

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

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TIM'S TOP THREE



We are halfway through 2024. This time of year we begin the process of evaluating our current plans and budget in preparation for the coming year. As I do my work on the budget all I want to say is THANK YOU! First, I praise God because if it were not for Him we would not be experiencing the blessings that we are enjoying. Second, I am so thankful for the generosity of our pastors and people. In the first part of 2024 we have received \$134,076.98 toward the annual budget goal. At the present time we are \$8,730.23 ahead of our budget goal. Thank you for your giving and support. When I came to the FCBA in 2021 our budget goal was \$214,364.00 and this year it is \$300,832.23. In three years the churches of the FCBA have increased their giving to missions through the association by \$84,468.23 or 40.3%! Praise The Lord!

Great things are happening, but we have got so much more to do. So please do not stop giving to missions through the FCBA. 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"***.

Please look through this newsletter and you will see we are focused on our mission and seeking to address our nine priorities. It is important that you share the information included in this newsletter with the appropriate leaders in your church.

This is not a list of everything we are doing, but it is my TOP THREE.

#1. The next quarterly gathering of the **FCBA Executive Committee will be Monday, July 22nd** at 7:00 pm. We will meet in-person at the FCBA Office located at 308 Redmond Road. Remember that the FCBA Executive Committee consists of every pastor for our FCBA churches, plus two additional members from the same church. In this meeting we will be hearing reports from various ministries plus we will be discussing and voting on the newly revised FCBA Constitution and Bylaws. See the announcement on page 8 for more information.

#2. We will be **Prayer Walking the Rome and Floyd County Schools on Sunday, July 28th**. We have communicated with all of the

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principals and presidents, but it would also be a good idea for your church to contact your assigned location to let them know about our Prayer Walking. See the list of churches and schools on page 9. We have emailed a prayer guide to all pastors, plus it is available to download on our website (<http://www.floydbaptist.org>) so please make copies and distribute those to your people as they prayer walk the schools. If you need the FCBA Office to make copies for you, call the office at 706-291-0904 or email fcbaoffice@gmail.com and let us know how many copies you would like. Our office is open Monday-Thursday from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm.

#3. The SPARK CONFERENCE will be Sunday, September 22nd. Our host church is West Rome Baptist Church. This year we are partnering with the Georgia Baptist Mission Board to bring the SPARK Conference to Rome. This will be an event every FCBA church will want to attend, plus we are inviting churches from all over Northwest Georgia. See pages 14-17 for more information about the SPARK Conference. I hope every FCBA church and pastor will be at the SPARK Conference on Sunday, September 22nd.

The FCBA 132nd Annual Meeting and Business Session will be held the following Monday, September 23, 2024 from 6:00-8:30 pm at the FCBA Office in Rome. Remember to have your messengers ready to represent your church.

If I can be of service to your 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' MEETINGS

Just about every month we invite all of our pastors (full-time, part-time, bi-vocational, senior pastors, ministerial staff members or retired pastors/ministers) to attend our Ministers' Meeting. This is our lunch gathering for the purpose of fellowship, learning and encouragement. Lunch is provided. The only request is that you make a reservation in order to make adequate preparations for the FREE lunch.

Here's what is coming up:

Thursday, August 8th @ 12:00 pm: It is sad to see it and it is sad to say it, but we all know it is real! There are many in our community that struggle with addiction. A great tool that God is using to make a difference is Celebrate Recovery. In our August Ministers' Meeting we have Dean Crouch coming to speak with us about



starting a Celebrate Recovery ministry in our area. Dean is from Kennesaw and is the Georgia Area Representative for Celebrate Recovery. He is 25+ years sober and continues to grow the Celebrate Recovery ministry in Georgia. Dean said, "Jesus has changed my life forever."

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered 12 step recovery program where God heals those with hurts, habits or hangups. It is for anyone struggling with any kind of hurt or habit. Celebrate Recovery can:

- Provide a safe place to share experiences, strengths and hopes with others who are also going through a Christ-centered recovery.
- Provide guidance from a leader who has gone through a similar hurt, hangup, or habit.
- Provide the opportunity to find an accountability partner or sponsor.
- Provide the opportunity to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our lives.



Ministers, please come but also bring someone from your church that could help get this ministry off the ground in your church. A FREE lunch will be provided so **please RSVP by noon on Tuesday, August 6th** by calling the FCBA Office at 706-291-0904 or by emailing fcbaoffice@gmail.com.

MINISTERS' MEETINGS (CONTINUED)

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Wednesday, September 11th @ 11:00 am:



YEP! This is a different time and a different day than our usual meeting. The Ministers' Meeting will meet on Wednesday at 11:00 am to PREVIEW the SPARK Conference and the Annual Business Meeting of the FCBA. It is great that we are partnering with the Georgia Baptist Mission Board to host the northwest Georgia SPARK Conference this year. The northwest Georgia SPARK Conference has the best keynote speaker. We are having Dr. Thom Rainer as our keynote! Plus we have over 40 breakout sessions. This is going to be great!!! Our annual business session; the following night, is important and we have some

important decisions to make. This meeting on Wednesday, September 11th will be an opportunity for all the pastors/ministers to see everything that will be happening at the FCBA Annual Meeting.

The Ministers' Meeting will meet with the Administration Committee for the preview meeting and then join them for lunch at noon. After the meal, the Ministers' Meeting group will be free to leave while the Administration Committee conducts the business of the FCBA. Please **RSVP by noon on Monday, September 9th** by calling the FCBA Office at 706-291-0904 or by emailing fcbaoffice@gmail.com.

Thursday, October 10th @ 12:00 pm:

It is not true of your church, but some churches have difficult people. The truth is that conflict is a normal part of life. Most relationships are too important to just walk away from and the work/ministry we have been called to are much too important to ignore difficult people or situations. In this Ministers' Meeting you will discover God's way of resolving conflict. It can be an opportunity to make relationships closer, find solutions that are fair to everyone, and in the end strengthen your church.



Our guest will be Marty Youngblood. He is the Georgia Baptist Pastor Wellness Catalyst in Southeast Georgia. He has worked with hundreds of churches in dealing with difficult situations. If you've challenges (and we all do), then join us for this important gathering. He will be speaking on the topic of "Dealing with Difficult People". A FREE lunch will be provided so **RSVP by noon on Tuesday, October 8th** by calling the FCBA Office at 706-291-0904 or by emailing fcbaoffice@gmail.com.

The goal for all our Ministers' Meetings is inspiration and information. We always have a great time of fellowship and encouragement!

A MESSAGE FROM THE MODERATOR

REV. MAC MCCURRY

Hello partners in ministry! My wife and I were recently on a team that went to Nairobi, Kenya to spend time with some national pastors we are partnering with to plant some churches. I had a chance to listen to several of the pastors share some of the burdens and concerns of ministry. We asked them what they needed most as we promised to pray for them, and I thought I knew what they would likely say. One pastor said with a sense of urgency in his voice, "I need a Timothy..." Another pastor said, "I need a Barnabas, or even an Aaron and Hur..." The pastors asked us to pray for the Lord to provide people to support them, encourage them and share in the work there to the glory of God. Another pastor told us, "We know you are praying FOR us, but it is good for you to come here and pray WITH us." Wow! What they were asking for is what I think many of us here need as well. This is one of many reasons why I am so glad to be part of the Floyd County Baptist Association: to have partners in ministry and fellow believers encouraging and serving together and praying for one another. I am so thankful for Tim and all of our associational staff. I am grateful for pastors, ministry leaders and churches participating in the ministries of the Association. If you need a Barnabas or just want to someone to pray with you, please let me or Bro. Tim know – we are all here to be a blessing to you and your ministry.

In His service, Mac McCurry, Pleasant Valley North (pastormac@pvnbc.org)

NOTES FROM THE MINISTRY CENTER

We are seeing more and more clients in our food pantry on Tuesdays and Thursdays. With that being said, we need your help! First, we are in need of volunteers willing to work from 9:00 - 10:30 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays; second, we need your support either monetarily or by donating food. Let's work together to show the love of Jesus and feed the hungry of Floyd County. Jesus said, *"Inasmuch as you did it one of the least of these My brethren, you do it to Me."* Matthew 25:40

We will be feeding Coosa Valley Fair workers on Monday, October 7th. We need your church to be thinking about what you would like to bring. Menu includes: BBQ, baked beans, chips, buns, homemade desserts, tea, lemonade and ice. We serve 200, you can bring part or all of an item. We also need volunteers to plate the food, transport the food to the fairgrounds and serve the food. There is also a need for pastors and lay people to witness.

Come serve Jesus together with us! *Cindy*

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS



Boxed Cereal (family size)
Canned Fruit (15 oz.)
Pop Tarts (6-8 count box)
Ramen Noodles (12 pack box)



2024 CHURCH FOOD DRIVE SCHEDULE:

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

August: Everett Springs, Fairview, Mount Carmel, Mount Tabor, Northside, 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

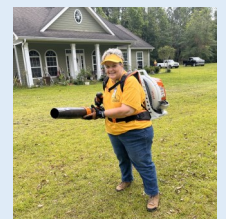
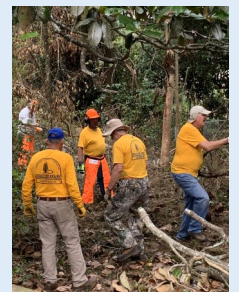
DISASTER RELIEF UPDATE



Our disaster relief trailer will be complete soon and then we will be calling pastors for times to come and share about Disaster Relief.



We spent May 28 - June 3 in Tallahassee, Florida working disaster relief efforts after tornadoes swept through the area. Bill & Anna Campbell, FCBA Disaster Relief (email: annatcampbell@comcast.net)



DISASTER RELIEF INTRODUCTION (DRI)

Disaster Relief Introduction (DRI) is required for all first-time volunteers and all Georgia Baptist Disaster Relief Volunteers needing recertification.

The DRI consists of two sessions:

Session 1 - Friday night (6 - 9 pm) This is an introduction to the ministry of Disaster Relief.

Session 2 - Saturday morning (8 - 10 am or 8 am - 12 pm for Chaplaincy) Training in the specific ministry area.

During the online registration, choose from one of following Primary Ministry Areas:

1. Chaplaincy;
2. Cleanup & Recovery;
3. Family Care;
4. Feeding;
5. Shower Units

NOTE: During the online registration, you have the opportunity to register to cross train in an additional ministry area on Saturday from 10 am - 12pm. However, if training in Chaplaincy, you will NOT be able to cross train on Saturday from 10 am - 12 pm.

Online registration is easy:

1. Click the link below for the introduction you want to register for.
2. If this is the first time you have registered online, click the "Don't have an account? Sign Up" to the right of the "Sign In" button.
3. Complete the information and click "Create an Account".
4. You will receive an email with the information to activate your account and register for the event.

To remain an active, credentialed Disaster Relief volunteer, recertification in your Primary Ministry Area/Primary Unit Assignment is required every 5 years. Recertification in your Primary Ministry Area will recertify you in all areas you are trained in. Check the expiration date on your ID badge to know when you need to recertify. There are 2 OPTIONS to recertify: 1. Attend a DRI or 2. Attend a state-wide yearly recertification event.

Recertification consists of 2 sessions (both sessions must be completed to recertify):

Session 1 - Friday night (6 - 9pm) This is an update to the ministry of Disaster Relief and is included in the DRI.

*Session 2 - Saturday morning (8 -10 am) Recertification in your Primary Ministry Area/Primary Unit Assignment.

During the online registration, choose your current Primary Ministry Area/Primary Unit Assignment:

1. Chaplaincy;
2. Cleanup & Recovery;
3. Family Care;
4. Feeding;
5. Shower Units

*If your Primary Unit Assignment is Assessment or IMT, Session 2 on Saturday will be as follows:

Assessment: Session 2 - Saturday morning (8 am - 12 pm) **IMT:** Session 2 – Saturday morning (8 am - 12 pm)

NOTES:

1. If you are recertifying and your Primary Ministry Area is Cleanup & Recovery, Family Care, Feeding, or Shower Units, during the online registration, you have the opportunity to register to cross train in an additional ministry area on Saturday from 10 am - 12 pm. (Additional fee applies.)
2. If you are recertifying and your Primary Ministry Area is Assessment, Chaplaincy, or IMT, you will NOT be able to cross train in an additional area on Saturday.

August 23-24, 2024 @ First Baptist Church Social Circle (195 N. Cherokee Road Social Circle, Georgia 30025)

Registration deadline: August 18, 2024 FEE (if received by deadline): 1st time attendee \$45, Recertification \$20

September 20-21, 2024 @ Jesup First Baptist Church (185 South Brunswick Street Jesup, Georgia 31546)

Registration deadline: September 15, 2024 FEE (if received by deadline): 1st time attendee \$45, Recertification \$20

October 18-19, 2024 @ Lakeside Baptist Church (1023 Milledgeville Highway Milledgeville, Georgia 31061)

Registration deadline: October 13, 2024 FEE (if received by deadline): 1st time attendee \$45, Recertification \$20

For more information or to register, go to <https://gabaptist.org/resource/disaster-relief-training/>

Or call 770-936-5254 or email dcarter@gabaptist.org



The Shorter BCM ended the spring semester strong as we had over 60 at our last Refuge service in April. We have BCM students serving in a variety of ministry positions: Send Me Now missions; Fuge camps; church internships; and WinShape. At our last Refuge service, we recognized our outgoing BCM president and graduating seniors.

This summer we are having a Bible study/pool fellowship at my house. We had 6 to attend our first Bible study. We also will be attending and setting up a BCM table at our freshman orientation days in July.

In August we will begin classes on August 19. Freshmen will move in on August 16. If you are interested in helping students move in contact David Roland at droland@shorter.edu. We will have our Church Fair on Sunday evening August 18 from 5-7 pm. Contact David if you would like to have a table set up for your church.

The Shorter BCM will have its "Welcome to Shorter" picnic on Monday, August 19th at 6 pm in the front circle. The BCM will have burgers, hot dogs, chips and cookies. We also will have a short worship time at 7 pm.

The BCM Progressive Dinner will be on Friday, August 23rd evening from 5:00-7:30 pm. We are heading to Sherwood Forest Baptist Church, Calvary Baptist Church and Fellowship Church.

We are asking WMU's to help donate items for international student welcome baskets. Items needed are laundry baskets, detergent, hangers, gum, towels/wash cloths. BCM will provide an English Bible and Gatorade.

As always, we are grateful for your partnership with us on the campus. Please let me know how we can help your church reach your community.

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

JOIN OUR FACEBOOK PAGE



One of the best ways to keep up to date with all that is going on in the Floyd County Baptist Association and in the churches of the Floyd County Baptist Association is to join our Facebook Group. Take a moment to join us and then share it with others and invite them to join too! Thank you!!!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/floydbaptist.org/>



VBS AND OTHER SUMMER EVENTS

Praise the Lord for the GREAT results our churches are having in VBS this summer. We still have some opportunities coming. Pray for these churches and for men, women, boys & girls to hear the GOOD NEWS of JESUS and many to be saved!

VBS Dates & Time	Church	VBS Theme
June 1 9:00 am - 3:00 pm	New Prospect	Knights of the Kingdom
June 2 - 6 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Flint Hill	Breaker Rock Beach
June 2 - 7 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Floyd Springs	Breaker Rock Beach
June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10 am - 12 pm	HBC Rome	Start The Party: Celebrate the Good News
June 3 - 7 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Fellowship	Scuba
June 3 - 7 8:30 am - 12:00 pm	First Baptist - Lindale	Breaker Rock Beach
June 3 - 7 6:00 pm - 8:15 pm	New Armuchee	Breaker Rock Beach
June 3 - 6 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Pleasant Valley South	Scuba
June 3 - 7 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Second Avenue	Breaker Rock Beach
June 5 - 8 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Sunny Hill	Breaker Rock Beach
June 8 11:00 am - 4:30 pm	New Antioch	Outback Rock
June 9 - 14 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Enon	Breaker Rock Beach
June 9 - 13 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Friendship	Jungle Journey
June 9 - 13 6:00 pm - 8:10 pm	Pleasant Hope	WildLIVE
June 10 - 13 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Grace Fellowship	Breaker Rock Beach
June 10 - 14 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Pleasant Valley North	Breaker Rock Beach
June 10 - 14 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm	State Line	Breaker Rock Beach
June 17 - 21 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Bush Arbor	On a Mission for Jesus
June 17 - 21 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Fairview	Jungle Journey
June 17 - 21 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Mount Alto	The Story to the Cross
June 17 - 21 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Pisgah	Breaker Rock Beach
June 17 - 21 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	West End	Start the Party: Celebrate the Good News
June 23 - 26 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Parkview	Breaker Rock Beach
June 24 - 28 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Live Oak	Camp Firelight
June 24 - 28 9:00 am - 3:00 pm	Spring Creek	Start the Party: Celebrate the Good News
June 24 - 26 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Wax	Breaker Rock Beach
July 7 - 12 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Antioch	Gone Fishin'
July 7 - 11 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm	First Baptist - Cave Spring	Breaker Rock Beach
July 7 - 11 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Sherwood	Torchbearers: Taking The Gospel Global
July 8 - 12 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Desoto Park	Stompers & Chompers
July 8 - 10 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Northside	Camp Firelight
July 14 - 18 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Lakeview	Jungle Journey
July 15 - 17 6:15 pm - 8:15 pm	Shorter Avenue	What a Mess!
July 19 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm July 20 9 am - 11 am & 4 pm - 7:30 pm	West Rome	The Amazing Chemistry Show
July 21 - 26 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Dykes Creek	What Would Jesus Do!

After your VBS is complete make sure to go to <https://vbs.lifeway.com/church-report/> and complete your annual VBS report.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMIT

The next Sunday School Summit will be on Thursday, July 18th at 6:00pm. This quarterly training gathering is open to all Sunday School teachers and leaders. We begin with a light meal at 6:00pm. We have the meal to assist you and your leaders as well as provide an atmosphere of fellowship. The training will begin at 6:30pm and we should be finished around 8:00 pm. The host church is Enon Baptist Church. Pastor Ralph Jenkins and all the good people at Enon are excited and they are planning a wonderful fellowship meal so please RSVP.

The topic for the training session is "The Spiritual Life of the Sunday School Teacher/Leader". If we are not growing in our relationship with Jesus we will never be an effective disciple maker! This session will explore the spiritual disciplines every Christian needs to be developing.

Do all you can to bring your people! **Please RSVP by 7/15.** You can call the FCBA office at 706.291.0904 or email the FCBA office at fcbaoffice@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMIT

The Spiritual Life of a Sunday School Teacher

Thursday, July 18, 2024

6:00 pm - dinner
6:30 - 8:00 pm training

Enon Baptist Church
3105 Turkey Mountain Road, NE
Rome, Georgia 30161

RSVP by 7/15
call 706-291-0904
or
email fcbaoffice@gmail.com



FCBA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

We have several ministry updates plus we will be reviewing and voting on Constitutional and Bylaw revisions for the FCBA. Pastors watch your email and US mail for a copy of the updated and revised copy of the FCBA Constitution and Bylaws that we will be discussing and voting on. Pastor, if you have not received your copy by August 1st, please contact the FCBA office.

FLOYD COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, July 22, 2024 @ 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.*



PRAYER WALKING OUR SCHOOLS

The FCBA is excited about Prayer Walking our Schools on Sunday, July 28th. We are doing the Prayer Walking on July 28th to be able to have it BEFORE our local school systems start (Floyd County on 8/1 and Rome City on 8/2).



We will again go with the same church/school match up from last year, but with a few changes and some additional churches who have requested to partner with us.

We have 41 campuses that need to be engaged and prayed for! Please see the listing below. Our goal is to have at least one church prayer walking on every campus. We are asking every pastor and church to contact the school or schools they have been partnered with to work out the details of the Prayer Walking Day on Sunday, July 28th. Thank you for all you are doing to reach Rome and Floyd County!

Antioch: Armuchee High

Armuchee: Armuchee Primary

Blue Pond: FCS Central Office & Virtual Learning Academy

Bush Arbor: Georgia Highlands College

Calvary: Rome High & Rome CCA; Model Middle

Cedar Creek: Coosa Middle

Church of God at West Rome: Alto Park Elementary

Community Chapel: Garden Lakes Elementary;

Berry College Elementary & Middle School

Cornerstone: Bob Richards Regional Youth Detention Center

Desoto Park: Darlington; Pepperell Middle

Dykes Creek: Model High

East Rome: Georgia Northwestern Technical College

Enon: Model Elementary

Everett Springs: Armuchee Elementary

Fairview: Pepperell Elementary; Pepperell Middle

FBC-Cave Spring: Georgia School for the Deaf; Cave Spring Learning Center

FBC-Lindale: Pepperell High

FBC-Shannon: Model Elementary

Fellowship: Alto Park Elementary

Flint Hill: Floyd County CCA

Floyd Springs: Armuchee Elementary

Friendship: Model Middle

Grace Fellowship: Coosa High

HBC: Floyd County CCA

Hill Crest: Main Street Elementary & Phoenix Performance Learning Center

Lakeview: Garden Lakes Elementary

Live Oak: Georgia School for the Deaf

McFall: East Central Elementary

Mount Alto: Coosa High

Mount Carmel: FCS Central Office & Virtual Learning Academy

Mount Tabor: St. Mary's

New Antioch: Johnson Elementary

New Armuchee: Armuchee Primary; Armuchee High

New Canaan: Elm Street Elementary

New Hope: Armuchee Elementary

New Prospect: Pepperell Primary

North Rome Church of God: Rome Middle

Park Avenue: Pepperell Middle

Parkview: West Central Elementary

Pisgah: Coosa Middle

Pleasant Hope: Anna K. Davie Elementary

Pleasant Valley North: Berry College; Berry College Elementary & Middle School

Pleasant Valley South: Pepperell Primary

Primera Iglesia: Johnson Elementary

Providence: West End Elementary

Renovation Church: Garden Lakes Elementary; Rome High

Riverside: FCS Central Office & Virtual Learning Academy

Second Avenue: East Central Elementary

Sherwood Forest: Shorter University; St. Mary's

Shorter Avenue: West End Elementary

South Broad: RCS Central Office & Virtual Learning Academy

Spring Creek: Unity School & Montessori

State Line: Cave Spring Learning Center

Sunny Hill: Rome Middle

The Church at Northside: Armuchee Primary; Armuchee Elementary; Armuchee High

Three Rivers: Unity School

Vann's Valley: Pepperell Elementary

Victory: Main Elementary & Phoenix Learning Center

Wax: Georgia Highlands College

West End: West Central Elementary

West Rome: Elm Street Elementary

Woodlawn: Georgia Northwestern Technical College

LOAD THE TRUCK FOR GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME



Thirteen churches and two individuals donated items to the Georgia Baptist Children's Home. The truck was loaded on Tuesday, June 18th and filled with the items! In addition to the items, \$1500 in cash and gift cards was donated. Thank you to all who supported the Georgia Baptist Children's Home.

For more information about the Georgia Baptist Children's Home go to their website at:

www.georgiachildren.org

Jan Lane, Pleasant Valley South Baptist Church Member, FCBA Georgia Baptist Children's Home Representative

MINISTRY WIVES' FELLOWSHIPS

MINISTERS' WIVES FELLOWSHIP



Meet with Ministers' Wives and Fellowship together

**Follow FCBA Facebook group
for each month's location and other
events throughout the year**

**For more information/RSVP contact:
Ashley Bowden at 478-230-5888
or Mandi Silver 706-767-2352**

The Ministry Wives Fellowship began meeting in August of 2023. We continue to meet monthly on the third Tuesday. These gatherings are for minister's wives to come together and share their load with one another, to encourage one another, and to fellowship with one another as we live the life of a ministry wife. Any ministry wife is welcome to attend.

For more information, or how to get involved, please contact Mandy Silver at 706-767-2352 or Ashley Bowden at 478-230-5888.

Below are the dates for the third quarter of 2024:

Tuesday, July 16 - 6:30 pm at the home of Kristi Dabbs (call Mandy or Ashley for directions)

Tuesday, August 20 - 6:30 pm at Friendship Baptist Church (2293 Calhoun Road, NE Rome, GA 30161)

Saturday, September 28 - (time TBA) "Family Night" at Mt. Alto Baptist Church (1915 Huffaker Road Rome, GA 30165)

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING



The 132nd Annual Meeting and Business Session of the FCBA will be on the Monday following the SPARK Conference, September 23rd. We will meet at the FCBA Ministry Center at 308 Redmond Road.

This is the schedule for the meeting:

6:00 pm Check In/Doors Open

6:30 pm Greeting & Introductions, Devotion, Opening Prayer, Enrollment of Messengers & Adoption of Order of Business, Church and Community Ministries Report, Annual Meeting Planning Committee Report for 2025, Committee on Committees Report, Executive Committee Report, Administration Committee Report, 2024 Financial Report & Adoption of 2025 FCBA Budget, Election of Officers, Miscellaneous Business (Old & New), Ministry Reports (Shorter University, BCMs at Shorter, Berry & GHC), Prayer Ministry Team, WMU & Women's Ministry, Youth Ministry, Church Strengthening, Ministers Meetings, Sunday School, Discipleship, Disaster Relief, Georgia Baptist Children's Home, Kids Ministry, Missions, Music and the Report from our Director of Missions

8:30 pm Closing Prayer & Adjourn

During the Miscellaneous Business time we will be voting on the newly revised and updated Constitution and Bylaws for the FCBA. Copies will be available prior to the meeting.

The plan for registration of messengers will be very simple. All you need to do is email, call in or drop-off the names of your elected messengers. But **please convey the names of your messengers to the FCBA office by noon on Monday September 9th!** Again, you can email the names to fcbaoffice@gmail.com, call the FCBA office at 706-291-0904, or by drop the list off at the FCBA office during regular office hours Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. Remember that your pre-registered messengers **must** be in by noon on Monday, September 9th.

The number of messengers for your church is determined through the guidance of the FCBA Constitution and Bylaws.

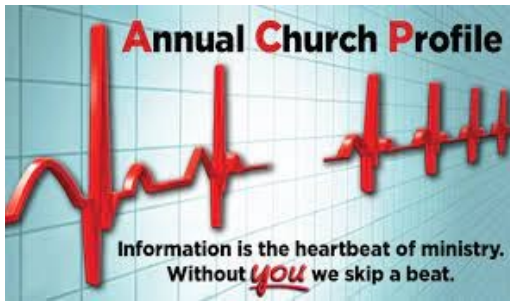
Article VI. Annual Session - Second and Third paragraphs states...

"The Annual Session shall be composed of messengers elected by the churches. Each church which contributes financially to the Association shall be entitled to seven (7) messengers, and any such church having more than one hundred (100) members shall be entitled to one (1) additional messenger for each fifty (50) members over one hundred (100), provided that no church shall have more than fifteen (15) messengers."

"Any church, which gives at least 3% of undesignated receipts to the association budget, shall be entitled to at least 10 messengers (additional messengers shall follow the guidelines above). The determining factor for the % of undesignated receipts calculation will come from the undesignated receipts reported by the church on the previous year's ACP."

We will be mailing a letter to the pastors in July to help with the number of messengers.

2024 ANNUAL CHURCH PROFILE



In August, every FCBA church will receive, via USPS mail and email, a letter from the Georgia Baptist Mission Board that includes Annual Church Profile (ACP) completion instructions, with the paper form and an online link to the forms, your church's username, password, and a self-addressed stamped envelope. The letter should contain the ACP statistical questions and have all current organization and leadership data prefilled in the provided forms. The deadline for completion is October 15, 2024 but the FCBA is requesting that you have your ACP completed by October 1, 2024.

If you are unable to complete the ACP online or if you are unable to locate the information from the GBMB, please answer these questions and return your answers to the FCBA office. You can email it to fcbaoffice@gmail.com or mail it to FCBA, PO Box 729 Rome, GA 30162. We will make sure your ACP is turned into the GBMB.

Church Name: _____ City: _____

The 2024 Annual Statistical Profile Suggested Time Period September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024

1. _____ Total MEMBERSHIP. All members including resident, non-resident, active and inactive.
2. _____ Average weekly in-person WORSHIP Sunday morning attendance. Average number attending the weekly (primary) worship service(s) in person for the weeks your congregation met during the current reporting year. This should also include children in nursery, children's church and/or extended care. If not kept, use your best estimate.
3. _____ Average weekly in-person SMALL GROUP attendance for Sunday School or other Bible study groups (all ages). Average number attending Bible Study in person each week for the weeks your congregation met during the current reporting year. This may be a Sunday School class, Bible Study, Small Group, Home Groups, Discipleship Groups or similar group. Include all ages from babies to adults but not counting anyone twice. If not kept, use your best estimate.
4. _____ Total BAPTISMS. Total number of baptisms that took place during the 12-month reporting year.
5. _____ OTHER ADDITIONS. Number of people who became members of your congregation during the current reporting year by ways other than baptism including letter of transfer, statement, etc.
6. _____ Total VBS ENROLLMENT. Total number of persons enrolled in this year's VBS program. Include leaders, workers, and attendees.
7. \$_____ Total UNDESIGNATED RECEIPTS. These are monetary gifts given by individuals in which the congregation decides how the money will be spent by its budget or other means. This includes regular tithes and offerings given in person or online during the current reporting year.

We will send you a "Church Leader Contact Information Sheet" to complete as well. All we need from your church is the name, mailing address, cell phone number and email address for the following leaders: Prayer, Evangelism/Outreach, Sunday School/Discipleship/Groups, Missions, College Ministry, Church & Community Ministries, VBS, Deacons, Finance/Treasurer, Disaster Relief, Kids Ministry, Youth Ministry, Music/Worship Ministry, Sr. Adult Ministry, Singles Ministry, Social Media/Website/Communications, WMU/Women's Ministry, Men's Ministry, Special Needs Ministry, Church Secretary, Church Clerk, and Georgia Baptist Children's Home.

Please submit your 2024 ACP by October 1, 2024.

If you have questions please contact Bryan Nowak at the GBMB 770-936-5245 or bnowak@gabaptist.org.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR FLOYD COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Week of Prayer for the Floyd County Baptist Association **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

October 13-20, 2024



We will be praying for every FCBA church as well as every pastor. We will also be focusing on praying for community engagement.

Evangelism is simply the sharing of God's love by engaging our communities. Each of us has a community: our neighbors, our workplaces and even our families. We are each called to engage the world. This year, the prayer emphasis for the Floyd County Baptist Association, our churches and church members is Community Engagement. Each of us can strengthen the work of the gospel with a simple commitment to pray and engage others.

Make sure you visit our website to download the prayer guide so you can print it and distribute it to your members. Also make sure you are a member of our Facebook group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/floydbaptist.org>) so you can get the daily prayer requests. Each day during the week of prayer we will post specific churches and pastors we are praying for.

MISSIONS CONFERENCE

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 18-20, 2024

Global Impact Conference



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER
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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE GEORGIA BAPTIST MISSION
BOARD



This will be a great opportunity for you and your church to discover ways to be involved in taking the Good News of Jesus locally and globally!

Friday, October 18th

5 - 6 pm Missions & Missionary Exhibit Area Open

6 - 7 pm Global Impact/Missions Dinner w/ Buck Burch, former IMB Missionary to Russia, speaking

7 - 8 pm Missions & Missionary Exhibit Area Open

Saturday, October 19th

8 - 9:30 am Global Impact/Missions Prayer Breakfast

9:30 - 10 am Missions & Missionary Exhibit Area Open

10 - 11:30 am Breakout Session #1 (Raising Up Missions Leaders, Disaster Relief Teams, Starting A Missions Program, Women In Missions, Fighting Human Trafficking, The Journeyman Process, Reaching The Nations Now, Mobilizing Youth To Missions and many others)

11:30 am - 12:30 pm - Lunch

12 - 1 pm Missions & Missionary Exhibit Area Open

12:30 - 1:30 pm Breakout Session #2 (Cross Cultural Missions, Disaster Relief Teams, Fighting Human Trafficking, The Journeyman Process, Tools For Reaching The Nations and many others)

Sunday, October 20th

SENDING SUNDAY! Commissioning ALL of our members in FCBA churches to live on Mission for God!

THE TOTAL CHURCH EQUIPPING CONFERENCE



www.thesparkconference.com/2024

Sunday, September 22, 2024
West Rome Baptist Church, Rome

3:30 PM - Doors Open/Registration/Check In
4:15 PM - Inspirational Rally w/ Thom Rainer
5:30 PM - Light Supper
6:15-7:15 PM - Breakout #1
7:30-8:30 PM - Breakout #2
8:30 PM - Dismiss



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Dr. Thom S. Rainer is a renowned church leader, author, and consultant, currently serving as the founder and CEO of Church Answers, an online resource platform for church leaders. He previously held the positions of President and CEO at LifeWay Christian Resources and was the founding dean of the Billy Graham School of Missions and Evangelism at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. His expertise in church health led him to establish the Rainer Group, a consulting firm that has guided numerous churches and organizations. A prolific author, Rainer has contributed more than two dozen books to the field, including influential works such as "I Am a Church Member" and "Autopsy of a Deceased Church".

Breakout Session #1 (6:15-7:15 PM)

Artificial Intelligence and Your Ministry: The New Fuel for Efficiency and Impact led by Scott Smith. This session introduces you to the dynamic world of AI. You will explore how AI can automate routine tasks, allowing more time for vital ministry work. Demonstrations will be given on how to maximize Bible study, including creating lessons, sermons and curriculum. We will also cover how AI can help you learn any subject five times faster. Ethical aspects of AI usage in a ministry context will be covered. You will leave with a good working knowledge of basic AI, and quickly become competent to implement AI into your personal day-to-day ministry and management.

Babysitter vs Influencer led by Krista Staton. Which are you? In this session you will learn simple steps to move from a babysitter to an influencer in the life of a child. We have a short time to make a difference in a child's life so come learn how to maximize the time that you have.

Beyond Meat led by Toby Solberg. Let's all agree there is no substitute for the real Word. Just like real meat can be hard to digest for some, how we present the Word may be hard to digest for many of our students. This interactive session will give you ideas and resources on how to take the goodness of God's Word and make it appetizing for the students in your ministry.

Church Budgeting and Financial Issues led by Marc Amason. Whether it be ideas to increase giving at your church or common mistakes churches make in dealing with finances, this session is for you. This session will help you increase giving, manage the finances of the church better, plus you'll learn how to avoid the mistakes churches make when dealing with finances.

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Current Trends and Common Practices in Turn-Around Churches led by Dr. Thom Rainer. Our culture is changing rapidly and no one has a better pulse on culture and church than Dr. Thom Rainer. In this session you'll hear about the latest research in culture and the impact on the church. This will be a rich discussion on ministry best practices and you'll have the opportunity for Q&A time with Dr. Rainer.

Deacon Ministry Foundations led by Art Fulks and Gary Wood. The ministry of deacons is foundational to healthy churches. In this breakout we will discuss both the spiritual/character aspects of healthy deacon ministry, but also invest in several practical tools to apply in caring and serving well.

Disaster Relief in the 21st Century led by Dwain Carter. There is much more to Georgia Baptist Disaster Relief than cooking food and chainsaws. Let's take a deeper look into the depths of the interworking of disciple making through DR.

Effectively Engaging 18-25 Year Olds in the Local Church led by Kirk Richeson. Whether they are in college or working, living at home or living on their own, young adults can seem like an elusive group for many churches to engage. Led by an experienced collegiate minister, this session will equip you with knowledge and ideas you can implement this week to more effectively engage and keep 18-25 year olds in your church.

Fears in Disciple-Making led by Carl Johnson. We are called to go and make disciples, yet fear can overtake us and our churches from fulfilling the Great Commission. In this breakout we will look at the real fears we have in discipleship and how to overcome these fears.

Four Keys to a Healthy Church led by Craig Ward. Words like mission, values, strategy, and vision are buzz words we often use in our ministry conversations; while they are easily spoken, they are difficult to implement. Join us for an informative discussion and details on how you can join other ministry leaders in a church strengthening process. In this breakout we will share information that will show you how to prepare yourself and your congregation to make disciples, develop leaders and increase missional engagement.

First Impressions and Guest Services led by Jason Young. Join this breakout to learn practical ideas and proven principles for building a dynamic first impression experience as part of an overall assimilation plan.

Five Essential Elements for Leading Women in the Local Church led by Karen Pace. In this session we will explore five essential elements that will help leaders successfully engage all women of the church in spiritual growth, healthy community, and meaningful missions and ministry. Through a simple assessment and next steps plan you will leave with practical ways to lead women toward a life complete in Christ.

Grief Care Giving led by Ricky Thrasher. Grief involves coping with loss. Death, divorce, and the loss of a home are all major events that people grieve. While everyone's experience of grief is different, there are common responses that can be useful to recognize if someone is facing a loss and minister to them.

Harmonizing Hearts: The Art of Being a Great Worship and Music Leader led by Rhon Carter. In this session we will delve into the essence of being a great worship and music leader; exploring the multifaceted role that goes beyond musical proficiency. Discover how to foster a spiritual atmosphere, build a cohesive worship team, and effectively communicate with congregants through music. We'll explore the balance between creativity and reverence; offering practical insights and strategies for cultivating a worship experience that resonates with both authenticity and excellence. Join us as we embark on a journey to elevate your worship and music leadership skills and inspire transformative worship encounters for the local church.

Navigating Trauma in the Church led by Paula Walker. Every church is filled with broken people. Many of them have lives filled with present or past adversity. In this session you will deepen your understanding of trauma and its impact on people and gain practical skills needed to minister with compassion inspired by the very heart of our Creator.

Open Your Church to Deaf People led by Nathan Hill and Laramie Burris. You can create opportunities for deaf people to worship and study the Bible in your church. Lay a foundation for a Deaf Ministry and enable deaf and hard of hearing people to participate in your church.

Protecting Evangelism and Missions through Religious Freedom led by Mike Griffin This class is about the theological and philosophical approach that churches should have regarding the rights of Religious Freedom in our country. Its goal is to help church leaders come away with a practical understanding that promotes evangelism and missions.

Six Things Every Volunteer Needs to Know to Work with Teenagers led by Chris Trent. In the constantly changing world of youth ministry, understanding the unique challenges and opportunities that come with working with teenagers is crucial for every volunteer. This session is designed to equip volunteers with the essential knowledge and skills needed to build discipleship focused relationships with teenagers and point them to Jesus.

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Steps to Recognize and Raise Up Missional Leaders in Your Church led by Buck Burch. Churches must take specific steps to ensure new people are constantly being put on mission. By following the “Leading Others” and “Leading Groups” aspects of the early church, churches can intentionally raise up missional leaders for the next generation.

Teaching/Leading an Adult Class or Group led by Kim Harris. Teaching or leading a Bible study class or group for adults can be challenging. In this session you'll learn how to better prepare a Bible study and how to present a Bible study for adults; plus, you'll learn more about the learning styles of adults.

The Power of Prayer in Evangelism led by Steve Foster. Prayer is an essential component for sharing the gospel with effectiveness, and it empowers the witness by providing guidance, open doors, spiritual wisdom, and favor. This breakout will help believers develop prayer as a foundation for sharing Jesus.

UNLEASH!: 5 Strategies for Shaping a Church That's Reaching, Discipling, and Deploying Young Leaders led by Dallas White. Join Dallas White, Senior Pastor of The Grove Church, as he unpacks the five simple strategies he and his team use to engage, equip, and empower young leaders in ministry.

Why Groups Matter: Small Group & Sunday School Training led by Ray Sullivan. Attend this session to learn why groups are important, why new groups are mission critical, and practical ideas for teaching & leading your group this Sunday.

Winning the Church Back to Men led by Chris Harper. What's being called the era of the dechurched, 40,000,000 people have left the church in the last 25 years and men are leading the exodus. This session will show how we got here and what practical steps we need to take in winning the Church back to men.

Women in Ministry led by Julie Biesiadecki. Join us for an enriching breakout session designed specifically for women who are vocationally called to ministry. This session aims to provide practical advice and encouragement to help navigate your unique journey in ministry. Come find mentorship, friendship, and mutual support as we uplift each other and grow stronger in our shared mission.

Breakout Session #2 (7:30-8:30 PM)

AI and Your Ministry: The New Fuel for Efficiency and Impact led by Scott Smith (repeated from session 1)

Beyond Meat led by Toby Solberg (repeated from session1).

Deacon Ministry Foundations led by Art Fulks and Gary Wood (repeated from session 1)

Dealing Effectively with Church Conflict led by Chris Reynolds. Join this breakout to learn key ideas and best practices for recognizing the signs of conflict and how to effectively implement a solution.

Disaster Relief in the 21st Century led by Dwain Carter (repeated from session 1)

Effectively Engaging 18-25 Year Olds led by Kirk Richeson (repeated from session 1)

Five Essential Elements for Leading Women in the Local Church led by Karen Pace (repeated from session 1)

Four Keys to a Healthy Church led by Craig Ward (repeated from session 1)

Getting Ready to Go led by Keith Ivey. Inward equipping is essential for outward engagement. Come join us to learn some practical steps on how to help your church wide missions team develop a plan of action.

Key to Multiplying Gospel Impact Through Your Senior Adult Ministry led by Mike Taylor. Join this breakout to learn creative ideas and proven principles for growing a Senior Adult ministry.

Leading a Child to Christ led by Ashton Hudson. Statistics show us that most Christians make a profession of faith before the age of 14. Are you ready to share the Gospel with children? In this session you'll learn strategies to include Gospel presentation for large and small groups of children as well as best practices for Gospel conversations with individual children. You will leave with ideas for resources and more confidence as you minister to children in your church and community.

Navigating Best Practices for Discipling Teenagers led by Kyle Ruff. When it comes to youth ministry, discipling teenagers presents both unique challenges and life changing opportunities for spiritual growth and development. This breakout session offers a comprehensive exploration into the effective strategies for mentoring young individuals within the context of their faith journey.

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Navigating Loss: What To Do When You Don't Know What To Do led by Ricky Thrasher and Tonya Ledford. This grief series will focus on dealing with life losses; whether it be lost dreams, relationships, a pet, or what we thought our life should be. We will address the symptoms of grief and how to ride the waves as they come. We will learn that grief is a journey and not a destination. The group will learn practice ways to practice self-care and obtain support during hard times.

Navigating Trauma in the Church led by Paula Walker (repeated from session 1)

New Member Connection and Assimilation led by Jason Young. Attend this breakout to learn proven ideas on how to build a culture of biblical church membership through your new member or discovery class.

Open Your Church to Deaf People led by Nathan Hill and Laramie Burris (repeated from session 1)

Reducing the Risk of Child Sexual Abuse in the Church led by Mike Griffin. This class is about what the church can do to protect our children against sexual abuse. It is important that every church understands the risk and has in place policies and procedures that create a safe environment for their children and those who serve them.

Safety and Security at Your Church led by Jeff Sellers. Every day we hear about violence in our world; it's even happening at places of worship and schools. In this session you'll learn how to keep your church safe and how to respond when a tragedy occurs.

Sound & Vision: Elevating Worship Experiences Through Audio, Visual, and Livestream Mastery led by Rhon Carter. In an era where technology intersects with worship, the role of audiovisual and livestream capabilities has become increasingly vital. This breakout session aims to equip worship and music leaders with the essential skills and knowledge to navigate the world of sound engineering, visual enhancements, and live streaming for the local church. From optimizing audio quality to creating engaging visual presentations, we'll cover the technical aspects that enhance the worship experience. Discover practical solutions for troubleshooting common AV challenges and learn how to leverage livestreaming to extend the reach of your worship ministry. Join us for an interactive session that will empower you to elevate your church's worship through the seamless integration of audiovisual technology.

Starting a Special Needs Ministry in Your Church led by Pat Sweezey. Does your church need to minister to people with exceptional needs? The answer is yes! Many families are unable to come to church because of the special needs of their family member. In this session you will hear how to start a program, learn some tips for handling challenging situations and how to give parents/caregivers the peace of mind knowing that their child will be cared for in a safe environment.

Teaching/Leading an Adult Class or Group led by Kim Harris (repeated from session 1)

The Five-Star Evangelistic Leader led by Steve Foster. The 5-star recruit in college football is the goal for every team. Getting these guys can make any team better. What if our churches were filled with 5-star evangelistic leaders? This breakout will lay out the 5 characteristics of an effective evangelistic leader and how every leader can embody these characteristics in their life and ministry. 5-star evangelistic leaders can lead their ministries to greater evangelistic fervency and focus.

The State of Manhood led by Delario Bolton. Where are men today? The 2024 State of Manhood is a quantitative look at North American men concerning their faith, family, and vocation.

UNLEASH!: 5 Strategies led by Dallas White (repeated from session 1)

Why Groups Matter led by Ray Sullivan (continued from session 1)

Women in Ministry led by Julie Biesiadecki (repeated from session 1)



Sunday, September 22, 2024, 3:30 PM - 8:30 PM

For additional information please contact Lana Melton at

lmelton@gabaptist.org or call 770.936.5228.

To register go to www.thesparkconference.com/2024

Cost: Only \$15 per person!



2024 Public Affairs Training Event: "Living for Christ in the Public Square" **Sponsored by** **Georgia Baptist Mission Board & Floyd County Baptist Association**

Date: Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM; dinner included

Location: Shorter University (the Austin Moses Room in the Sheffield-Thompson building)

Address: 315 Shorter Ave SW Rome GA 30165-4267

This training event is about educating pastors and church members on ethical issues in our culture and why it's important that a witness to the life changing power of the gospel be seen in our local, state, and national government.

You will learn why it's important and how ministry leaders and churches can be engaged in the policy making process and why local, state, and national leaders need your ministry and support.

This training is for pastors, ministry leaders and students. The event and meals are FREE!

Topics and speakers include:

- * ***Is There Not a Cause: Current Issues & Why Change Is Possible*** – Mike Griffin, Public Affairs Representative of Georgia Baptist Mission Board
- * ***A Blueprint For Meaningful Engagement as a Church***– Brad Hughes, Office of Governor Brian Kemp, Public Affairs Committee Chairman
- * ***How To Protect Your Church From The Rising Attacks on Religious Liberty*** – Harrison Smith, Alliance Defending Freedom, Regional Director
- * ***Understanding the Legislative Process and A Legislator's Perspective*** – former State Representative, Kevin Cooke, and former State Senator, Josh McKoon

To register, go to <https://brushfire.com/gabaptist/publicaffairs-rome2024/574075/register>

For additional information please contact Mike Griffin at (770) 936-5365 or mgriffin@gabaptist.org

GENERAL BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS

The following churches gave to missions through the FCBA general budget. Thank you for your faithfulness!

FCBA Contributing Churches (January 2024 - June 2024)			
Antioch	First Baptist - Cave Spring	New Armuchee	Shorter Avenue
Armuchee	First Baptist - Lindale	New Canaan	Spring Creek
Bush Arbor	First Baptist - Shannon	Northside	State Line
Cedar Creek	Flint Hill	Parkview	Sunny Hill
Community Chapel	Floyd Springs	Pisgah	Three Rivers
Dykes Creek	Friendship	Pleasant Hope	Vann's Valley
East Rome	Grace Fellowship	Pleasant Valley North	Wax
Enon	HBC (Hollywood)	Pleasant Valley South	West End
Everett Springs	Lakeview	Riverside	West Rome
Fairview	Mount Alto	Second Avenue	Woodlawn
Fellowship	New Antioch	Sherwood	

The budget need for January - June 2024 was \$150,416.10. The total given was \$157,305.96.

We encourage every member church to give to the missions and ministries of the FCBA.

FAMILIES 4 FAMILIES GALA



SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

6:30PM - 8:30PM

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM

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241 DOUTHITT FERRY RD,
CARTERSVILLE, GA 30120

Silent Auction
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*Save the date for a
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The Northwest Georgia office for Families 4 Families is having their first annual Gala on September 19th at 6:30 at Cartersville First Baptist. Families 4 Families is a faith based, private foster care placement agency that only partners with churches to enlist, train and support foster families at no cost to the church or foster family. There is a foster care crisis in Northwest Georgia and our state. The Gospel is the answer to this crisis and there is something every church can say "Yes" to.

Contact Kenneth Aycock at
770-231-8887

or

Kenneth@families4families.cc
for more information.

PASTOR WELLNESS

White Water Rafting for Ministry Staff & Spouses

Join your Georgia Baptist Pastor Wellness Team on Tuesday, July 16th for a day of adventure as we raft the Nantahala River in Bryson City, North Carolina. The professionally guided experience features Class II-III rapids and bouncy waves, with occasional calm waters where you can enjoy the spectacular mountain scenery.



There are only 40 spots available. Registration will close on or before July 9th. There is no cost to church ministers. Plan to arrive by 1:00 PM for our 2:00 PM rafting trip. You are responsible for your own

transportation and meals. Check-in 30 minutes prior to trip time at NOC's Adventure Center. The trip will take approximately 3 hours total with 2 hours spent on the river. The rest of the time will be spent on trip preparation and shuttle.

Each participant must complete a release of liability waiver form before rafting. Questions: Please reach out to Loretta Crow at lcrow@gabaptist.org or Joy Stevens at jstevens@gabaptist.org

Ministry Couples Retreat

This is an opportunity for encouragement, focus, and refreshment and is essential to the wellbeing of pastors/ministers and their spouses. The Georgia Baptist Pastor Wellness Ministry Couples Retreat provides the time and



space needed to grow in leadership, ministry, and marriage, all while being re-energized to serve at your best. These retreats are always in high demand, so mark your calendars now and be prepared to register fast. Registration will open August 1st.

The Ministry Couples Retreat is for pastors, ministry staff, and spouses. The date is October 17 – 19, 2024 at the Legacy Lodge on Lake Lanier.

At the Ministry Couples Retreat as well as all Pastor Wellness retreats, a free medical assessment and testing opportunities to Georgia Baptist ministers and their wives is provided. These services include blood pressure screening, full panel blood work including blood sugar, cholesterol, and thyroid, free dental hygiene/cleaning, and angio-screening. You can register for these services when registering to attend

the retreat. The Healthcare Summits are offered at the Ministry Couples Retreats, Minister's Wives Retreats, and the Georgia Baptist Annual Meeting.

Golf Fellowships

We all need to have a little fun!

- September 30th Golf Fellowship, Currahee Club, Toccoa
- October the 24th Disc Golf Fellowship at Shorter University, Rome

Everything you need regarding Pastor Wellness can be found at gabaptist.org/ministries/pastor-wellness

The Northwest Georgia Pastor Wellness Team

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NEED HELP? The Georgia Baptist Crisis and Access Line (24/7) 1-800-715-4225

FCBA MEMBER CHURCHES

NORTH

Antioch - Alex Jones, 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 - _____, Pastor
5385 Martha Berry Highway, NE • Armuchee, Georgia 30105

New Hope - Mark Butler, Pastor
101 Carpenter Road, NE • Calhoun, Georgia 30701

Northside - Phil Wade, Pastor
75 North Floyd Park Road • Rome, Georgia 30165

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 - Tony Cargle, 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 - _____, 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 - Robert Vines, Interim 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
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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 - Steve Spears, Pastor
401 Wilkerson Road • Rome, Georgia 30165

SOUTHEAST

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FCBA CALENDAR

Administration Committee:

- Wednesday, July 17 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA
- Wednesday, August 21 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA
- Wednesday, September 11 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA

Annual Meeting:

- Monday, September 23 @ 6:00 pm @ FCBA

Committee on Committees Meeting:

- Wednesday, July 17 @ 1:00 pm @ FCBA
- Wednesday, August 21 @ 1:00 pm @ FCBA

Executive Committee:

- Monday, July 22 @ 7:00 pm @ FCBA

FCBA Office & Missions Center Closed:

- Wednesday - Thursday, July 3 & 4 for Independence Day
- Monday, September 2 for Labor Day
- Thursday, September 26 Comp Day for SPARK Conference & Annual Meeting

Feed the Coosa Valley Fair Workers:

- Monday, October 7 (watch for more details)

Finance Committee:

- Thursday, August 8 @ 10:00 am @ FCBA

Ministers Meeting:

- Thursday, August 8 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 8/5 for lunch*
- Wednesday, September 11 @ 11:00 am @ FCBA *RSVP by 9/9 for lunch*
- Thursday, October 10 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 10/8 for lunch*

Minister's Wives Fellowship

- Tuesday, July 16 @ 6:30 pm @ Kristi Dabb's home
- Tuesday, August 20 @ 6:30 pm @ Friendship Baptist Church
- Saturday, September 28 @ time TBD @ Mount Alto Baptist Church

Personnel Committee

- Monday, July 1 @ 1:00 pm @ FCBA
- Monday, August 5 @ 2:30 pm @ FCBA

Prayer Team:

- Tuesday, July 16 @ 10:30 am @ FCBA

Prayer Walking Rome/Floyd County Schools:

- Sunday, July 28

Public Affairs Training:

- Tuesday, August 20 @ 5:00 pm @ Shorter University

SPARK Conference:

- Sunday, September 22 @ 3:00 pm @ West Rome Baptist Church

Sunday School/Small Group Summit:

- Thursday, July 18 @ 6:00 pm @ Enon Baptist Church *RSVP by 7/15*
- Monday, October 14 @ 6:30 pm @ TBA *RSVP by 10/9*

Youth Pastors & Student Ministry Leaders:

- Tuesday, August 20 @ 12:00 pm @ FCBA *RSVP by 8/15*
- Tuesday, September 17 @ 11:00 am @ FCBA *RSVP by 9/12*

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