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SBA LIVE

March 2021

Joining God on Mission Together.



The Lord continues to work in and through His people here in Suwannee and Hamilton Counties. I give thanks to our God for His children who have expressed a desire to be a part of what He is doing through the Suwannee Missionary Baptist Association. I give thanks to God for each pastor who is shepherding his flock and leading them to join God on mission. I am going to ask what may appear as a strange question. Has there been a benefit from COVID 19 in your life? More specifically, have you applied Romans 5. 3 – 5 to this season of your life? COVID 19 would certainly qualify as an "affliction." It has brought physical, financial, and emotional affliction into everyone's life. At the same time, we are told to "rejoice in our afflictions."

This does not mean we are to rejoice because of our afflictions, but it does mean we can rejoice while we are going through them because God is using them to ultimately bring glory to His name and to "prove our character." Our Father does not waste any brokenness that comes into our lives.

In the pain I feel because of the home-going of a loved one, I will praise God because He promises that we have a home with Him in heaven. Have I given praise to God when financial hardship came because someone came alongside me and shared this burden with me? Has His word given me encouragement as I faced the uncertainty of tomorrow? I give thanks to our Father that He has shown Himself faithful in so many ways during this pandemic. I thank Him for His children who love each other and love their neighbors; whose character has been proven to have been transformed into the image of Jesus Christ. I thank our Father for each local church that has found ways to continue worshiping Him, making disciples, and seasoning and blessing their communities. I thank God that our hope "is not disappointed" because "His love has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us" (Romans 5. 5).

As we look forward to what God is doing, let me encourage you to mark your calendar to participate in the March 09th (GPS) Gospel Partnership Strategies Workshop at Westside Baptist. At this workshop you will learn ways that you can join God on mission locally, nationally, and globally.

As you pray, please keep these things in mind:

Associational leadership as we refine the plan for newly purchased property,

The development of mission partnerships in Idaho/Utah and Montana that our people can participate in,

Renewed open doors for our churches to serve schools,

Unity as we move forward with gospel racial reconciliation, and

Engagement on the part of our churches as we offer new resources for revitalization/discipleship.

Pray for the mission team that will be in Idaho March 1-4 for a pre trip site visit. and in Montana March 4-8 working with Explore Church during their launch weekend.

"I call to God Most High, to God who fulfills His purpose for me" (Psalm 57. 2). Thanking our Father for the peace, access, standing, and hope we have in Christ Jesus,

Andy

Dental Van

GriefShare, a special support group for people experiencing grief and loss, will be held on Monday evenings from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at First Baptist Church Live Oak ~401 W. Howard Street.

Meetings begin on Monday, March 8, 2021. This ministry will require an 11-week commitment. Please call Myra @ 386-362-9377 if you would like to attend. We understand that grief recovery can be a painful process. It may be difficult to attend the first meeting but be assured that others will share those same feelings. We look forward to having you join this support group. Please feel free to share this opportunity with a friend or family member who may be encouraged through this ministry.

FLORIDA BAPTIST MOBILE DENTAL MISSION

SEPTEMBER 6-17, 2021

@ WELLBORN BAPTIST CHURCH

MISSION NEEDS:

TEAM LEADERS: LOGISTICS/SECURITY, NURSE, ADMINISTRATIVE, MEALS, GIFT BASKET, SANITIZER

MISSION ALSO NEEDS:

VOLUNTEERS TO HELP THE ABOVE TEAM LEADERS AS WELL AS HELP TO GATHER VOLUNTEER NAMES. YOU MAY LEAVE MESSAGE OR TEXT ON MY PRIVATE PHONE 321-505-2562.

OR EMAIL MGOSORIOG@AOL.COM.

FUTURE MEETING, MARCH 16TH @ 6:00 PM EST 4146 LOW LAKE RD WELLBORN, FL

Gospel Partnership Strategies

March 9, 2021 - 6:30

Westside Baptist

13969 Railroad Ave.

Special Guest:

Dr. Jamie Work, IMB



Utah/ Idaho Montana

Mexico Romania Brazil

Hurricane Recovery - Marianna

2021 Annual Celebration

October 10, 2021

Hosted by:

Mt. Olive Baptist Church

5317 98th Terr

Live Oak, Fl 32060

Guest Speaker: Tommy Green



May 11, 2021 - 6:30

(Gospel Initiatives)

O'Brien Baptist

9544 CR 349

O'Brien, Fl

Sept. 14, 2021 - 6:30

(Budget Discussion)

SBA offices

1747 Walker Ave. SW

Live Oak, Fl



A Building Fund has been established for our future Community Ministry Hub. To date we have received a gift of \$10,000 that was designated toward the purchase of the property. Gifts totaling \$14,500 have been received to go toward the building of the facility

2021 Mission Opportunities

August or September (TBA) - Utah / Idaho



Missoula Montana (Explore Church)- June 10-16, 2021

Mexico - TBA

Marianna, FL (Hurricane Recovery) - July 11 - 16, 2021

As details are finalized we will update the schedule however, if you are interested please contact: Mathew McDonald 727-698-8357 or SBA office 386-362-1110

DATES TO REMEMBER



Community Ministries

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Matthew McDonald

Hardy Tillman

Gospel Racial Reconciliations

Amanda Jordan **Daniel Bryant**

Revitalization/Discipleship

Tim Setzer **David Garrett**

Feeding Ministry partnered with First Baptist Live Oak.

Volunteers needed weekly

FBC, Live oak Men's Prayer Breakfast WED. 6:30

in the sanctuary

Mt. Gilead Food Ministry 2nd &4th Sat 7:30 ~ 11:30

(corner of Hwy 90 W and Falmouth rd.) Gene Watson: 386~209~4252

O'Brien Baptist Food Ministry

3rd Tuesday 10:00 ~ 1:00 9544 E. CR 349, O'Brien, FL Keith Jones: 352~210~2219