Starts at 5:30pm.

CALVARY: Saturday October 11th Annual WMU yard sale. 7am to Noon.

HAMER CREEK: Tuesday, Oct. 28th @ 6:30pm. MBA Annual Celebration.

LAUREL HILL: Sept 28th 10:00am. Founder's Day Celebration

GOSPEL SING-Nov. 8th @ Garner Center in Troy.

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCHES

Week 1: NEW HOPE-REV. GENE DAVIS

Week 2: PLEASANT GROVE-REV. GARY RUTHERFORD

Week 3: STAR FIRST-REV. RALPH SMITH

Week 4: STONEY FORK-REV. TERRY BURRIS

Let's be lifting these churches, their pastors, and congregations in prayer

Please remember to continue to pray for the congregation of **BISCOE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.** They suffered a terrible fire on July 21st with extensive damage to their sanctuary.

MONTGOMERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PASTOR'S FELLOWSHIP

DATE: Thursday September 4th
PLACE: Granny B's
TIME: 10:00 AM
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS

9/1/14 TROY FIRST
9/8/14 WHITE CREST
9/15/14 CALVARY
9/22/14 CANDOR
9/29/14 FORKS OF LITTLE RIVER
10/6/14 HOLLY MOUNT

NC CAMPERS ON MISSION

The fall Campers on Mission (COM) rally will be held Sept. 11-14 at Denton Farm Park in Denton. COM is a fellowship of Christian campers who enjoy getting together at rallies for worship, fun, food & fellowship. The main purpose of COM is to share the love of Jesus by work & deed while serving on mission projects such as construction projects, fairs, festivals etc. Come to the rally where mission reports are given & plans are made for future projects.

STEWARDSHIP	
AS OF AUGUST 22nd	
<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>YTD</u>
BETHEL	7,470.00
BLACKWOOD CHAPEL	3,000.00
CALVARY	3,000.00
CANDOR	4,970.36
CORNERSTONE	2,200.00
DOVER	898.37
EXWAY	1,662.82
FORKS OF LITTLE RIVER	1,100.00
GRACE MEMORIAL	961.07
HAMER CREEK	4,463.74
HOLLY MOUNT	1,500.00
LAUREL HILL	550.00
LIBERTY HILL	2,328.00
MT. CARMEL	12,975.15
NEW HOPE	900.00
PLEASANT GROVE	1,141.43
STAR FIRST	600.00
STONEY FORK	303.14
TABERNACLE	1,642.00
TROY	15,548.03
WADEVILLE	600.00
WESTBROOK	500.00
WHITE CREST	657.81
THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP	

Harvest America is an annual live nationwide event, streamed to thousands of host locations across the country—including churches, theaters, and living rooms. This year it will be **Sunday October 5, 6 PM CT (7 PM ET)** live stream from Dallas, Texas. Featuring top Christian artists and a clear gospel message by Evangelist Greg Laurie, the goal of **Harvest America** is to impact a nation desperately in need of hope. This year's Worship leaders include: MerceyMe & Phil Whickham. We are calling for churches in NC area to participate in this event. A number of Baptist Churches have participated last year, and Pastor Greg has addressed several Baptist Conferences on **Harvest America**. **Harvest America** was a sponsor at the recent Baptist Convention in Baltimore. Our vision is to partner with churches and individuals throughout the nation to create settings where communities can join together and invite their friends and relatives to comfortably come and hear a clear and precise presentation of the gospel, respond to its message, and be given direction and materials to assist in their new faith. **Who can host?** Churches, multiple churches partnered together in your area, small groups, youth groups, individuals, couples or families. **Why should I register to host?** It's free, & you'll be reaching your community with the Gospel. **When is Harvest America?** This year's event is on Sunday, Oct. 5th. The live simulcast from Dallas will begin at 7pm ET. **What do I need?** A screen (projector, TV, etc.) & either a computer w/internet access or a free to air satellite receiver. **Where will I host & who will attend?** A church or other public venue. **Will I have help?** Yes! We'll provide free tech support by phone, email & chat-as well as resources & training through the online planner. **Please visit the Harvest America website to learn how you can get your church involve. Click "become a host" to register.**

THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BIBLE ASSOCIATION is having it's first annual **Gospel Sing** at the Garner Center in Troy on Saturday November 8th, time TBA. This is a fundraiser to help pay our Bible History teacher to teach Bible History in our two high schools. We have had good support from some of our churches in Montgomery County for the last three school years, but some of the churches have not participated. This is a good time to get involved and learn more about God's work in Montgomery County. If your choir or any individual would like to sing at this event or help in any way at the event, please attend our next **Bible Association** meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 2, at 7:00pm at the library in Troy and help us make our plans. If we have not been to your church to share the history of the Montgomery County Bible Association, please contact us at 910-572-7907.

The Bible Association meeting is at 7:00 PM Tuesday Sept. 2nd at the library in Troy.

CHURCH NEWS

HAMER CREEK BAPTIST has called a new pastor, **Rev. Steven Cline**. Rev. Cline & his wife Crystal have three children: Hailey, Kaden & Kaleb and they will be living in the parsonage at 4431 NC Hwy 109S, Mt. Gilead. Rev. Cline grew up in Concord, NC & spent 4 years in the Marine Corps. He gave his heart to Jesus in 2001 & God called him to preach the same year. He obtained his BA in theology and has served as associate pastor, youth pastor, and senior pastor over the last 13 years. We would like to welcome the Cline family to Montgomery County and MBA.

CALVARY BAPTIST WMU will hold their annual yard sale on Saturday, Oct. 11th from 7am until noon at the Mt. Gilead Fire Department. Proceeds from this goes to support a variety of mission projects.

TROY FIRST BAPTIST will hold their **Operation Christmas Child Chili Cook-Off & Auction** on Saturday, October 4th beginning at 5:30pm. Donations for the auction are appreciated so please contact the church office at (910)576-5286.

CANDOR BAPTIST will be holding revival services every **Sunday evening in September** beginning September 7th at 7:00 pm.

LAUREL HILL BAPTIST wants to invite every to their Founder's Day Celebration on Sunday, Sept. 28th. They are celebrating 165 years together as a church family. Beginning with a day of worship in old sanctuary @10am. Please join them for singing and preaching & covered dish lunch immediately following worship. Come worship with them & bring your favorite dish to share. All members past & present. If you would like for them to send a Founder's Day invitation to someone on church letterhead, please contact them with the address.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST had 17 people be baptized on Sunday August 17. **PRAISE THE LORD!!!!**

WHITE CREST enjoyed the preaching of Pastor George Bradshaw (who was at WC several years ago) during their revival services. They enjoyed seeing former members who returned for Homecoming. Sisters-in-Christ meet Thursday, Sept. 11th @ 7pm. Youth , Impact, meet on Wed. @ 7pm.

Prayer Requests from the Management Team

Please be praying for your associational leaders as they prepare a Missionary Search Team to present at the annual meeting in October. Bylaws call for the "Personnel Committee" to serve in this role, but there is no such thing under the current bylaws and structure. Therefore, we also are working toward presenting a new set of Bylaws at the annual meeting. We seek to do all things in order and with transparency in order to move forward with unity and effectiveness.

Thank you!

PRAYER LIST

REV. BOB ANDERSON
REV. BILLY ROY
SHIRLEY HALL
TODD REESE
JAMIE HALL
GARY LAMAR
PHYLLIS LAMBERT
RUBY & KEN CREASON
MARY JON MONROE
MARSHALL NALL
REV. BUTCH FARRAH



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

4th Rev. Ben Hall
10th Katie Morris
18th Dianne Dennis
18th Charlona Harper
19th Helen Williams
26th Rev. Danny VunCannon
28th Rev. Gary McNeill (In Memory)

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

1st Rev. Grady & Linda Blakley
13th Rev. Robert & Shelley Wallace

**WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH A VERY
HAPPY BIRTHDAY &
ANNIVERSARY TO THESE
SPECIAL FOLKS!**



Catch the camp spirit! Girls at Camp Duncanas tour guides showing you the forest campsites where they live and construct their shelters. Testimonies, songs and a meal round-out this special day. more information or to register, please contact Alan Williams at 1.800.476.3669 ext. 1277 or email him at awilliams@bchfamily.org.

~ Featuring ~
JONATHAN EVANS
Chaplain of the Dallas Cowboys,
former NFL fullback and
son of Dr. Tony Evans.

October 18 / 12:30 - 6 p.m.
Mills Home 204 Idol St. / Thomasville, NC 27360

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