

July 2018



# Shelby Baptist Association Communicator



## QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE SHELBY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION Monday, July 16, 2018, 7:00 p.m. Emmanuel Baptist Church

The next quarterly meeting of the Shelby Baptist Association will be held on Monday, July 16, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 2388 Burk's Branch Road, Shelbyville. Several important items are on the agenda at this meeting including the following:

- The proposed budget for 2019 will be presented. Discussion on the proposed budget will be held at this meeting.
- The slate of officers and associational team members will be presented and approved.
- We will hear a report on our primary disaster relief trailer which has recently been equipped and updated. Chris Cropp will present this report.
- A report on the associational mission trip to Brazil.
- We will be handing out the Annual Church Profiles (ACP) to each church. This year at our annual meeting, we will honor each church clerk who returns the completed ACP to the association office by **Friday, August 24, 2018.**

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## Associational Mission Trip to Brazil

### Mission Moments

Because of publication deadlines, you will read this article while our Brazil Mission Team is on the ground in São Paulo (June 25 to July 3). Nevertheless, I want you to be aware of this important outreach so you can pray for the Team.

What is the Team doing? The team is conducting Vacation Bible Schools, making home visits to share the gospel, and conducting sports clinics. In addition, team members are preaching, teaching, sharing testimonies, and witnessing when the opportunity presents itself. We have an opening to be in several schools to interact with children. Also, we are having opportunities to teach programs focusing on evangelism, ministries for women and men, and English as a second language.

### Who should you pray for?

- John and Kathy Adams
- Alice Muse
- Clara Keck
- Jim and Teresa Smith
- Rick and Susan Haven
- Betty Montfort
- Vivian Overall
- Regenia Kaselow
- Chris Platt
- Steve Gouge
- Scott and Joyce Pitman (IMB Missionaries)
- Igreja Batista Alto Riviera Church (host church)
- Pastor Fabio, pastor of Alto Riviera

Thank you for your support in taking the gospel message from Shelby Baptist Association to a faraway place. Pray for us!

Because He lives,

Brother Steve

## Mission Moments

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The Lord is referred to as *"the God of all comfort"* in 2 Corinthians 1:3. The typical view of the Christian life is that it is one of deliverance **from** all trouble. However, the scriptures call us to deliverance **in** trouble. There is a huge difference.

A parent who mourns a wayward child finds it difficult to feel comforted. The loving parent will experience heartbreak until the child returns to the Lord. But does this mean that they are not comforted at all? No! Their parental hearts will ache, but their souls will take great comfort in knowing that there is One who loves their child more than they do. That One is the Living God!

A wife whose husband abandons her will grieve and mourn. She will face loneliness and grief, but does that mean that she is not a victorious Christian? No, not at all! The victory comes when she goes home to an empty house and realizes there is One who will never abandon her. That One is the Living God!

A husband takes fresh flowers to the grave of his wife of many years. He openly weeps at the cemetery. Are those tears a mark of spiritual immaturity? No! They are evidence of a heart that breaks, but his soul rests in the knowledge that he will see her again in heaven.

Yes, the Lord is the *"God of all comfort."* For you see - God's comfort is based on the Comforter (Holy Spirit) not our circumstances. Think about it!

Because He lives,

Brother Steve

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Dr. and Mrs. Gouge would like to express their deepest sympathy to Bro. Chuck Umholtz and his family on the recent passing of his mother, Mary Elizabeth Umholtz.

We would also like to express our sympathy to Mrs. Dorsie Phillips and family in the passing of Bro. Marshall Phillips.

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

### Salem Baptist, Bro. Les Wesley, Pastor

Salem has called Bro. Les Wesley as pastor beginning July 1, 2018. Welcome to Bro. Les and his wife Johnnie, along with daughters Elizabeth, Carly and Rachel!

### Mt. Pleasant Baptist, Bro. Bill Taylor, Pastor

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Armor of God

July 23-27, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Bible Study, Crafts, Games, Music and much more!

### Dover Baptist, Bro. Ben Early, Pastor

Sunday, July 1, at 11:00 a.m. during the morning worship we will have a July 4th musical presented by the choir and soloists. Veterans will be honored as well as those who are serving in the military at this time. At noon, we will have a free luncheon in honor of our veterans and all those currently serving, along with a celebration of America.

July 29 at 6:00 p.m., we will join for a 5th Sunday Sing at Burk's Branch.

Each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., we have Dover Church at Prayer and Bible Study. The children will be working on drama and music.

Connect with us on the web at [www.doverbaptist.net](http://www.doverbaptist.net), on Facebook, or call 502-633-0502.

### Finchville Baptist, Bro. Davey Ladner, Pastor

July 8 - Our deacons will be leading in both worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

July 9-13 - Our middle and high school youth will attend summer camp at Liberty University in Virginia.

July 15 at 4:30 p.m. - VBS Game On! Kick-off with registration and a hamburger and chips meal followed by the first evening of VBS, 6:15-8:30 p.m. through Thursday. The concluding parent's program will be held during the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service on July 22.

July 17 at 6:30 p.m. - Worship and Communion at Amber Oaks Assisted Living.

July 23-26 - Kids Camp Safari for children grades 2-5 at Cedarmore Camp.

July 29 - Celebrate Finchville-A Summer Fest. Everyone is invited to Finchville Park to help Finchville Baptist celebrate 219 years of heritage. There will be bouncies for the kids, Dunk A Deacon, Amazing Music and much, much more! Come join the fun from 4-7:00 p.m.

### Simpsonville Baptist, Bro. Steve Boyd, Pastor

**Women's Discipleship** - *Here and Now, There & Then*, Beth Moore's Revelation class. Begins on Thursday, July 12, at 10:00 a.m. This is an 11 week lecture series on the book of Revelation. There is no homework; however, there is a lecture guide to accompany the series. Guides are \$9.

**Women's Bunco** - Thursday, July 5, at 6:30 p.m. Contact the church office to RSVP (722-5246)

**Classic Worship Service** - Thursday, July 5 at 10:00 a.m. Guest Speaker: Noelle Thompson. Come at 9:30 a.m. for fellowship and breakfast snacks.

**Conceal Carry Class** - Saturday, July 18, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Cost: \$75 per person. A \$25 deposit is your reservation with the balance to be paid on the date of the class. Please bring: your handgun, 50 rounds of factory ammunition, eye/ear protection, and gun cleaning kit. The class will be taught by Brian Marchesseault, Louisville Metro Police Department. Call the church office for info at 722-5246.

**Shelbyville First Baptist, Bro. Maurice Hollingsworth, Pastor**

**AMPED - June 24-28, 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

Family Night Kick-off will be on Sunday, June 24, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Families should stay together for the kick-off on Sunday night as we will have a fun night of games, a hot dog supper, music, and fun!!! For children entering kindergarten this August 2018 through completed 5th grade. Amped-Summer Experience is our week-long, nightly time of fun, Bible stories, snacks, and games for children this summer. John 10:10 says "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." Jesus wants us to live our lives excited, or "AMPED," and we will focus on that during this week. New things are being added for this special week as we seek to minister to all kids and families of Shelby County.

**PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION**

Please join us for a patriotic musical, *The Spirit of America*, on **July 1 at 5:00 p.m.**, presented by the Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra. A potluck fellowship will follow at 6:00 p.m. Hot dogs and beverages will be provided. Please bring sides and desserts! Also, prizes for patriotic attire.

**WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

Mark for calendars and get your tickets now for this area-wide event! Jennifer Rothschild and Friends will be in Shelbyville on **September 28-29** at Shelby Christian Church. A limited number of tickets are available at SFBC for only \$39, or you can purchase through our church app or online giving.

**Victory Baptist, Bro. Marc Webb, Pastor**

To our fellow churches,

We want to inform you about a recent change in leadership at God's Kitchen. Due to personal reasons, Mrs. Tracy Davis has announced her decision to step down as co-director of our feeding ministry. We are very thankful for Tracy's hard work and service to the Lord over this past year, and we look forward to serving together again in the future. At God's Kitchen, Mrs. Susie Stivers will continue in her role as a co-director.

Because of Tracy's decision, both myself and the leaders at Victory Baptist Church have been actively seeking a replacement for her. We have also been in prayer for God to move and guide the right individual to us.

If you know of someone interested in receiving more information about God's Kitchen and the co-director position, you can contact me through email at [vbcsbelbyville@gmail.com](mailto:vbcsbelbyville@gmail.com). Please put in the subject line **God's Kitchen**. Or, you can call my cell phone at 502-232-5328.

God Bless, Bro. Marc Webb

**Indian Fork Baptist, Bro. Steve Adams, Pastor**

**A WALK THROUGH THE HOLY LAND**

If you desire to walk through the Holy Land and see an illustrated slide show, come join us for a 2 night edifying event to experience pictures of where our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ taught, preached, walked, lay his life down and was resurrected. Understand the Jewish people and the regions surrounding the area.

**Where: Indian Fork Baptist Church, 6776 Bagdad Road**  
**Date: Friday, July 13, and Saturday, July 14**  
**Time: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

There will be 15 minutes before each session for questions and answers on the historical, biblical, theological, geographical, topographical events of the Bible and Jewish history that people may want to know. There will be a 15 minute intercession at 6:00 p.m. After the service, there will be time for a questions and answers open forum. Refreshments will be served following in the fellowship hall. Please be prompt as the service starts promptly at 5:00 p.m. due to the vast amount of illustrations and possible questions. **Pastors**, please bring your congregation for a 2 night fulfillment of Israel and the Holy Land experience.

I pray we get to see you there and all are welcome. Invite friends and family or anyone desiring to see Israel and where Jesus walked.

Below are a few examples of places (too many to list all):

City of David	Temple	Steps Jesus Walked
Artifact Room	Israel Museum	20-1 Scale of the Old City
Healing Pools	Siloam Pools	Mount of Beatitudes
Sea of Galilee	Syrian Border	West Bank
Mount Tabor	Mount Precipice	Mount of Transfiguration
Nazareth	Megiddo Valley	2 Crucifixion of Jesus
2 tombs	Golgotha	Jaffa
Zarif	Caesarea	Caesarea Philippi
Mount Zion	Kidron Valley	Garden of Gethsemane

If you know an exact number, please let Bro. Steve know in preparation for snacks and drinks.

God Bless, Bro. Steve  
 502-377-2041

**Praise In The Park**  
**FREE CONCERT**  
*Featuring Music by Iron Bell*  
**Saturday, July 14 4-8pm**  
 Clear Creek Park Amphitheater  
**Open to the Public - Food Available**



Pastors, as you are aware, Kentucky Changers is returning to Shelby County in July of 2019. Over the next couple of months, a member of the Steering Committee will be contacting you to request a 8-10 minute slot during your morning worship in order to present information to your church about Kentucky Changers 2019.



### Ministers' Community Prayer Gathering Shelby Christian Thursday, July 26, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

All Pastors, staff and area ministry leaders are invited to a prayer gathering. This will be monthly and will rotate to a different church or ministry center each month.



### Ministry Partnership Between Shelby Baptist Association and Victory Baptist Church/God's Kitchen

The Missions Team of the Shelby Baptist Association is leading an effort to help keep the food pantry stocked at God's Kitchen year round. Working on a rotating basis, churches will only be asked to collect food once or twice during 2018. During the Monday of July, **Dover Baptist, Mt. Moriah Baptist, and Pigeon Fork Baptist** will be collecting items to help stock the food pantry.

The following items are especially needed during the month of July to maintain the inventory: canned soup, fruit, tuna, cereal, Vienna sausages, peanut butter, and saltine crackers. We could use some toilet paper as well. At this time, there is no need for macaroni and cheese, spaghetti sauce or spaghetti noodles.



Jennifer Rothschild and friends with Fresh Grounded Faith are coming to Shelbyville on September 28-29, Friday 7-9:30 p.m., and Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The host church is Shelby Christian Church at 2375 Frankfort Road. Tickets are non-refundable but fully transferable. Tickets can be ordered on-line or by phone at [freshgroundedfaith.com](http://freshgroundedfaith.com) or 800-859-7992. If any questions, please email [kallieconway@yahoo.com](mailto:kallieconway@yahoo.com) or call 738-9620 and ask for Karen Conway.



The Kentucky WMU, in partnership with Appalachian Mountain Missions, is once again sponsoring the **Christmas Backpacks for Children**. Highland Baptist Church will be the drop off location for the Shelby Baptist Association. Items should be dropped off during the week of October 15-19.

These items are required (age appropriate): Underclothes and Socks; Toys such as small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, Christian books, sidewalk chalk, toys that light up or make noise (include batteries); Non Perishable food items such as cheese/peanut butter crackers, single serve mac-n-cheese or pasta, fruit or applesauce cups, granola bars, etc.

For more information, please feel free to contact the Association office at 633-1198.

## NEWS FROM RUSSIA

*"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ" (Ga 6:2).*

Dear brethren and sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ,

I am glad to greet you and every fellowship which you take part at. I ask you to share news from this letter between leaders of prayer groups and everyone who has attention to life of Russian Baptist churches into conditions of contemporary world.

This letter includes a report about my help to churches of Novgorod area. Last visit to local church of Borovichi gives me an opportunity to tell you about her life and ministry after a fire of rehabilitation center at January 2018. Members of the center and the church asked me to give all friends from KY brotherly greetings and words of heartfelt gratitude for prayers and financial support for a reconstruction of the building of the center.

A main task for brothers after the fire was to dismantle a refuse and to do a roof. Winter cold and weather allowed them to finish those works only at the beginning of May. Next thing, which they must do during summer, is to build heating system. Then it gives them an opportunity to continue later inner works. You can see on pictures today's condition of rooms. A group of men from the center have resources for a survival from seasonal work and a farm. They work from rising and until sunset. Leaders of center (they are believers) take part at worships and evangelism as well. We ask you to pray for this community and her ministry in the near future, please.

During previous months I continued to help also this church at her ministries. I keep contacts with the pastor Alexander and send needed materials for Bible study groups, leaders and teachers. When we have our meetings during seminars then leaders prepare plans of church acts for next months. Therefore, I can between seminars continue my assistance to them through sending lessons and different courses.

A strategy of our efforts at joint ministry can be defined as "A developing of ministries and the growth of churches". Every seminar is devoted definite theme that works on final goal. I help churches of Novgorod association on this way during last two years. I thank churches of your association for support of my ministry that gives possibilities for brotherly help our little communities at Leningrad and Novgorod areas.

I add pictures which "tell" you about leadership of a seminar and a participation at worship and fellowship with a group of children. I mark, this church is "typical" Russian church. I hope you can feel an atmosphere of fellowship, emotions of people and some things from national culture too.

Our daily prayer is God continues to bless you at everything and by every His gift at the fulfillment of His commands.

With best wishes and Christ's love,

Sincerely, Nicholai Syrovatko

Pastor Nickolai is the Russian Coordinator of Church Education for St. Petersburg and Leningrad Province. His letter is not edited but printed as he composed it. The SBA supports this Russian Ministry.



## ASSOCIATIONAL PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS—Updated: July 2018

Updates can be made only if our office is informed of any additions or changes for your church.

**BUFFALO LICK:** Barbara Ashby, Ruby Lewis, Helen Poole, Ryburn Weakley, Bettie Weakley.

**CLAYVILLAGE:** Virginia Gill Anderson, Kim Fallis, Eddie Raizor, Delbert Yancey, Bonnie Early and Family, Tola Stevens, Gilbert Haydon and Family.

**DOVER:** Dorothy Kidwell.

**FINCHVILLE:** Ruth & Robbie Briscoe, Frank Jamison, Jim Tingle, Orbie Ramey, Virginia Hagan, Billy Henry, Sharon Carlile. Long Term Care: Lynette Greer Inferrera, Linda Rucker, Lillie Lawson, Matt Smith, Ken Martin, Kathy Ruble, Joyce Medley, Richard Tingle, Pam Walls, Sharon Jamison, Hazel Masterson, Ray Shults, Bill Pinkston.

**GRAEFENBURG:** Susan Bryant

**INDIAN FORK:** Curtis Huckeba, Dude Peyton, Catherine Neal, Jerry Watson, Carlene Messer, Robert Messer, Burton Cobb.

**LITTLE MOUNT:** Robyn Adcock, Deanna Shepherd, Stan Thompson.

**WHITNEY YOUNG JOB CORPS CENTER:** Those volunteers who minister with the youth at WYJCC.



### MILITARY PRAYER LIST

If you know of a service person who is currently overseas or stationed far from home, please submit his or her name and location for our prayer list.

**CLAYVILLAGE:** Dalton Adcock and Dakota Prewitt.

**DOVER:** Angie White, Jamie White, Ben White, Elizabeth Carper, Matthew Anderson.

**FINCHVILLE:** Hunter Moore, Eric Bohannon, Mark Shirley, Mark Johnson, Todd Dillon, Taylor Matthews, Brandon McIntosh, Dustin Bennett, Jared Bentley, Zack Mitchell, Scott Doty.

**MOUNT MORIAH:** Ryan Marcum and Hunter Moore.

**SALEM:** David Patton and Alex Sells.

### MISSIONARY PRAYER LIST

Even though we cannot list international missionaries (in order to ensure their safety), please pray often for these brothers and sisters who place their lives in harm's way.

We encourage you to develop your own and your church's missionary prayer list. However, keep in mind that even putting their names on your website or in your newsletter may endanger them.

*"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.*

*- Philippians 4:6*

**"If My people, which are called by My name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked way; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." -II Chronicles 7:14**



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### **Quarterly Meeting of the Shelby Baptist Association**

**Monday, July 16, 2018, at 7:00  
p.m.**

**Emmanuel Baptist**

**Prayer Time at 6:25 p.m.**



### **Office Hours:**

**Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p. m.**

**(Call ahead to see if someone will be in the of-  
fice over lunch hours, etc.)**

### **Birthday Parties Schedule:**

*Masonic Home at 2:30*

**Monday, July 9 - Elmburg**

*Colonial Hall at 2:00*

**Tuesday, July 10 - Christ Community**

*Crestview at 2:00 p.m.*

**Thursday, July 12 - Beechridge**