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BAPTIST NEWS

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Quarterly Fellowship Lunch & Senior Adult One Day Revival

Thursday, November 14, 12:00 PM

Maynard Baptist Church
1195 Juliette Rd, Forsyth, GA 31029

Special Guest Speaker

Dr. J Robert White

President and CEO Georgia Baptist Health Ministry Foundation
&
Former Executive Director of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board

Maynard will cater our meal so there is no need to bring a covered dish. There will be a basket set out for donations.

Please make plans to bring your Senior Adults and friends to this event!

2019 Georgia Baptist Convention
Annual Meeting | Fayetteville
November 10 – November 12



Saturday, November 16

SERVE

A leadership workshop for
Pastors • Staff • Deacons • Spouses

sponsored by
Centennial Baptist Association

Hosted by
Fellowship Baptist Church
1165 Hannah's Mill Rd
Thomaston, GA 30286

Doors open at 8:30 AM

Lunch provided

Each church should register with the
associational office by Nov 8th.

Deacon Track:

- Biblical Foundations of Deacon Ministry
- Common Roadblocks to Effective Deacon Ministry

Spouse's Track:

- Our Role as Biblical Helpers
- Guarding Your Ministry



FAITHFOUNDRY

Larry Thompson, Retired Pastor FBC Fort Lauderdale, and his wife Cynthia will be facilitating the tracks during *SERVE*. Larry is the Executive Director of FaithFoundry which is a nonprofit that focuses on young pastors, global partnerships, and marriage retreats. Chuck Johnson, retired IMB and a member of FBC Thomaston, recommended the Thompsons because of his exposure to their philosophy on deacon ministry.

Rev. Steve Laughman- Associational Mission Strategist
Rev. Bill Barber- Moderator
Rev. Joey Smith- Vice Moderator

Mrs. Marni Laughman- Ministry Assistant
Mrs. Gail West- Treasurer

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What an incredible Fall Meeting! If you were able to attend, you know how special this night was. If you were unable to be there, you missed seeing a packed house at The Rock Church, experiencing great fellowship and worship, and exploring the new Outreach Trailer, now dubbed "The Traveler." Jeff Gongwer, one of our newest GBMB consultants, commented that he had been to several associational meetings recently, but we were the only ones with a bounce house. We definitely like to do everything with excellence here at the Centennial Association. By the way, it is not too early to request the Traveler for your spring outreach events or Vacation Bible School.

In addition to the annual meeting of the Georgia Baptist Convention, November will include two major events for the Centennial Association. You can read more about each of these in the pages of this newsletter, but I just wanted to mention them here.

The Quarterly Fellowship Lunch in November will be a One Day Senior Adult Revival. Maynard is hosting this event on Thursday, November 14 at noon. We will eat first and then have a time of worship and preaching. Dr. Robert White will

preach the Word that day. He is a dear friend and a big supporter of the work we do here in the CBA. Bring your friends and get ready to experience a time of refreshing together.



A Word from your Mission Strategist, Steve Laughman

SERVE is a one-day workshop for church leaders. The focus will be on deacon ministry, so we ask that you plan to bring your entire church staff, your deacons, and their spouses. Larry and Cynthia Thompson will lead sessions to enhance the work that you are already doing. I know that Saturdays during hunting season and football season may be a difficult time to get your deacons and staff to commit, but I assure you that this will have a lasting impact on your church. Please let us know soon how many we can expect from your church.

As always, let me know how I can support the work of your church. God has given us the privilege of working together to reach this area of Georgia. Let us continue to press on, loving people, sharing the Good News, and making disciples.

UPSON-PIKE ROUNDTABLE
NOV 7.10 AM
GATHERING GROUNDS

WHERE
IRON
SHARPENS
IRON

VIRTUAL ROUNDTABLE
DEC 5.8 PM
FROM THE GOTOMEETING APP OR
WEBSITE, ENTER MEETING CODE 354-
531-245. OR YOU CAN DIAL IN FROM
A PHONE BY CALLING
(669) 224-3412.

MONROE-LAMAR
ROUNDTABLE
DEC 10.2 PM
NEW PROVIDENCE BC

PASTORS'
ROUNDTABLE

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CONNECTING YOU TO RESOURCES.

MENTORING YOUNG LEADERS



Larry Thompson

MINISTERS CONNECTION

Garden Patch, Barnesville
November 18 at Noon

CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS

FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS



small gift.
BIG IMPACT.

OUR GOAL:

~~450~~
452

Centennial churches, you exceeded our goal. Steve and I were able to deliver 452 backpacks to Bethel Association on October 23rd. We got a chance to talk with Lee & Katie Wright and the youth of Faith Baptist Church as we unloaded the UHaul. They were very excited about the upcoming distribution day planned for the beginning of December. Thank you to everyone that filled a backpack. Continue to pray that the lost are saved through this ministry.

The Outreach TRAVELER is fully stocked.

www.centennialbaptistassociation.com/outreachtrailer

MINISTER AND WIVES

CHRISTMAS GATHERING

DEC 2. 6:30PM
Shiloh Lamar, Barnesville. 30204
Bring heavy hors d'oeuvres
to share.

FALL BLOCK PARTY

We accomplish more when
we cooperate together.

BOOK NOW!

Thankfulness...

It starts when we recognize our need for something. Here is one example: I am thankful for my shoes because without them my feet would be scarred from years of walking around. My shoes protect the soles of my feet from scraps and bruises that the act of walking would inflict. Therefore, I am thankful for my shoes. They serve as the barrier I need to protect the soles of my feet from harm. See? I recognize that I have a need and I'm thankful for the provision that meets that need.

Many families have a tradition at Thanksgiving when each member proclaims something they are thankful for. I want to challenge you to go another step. This year ask an open ended question to your people. "Why are you thankful for ____?" I pray that what happens as a result will serve as a special Thanksgiving memory for years to come. When we voice our need, our thankfulness grows.

We are all in great need of restoration. Praise God, He provided for our need through Christ!

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**PRAY.
GIVE.
GO.**

Income for September 2019

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Checking Interest	7.29	68.64
Antioch	676.77	6,512.44
Bethany	291.67	2,875.03
Beulah	0.00	1,512.00
Calvary	0.00	0.00
Clark's Chapel	100.00	900.00
Concord	100.00	900.00
Culloden	0.00	450.00
East Thomaston	346.99	2,986.07
Elkins Creek	0.00	0.00
Emory's Chapel	0.00	0.00
FBC Barnesville	1,247.68	17,044.65
FBC Forsyth	0.00	0.00
FBC Thomaston	808.99	8,025.93
Fellowship	50.00	1,471.31
Garden Hill	75.00	225.00
GracePoint	50.00	450.00
Hendricks	0.00	0.00
Jeff Davis	25.00	250.00
King's Chapel	0.00	0.00
Macedonia	150.00	1,050.00
Maynard	667.28	6,873.04
Meansville	250.00	2,250.00
Milner	385.83	4,234.98
Molena	0.00	0.00
Mount Olive	1,238.92	11,184.39
Mountain View	1,700.00	17,935.00
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	300.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	344.00
Neal	50.00	500.00
New Bethel	50.00	450.00
New Harmony	27.14	357.23
New Hope Thomaston	0.00	400.00
New Hope Zebulon	179.82	1,564.60
Pine View	0.00	0.00
Pritchett Memorial	0.00	220.93
Russellville	0.00	750.97
Shiloh Lamar	300.00	1,527.00
Shiloh Upson	50.00	450.00
Silvertown	0.00	0.00
The Rock	0.00	128.34
Trinity	300.00	2,700.00
Valley Grove	510.96	7,224.15
Yatesville	100.00	1,000.00
Total Church Receipts	9,732.05	105,047.06

Disbursements for September 2019

Administrative Expenses	1,589.54
Associational Programs	17.15
Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00
Organizational Expenses	881.14
Pastorium Maintenance	106.00
Salaries and Allowances	<u>7,069.25</u>
Total Budgeted Expenditures	9,663.08
Designated Accounts Expenses	1,953.32
Monthly Surplus/Shortfall	68.97

Opportunities & Church News

Maynard is seeking a PT Worship Leader. 15 hrs planning/prep per week. \$15K a year. Resumes may be submitted to matthewbishop@maynardbc.com

Molena is seeking volunteers to serve in Music and Youth ministries. Contact Pastor Terry Murphey at murpheytc1@bellsouth.net

Shiloh Upson is looking for a Bi-Vocational Minister of Music. All interested should send resumes to 2737 Highway 19N, Thomaston, GA 30286.

Trinity is in need of a Part-time Music Director & Part-time Children's Director. Send resumes to Trinity Baptist Church, 410 S Church ST, Thomaston. Or Call 706-647-4234.

FBC Thomaston is in need of volunteers to work in the House of Care Tues & Thurs 12:30-2 PM processing clothes. Please contact Susan Dasher at 706-648-8006 for more information.

Concord is seeking someone to oversee all aspects of music and worship. Contact Bob Hurd at 770-656-5447 or email bobhurd5@gmail.com.

High Falls Baptist Church is seeking a pianist for Sunday services. Compensation is negotiable. Contact 478-733-1955.

November 2019

5	Steering Committee	Milner	6:30 PM
7	Upson Pike Roundtable	Gathering Grounds	10:00 AM
11-12	Georgia Baptist Convention	New Hope Baptist Fayetteville, GA	
14	Quarterly Fellowship Lunch & Senior Adult Revival	Maynard	12 Noon
16	SERVE- Staff/Deacon/Wives Retreat	Fellowship, Hannahs Mill Rd	8:30 AM
24	Mission Team Meeting	TBA	12:30 PM

December 2019

1-8	Week of Prayer for International Missions	Southern Baptists	
2	Minister and Wives Gathering	Shiloh Lamar	6:30 PM
8	Virtual Pastor's Roundtable	gotomeeting app or website	8:00 PM
10	Monroe-Lamar Roundtable	New Providence	2-3:30 PM

Shepherd Stories

Paul and Jessica Caspers serve the people at Silvertown Baptist in Thomaston. They moved from Alabama 5 years ago as a family of four. I remember meeting them at McDonald's so that Peter and Jacqueline could play as we adults talked about ministry. Jessica and I became fast friends since we share similar convictions on childbirth and motherhood. Paul and Steve talked about what ministry might look like if they felt led to move to Thomaston. However impressed I was with the two of them paled in comparison to their only verbal child at that time. Peter, who was basically a toddler, was so well spoken and obviously gifted. I know now that Paul and Jessica are extremely intelligent and strive to equip their children to "study to show yourself approved". I could not help but reminisce about my own little family at that stage of life. Jacqueline and I have grown to be sweet friends that have shared tea parties and play dates. Charlie, now almost 3, and Lucas, not yet one, are the newest additions to the family. To watch this



family function as a cohesive unit makes me giggle. The kids scrap like normal children, and you will see others correcting them, but that is the beauty of their ministry. They are real and allow Silvertown to love them through the young stages of family life. The family cares deeply for one another and it is obvious! They love each other well. Paul certainly understands that his role as Pastor first starts with his personal relationship with the Lord which overflows to Jessica, and then to the children. The church reaps the benefits of this. Paul and Jessica are both educators and serve on various boards within Upson County. Paul has served on the Steering Committee for CBA and I know they are committed to this area. I have a rich love and respect for the Caspers. This family lives out what I believe to be true about our association... we accomplish more when we cooperate together. Pray for the Caspers as they strive to love the Lord and Silvertown well.

Marni Laughman
Your Associational Ministry Assistant