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"Encouraging and Equipping Pastors and People to do the Great Commandment and the Great Commission."

OUR 8 PRIORITIES:

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- 2) REACHING
- 3) DISCIPLING
- 4) Going
- 5) Caring
- 6) Growing
- 7) Training
- 8) GIVING

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TIM'S TOP 3



It's hard to believe but I've been your DOM for ONE YEAR! Time has gone by so fast. It's been a good year and we've made lots of progress, but I still feel like there's so much to do. The one thing I wish I could do better is my connection with all the pastors, staff and leaders in the FCBA churches. I'm still learning about the FCBA.

Let me remind you that our mission has not changed. The FCBA is about "encouraging and equipping pastors and people to do

the Great Commandment and the Great Commission". As we move forward we will continue to be a <u>praying</u>, <u>reaching</u>, <u>discipling</u>, <u>going</u>, <u>caring</u>, <u>growing</u>, <u>training</u> and <u>giving</u> association. As you read this newsletter you'll see many of these priorities reflected in what we do and seek to accomplish.

Here's my TOP 3 for the next 3 months...

- **#1.** The April 14th Ministers Monthly Meeting will provide all of our churches an opportunity to help some of the most needy in our state. In that gathering we will learn more about the ministry of the Georgia Baptist Children's Home. Our guest will be Rod Hampton and he'll be sharing about the "Load the Truck". You will begin promoting this on Mother's Day and you'll be collecting items through Father's Day. On Tuesday, June 21st the GBCH truck will be at the FCBA for you to bring your items and load the truck from 10 am to 12 pm. Make your plans to attend the April 14th MMM and please RSVP by April 11th, you can call 706-291-0904 or email fcbaoffice@gmail.com.
- **#2.** Our next Sunday School Directors Summit will be on Thursday April 21st at 6 pm. Our host for the evening is Friendship Baptist Church and they are located at 2293 Calhoun Road NE in Rome. This will be totally different from any of our previous gatherings. Every church will develop a customized plan for their Sunday School. Whether you need to REBOOT or RESTART your Sunday School, this meeting will help your church! Please see the information in this newsletter on what you need to know and bring with you for this meeting. We will be providing dinner for you and your Sunday School leaders so please RSVP by April 18th, you can call 706-291-0904 or email fcbaoffice@gmail.com.
- **#3.** The National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 5th and we need to pray for our nation and our world! The FCBA is a sponsor of the 28th Annual Rome Area Prayer Breakfast. I hope you'll join me and hundreds of other Christian leaders gathering for a great breakfast; but, most importantly we will gather for an intense time of prayer. The event will be held Thursday, May 5, 2022 at the Coosa Valley Fairgrounds Community Building. The prayer gathering will be 7:00 8:30am, but the doors will open at 6:30 am for seating and breakfast. For more information go to https://romeprayerbreakfast.org.

I love serving the Lord and I'm so blessed to be serving with you in Rome & Floyd County. I love you and please continue to pray for us!

MINISTRY MOMENTS

PASTORS/MINISTERS

Generally, on the second Thursday of every month we have a lunch meeting for all the pastors/ministers in the Floyd County Baptist Association. This gathering is open to all pastors/ministers (full-time, part-time, bi-vocational, senior pastors or ministerial staff); we even have a few retired pastors joining us. The only requirement is that you must RSVP so we can make adequate preparations for the lunch meal.

The purpose of our gathering is inspiration and information. We have a great time of fellowship, as well as encouragement! We really love gathering together!

- * Thursday, April 14th @ noon is our next Ministers Monthly Meeting. Please RSVP by noon on April 12th. You can do so by calling 706-291-0904 or by emailing fcbaoffice@gmail.com. We will have Rod Hampton from the Georgia Baptist Children's Home with us to get us ready for our TRUCK LOADING beginning on Mother's Day and running through Father's Day. You will collect items at your church and then on Tuesday, June 21st from 10 am until 12 pm the truck will be at the FCBA for you to load. Please be at the April 14th meeting to learn more about the ministry of the Georgia Baptist Children's Home (www.georgiachildren.org)
- * Thursday, May 12th @ noon is the date for our May Ministers Monthly Meeting. Our guest for that day will be Steve Aydelott. The topic of the meeting will be "Church Buildings: Issues in Construction and Maintenance". Steve is the president/CEO of SOA Church Architecture and Construction. Steve has helped hundreds of churches all over the United States and he will have insights that will help you. To learn more about Steve, visit the website (www.soaconstruction.net/home)
- * Thursday, May 12th @ 6:30 pm is the date for our Quarterly Pastors Update. Many of our pastors/ministers can't make it to a lunch gathering, so once a quarter we do a gathering at 6:30 pm. We will meet together, pray and talk about what's happening in the FCBA and their church.
- * <u>Thursday, June 9th at noon</u> will be our June Ministers Monthly Meeting and it will be "Tailgate with Tim". There is no program planned but we will meet at the FCBA and grill some hamburgers and hotdogs and fellowship together. It will be a good time just to get together!

Please make plans to join us for these important gatherings!

CHILDREN'S MINISTERS

Last time we got together we talked about an event Georgia Baptist Kids team was putting together for churches doing Lifeway's Spark Studios Vacation Bible School this summer. It was a chilly Saturday morning, but it did not stop churches from across Floyd County and Northwest Georgia from gathering, learning, and preparing for this summer. Our very own Tim Smith was showing off his dance moves as the Music breakout leader started the morning off. The focus of Spark Studios is so that in summer 2022, kids will learn that God's creativity didn't stop in Genesis. The Master Artist is working to redeem, reclaim, and transform us – His creation – to the design He planned for us. Kids will see the beautiful truth that they are God's workmanship as they learn to use their talents to bring glory to Him. This day was great with 80+ people getting ready for their own evangelism opportunity through VBS this summer.

If you are still on the fence about doing a summer activity for your kids, the answer should be do it! It can be anything from VBS, special one day events, and even Summer Camps. If you need help planning, picking, or coordinating one of these events there are folks in our association that would love to share insight, resources and prayers! Research shows that kids who have at least one spiritual experience a week, either at home or at a church, and one faith focused adult in their life, other than their parents, are more likely to stay connected to Christ as they venture into adulthood. As it says in Proverbs 22:6 - Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

FCBA knows that there are many other curriculums for VBS and that our amazing churches across the association present these so we want to hear from you. Email or call the association office and share what week and VBS curriculum your church is using this year so we can be in prayer and to connect our churches and community.

Our next Children's Ministers luncheon is set fo May 19th.

~Ashton Hudson (ashtonhudson@fbclindale.org)

BCM REPORTS



The Berry BCM meets twice a week. We meet on Monday nights at 6:30 pm in Barnwell Chapel for Worship and Bible Study. We also meet on Wednesdays at noon in the Krannert Student Center. FCBA churches take turns providing lunch and a devotional.

Throughout the semester, we have lots of fun activities and service projects. The week of March 14th, we took 11 people to Restoration Rome to support this Floyd County foster ministry. In February, the Slocum's sponsored a dessert and game night at their house. We played Exploding Kittens and Settlers of Catan.

All Berry Students are invited to join this on-campus ministry!

David Slocum (<u>davidaslocum@gmail.com</u>)
Campus Minister



Hello all,

God is blessing us at GA Highlands, we are getting started with this new semester. We are few in number but we are being blessed with His bountiful Grace. We are seeing 4 to 6 students on some days and 2 to 3 on others. If there are youth or college pastors that would like to help or be a part, contact me.

Thank you and God bless,
Buddy and Glenda Carter (busharbor.baptist@yahoo.com)



At Refuge on March 14th, we had two students share about their mission trip to Utah over spring break. We worked with two different churches in the Logan, Utah area. We handed out over 900 door hangars and prayed over the neighborhoods as we walked through the different subdivisions. We also prayed in the van one afternoon as it was very cold!! It was fun to pray and read scripture for the new church plant, Riverwoods Fellowship. Our students led a youth fellowship & worship event. They also shared their testimonies in the Sunday morning service at Valley Baptist Church.

If you would like to have any of these students come and share about their missions experience in Utah, please contact David Roland at droland@shorter.edu or by cell, 706-766-8408.

Please join us on Mondays at 7:30 pm for food and worship at 8 pm in the Austin Moses Room near the cafeteria. Our lunch Bible study is on Fridays at 11:30 am in the Student Center.

David Roland, Campus Minister (droland@shorter.edu)

GEORGIA BAPTIST CONVENTION UPDATE

On March 15, 2022, I attended the Executive Committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention as the representative for the Floyd County Baptist Association. The meeting was held at the Dogwood Church in Tyrone.

The following are the highlights of this meeting. :

- Mike Griffin reported that during the session of the Georgia House and Senate, the GBMB supported more bills than we opposed. We should be known for what we support, not just what we oppose! He asked that we contact our representatives concerning SR-131 to let them know we oppose horse betting in Georgia.
- The task force reviewing our three Georgia Baptist colleges and the financial distribution to each shared their report.
- The Four tones group has been given a contract and is moving forward to demolish and build new facilities on five college campuses. Phase 1 is over \$100 million dollars in investment from the group. The BGC will continue to own the land and the Four Stones will own the buildings. One level of each building will be given to house the BCM and the other levels will produce a revenue stream which will be shared with the GBC and the BCM.
- The sale of the GBC Mission & Ministry Center in Duluth should close in August.
- The total number of churches affiliated with the GBC is 3,474. This number fluctuates continually and this is the latest number as of March 8, 2022. The number of Georgia Baptist churches that gave to missions through the Cooperative Program in 2021 was 2,286 so the number of Georgia Baptist churches that did not give to missions through the Cooperative Program was 1,191. Georgia Baptist reported a decrease of 4.2% in Cooperative Program giving in 2021 and the current trends for 2022 are looking any better. The top 200 giving churches to the CP gave 59% of the total CP budget. The top 500 giving churches to the CP gave 80% of the total CP budget. The top 1,000 giving churches to the CP gave 93% of the total CP budget.

Please read the Christian Index online (<u>www.christianindex.org</u>) to keep up with all the latest from the Georgia Baptist Mission Board.

I will be attending the GBC Administration Committee meetings on 5/3, 8/16, 10/18, 11/29; the GBC Executive Committee meetings on 9/13, 11/14, 12/12, 12/13; as well as the GBC Annual Meeting in Augusta on 11/14-11/15 (the 200th Anniversary of the GBC) on your behalf, representing the Floyd County Baptist Association.

In His Love,

Phillip May, Senior Pastor Pleasant Valley South Baptist Church (phil.may@pvsbc.org)

JAIL MINISTRY

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Floyd County Sheriff's Office Chaplain, David Thornton, is requesting volunteers who are willing to preach or lead Bible Studies at the Floyd County Jail. The jail is located at 2526 New Calhoun Highway, NE in Rome.

A total of 42 volunteers are needed to minister to both men and women at the Floyd County Jail. The women can have CD players and singing; the men cannot have CD players.

Please contact Chaplain David Thornton at 706-506-6120 or chapso502@comcast.net if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to work with this ministry.

NOTE: Volunteers will need to have a background check completed by the Floyd County Sheriff's Office.

OLD SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE NEEDED

If you or your church has old Sunday School literature lying around, David Thornton can put it to good use at the Floyd County Jail. He is always in need of literature, so keep that in mind when you finish up a quarter of Sunday School.

You may drop the literature off at the FCBA Monday - Thursday from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm; or, to make other arrangements, please call David Thornton at 706-506-6120.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT

Just want to thank all the churches for the great response to the food pantry the past three months. A total of 8,035 pounds was received from the FCBA churches. An additional 5000 pounds was collected by the youth who attended the Collide Youth Event in February!!!! A grand total of 13,035 pounds was received at the FCBA from January through March. This will feed 200 needy families for two weeks.

Please keep up the great work!

It would be a shame for a child to go to bed hungry right here in Floyd County.

Serving God together, Cindy Brock CCM Director

FCBA MINISTRY CENTER NEEDS:



Boxed Cereal - variety
Canned Corn - 14.5 oz.
Canned Diced Tomatoes - 14.5 oz.
Canned Green Beans - 14.5 oz.
Canned Green Peas - 15 oz.
Canned Peaches - 15 oz.
Canned Pinto Beans - 15 oz.
Canned Pork & Beans - 15 oz.
Canned Potatoes - 15 oz.

Canned Ravioli - 15 oz.

Canned (Ready to Eat) Soup

Canned Spaghetti-O's - 15 oz.
Canned Spaghetti Sauce - 24 oz.
Canned Vienna Sausages - 4.6 oz.
Creamy Peanut Butter - 18 oz.
Grape Jelly - 32 oz. plastic
Instant Grits (individual pack box)
Instant Oatmeal (individual pack box)
Mac & Cheese - 7.25 oz.
Pop Tarts - 6-8 count box
Ramen Noodles - 12 pack box
Spaghetti (dry pasta) - 16 oz.

Hygiene Items Needed:

Baby Wipes Deodorant Kid's Toothpaste Toilet Paper Toothbrush
Toothpaste (not travel size)

2022 CHURCH FOOD DRIVE SCHEDULE

<u>January:</u> Calvary, Dykes Creek, Flint Hill, New Antioch, Vann's Valley

<u>February:</u> New Armuchee, New Hope, Pleasant Valley North, Providence, Spring Creek, Victory

March: Cedar Creek, Desoto Park, McFall, New Prospect, South Broad, West Rome

April: Antioch, East Rome, Floyd Springs, Live Oak, Riverside, State Line, Three Rivers, Wilkerson Road

May: None

June: Armuchee, Community Chapel, Garden Lakes, Grace Fellowship, New Canaan, Pisgah, West End

July: Enon, Fellowship, Hill Crest, Mount Alto, Parkview, Pleasant Hope

August: Everett Springs, Fairview, Mount Carmel, Mount Tabor, Sunny Hill

September: Blue Pond, Park Avenue, Pleasant Valley South, Second Avenue, Sherwood Forest, Shorter Avenue

October: Bush Arbor, First Baptist Cave Spring, Friendship, Hollywood, The Refuge, Woodlawn

November: First Baptist Lindale, First Baptist Shannon, Lakeview, Primera Iglesia

December: None

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



VBS Dates	Time	FCBA Church	VBS Theme
June 5 - 9	5:30 - 8:30 pm	Dykes Creek	Making Waves
June 5 - 9	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Pisgah	Spark Studios
June 5 - 9	6:00 - 8:00 pm	Pleasant Hope	Kookaburra Coast
June 5 - 10	6:30 - 9:00 pm	Enon	Concrete & Cranes
June 6 - 8	6:00 - 8:00 pm	New Prospect	Concrete & Cranes
June 6 - 10	6:00 - 8:00 pm	Fellowship	Monumental
June 6 - 10	6:00 - 8:30 pm	Garden Lakes	Jerusalem Market
June 6 - 10	8:30 am - noon	First Baptist - Lindale	Spark Studios
June 6 - 10	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Mount Alto	Monumental
June 7 - 10	6:00 - 8:30 pm	Pleasant Valley South	Treasured
June 13 - 16	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Grace Fellowship	Spark Studios
June 20 - 24	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Fairview	Spark Studios
June 26 - 28	5:30 - 8:30 pm	West Rome	Fam Jam 2022
June 27-July 1	6:00 - 8:30 pm	Lakeview	Monumental
July 10 - 13	6:00 - 8:00 pm	Sherwood	On the Case
July 10 - 14	5:30 - 8:30 pm	First Baptist - Cave Spring	Spark Studios
July 18 - 21	6:00 - 8:00 pm	Floyd Springs	Food Truck Party







FCBA MEMBER CHURCHES

NORTH

Antioch - Brian Butler, Pastor

4526 Big Texas Valley Road, NW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Armuchee - Randy Ellis, Pastor

6648 Big Texas Valley Road, NW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Calvary - Gary Graves, Pastor

101 Broadus Road, NE • Rome, Georgia 30161

Everett Springs - Steve Drake, Pastor

2167 Everett Springs Road, NE • Armuchee, Georgia 30165

Floyd Springs - Billy Carver, Pastor

1869 Floyd Springs Road, NE • Armuchee, Georgia 30105

New Armuchee - Carson Fellows, Pastor

5385 Martha Berry Highway, NE • Armuchee, Georgia 30105

New Hope - Mark Butler, Pastor

101 Carpenter Road, NE • Calhoun, Georgia 30701

Pleasant Valley North - Mac McCurry, Pastor

735 Old Summerville Road, SW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Three Rivers - Mitch Jolly, Pastor

2960 New Calhoun Highway, NE • Rome, Georgia 30161

EAST

Blue Pond - Dixon Holtzclaw, Pastor

1291 Morrison Campground Road • Rome, Georgia 30161

Dykes Creek - Mike Garrett, Pastor

46 Dykes Creek Church Road • Rome, Georgia 30161

Enon - Ralph Jenkins, Pastor

3105 Turkey Mountain Road, NE • Rome, Georgia 30161

Friendship - Justin Silver, Pastor

2293 Calhoun Road, NE • Rome, Georgia 30161

Hill Crest - Mark Evans, Pastor

2202 North Broad Street, NE • Rome, Georgia 30161

New Antioch - Jim Reynolds, Interim Pastor

4553 Calhoun Road, NE • Rome, Georgia 30161

Riverside - Randy Lambert, Pastor

48 Ash Street, NE • Rome, Georgia 30161

Shannon First - Louis Byars, Pastor

400 4th Street • Shannon, Georgia 30172

Sherwood Forest - Chris Hayes, Pastor

1 Goodman Road, NE • Rome, Georgia 30161

Sunny Hill - Charles Maxwell, Pastor

1007 Wayside Road • Rome, Georgia 30161

Victory - Paul Vinson, Pastor

756 Turner Chapel Road, SE • Rome, Georgia 30161

SOUTHWEST

Bush Arbor - Buddy Carter, Pastor

1914 Fosters Mill Road, SW • Rome, Georgia 30161

Cave Spring First - Jarrod Kinsey, Pastor

4 Cedartown Road • Cave Spring, Georgia 30124

Cedar Creek - Chris Lodge, Pastor

3219 Fosters Mill Road, SW • Cave Spring, Georgia 30124

Community Chapel - Max Tucker, Pastor

3773 Blacks Bluff Road • Rome, Georgia 30161

Fairview - Trey Stephens, Pastor

2348 Old Cedartown Road • Lindale, Georgia 30147

Grace Fellowship -

6635 Blacks Bluff Road • Cave Spring, Georgia 30124

Live Oak - Rick Jennings, Pastor

5506 Fosters Mill Road • Cave Spring, Georgia 30124

New Prospect - Aaron Little, Pastor

1893 Booger Hollow Road • Lindale, Georgia 30147

State Line - Chris Hearne, Pastor

8536 Blacks Bluff Road, SW • Cave Spring, Georgia 30124

Vann's Valley -

28 Vann's Valley Road • Rome, Georgia 30161

WEST

Fellowship - Brady Fortenberry, Pastor

314 Burnett Ferry Road, SW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Garden Lakes - Jimmy Gentry, Pastor

2200 Redmond Circle, NW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Lakeview - Steve Glosson, Pastor

80 Salem Drive, NW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Mount Alto - Matthew Bowden, Pastor

1915 Huffaker Road • Rome, Georgia 30165

New Canaan - Corey Wright, Pastor

3 Excelsior Street, NW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Parkview - Al Stone, Interim Pastor

4 Wesley Drive, NW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Pisgah - Jerry Dudley, Pastor

5603 Alabama Highway • Rome, Georgia 30165

Primera Iglesia Bautista - Hector Navarrete, Pastor

2200 Redmond Circle, NW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Providence - Brent Wells, Pastor

17 Burnett Ferry Road, SW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Shorter Avenue - Jeremy Albright, Pastor

1410 Shorter Avenue • Rome, Georgia 30165

West End - Greg Montgomery, Pastor

107 Mississippi Drive, NW • Rome, Georgia 30165

West Rome - Jarrod Roberts, Pastor

914 Shorter Avenue • Rome, Georgia 30165

Wilkerson Road - Frankie Wright, Pastor

401 Wilkerson Road • Rome, Georgia 30165

SOUTHEAST

Desoto Park - Scott Lambert, Pastor

1107 Cave Spring Road, SW • Rome, Georgia 30161

East Rome - Charles Lively, Pastor

601 Cedar Avenue, SW • Rome, Georgia 30161

Flint Hill - Chris Johnson, Pastor

3578 Was Road, SE • Aragon, Georgia 30104

HBC-Rome - David Harper, Pastor

2 Commerce Court • Rome, Georgia 30161

Lindale First - Eric Welchel, Pastor

9 Park Avenue • Lindale, Georgia 30147

McFall - Kent Thomas, Pastor

3011 Rockmart Road, SE . Rome, Georgia 30161

Mount Carmel -

514 East 20th Street • Rome, Georgia 30161

Mount Tabor - Brent Edwards, Pastor

3068 Old Alabama Road Taylorsville, Georgia 30178

Park Avenue - Earl Fowlkes, Pastor

509 Park Avenue • Lindale, Georgia 30147

Pleasant Hope - Adam Elrod, Pastor

5935 Rockmart Road • Silver Creek, Georgia 30173

Pleasant Valley South - Philip May, Pastor

702 Pleasant Valley Road • Silver Creek, Georgia 30173

Second Avenue - Jacob Roberts, Pastor 823 East Second Avenue, SE • Rome, Georgia 30161

South Broad - Ricky Studdard, Pastor

508 South Broad Street • Rome, Georgia 30161

Spring Creek - Jeff Dabbs, Pastor

2636 Chulio Road, SE • Rome, Georgia 30161

The Refuge - Richard McGinnis, Pastor

1771 Wax Road, SE • Silver Creek, Georgia 30173

Woodlawn - Legare Price, Pastor

1649 Cartersville Highway • Rome, Georgia 30161

SUNDAY SCHOOL / SMALL GROUP DIRECTORS SUMMIT







Reboot, Revitalize & Reach

The next gathering for Sunday School/Small Group Directors will be Thursday, April 21st at 6 pm.

Our host for the session will be Friendship Baptist Church located at 2293 Calhoun Road, NE in Rome.

We will begin with a light meal, so please RSVP by noon on Tuesday, April 19th.

You can RSVP by calling the FCBA office at 706-291-0904 or by emailing fcbaoffice@gmail.com

This will not be like any other meeting you have ever been to!!!

When you leave around 8 pm, you will have a customized plan JUST FOR YOUR CHURCH!!!!

To do this, you will need to gather some information and bring it with you.

Here is what you need to know and bring with you:

1)	What is your current TOTAL Sunday School enrollment for ALL classes/groups? (This includes birth through senior adults.)					
2)	What is the current TOTAL number of classes/groups for all ages that meet regularly on Sunday morning or at other times? (These must be ongoing groups.)					
3)	What is your current Sunday School average attendance for all age groups? (This is not a high attendance or an educated guess. Average attendance is total attendance divided by the number of weeks.)					
4)	How many identifiable Sunday School leaders do you have? (These would include teachers, directors, secretaries, outreach leaders, care group leaders, prayer leaders, etc.)					
5)	What is the average attendance at your Sunday School Leadership Meetings?					
6)	How often do your Sunday School Leaders meet? Quarterly Bimonthly Monthly Weekly					
7)	How many contacts are reported each week by your Sunday School classes?					
8)	What is the total number of prospects on file?					
9)	What is the total number of people that are involved in doing some type of weekly evangelistic outreach from your church?					
10)	How many baptisms has your church had over the past 12 months? (Please do not estimate on this very important number.)					
11)	What is your current average attendance in the Sunday morning worship hour? (This needs to include the total					

attendance in the worship room, plus children that are in the nursery and/or in kids worship.)

2022 DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



For the latest information and to register for trainings, go to the Disaster Relief website: www.gbcdisasterrelief.org

Chaplaincy Training: April 23, 2022 (Registration Deadline: April 17, 2022)

This is the initial course required to serve as a Disaster Relief Chaplain.

Training Location

Beech Haven Baptist Church
2390 West Broad Street • Athens, Georgia 30606

Chainsaw School: May 13-14, 2022 (Registration & Fee Payment Deadline: May 5, 2022)

NOTE: Disaster Relief Orientation/Universal Yellow Hat Training or Phase 1 in Cleanup & Recovery as well as being a current, active volunteer are prerequisites to attending Chainsaw School.

Chainsaw School begins at 8:00 AM on Friday morning with registration and concludes late Saturday afternoon.

Training Location

Camp Kaleo

463 Old Zebulon Road • Forsyth, Georgia 31029

Space is limited and registrations are processed on a first come/first serve basis. For more information or to register for the CHAINSAW SCHOOL, go to https://gabaptist.org/disasterrelief/

Disaster Relief Orientations/Recertification: May 21, 2022 (Registration Deadline: May 15, 2022)

Required for all first time volunteers as well as those who would like to recertify their credentials. If your ID badge has expired or will be expiring before the end of 2022, please register for this training session!

Training Location

Burnt Hickory Baptist Church

5145 Due West Road, NW • Powder Springs, Georgia 30127

The fee if received by the registration deadline: First Time Attendees: \$40 Recertification: \$15

Assessment Training: May 21, 2022 (Registration Deadline: May 15, 2022)

This is the initial course required to serve as a Disaster Relief Assessor.

Training Location

Burnt Hickory Baptist Church

5145 Due West Road, NW • Powder Springs, Georgia 30127

Incident Management Team/Support Training: May 21, 2022 (Registration Deadline: May 15, 2022)

This is the initial course required to serve as a Disaster Relief Incident Management Team member.

Training Location

Burnt Hickory Baptist Church

5145 Due West Road, NW • Powder Springs, Georgia 30127

PRAYER POINTS

God's word stands true! He hears and answers the prayers of His people!

Our efforts in the spiritual battle have seen victory once again! As we have been praying for the demonic inroads to be exposed and the plans of the wicked one be uprooted in our county, we have seen Adonai move swiftly and destroy yet another dark circle.

In March, the Floyd County Police Department posted the arrest of 6 men that were charged with child pornography.

Let this serve to Encourage you and stoke the fire of intercession in your hearts to come BOLDLY and CONFIDENTLY against the forces of darkness with the Light, the Blood, and the power of the Cross of Christ our Lord!

Below are the Prayer Points for April. Please incorporate them into your Prayer Groups as you pray.

- 1. The Resurrection of Jesus is the bedrock of our faith! If there is no resurrection our faith is in vain, empty and useless! (1 Corinthians 15:17) Pray that the reality, the power, the glory and the joy in our Resurrected Savior be manifested and preeminent in our lives, our families, our churches and our community; not only during this Easter Season, but in the days, weeks, and months ahead. Let us continually celebrate the Risen Lord! The Lord is risen indeed! (Luke 24:34)
- 2. Ask God to help us tear down the altars of false gods, and to remove any inroads of the enemy (Judges 6:25) Removal of all statues (i.e., Mussolini's gift of the wolf with Romulus and Remus) and dark declarations spoken over Rome and Floyd County. Shut down the meth and crack houses, and places of sin and the distribution of darkness.
- 3. The National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 5. We have 2 amazing speakers coming (Will Ford & Matt Lockett) that are seeing God break the stronghold of racism! There will be a gathering at the Coosa Valley Fairgrounds at 7:00 am. Let us seek God to move in unity and crush under our feet the things that stand in our way. (Galatians 3:28, Acts 10:34) Pray that a spirit of prayer would be unleashed across our community. (1 Thessalonians 5:17)
- 4. Pray for a Mighty Revelation of Jesus among our young people in our community. So many are struggling in so many ways with so many things. Jesus is the only One who can fill their emptiness and heal their brokenness! (Luke 7:34,45)
- 5. Pray that Christ be exalted over Rome and Floyd County. That the name of Yeshua be lifted high above every name and person, situation, and circumstance; in every household, church house, and schoolhouse; on the corners and marketplaces, in the city hall and medical facilities. (Philemon 2:9; Hebrews 1:4)
- 6. As the LGBT community continues to flaunt its sin and challenge Biblical Truth, pray the Redeemed of God will rise up, stand up, and speak up both in LOVE and UNWAVERING FIRMNESS to declare and proclaim the Truth of the Gospel of Christ. (Acts 4:29-31; Ephesians 4:15, 2 Thessalonians 3:1).
- 7. Continue to pray for a peaceful resolution to the War in Ukraine. Pray especially for our Brothers & Sisters in Christ in Ukraine that they will be a bold witness for Christ in the midst of their hardship and devastation. Pray for the Lord's protection and provision and that through all of this many souls will come into the Kingdom of God! (Matthew 5:9, Romans 12:18)
- 8. Pray for a revelation of lostn4ess among the lost; that their eyes would be opened to their need for a Savior! Pray that the church will be ready to share the Good News of Salvation. Statistics show that 95% of all professing followers of Christ never share their faith. Pray for the Redeemed to be bold and loving in their testimony for Christ. (2 Corinthians 4:4, 1 Timothy 2:4-5)
- 9. Pray for our government leaders. Pray for those who are lost to be saved. Pray for God to intervene in their decisions. Pray for God to raise up Godly Leaders for our local, state and national offices. (Proverbs 29:2; 1 Timothy 2:1-6)

We are in this TOGETHER, and we would love to hear what God is speaking and showing you in prayer!

We want to extend the invitation to you for the City Prayer Meeting held every Tuesday from 12:00 - 1:00 pm at the Well on the West Rome Baptist Church campus. We would love to see and hear you there!

Jarrod Roberts, Lead Pastor at West Rome Baptist Church (jroberts@westrome.org)



PRAYING FOR OUR SCHOOLS

On Sunday, August 7th at 3:00 pm we will be Prayer Walking each one of the 40 schools in Rome and Floyd County. Your church is not limited to just the school listed, but we are asking that your church take the lead in contacting the school and leading the prayer walking experience on August 7th. We will be providing a Prayer Walking Guide that will be sent to pastors this summer. The prayer walk on Sunday, August 7th will begin at 3:00 pm and will be held at each school location.

Thanks, Your FCBA Prayer Team (Esther Burger, Penny Dudley, Randy Ellis, Dennis Rogers, Lynn Shaw, Gail Silver)

Antioch — Armuchee Middle
Armuchee — Armuchee Middle
Blue Pond — Model Elementary
Bush Arbor — Georgia Highlands

Calvary — Rome High

Cave Spring First — Georgia School for the Deaf

Cedar Creek — Coosa Middle

Community Chapel — Georgia Highlands

Desoto Park — Darlington Schools

Dykes Creek — Model High

East Rome — FCS College & Career Academy

Enon — Main

Everett Springs — Armuchee Elementary

Fairview — Pepperell Primary
Fellowship — Shorter University
Flint Hill — Pepperell Middle
Floyd Springs — Berry College
Friendship — Model Middle
Garden Lakes — Garden Lakes
Grace Fellowship — Coosa Middle

HBC Rome — FCS College & Career Academy

Hill Crest — Main Lakeview — West End

Lindale First — Pepperell High Live Oak — Coosa Middle McFall — East Central

Mount Alto — Bob Richards RYDC

Mount Tabor — Georgia Northwestern

Mount Carmel — FCS College & Career Academy

New Antioch — Johnson

New Armuchee — Armuchee High

New Canaan — RCS College & Career Academy, Virtual Learning

Academy

New Hope — Armuchee Elementary New Prospect — Pepperell Primary Park Avenue — Pepperell Middle

Parkview: RCS College & Career Academy, Virtual Learning Academy

Pisgah — Coosa High

Pleasant Hope — Anna K Davie

Pleasant Valley North — Berry College Elementary & Middle

Pleasant Valley South — St. Mary's School

Primera Iglesia — Rome High **Providence** — West Central

Riverside — Floyd County Schools Central Office, Montessori of Rome

The Refuge — Pepperell High

Second Avenue — East Central, Rome City Schools Central Office

Shannon First — Model Elementary

Sherwood Forest — Phoenix Performance Learning Center

Shorter Avenue — Alto Park South Broad — Anna K Davie

Spring Creek — Pepperell Elementary

State Line — Coosa High
Sunny Hill — Rome Middle
Three Rivers — Unity Christian
Vann's Valley — Pepperell Primary

Victory — Rome Middle
West End — West Central
West Rome — Elm Street
Wilkerson Road — West End
Woodlawn — Georgia Northwestern

PRAYING FOR OUR NEIGHBORS



We are PRAYING people. One of our goals is to pray for every home/family in Rome and Floyd County. We are asking every pastor, every church, every member to pray for their neighbors. The online tool we are using to accomplish this is called "*Bless Every Home*". Below is a simple step-by-step process to guide you through signing up and to begin praying for 5 of your neighbors every day.

- 1 Go to https://blesseveryhome.com/ and click on the sign up tab.
- 2 Create an account (you will not pay for anything, this is <u>FREE</u>) by answering the questions. You will need to provide a current/active email address because this is how you will receive your daily reminder to pray for 5 of your neighbors.
- 3 Once you have created an account, you will have a "dashboard". It is on this dashboard that you can adjust the settings on the areas that you want to pray for and the number of neighbors.
- 4 Every day you will get an email with the names and addresses of your 5 neighbors to pray for with a different scripture to pray for them. Once you have prayed for them, simply click on the "prayed" tab.
- 5 You may even want to use this as a guide as you prayer walk your neighborhood. You may even want to write a short note to your neighbors introducing yourself and let them know you are praying for them.

ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION

The annual meeting of the FCBA will be Sunday, September 18, 2022. This great event will take place at Pleasant Valley North Baptist Church. The theme is: "Partners in the Gospel" and our scripture is Philippians 1:5 "your partnership in the gospel". This will be a new look for our meeting.

Here's the schedule for the day:

3:30pm - Registration Opens

4:00pm - Kickoff Gathering in Worship Center

4:15-5:30pm - Breakout Sessions/Training for Church Leaders

5:15-6:15pm - Meal

5:45-6:00pm - Video Reports

"What's been happening in and through the FCBA in 2022"

 $6{:}15{-}8{:}15pm$ - Business Session & Inspirational Rally in the Worship Center

Pre-Session Concert

Church and Community Ministries Report

Committee on Committees Report, Executive Committee Report & Administration Committee Report

Testimony

Financial Report & Adoption of 2023 FCBA Budget

Election of Officers & Miscellaneous Business (Old & New)

DOM Report

Congregational Worship & Special Music

Speaker Sam Greer

8:15pm - Closing Prayer

It's going to be a busy day and a GREAT day! Notice the Breakout Sessions beginning at 4:15. We will have training sessions for every type of leadership position in your church. There will be a total of 33 breakout sessions addressing the following ministry areas: Men's Ministry, Prayer Ministry, Special Needs, Church Mission Trips, Local Missions, Disaster Relief, Church Financial Issues, Church Safety, WMU/Women's Ministry, Church Building Issues, Hospitality & Welcoming, Deacon Ministry, Sr. Adult Ministry, Youth/Student Ministry, Youth/Student Sunday School/Small Groups, Music & Worship Ministry, Teaching Adult Sunday School/Small Groups, Evangelism, Social Media/Website/Technology and Communications, Adult Discipleship, College/BCM Ministry, Young Adults/Young Married/Young Families, Young Professionals/Single Adults, Kids Ministry, Kids Sunday School/Small Groups, Outreach & Inreach through Adult Sunday School/Small Groups, and Church Health/Church Strengthening. There is something for everyone. Check out the website for a complete listing of breakout session leaders with topics and session descriptions.



The main speaker in the inspirational rally will be Sam Greer. Sam grew up as a stutterer and still deals with episodes of stuttering. As a result, Sam was terrified to speak in public and intimidated to carry on a conversation. Due to his fear of public speaking, one of the last classes he took in college was the required public speaking class. Nonetheless, God called Sam to what he feared the most, that is, a lifetime of public speaking. Eight years into pastoring, Sam realized God had called him to "do the work of an evangelist." Sure, he was proclaiming the gospel from the pulpit, at funerals and weddings, during counseling sessions, and pastoral visits; however, Sam was not having gospel conversations in his everyday life. The Holy Spirit convicted him to repent of not having gospel conversations, face his fear of having gospel conversations, and lead the local church to cultivate a culture of having gospel conversations. Sam has served as a local pastor in an SBC church since 2004. After pastoring two congregations in Louisiana, he was led to Red Bank Baptist

Church in Chattanooga, Tennessee, where he has served as senior pastor since 2012. He received a Bachelor of Arts from Millsaps College, Master of Divinity, Master of Theology, and a Doctor of Philosophy from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He is the author of "The Gospel Conversation," "The Gospel Conversationalist," and "The Gospel Conversational Church." Sam and his wife, Tonya, have two daughters: Braydee and Belle.



PHOTOS FROM THE FCBA

VBS Fair at First Baptist - Lindale







Receiving 5,000 pounds of food from Collide Youth Event







MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

Sunday School Directors and Small Group Administrators Summit

Thursday, April 21, 2022 6:00 p.m.

at Friendship Baptist Church 2293 Calhoun Road, NE Rome, GA 30161



RSVP to FCBA at 706-291-0904 by noon on Tuesday, April 19th

FLOYD COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING Monday, April 25th - 7:00 pm

Floyd County Baptist Association Office 308 Road - Rome, Georgia 30165

The FCBA Executive Committee meets quarterly to conduct the business of the FCBA.

The Executive Committee consists of two church members elected by their church plus the pastor of each FCBA member church.





Wednesday, April 27, 2022

Don't forget to say "Thank You!" to your church secretary for all they do to help you and your church.

They are faithful servants of the Lord and the FCBA says,



Thank you for your hard work!

... UPCOMING EVENTS



May 5, 2022 7:00 am

Coosa Valley Fairgrounds

the SCB will be June 14-15 ir 2022 Annual Meeting of For more intorma JUNE 14-15 bcannualmeeting.net please visi **2022 SBC ANNUAL MEETING**

EVANGELISM TRAINING WORKSHOP

Sam Greer will be returning to the FCBA on Sunday, October 2nd to conduct a "GOSPEL CONVERSATIONS CLINIC" and the host for this training is Fellowship Baptist Church.

Here's the schedule for the clinic...

4:00pm - Registration & Refreshments

4:30-5:15pm - Welcome & Session #1 "It's Time"

5:15-6:00pm - Session #2 "Leading Your Church to Have Gospel Conversations"

6:00-6:30pm - Refreshment Break

6:30-7:30pm - Session #3 "Our Family Tree" w/ Q&A

Keep watching for more details about the "GOSPEL CONVERSATIONS CLINIC" and for more information about Sam Greer, go to https://gsplconversations.org



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Administration Committee:

- Wednesday, April 20 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 4/14 for lunch
- Wednesday, May 18 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 5/16 for lunch
- Wednesday, June 22 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 6/20 for lunch

BCM Advisory Board:

• Tuesday, May 24 @ 4:00 pm @ FCBA

Church Strengthening Team:

• Tuesday, May 17 @ 4:30 pm @ TBA

Committee on Committees:

• Wednesday, April 20 @ 1:30 pm @ FCBA

EQUIP423/Annual Meeting Planning Team:

• Thursday, April 14 @ 2:00 pm @ Pleasant Valley North

Evangelism Team:

• Tuesday, April 19 @ 5:00 pm @ FCBA

Executive Committee:

Monday, April 25 @ 7:00 pm @ FCBA

Kids Ministers and Ministry Leaders:

• Thursday, May 19 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP 5/17 for lunch

Ministers Monthly Meeting:

- Thursday, April 14 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 4/11 for lunch
- Thursday, May 12 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 5/9 for lunch
- Thursday, June 9 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 6/6 for lunch

Minister of Music & Worship Lunch & Learn:

• Monday, May 9 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 5/5 for lunch

Pastors Quarterly Update:

• Thursday, May 12 @ 6:30 pm @ FCBA RSVP 5/10 for dinner

Prayer Team:

Wednesday, May 18 @ 10:30 am @ FCBA

Sunday School/Small Group Directors Summit:

 Thursday, April 21 @ 6:00 pm @ Friendship Baptist Church RSVP by Tuesday, 4/19 for dinner

Youth Pastors:

- Tuesday, April 19 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 4/14 for lunch
- Tuesday, May 17 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 5/12 for lunch
- Tuesday, June 21 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA RSVP by 6/16 for lunch

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