

IT'S A NEW DAY

A publication of the Floyd County Baptist Association

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

OUR 9 PRIORITIES:

- 1) PRAYING
- 2) REACHING
- 3) DISCIPLING
- 4) GOING
- 5) CARING
- 6) GROWING
- 7) TRAINING
- 8) GIVING
- 9) NEXT GEN

TIM'S TOP 3



The historical and functional purpose of an association is a network/group of cooperating churches that have independently determined to be in a relationship with other like-minded churches in giving and receiving resources/assistance in the fulfillment of their mission.

Remember our mission is... *“encouraging and equipping pastors and people to do the Great Commandment and the Great Commission”* and our nine priorities are *praying, reaching, discipling, going, caring, growing, training, giving and next gen”*.

We have got a lot of great missions and ministries happening in and through the FCBA, but here are my TOP 3...

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#1. The next Sunday School Summit will be Thursday, April 20th at 6:00 pm.

Remember we start with a fellowship meal and then move into the training session. The host church is First Baptist Church - Lindale, located at 9 Park Avenue, SE in Lindale. Pastor Eric Whelchel, the staff and all the good people at FBC-Lindale are excited to be hosting this gathering of Sunday School leaders. They are planning a wonderful fellowship meal prior to the training so all you need to do is RSVP and show up!

The topic of this training event is TRAINING! We will be discussing the importance of training (why your church needs to provide training), how to get your people to attend your training events and we will look at what to do during your training events (you will get some ideas for training events you can conduct at your church).

Do all you can to bring your people! It is open to ALL Sunday School leaders. Dinner will be provided for you and your Sunday School leaders, so please RSVP by Monday, April 17th. You can call the FCBA office at 706-291-0904 or email the FCBA office at fcbaoffice@gmail.com.

#2. Something NEW we are doing this year is the Administrative Professional/Church Secretary's Appreciation Luncheon on Monday, April 24th at noon.

The entire last week of April is set aside to recognize the professionals who keep the church office running smoothly every day! We are going to celebrate these administrative professionals/church secretaries on Monday, April 24th with an appreciation luncheon. This gathering is for church secretaries, administrative assistants, receptionists, and other administrative support professionals. If you are one and/or if you know those in your church that serve in this capacity please encourage them to attend. Please reserve your spot by *(continued on pg. 2)*

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calling the FCBA office at 706-291-0904 or email fcbaoffice@gmail.com by Tuesday, April 18th.

#3. The National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 4th, and our nation needs prayer! The FCBA is a gold-level sponsor for the **30th Annual Rome Area Prayer Breakfast on May 4th** and I hope you will 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 4, 2023 at the Forum River Center which is conveniently located in downtown Rome, adjacent to Broad Street. Parking is available on Broad Street, as well as the parking deck adjacent to the venue. The prayer gathering will be from 7:00 - 8:30 am, but the doors will open at 6:30 am for seating and breakfast. If you need tickets, please see me.

For more information go to <https://romeprayerbreakfast.org>.

If I can be of service to you or your church, please do not hesitate to contact me. I love serving the Lord and I am so blessed to be serving with you in Rome and Floyd County. *Tim*

MINISTERS MONTHLY MEETING

In April and May we are inviting every pastor (full-time, part-time, bi-vocational, senior pastor, ministerial staff, or retired pastor/minister) to attend our Monthly Ministers Meeting. This is our regular lunch gathering for the purpose of food, fellowship, insight and encouragement. Lunch is provided. The only request is that you make a reservation so we may make adequate preparations for the FREE lunch.

Here is what's coming up!

- * **THURSDAY, April 13th @ noon** we will be focused on "*critical issues facing ministers today*". Our guest will be Dr. Marcus Merritt, Coordinator of the Doctor of Ministry Program and the Director of Ministry Relations at Luther Rice College and Seminary in Lithonia, Georgia. Marcus Merritt was raised in a Southern Baptist Church and accepted Christ at the age of ten. At the age of twenty-one, he answered another call from the Lord; to serve Christ in vocational ministry. Marcus has served as senior pastor of churches in Georgia and Alabama. He served as a missionary with the Georgia Baptist Mission Board, the Alabama Baptist State Board of Missions, and with the North American Mission Board. Please **RSVP by noon on Monday, April 10th** for "**Critical Issues Facing Ministers Today**". You can do so by calling 706-291-0904 or by emailing fcbaoffice@gmail.com.
- * **THURSDAY, May 11th @ noon** will be focused on "*churches and pastors helping senior adults*". Our guest will be Dr. J. Eric Mathison, the President/Chief Executive Officer of Baptist Village Retirement Communities. Dr. Mathison has been with the BVRC since 2015. Prior to coming to the BVRC he served several churches in Georgia as pastor. The motto of the BVRC is "Making Life Better for Senior Adults and their Families." Each week Eric deals with hundreds of senior adults, their families and their needs. You will learn more about the needs of your senior adults and how to help them. Every pastor needs to be in attendance and the person responsible for leading the senior adult ministry in your church should be there as well! **RSVP by noon on Monday, May 8th** for the "**Churches and Pastors Helping Senior Adults**" by calling the FCBA Office at 706-291-0904 or by emailing fcbaoffice@gmail.com.
- * **THURSDAY, June 8th @ noon** will be our first "**TAILGATE WITH TIM**" of 2023. This is for every pastor and every ministerial staff member (full-time, part-time, bi-vocational, and/or retired). We will meet at noon and there is no planned program, just fun and food! 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! There will be a surprise involving golf, but you will just have to come to see and experience it! Please **RSVP by noon on Monday, June 5th** by calling 706-291-0904 or by emailing fcbaoffice@gmail.com.

QUARTERLY BI-VOCATIONAL PASTORS/MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP

Our next quarterly fellowship for all bi-vocational pastors and ministers will be **Thursday, May 11th at 6:30 pm.** We will meet at the FCBA office for coffee and dessert plus a good time of fellowship! The FCBA loves our part-time/bi-vocational pastors/ministerial staff members! We know what you do is challenging and we value your time. We know that it is difficult for you to make it to meetings during the day, so we have a quarterly gathering just for you! This gathering is open to all bi-vocational/part-time pastors/ministers. There are no requirements, just show up! The purpose of our quarterly gathering is inspiration, information, fellowship and encouragement. We will be sharing what is happening in our churches, discussing resources that are helpful and praying for each other.



dLIFE BOOTCAMP

Our next dLife Boot Camp is on **Sunday, July 30th at First Baptist Church - Lindale.** We will begin at 3:30 pm and finish up around 7:30 pm. This is a disciple-making event that will benefit you and your church. At the dLife Boot Camp, we do not just talk about discipleship, you will learn how to make disciples as a way of life. We will role play, share exciting stories, and equip believers with a proven disciple-making process modeled after Jesus and His six practices of discipleship. For more information and to register, go to our website www.floydbaptist.org and click on the dLife banner, or use the QR code. The cost of the event (which includes all materials and dinner) is \$10/person until July 21; \$15/person from July 22-July 29; and \$20/person at the door on July 30.

dlife Boot Camp

Sunday, July 30, 2023



3:30 - 7:30 pm

First Baptist Church - Lindale

9 Park Avenue, SE Lindale, GA 30147

Cost: \$10/person (until 7/21)
\$15/person (7/22 - 7/29)
\$20/person (at the door)

Scan for more
info and to
register



*Cost includes all conference
materials and dinner.*

COLLIDE YOUTH EVENT REPORT

We had an amazing weekend in Floyd County as we did our annual Collide event. We had 20 churches participate, over 500 students attend, as well as nearly 200 adults and leaders contribute in some way toward the success of the weekend. We are praising Jesus as we had at least 25 students pray for the first time to receive Christ. We have also had at least 50 baptisms that were a result of the weekend. God is continuing to move an amazing way through the student ministries of Floyd County. We are continuing to seek the face of the Lord asking for God to move in the lives of students and student pastors. ~ David Moorman, Student Pastor, West Rome Baptist Church email: dmoorman@westrome.org

Collide 2023



EQUIP424 / FCBA ANNUAL MEETING / INSPIRATIONAL RALLY

SAVE THE DATE for the annual gathering of the FCBA — Sunday, September 17, 2023. Last year there was a great crowd and it looks even better for 2023. The host church for this year is Pleasant Valley South Baptist Church located at 702 Pleasant Valley Road, SE in Silver Creek. Our host pastor for the event is Dr. Philip May and they are working extra hard to get ready for the 131st gathering of the FCBA.

Our theme is **“TOGETHER WE...reach, love and disciple.”**

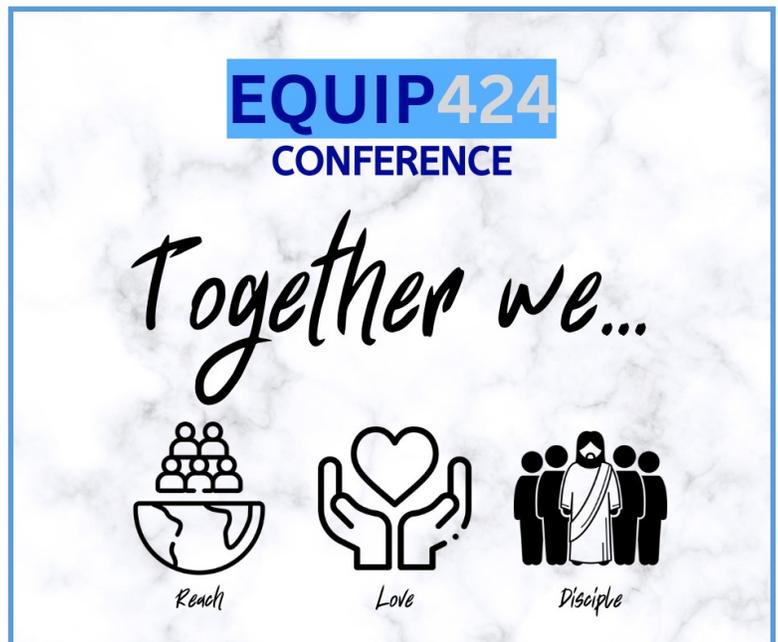
Our theme scripture is Acts 2:42-47, - *“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching, to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread, and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and signs were being performed through the apostles. Now all the believers were together and held all things in common. They sold their possessions and property and distributed the proceeds to all, as any had need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple, and broke bread from house to house. They ate their food with joyful and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. Every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.”*

The schedule for the day, is as follows:

- 3:00 pm - Doors Open, Check-In/Registration Begins
- 3:30 pm - Kickoff in Sanctuary
- 4:00 pm - Breakout Session Training for Church Leaders
- 5:15 pm - Meal
- 5:50 pm - Video Reports **“What’s Been Happening in and through the FCBA in 2023 and What’s Coming in 2024”**
- 6:05 pm - Pre-Session Concert (with a 100+ voice combined FCBA choir!)
- 6:15 pm - Business Session
- 7:15 pm - Inspirational Rally with FCBA choir and Mike Stone speaking
- 8:15 pm - Dismiss

BREAKOUT SESSION TOPICS:

- Church Facilities
- Church Financial Issues
- Church Revitalization
- College Ministry
- Deacon Ministry
- Disaster Relief
- Emergency Response at Church
- First Impression/Hospitality Ministry
- Foster Care Ministry
- Global & Local Missions
- Kid’s Ministry
- Men’s Ministry
- Music & Worship Leadership
- Prayer Ministry
- Preaching Basics
- Senior Adult Ministry
- Teaching/Leading an Adult Sunday School Class or Small Group
- Teaching/Leading a Kid’s Sunday School Class or Small Group
- Teaching/Leading a Youth Sunday School Class or Small Group
- Women/WMU Ministry
- Young Adult Ministry
- Youth Ministry



There is something for everyone! Go to the FCBA website at www.floyd baptist.org for the most current information on breakout session titles, descriptions.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT

Well, the 2023 Georgia Baptist Mobile Dental Clinic is in the books. What a great response! We were able to help 29 clients with either extractions or fillings. They were given a hygiene bag as they left. Bust most importantly the gospel of Christ was shared with each of them. There were 9 dentist, 9 dental assistants, 3 nurses, 2 pastors and 7 additional volunteers that freely gave of their time and talent to make this a great success. We planted seeds for Christ, now let's pray for the harvest! Cindy Brock, CCM Director email: fcbaccm@gmail.com

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)

2023 CHURCH FOOD DRIVE SCHEDULE

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

May: None

June: Armuchee, Community Chapel, 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

SHORTER UNIVERSITY BCM REPORT



"We are an Easter people living in a Good Friday world." (Hudson)

"BCM DAY" was a big success. Twenty students shared testimonies or preached at FCBA churches. I heard back from several pastors that their student speaker did an excellent job. Thanks to all our FCBA churches for the support of BCM.

Sever students and two faculty/staff went on a mission trip to Logan, Utah for spring break. The students led a youth discipleship service. Three churches brought over 50 youth to this service. The students also preached at two different churches on Sunday morning, Emmanuel Baptist and Valley Baptists. We also attended Riverwoods Fellowship, a church plant on Sunday afternoon. Seth Tarver, pastor at Riverwoods, works at Utah State University and led us on a prayer walk on the campus. Other ministry opportunities were canvassing for Valley Baptist Church, visiting and praying with people in downtown Logan, leading Bible studies and activities for children and youth, and a parent's night out on our last night in Logan. We had several opportunities to pray with LDS members during our daily sharing.

We are finishing up our series of "I Am" sayings from the gospel of John at Refuge. BCM sponsored a prayer time on campus in the front circle. We handed out doughnuts and coffee/hot chocolate with students, faculty, and staff who walked by our table. We prayed with over 60 people. WE are doing this again at the end of March. We also are planning an evangelistic outreach called Text 4 Toasties later this month. We also interviewed and selected a new leadership team for next year. Andrew Bearden will be the president.

David Roland, BCM Campus Minister, Shorter University email: droland@shorter.edu



Berry College BCM took 9 students to Berlin, Germany over spring break. This is the first mission trip Berry BCM has done in years, and definitely the first international mission trip in a VERY long while! WE partnered with our IMB missionaries in Berlin. They spend most of their time and energies focusing on Turkish speaking peoples, but also have plenty of opportunities to reach out to whomever the Lord puts in their paths. Over the last year they have specifically felt a burden to start a college ministry on some of the many campuses in Berlin. They invited our team to join that work and spend our time engaging with students, sharing the Gospel and inviting people to the Friday night evangelistic event.

We visited two separate university campuses several times during the week. We had gospel conversations with students from China, Kazakhstan, India, Korea, Uzbekistan, Germany, France, Ghana, South Africa and Turkey. The Gospel was shared over 20 times each day! WE handed out cards advertising our Friday evangelistic event and encouraged the students to come and continue the conversations about Christ.

On Friday we felt anxious, but still trusting the Lord to bring those He had chosen to hear. The night was bitterly cold, rainy and dark. Our spirits were dropping, but soon our first visitor arrived! They came, one by one, in a constant flow until we had 11 visitors—one for each of our team members! Paul shared a strong testimony of hope and shared the Gospel to the entire room. People stayed LATE and enjoyed cookies and coffee and conversations about Christ. Our visitors left with a Bible in hand and prayer over their lives.

The ladies of our group also had the unique opportunity to minister to Ukrainian refugees on International Women's Day! We had a day of food, music and fellowship just for them! It was a blessing to our team to see these ladies relying on one another and the Lord to bring them through this season. Our guys spent that day making kits for the homeless, cookies for Friday night, and coffee shop hopping looking for Gospel conversations!

Paul and I feel that the best part of this mission trip was seeing our students grown in their faith and rise to the challenge of cold call evangelism. It was also a joy to see them unify as a team. One of our students even said, "Is this what it's like to have siblings?" One final blessing was seeing our students interact with our IMB missionaries. They had tons of time to ask questions about serving longer term and to imagine what that might look like for them. I believe we were a blessing to them as well. It was our joy to go and serve their needs for this week!

Please pray for the people we met and shared the gospel with! Our IMB missionaries will be following up and meeting with them one on one, if they are willing. Please pray for our IM missionaries—they encountered visa problems and they live in a very dark place. Please pray for our students as they engage back into life at Berry. They are eager and burdened to share their faith with some friends they have known for quite some time. Pray for boldness and opportunity.

Continue to pray for and support the BCM at Berry. Thanks to the churches of the FCBA for all you do in reaching the next generation.

David & Christy Slocum, Campus Ministers at Berry

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Paul Turner, volunteer at Berry BCM email: pturner63@gmail.com

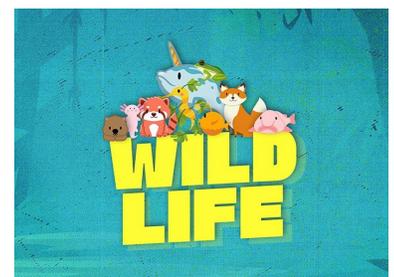
BERRY BCM BERLIN MISSION TRIP PHOTOS



VBS THEMES AND DATES



VBS Dates & Time	Age Group	Church	VBS Theme
June 4 - 7 6:00 - 8:00 pm	3 years - 5th Grade	Shorter Avenue	"Stellar" (Group Publishing)
June 4 - 8 6:00 - 8:00 pm	2 years - 18 years	Pleasant Hope	"Stompers & Chompers" (Regular Baptist Press)
June 4 - 9 6:30 - 9:00 pm	PreK - 7th Grade	Enon	"Twists & Turns" (LifeWay)
June 5 - 9 8:30 am - noon	3 years - 5th Grade	FBC - Lindale	"Twists & Turns" (LifeWay)
June 5 - 9 6:00 - 8:30 pm	PreK3 - 5th Grade	Fellowship	"Stellar" (Group Publishing)
June 5 - 9 6:00 - 8:30 pm	PreK - 6th Grade	Mt. Alto	"Unwrapping Christmas"
June 5 - 9 6:30 - 8:30 pm	PreK - 6th Grade	New Armuchee	"Twists & Turns" (LifeWay)
June 5 - 9 6:00 - 8:30 pm	4 years - 6th Grade	PVN	"Stellar" (Group Publishing)
June 11 - 13 5:30 - 8:30 pm	K - Youth (plus 1 parent)	West Rome	FamJam "Twists & Turns" (LifeWay)
June 11 - 15 5:00 - 8:00 pm	PreK - 5th Grade	Dykes Creek	"Super Heroes"
June 11 - 13 6:00 - 9:00 pm	2 years - Youth	Grace Fellowship	"Twists & Turns" (LifeWay)
June 11 - 15 6:00 - 9:00 pm	Babies - Adult	Pisgah	"Twists & Turns" (LifeWay)
June 19 - 23 6:00 - 9:00 pm	PreK - 6th Grade	Fairview	"Twists & Turns" (LifeWay)
June 25 - 28 6:00 - 8:30 pm	PreK - Youth	Spring Creek	"Twists & Turns" (LifeWay)
June 26 - 30 6:00 - 8:00 pm	4 years - 5th Grade	Northside Church	Food Truck Party (Cokesbury)
July 9 - 12 6:00 - 8:00 pm	K - 5th Grade	Sherwood	"Wild Life" (Grow Curriculum)
July 9 - 13 5:30 - 7:30 pm	PreK - 6th Grade	FBC - Cave Spring	"Twists & Turns" (LifeWay)
July 17- 20 6:00 - 8:30 pm	Age 3 - 6th Grade	PVS	"Stellar" (Group Publishing)



GBC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

The last Executive Committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention/Mission Board was held on March 14, 2023 in Macon, Georgia. Below is a summary of that meeting:

1. The Georgia Baptist financial report was given by David Melber. Because an audit was conducted, only the January report was available. The Cooperative Program giving from all Georgia Baptist churches in January 2022 (one year ago), was \$3,654,342 compared to the current year of January 2023 giving of \$2,726,055. The giving to the GBMB from Georgia churches has dropped \$928,287 in one year. The same trend was seen in previous months and probably will continue, but because of the layoffs/cuts in staff and other expense reduction, the GBMB did not spend more than our income in January 2023.
2. David Melber gave a report on the GBMB's steps to address the sexual abuse issue. A new link is available on the GBMB website with resources to assist churches. Go to gabaptist.org and click on the Abuse Prevention button.
3. Dr. Steve Echols, President of Brewton Parker College in Mt. Vernon announced that BPC has opened a seminary. It is the Temple Baptist Theological Seminary. For more information visit their website at temple.bpc.edu.
4. It was also reported that the GBMB Mission & Ministry Center on Sugarloaf Parkway is no empty and the previous negotiated lease/.purchase agreement has fallen through. The commercial real estate agents have several new prospects and expect bids from them by the end of March.
5. The Georgia Baptist Convention's constitution is being revised by a committee that was approved in the last session of the TBC. It should be noted that this is the first total revision/rewrite of the constitution in almost 200 years.
6. It was also reported that the Georgia Baptist Mission Board is now an official corporation with the State of Georgia.
7. The report on the BCM properties was given and the GBMB is getting close to signing a contract with a non-profit to build new BCM facilities on property (owned by GBMB) at five major public universities.
8. Beth Ann Williams gave a report on Mission Georgia. She has held the first retreat for women who have had an abortion. Many of the ladies repented of their sin and received God's forgiveness. A memorial service was held for all those aborted babies. Mission Georgia has partnered with an agency to rescue people from sex trafficking. The victims are counseled, and the gospel is shared with them. We have partnered also to build tiny houses for the victims and get them jobs. Mission Georgia has a literacy and reading ministry. Recently, a lady from a church in Social Circle, Georgia took the literacy program to an elementary school principal. The principal allowed volunteers to work with students who were lacking in reading skills. Over time, the students' scores in reading improved. The principal was approached about allowing a Bible club to be formed. Permission was granted. 100 students have enrolled. 20% of those students have prayed to receive Jesus as Savior and Lord. The FCBA is involved in the Read Georgia ministry and if you or your church is interest in being involved, please contact Dr. Smith.

Thanks for the honor of serving you,

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

PRAYER WALK FOR OUR SCHOOLS

Last year's FCBA Prayer Walking the Schools was a great success and we are looking forward to doing it again on Sunday, August 6th! We are going to do it a little differently this year. This year we have asked the pastors and churches to identify the school or schools they want to be prayer walking. We have 41 campuses that need to be engaged and prayed for. Our goal is to have at least one church prayer walking every campus. Because we are asking every church which school they will be prayer walking, it means that some schools may have more than one, but that is ok! The pastors and churches will be informing the FCBA of their school or schools by May 3rd. We will then be assigning schools that were not picked by our FCBA churches. Your church may be assigned an additional school or schools that you did not pick. On May 10th, the list of schools and churches prayer walking those schools will be finalized. The list will be sent to the churches, posted on the FCBA website and social media. We will send a letter and email to all school principals and on Monday, July 10th letting them know we are coming to pray and the church names and contact information that has their school. We also encourage every pastor and church to contact the school(s) to work out the details about Prayer Waling Day on Sunday, August 6th. Thanks for all you are doing to reach Rome and Floyd County.

ROME AREA PRAYER BREAKFAST



A MORNING OF FRIENDS AND FAITH

THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023

THE FORUM RIVER CENTER

7:00 - 8:30 AM

2023 SPEAKER – AUTHOR. APOLOGIST. EVANGELIST. LEE STROBEL

Come hear atheist-turned-Christian Lee Strobel, the former award-winning legal editor of The Chicago Tribune. Lee is a New York Times best-selling author of more than forty books, including the acclaimed *The Case for Christ*, and curricula that have sold fourteen million copies in total. He currently serves as Founding Director of the Lee Strobel Center for Evangelism and Applied Apologetics at Colorado Christian University.

Lee has been described in the Washington Post as “one of the evangelical community’s most popular apologists.” He was educated at the University of Missouri (Bachelor of Journalism degree) and Yale Law School (Master of Studies in Law degree). He was a journalist for fourteen years at The Chicago Tribune and other newspapers, winning Illinois’ highest honors for both investigative reporting and public service journalism from United Press International.

After probing the evidence for Jesus for nearly two years, Lee became a Christian in 1981. He subsequently became a teaching pastor at three of America’s largest churches and hosted the national network TV program *Faith Under Fire*. In addition, he taught First Amendment law at Roosevelt University and was Professor of Christian Thought at Houston Baptist University.

In 2017, Lee’s spiritual journey was depicted in an award-winning motion picture, *The Case for Christ*, which showed in theaters around the world. The movie was on Netflix for three years. Lee won national awards for his books *The Case for Christ*, *The Case for Faith*, *The Case for a Creator*, and *The Case for Grace*. His latest books are *The Case for Miracles* and *The Case for Heaven*.

The Christian Post named Lee among the top evangelicals who had made an impact in 2017. He was selected as one of the thirty most influential Christian thinkers of the past two millennia in the 2019 book *Faith Thinkers*.

For more information or tickets go to <https://romeprayerbreakfast.org>



UPCOMING EVENTS

ReTool, a leadership equipping event, will be held on Monday, April 17, 2023 at First Baptist Church in Calhoun. The focus and purpose of this training event is ministry best practices with Pastor Jason Britt of Bethlehem Church who will share about “Building a Winning Team with Volunteers and Staff”. He will address the greatest expressed need by pastors today, which is discovering and enlisting volunteer leaders and staff members.

ReTool conference will be held from 10:30 am - 1:00 pm and will include lunch. There is no cost to register or attend - this is a totally FREE event!

For more information and to register, go to <https://www.sbcworkspace.com/pub/event/register/55235964>.

A graphic for the ReTool Leadership Equipping event. It features a brown leather tool belt filled with various tools like a screwdriver, wrench, and pliers, resting on a wooden surface. The background is a blue sky with white clouds. The text "ReTOOL" is written in large white letters, with the "T" being significantly larger. Below the tool belt, the Georgia Baptist logo is on the left and the text "Leadership Equipping" is on the right.

ReTOOL

Georgia Baptist

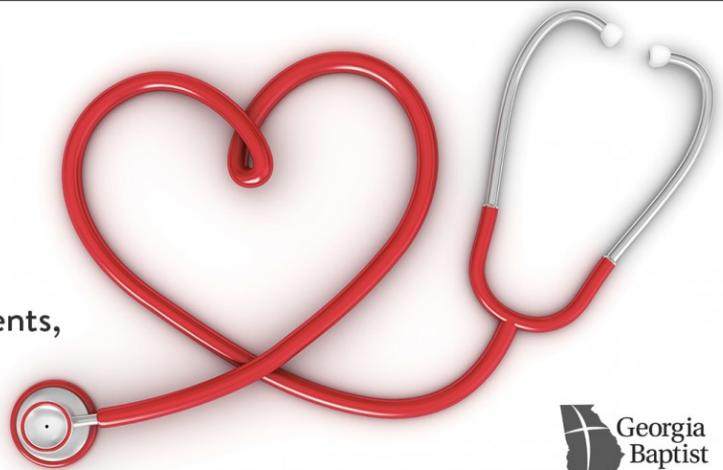
Leadership Equipping

HEALTH CARE SUMMIT

FOR PASTORS, MINISTERIAL STAFF,
AND THEIR SPOUSES

This event will include dental scans/appointments,
blood pressure checks, and more...

gabaptist.org/health-summit



FREE Health Care Summit just for pastors, ministerial staff and their spouses on April 27-28, 2023

First Baptist Church - Powder Springs (4330 North Avenue Powder Springs, Georgia 30127)

The following will be available for each person, as desired, Thursday appointments are available between 8 am and 5 pm:

Dental appointment with Baptist Mobile Health Unit (available on Thursday and Friday)

Biometrics – blood pressure, weight, height, BM (Thursday only)

Bloodwork—CMP, CBC, lipid panel, TSH, PSA, hemoglobin, A1C (Thursday only)

Vision test (Thursday only)

For additional information, please contact Loretta Crow at 770-936-5323 or lcrow@gabaptist.org

For more information, or to register, go to: <https://gabaptist.org/health-summit/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Minister's Monthly Meeting

Thurs., April 13th

DR. MARCUS MERRITT,
GUEST SPEAKER

RSVP by Monday, April 10 at noon
call: 706-291-0904
or
email: fcbaoffice@gmail.com



How to...

Find, Enlist & Train Sunday School Workers

Sunday School Summit
April 20, 2023
6-8 pm

RSVP by Tuesday, 4/17/2023

by calling 706-291-0904 or email fcbaoffice@gmail.com



First Baptist Church - Lindale 9 Park Avenue, SE Lindale, GA 30147

FLOYD COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

**EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE
MEETING**

Monday, April 24th - 7:00 pm

Floyd County Baptist Association Office
308 Redmond 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.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME TRUCK LOADING



Please begin promoting the "LOAD THE TRUCK" event on Sunday, May 14th (Mother's Day). Collect the items at your church though Sunday, June 18th (Father's Day). The GBCH truck will be at the FCBA on Tuesday, June 20th at 10:00 a.m. We will have 2 hours to load the truck, so bring your collected items by noon on Tuesday, June 20th.

Below are the items needed:

- Canned Chicken
- Boxed Snack Crackers, Chips and Cookies
- Paper Plates with sections
- Toilet Paper
- Garbage bags (20 gallon or larger)
- Lysol Disinfectant Spray
- Fabuloso Cleaner
- Kroger gift cards
- Publix gift cards
- Walmart gift cards

2023 Annual Meeting of the SBC
will be June 11-14, 2023
in New Orleans, Louisiana



For more information
please visit
<https://sbcanuualmeeting.net>

UPCOMING EVENTS

dife Boot Camp

Sunday, July 30, 2023



For more information,
or to register, scan the
QR code.



3:30 - 7:30 pm

First Baptist Church - Lindale

9 Park Avenue, SE Lindale, GA 30147

Cost: \$10/person (until 7/21)
\$15/person (7/22 - 7/29)
\$20/person (at the door)

Prayer Walking Our Schools

August 6, 2023



2023 DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



August 18-19, 2023
September 8-9, 2023
October 6-7, 2023

Hartwell Area, Region 2
Dalton Area, Region 1
Jonesboro Area, Region 3

Trainings will include all or a combination of the following:

- ⇒ **Disaster Relief Orientation:** (Required for all first-time attendees and those recertifying.) Attendees can choose to be trained in Chaplaincy, Child/Family Care, Cleanup & Recovery, or Feeding.
- ⇒ **Assessment Training:** Pre-requisites apply.
- ⇒ **IMT/Support Training:** Pre-requisites apply.

Online registration is required. The dates, locations, and online registrations will be available on the "Training" tab of our website: www.gbcdisasterrelief.org

FCBA MEMBER CHURCHES

NORTH

Antioch - Tony Cargle, Pastor
4526 Big Texas Valley Road, NW • Rome, Georgia 30165

Armuchee - David Howard, Transitional 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 - Sam Smith, Transitional 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, 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 - Robert Boatner, Pastor
3773 Blacks Bluff Road • Rome, Georgia 30161

Fairview - Trey Stephens, Pastor
2348 Old Cedartown Road • Lindale, Georgia 30147

Grace Fellowship - Clint Summerville, Pastor
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 - David Nance, Pastor
28 Vann's Valley Road • Rome, Georgia 30161

WEST

Fellowship - Brady Fortenberry, Pastor
314 Burnett Ferry Road, SW • 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 - Greg Hood, 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 - _____, 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 - Tyler Barron, Pastor
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 - Gary Diggs, Interim Pastor
1771 Wax Road, SE • Silver Creek, Georgia 30173

Woodlawn - Legare Price, Pastor
1649 Cartersville Highway • Rome, Georgia 30161

FCBA CALENDAR

Administration Committee:

- Wednesday, April 19 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 4/17 for lunch*
- Wednesday, May 17 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 5/15 for lunch*
- Wednesday, June 21 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 6/19 for lunch*

Church Strengthening Team:

- Tuesday, May 16 @ 3:00 pm @ FCBA

Committee on Committees:

- Wednesday, April 19 @ 1:30 pm @ FCBA
- Wednesday, May 17 @ 1:30 pm @ FCBA
- Wednesday, June 21 @ 1:30 pm @ FCBA

D-Life Group for Pastors:

- Tuesday, February 7 @ 8:00 am @ FCBA (meets every Tuesday until 5/23)

EQUIP424 Team:

- Tuesday, April 25 @ 2:00 pm @ FCBA

Evangelism Team:

- Wednesday, May 17 @ 8:00 am @ FCBA

Executive Committee:

- Monday, April 24 @ 7:00 pm @ FCBA

FCBA Ministry Assistant/Church Secretary Appreciation Lunch:

- Monday, April 24 @ 12:00 pm *RSVP by 4/18*

FCBA Office Closed:

- Monday, April 10 for Good Friday & Easter
- Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day
- Tuesday, July 4 for Independence Day

Georgia Baptist Children's Home Truck Loading Day:

- Tuesday, June 20 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm @ FCBA

Kids Ministers and Ministry Leaders:

- Thursday, April 27 @ 6:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 4/25 for dinner*

Ministers Monthly Meeting:

- Thursday, April 13 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 4/11 for lunch*
- Thursday, May 11 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 5/9 for lunch*
- Thursday, June 8 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA Tailgate with Tim *RSVP by 6/5 for lunch*

Minister of Music & Worship Leaders:

- Monday, May 8 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 5/4 for lunch*

Missions Team Meeting:

- Tuesday, April 11 @ 10:00 am @ FCBA

Prayer Team:

- Tuesday, April 18 @ 2:00 pm @ FCBA

Rome Area Prayer Breakfast:

- Thursday, May 4 @ 6:30 am @ The Rome Forum

Quarterly Bi-Vocational Ministers' Fellowship:

- Thursday, May 11 @ 6:30 pm @ FCBA

Sunday School/Small Group Directors Summit:

- Thursday, April 20 @ 6:00 pm @ First Baptist Church - Lindale *RSVP by 4/17*

Youth Pastors & Student Ministry Leaders:

- Tuesday, April 18 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 4/13 for lunch*
- Tuesday, May 16 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 5/11 for lunch*

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