

May 2018



*Shelby Baptist Association*

# Communicator

## Week of Prayer For Associational Missions May 20 - 27, 2018



**Our Goal – \$10,000**

***Your Local Baptist Association  
is Glad to Be Your Partner.***

### **How will the John and Paul Barnett Offering be Used?**

35% will be used as Missions Grants to help members of SBA Churches offset some of the expense of a mission trip.

25% will be used to assist the Open Door of Hope. This is a ministry that provides hope for men who desire treatment for addictions.

25% will be used for Kentucky Changers 2019. Kentucky Changers provides quality home repair and maintenance services to the needy as an expression of Christian service.

15% will be used for Disaster Relief.

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### ***John & Paul Barnett***

Paul Barnett was born in June, 1954. He died in November, 1992. In his short life, Paul served Bagdad Baptist and later, Shelbyville First Baptist as a deacon, Bible teacher, Royal Ambassadors leader, and Sunday school superintendent. He also led Shelby Baptists on our Personnel and Finance Committees, and served as Assistant Moderator, Moderator, and Parliamentarian. He represented us as a Kentucky Baptist Convention Executive Board member. Reflecting in 1993 on Paul's walk with the Lord, his wife, Linda, shared that Paul, "always told me service in church-related activities should be done willingly and cheerfully, not from a feeling of guilt." He often acted as a peacemaker at meetings. He always hoped that people might put aside their personal feelings and work together in glorifying God.

Paul's father, John, spent many years as a farmer. A UK graduate, he actively served Bagdad Baptist Church. He also served as SBA's Moderator. After he died in June, 1999, our association decided to honor both of these gentlemen by naming our annual collection for special projects the "John & Paul Barnett Missions Offering."

The Barnett Offering supports various SBA ministries. At the present time it enables members of SBA churches to go on stateside and international mission trips. Your gifts supply grants to missions as close as the Open Door of Hope in Shelbyville, Kentucky Changers, and Disaster Relief.

May is the month in which we ask SBA churches to give to the Barnett Offering. But since this is an ongoing collection, you may give at anytime throughout the year. We desire for each church in SBA to engage in missions, and then, for each person to serve personally in missions. Pastors whose members serve on short-term missions tell how missions change both those who go, and their churches. Church mission trips transform missions and the Great Commission from the theoretical into the practical and tangible. Let's make that experience possible for every SBA church by giving to the John & Paul Barnett Missions Offering.

As Paul Barnett was known to say, "Let us work together to glorify God."

## Mission Moments

May ushers in the annual week that emphasizes Associational Missions. Churches across the Southern Baptist Convention observe the week of May 20-27 as a Week of Prayer for Associational Missions. Of course, you can highlight this emphasis anytime during the year. I encourage all of our churches to acknowledge the importance of local missions.

Each church is asked to do three things. (1) Pray for the mission and ministries of the Shelby Baptist Association. (2) Take a few minutes to educate your congregation about the importance of local missions. (3) Receive the John and Paul Barnett Missions Offering for community and regional ministries.

An attractive customized pack of material was given or mailed to each church. The packet contained an example of materials that can be printed for you at the Association office. Please place your order in advance so our Ministry Assistant, Debbie Slattery, will have time to print your order and have it available for pick up. If you desire, we can print your materials in color. Just let us know.

I have now served the people of the Shelby Baptist Association for six months. It is a privilege to serve alongside our pastors and churches. Together we are on a journey to determine God's preferred future for Shelby Baptist Association. Keep praying for our Revitalizing Associational Missions and Ministries (RAMM) Team.

I am available to assist all of our churches and pastors. Please call on me to preach, train search committees, consult churches, lead deacon retreats, conduct training on cults and non-Christian religious groups, or coach congregations and pastors. I am excited about the journey God has called us to work toward. Let's work together for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

Because He lives

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**Susan Bryant** recently completed her term as President of the Kentucky WMU. Susan is the 2nd WMU President to serve from the Shelby Baptist Association. She served four years as president, from 2014-2018. She has been a world traveler during her term, not only with Kentucky WMU, but as a trustee of the International Missions Board. We are grateful for her four years as the 39th President! Susan previously served as vice president from 2011-2013, and as a regional representative from 1994-1997 and 2004-2009. She has also been a frequent conference leader for Kentucky WMU and has served well. Susan is now serving as the SBA Associational WMU Director. Congratulations Susan!

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

## Christiansburg Baptist, Bro. Harry Hebert, Pastor

Renewal. Revitalization, Re-alignment. Revival.

As Christiansburg Baptist moves *Forward in Faith* toward a clarified vision and clear understanding of how God desires us to embrace His mission ... these words have remained in our focus. The world and culture are changing – constantly and rapidly – and if individuals and congregations are to remain credible witnesses to the truth of God and the power of the gospel, neither can afford to become stagnate. In May we will wind up *40 Days of Prayer* where we as a community are seeking to draw nearer to God's heart, to live more consistently in His will and to hear His voice more distinctly.

As we pursue Him this month, we will also recognize two students who have pursued excellence in academics: *Brittney Money* who graduates from Boyce College and *Ragen Hebert*, who graduates from Shelby County High School. Both will be pursuing additional education and given their strong character of faith, will certainly be used by God wherever they go.

We are going to start the month of May with a great night of music and worship, featuring *The Noblemen Quartet* and *The Mark Trammell Quartet*, on Thursday, May 3rd, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Doors will open at 6:00 and admissions is free, but you are welcome to participate in a love offering.

May is also a great chance to celebrate the critical work of *A Living Choice Pregnancy Center*, and CBC is doing so by helping sponsor a [Golf Scramble](#) on May 7<sup>th</sup> (if you want to play you can still register at [tinyurl.com/alcgolf](http://tinyurl.com/alcgolf)) and by participating in the [Baby Bottle Blessings](#) campaign which runs between Mother's Day and Father's Day. It's a chance to fill a baby bottle with contributions, and to sign up to become a **10 for 12** year-long supporter of this life-giving ministry right here in Shelby County.

CBC will also be spending May ramping up for an incredible VBS which will be held each night of June 4-8, with a kickoff planned for Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, and a wrap up party scheduled for Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. All children are welcome to come jump into the fun of *Splash Canyon*, running nightly from 5:30 – 8:00 PM. For more information you can email the church at [cburbaptist@gmail.com](mailto:cburbaptist@gmail.com).

Speaking of looking ahead, make plans to tap your toes and praise the Lord with *The Victory Road Quartet*, and *The Jay Stone Singers*, Sunday evening June 3rd, beginning at 6:00 p.m.. A love offering will be received.

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

May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 at 6:30 p.m. - Dover Church at Prayer and Bible Study. Adult Choir rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 6 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School Fellowship, 10:00 a.m. Bible Study for All Ages, 11:00 a.m. Worship (Lord's Supper).

Monday, May 7 - The deacons will meet at 6:30 p.m. and work on the Family Ministry Plan.

Tuesday, May 8 - The Baptist Women will meet at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 13 - Mother's Day - At 9:00 a.m., some of our men will cook breakfast for the church and baby bottles will be given out to support A Loving Choice.

Wednesday, May 16 - We will furnish food and serve at God's Kitchen, Victory Baptist Church.

Thursday, May 17 - Baptist Men Fellowship at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 20 - Bible Study for all ages at 10:00 a.m., Worship at 11:00 a.m. followed by our business meeting. (Planning to put a steeple on the church).

Sunday, May 27 - Bible Study for all ages at 10:00 a.m., Worship at 11:00 a.m. with Recognition of all Veterans.

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**

Sunday, May 13 - Mother's Day - 9:30-10:00 a.m. Muffins with Mom in the Fellowship Hall. The Baby Bottle Campaign with A Loving Choice begins.

May 15 at 6:30 p.m. - Worship and Communion at Amber Oaks Assisted Living.

New Bible Study on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. - **Returning to Holiness.**

Women's Bible Study continues at 6:30 p.m. - **me, myself & lies**

New Adult Connect Class Study Sundays - **God's Way-A Journey Through the Ten Commandments.**

**Highland Baptist, Bro. Chris Platt, Pastor**

Highland Baptist Church is receiving resumes for Minister to Students and Minister of Worship.

We will be at JCTC on May 2 at 8:30.

Sunday, May 13 - Parent Child Dedication.

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

We live in a society here in America which is ever more fragmented and divided by race, economics, political party, and gender.

Across the nation, Christians will be coming together to pray for unity around the Cross of Christ.

Wednesday Evening, May 2 at 6:15 p.m., we will have a special prayer emphasis for adults in the church sanctuary, for students in the Student Room, and for children in the gym.

There will be a prayer breakfast on May 3 at 7:00 a.m. The cost will be \$5.00/person. Please call the church office to make advance reservations, but you will pay at the door.

The sanctuary will be open for quiet prayer on May 3 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

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

**Classic Worship** - Thursday, May 3, at 10:00 a.m. Fellowship and snacks at 9:30 a.m.

**Free Jazzercise Women's Class** - Tuesdays in May at 6:30 p.m.

**Women's Bunco** - Thursday, May 3, at 6:30 p.m.

**Steve Ladd Day** - Steve Ladd will be leading worship on Sunday, May 6.

Church	Offering YTD	March Received	J/P YTD 17-18
BAGDAD	\$ 685.99	\$ 215.93	
BEECHRIDGE	\$ 545.33	\$ 243.04	
BETHLEHEM			
BUFFALO LICK	\$ 415.67	\$ 124.22	
BURK'S BRANCH	\$ 1,293.75	\$ 431.74	\$ 500.00
CHRIST COMMUNITY	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	
CHRISTIANSBURG	\$ 1,575.31	\$ 723.20	\$ 230.25
CLAYVILLAGE	\$ 402.48	\$ 134.16	\$ 120.00
CROPPER	\$ 379.00		
DOVER	\$ 450.00	\$ 150.00	
ELMBURG	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 650.00
EMMANUEL	\$ 938.55	\$ 525.95	\$ 324.43
FINCHVILLE			
GRAEFENBURG	\$ 1,684.40		\$ 100.00
HEMPRIDGE			\$ 335.00
HIGHLAND	\$ 1,931.61	\$ 503.39	\$ 200.00
INDIAN FORK	\$ 300.00		\$ 1,168.25
LITTLE MOUNT	\$ 600.00	\$ 200.00	
MT. MORIAH	\$ 1,346.00		\$ 315.00
MT. PLEASANT			
MT. VERNON	\$ 215.92	\$ 81.32	
NEW LIFE	\$ 566.38	\$ 271.32	\$ 98.00
PIGEON FORK	\$ 300.00		
SALEM	\$ 826.18	\$ 255.75	\$ 110.00
SHELBY 1 <sup>ST</sup>	\$ 1,744.34	\$ 363.76	\$ 1,370.00
SIMPSONVILLE	\$ 501.00	\$ 167.00	
SIMP. HISP	\$ 22.00	\$ 8.00	
VICTORY	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	
WADDY	\$ 1,546.61		
ALFA Y OMEGA			
MISC INCOME	\$ 106.24	\$ 101.64	\$ 35.75
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 18,886.76</b>	<b>\$ 4,955.42</b>	<b>\$ 5,556.68</b>



**Ministers' Community Prayer Gathering**

**Highland Baptist Church**

**Thursday, May 24, 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 May, **Beechridge Baptist, Indian Fork Baptist, and Finchville Baptist** will be collecting items to help stock the food pantry.

The following items are especially needed during the month of May to maintain the inventory: peanut butter, canned chicken noodle soup, canned fruit, tuna, crackers, and green beans. The only specific items not needed at this time are spaghetti sauce, noodles and macaroni and cheese.

The food pantry collects and distributes any and all boxed and canned items. But the main staples of this ministry are: canned soup, fruit, tuna, corn, green beans, macaroni and cheese, cereal, Vienna sausages, spaghetti sauce and noodles, peanut butter, Ramen noodles, and boxed crackers. The food pantry also helps with small hygiene products such as toilet paper, soap and shampoo.

If your church would be willing to help with this ministry, please call the association office.

**Mission Adventure for Kentucky Kids!**

**July 12-14, Frankfort, KY**

**Crestwood Baptist Church**

Mission Adventure for Kentucky Kids is a mini-mission trip for children in grades 4-6 and their leaders. Ministry projects include serving lunch at Access Soup Kitchen, yard work at local women's shelters, working at a church clothes closet and visiting nursing homes and The Stewart Home and School. Kids will also enjoy swimming and a Capitol Tour!

Come join the adventure as we minister in Frankfort!

Visit [www.kywmu.org/missionadventure](http://www.kywmu.org/missionadventure)



**NEWS FROM RUSSIA**

*"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come" (Mt 24:14).*

Dear brethren and sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ, I am happy to greet you by Easter exclamation: **CHRIST IS RISEN! CHRIST IS RISEN! CHRIST IS RISEN!** (He is risen indeed!)

Now here is going Easter week and we have special worships and evening fellowships when we reread texts about events of those days. We glorify Jesus Christ for His work on the Cross. We thank God for His Son. We thank God for opportunities for sharing Good News and His using us. We thank churches of your association and everyone for joint ministry that God entrusted us.

A desire of my heart is to tell you about Easter worship, which I took part and led actions with members and children at. We say at our culture about Easter that this holiday is the holiday of all church holidays. It seems a cause of like idea is sufferings of people during entire thousandth years of Orthodox Russia. Now we –Protestant churches – undergo pressures both official authorities of all levels and most part of Orthodox Church. In fact, we are foreign agents for first and dissenters for other. Therefore, we need at your prayers and ask everyone to stand, as often we tell, into breach for us.

I attach pictures and wish they help you to imagine atmosphere and emotions of participants at this worship and fellowship. I ask you to share greetings and some pictures between Bible groups and teams of ministries where you serve and meet, please.

I give words of thanks from churches, which I visited during Passion Week (Holy Week) and now, for your prayers, care and financial support of our acts. We pray God continues to bless you, your families and churches at every need and an enlargement of ministries.

I plan to tell also about our ministry during spring weeks some later. This Sunday has special name – "Thomas' Sunday" (Joh 20:26). I give still other example from a cycle of church worship. Saturday before Willow Sunday (Palm Sunday) has the name Lazarus' Saturday (Joh 12:1).

With Christ's love, sincerely,

Nickolai Syrovatko.

Pastor Nickolai is a Russian Pastor who trains other pastors. His letter is not edited but printed as he composed it. The SBA supports this Russian Ministry.



**Train the Trainer,  
Thursday, June 7, 2018  
Highland Baptist Church,  
5:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

Train the Trainer will train those who will train others in personal evangelism. Led by leadership from the Kentucky Baptist Convention, attendees will walk through the newly released material from KBC's [www.reachKY.today](http://www.reachKY.today). Register at [kybaptist.org/trainthetrainer](http://kybaptist.org/trainthetrainer)

## ASSOCIATIONAL PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS—Updated: May 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, Family of Millard Jesse.

**FINCHVILLE:** Long Term Care: Indi Evancyzk, Mike Zoeller Family, Spring Yocum, John Hammond, Richard Branham, Justin Jenkins, Edith Lyons, Beverly Hayes, Janet Robertson, Jenny Allen, Logan Rice, Jerry Walls, David Alexander, Jean Pinkston, Tom & Diane Howerton, Norma Swigert, Tammy Swigert, Lynette Greer Infererra, Linda Rucker, Lillie Lawson, Mason Reid, Matt Smith, Betty Ruth Bruington, Ken Martin, Joyce Medley, Jill Bowen, Richard Tingle, Pam Walls. Others: Robert Largen, Ruth & Robbie Briscoe, Daniel Nichols, Sylvia Watson, Justin Bowles, Doug Cornett, Scott Hood, Sharon Eric Taylor, Wilma Ross, Doug Butler, Kaden Gunselman, Billy Roberts, John Craig, Elaine Pearl, Addie Shields, Ginger Brown, Anita Pullin, Sharon Carlile, Bill Pinkston, John Kaufman, Hazel Masterson, John Frymire, Ray Shults, Lonnie Eades, Frank & Sharon Jamison, Mrs. Potts, Beth Dunn, Pam Walls, Kevin Owens' Father.

**DOVER:** Wayne and Linda Miller, Dorothy Kidwell.

**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:** Donna Shouse, John Shuttleworth, Anita and Mike Bailey, and Judy Nethery, as they continue to 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:** Jamie and Angie White, Matt 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.

**WADDY:** Jett Adams

### 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 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Thursday 9:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Fridays 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p. m.

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

#### Birthday Parties Schedule:

*Colonial Hall at 2:00*

Tuesday, May 8

*Crestview at 2:00 p.m.*

Thursday, May 10 - Hempridge

*Masonic Home at 2:30*

Monday, May 14 - Salem