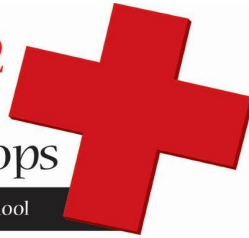


# The Bethel News

**Bethel Baptist  
Association  
August 2012**

## 2012 Sunday School Training Workshops

A prescription for a healthy Sunday School



**Where: East Pelham Baptist Church**

- **When: August 11, 2012**
- **Registration: 8:00-8:30 A.M.**
- **Program: 8:30 A.M.-12 Noon**

**Cost is \$10 for online registrations up through Monday  
Before the workshop or \$15 at the door.**

**Registration: 770-936-5286 or  
ssog.gabaptist.org**

## NEWS FROM CHURCHES

**Bro. Ben Crowdis** was ordained to the Gospel Ministry on Sunday, July 22, 2012, at Damascus Baptist Church in Randolph County. Bro. James Holloway gave the Charge to the Candidate, and Ben's father, Bro. David Crowdis, preached the Ordination Sermon. A Bible was presented on behalf of the churches by Harold Kleckley, Sr., of New Bethel Baptist Church. Friends and family from different Bethel Association churches took part in the service and the reception that followed (Damascus, Enterprise, New Bethel, and Cuthbert First Baptist). Bro. Ben serves as the Youth Pastor at Cuthbert First.

## **REMINDER**

**Missions Coordinating**

**Committee Quarterly Meeting**

Monday, August 20th, at 7PM at the Associational Office. All project proposals and New Work Fund requests must be turned into the office by Thursday, August 16th in order to receive consideration at this meeting.



## WMU NEWS

### **A Women's Event**

**"Fresh Thinking for a  
Timeless Purpose"**



**Date: Sept. 6, 2012**  
**Time: 6:30 PM**  
**Location: Southside Baptist Church  
Blakely, GA**

Beth Ann Williams, WMU/WEM Consultant with GBC, and a representative from Children's Ministries will be our guest speakers. We encourage all WOM, GA's, Mission Friends and Acteen Leaders to attend but all ladies from 18 & up are invited even if you are not part of WMU.

A light meal will be served promptly at 6:30, the program will begin at 7:15. Please call the associational office at 835-2887 or Joyce Jarrett at 308-8603 if you plan to attend. You may email me at jj.jarrett@yahoo.com.

# **D-NOW!**

**Attention  
All Youth!**

Join us for a weekend of fun hanging out with other youth, awesome worship, studying God's Word, and participating in a hands-on mission project.

- WHAT?** Association-Wide Disciple Now!  
(Guest Speaker is Josh White from Coleman)
- WHEN?** August 17-18  
(Friday night thru Saturday night)
- WHERE?** Evening Worship Rallies at Arlington Baptist Church (7PM Friday and 5:30 PM Saturday)  
(Your church will provide a place to sleep and eat and hold small group studies)
- COST?** \$30.00 per student  
(Price includes a T-Shirt)

## *Missionary Musings*

I am writing this column early this month due to my upcoming departure on a **Mission Trip to Honduras**. We leave early tomorrow morning (July 24th) and return late Sunday evening (July 29th). There are 18 of us traveling from Georgetown/Eufaula and Valdosta areas to serve at “**Project Talitha Cumi**” Girlsø Home in the mountains of Western Honduras. We will be involved in a variety of ministries: medical/dental outreach, construction, and evangelism. Hopefully, by the time you actually read this column, I will have returned with many stories to tell of the grace of God in Honduras!

Please be aware of 2 significant events coming up in the month of August. Our **Southwest Georgia Regional Sunday School Training Workshop** will be on **Saturday, August 11, at East Pelham Baptist Church**. Also, our Association-wide **Disciple NOW Weekend** for middle and high school students is the following weekend, **August 17-18**. Information has been sent to all of our pastors and youth directors about the D-NOW and how each church can participate. This is a great opportunity for our students, especially from our smaller churches, to gather together with others from across the area and kick off the new school year with a fresh commitment to serve the Lord Jesus Christ!

You will find more information about both of these elsewhere in this newsletter. Also, you will see once again that **Bobby Welch**, former SBC President and Pastor Emeritus of First Baptist Daytona Beach, will be coming to the **Bainbridge Coliseum** on **Saturday, September 8th** to speak to **men** about their God-given role as leaders in their church, home, and community. Bro. Bobby is a powerful communicator and a òmanø manö who is totally sold out to Jesus, and I want to encourage all of our men to get a ticket for this event and buy one for a lost or unchurched friend, as well. Tickets are available for \$10 each-just call the Association Office for details.

Finally, I will be away during the first full week of August (August 5-12) on family vacation in the mountains of East Tennessee. This is a very special week for Mary and I as we get some R & R and enjoy some quality ògrandbaby timeö. I hope you and your family have had a chance for some real vacation time during this busy summer as well! I will be back in the office on Monday, August 13.

Until then,

**Bro. James**



**A Call for Men to Lead**

**STEPS**  
HOME. CHURCH. COMMUNITY.

**SOUTHWEST GEORGIA MEN'S CONFERENCE**  
September 8, 2012  
Decatur County Memorial Coliseum  
600 S. Wheat Avenue, Bainbridge  
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

**DOOR PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN!**

**Tickets: \$10**  
For tickets and information, contact your local Baptist Association or Tucker Baptist Association:  
[chadboyd@tuckerbaptistassociation.com](mailto:chadboyd@tuckerbaptistassociation.com) • 229.336.7574

**speaker**  
**Bobby WELCH**

Georgia Baptist Convention  
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Gifts of Georgia Baptists through the Cooperative Program  
enable us to partner together in fulfilling the Great Commission.

**CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS**

June 25, 2012 thru July 26, 2012

Arlington	
Bethel	
Beulah	254.22
Blakely FBC	1,315.67
Bluffton	154.91
Carnegie	
Coleman	
Colomokee	351.94
Cuthbert FBC	512.50
Damascus (E)	250.00
Damascus (R)	406.02
Edison	118.74
Enterprise	955.53
Faith	
Fort Gaines	794.99
Georgetown	416.67
Leary	177.40
Milford	590.00
Morgan	
Morris	
Mt. Gilead	
Mt. Hebron	645.64
Mt. Vernon	312.53
New Bethel	
New Hope	533.07
New Zion	
Rehobeth	100.00
Salem	
Shellman FBC	
Shiloh	
Southside	225.00
Sowhattee	587.23
Springvale	
Vilulah	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,702.06</b>
<b>Balances</b>	
General Fund	21,505.12
Designated Fund	6,173.22
New Work Fund	19,082.79
World Missions Conf.	2,557.06

**Church Staff Position Openings**

First Baptist Church Shellman is looking to fill 2 part-time positions: *Youth Director & Music Director*. Both are paid positions and will require about 15-18 hours a week. If interested, contact Bruce Pittman—[fbcos@windstream.net](mailto:fbcos@windstream.net) or 229.679.5092.



**FREE to a Good Home!**

The Bethel Association has a good used Ricoh Aficio MPC 2500 color copier which we will donate to the first church that calls our office (229) 835.2887 to claim it. You will need to arrange for picking up and transporting the unit to your church, and you will need to contact the Ricoh office in Albany to negotiate a service agreement. The copier can be seen during our office hours, Monday-Thursday, between 8:30AM and 2:30PM.

*Thank You*

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## Calendar of Events

### August

- 5-12 Bro. James away on family vacation
- 11 Regional Sunday School Training—East Pelham BC  
8:30AM-12Noon
- 13 New Zion (Mission) Steering Committee  
Freeman Rd., 7PM
- 14 “Barnabas” Group—Assoc. Office, 11AM
- 17-18 Associational Youth Disciple NOW-Arlington BC
- 20 Missions Coordinating Committee-Assoc. Office, 7PM
- 30 SW GA Men’s Event Counselor Training-Camilla  
(Southside BC) 7PM

### September

- 3 Labor Day (Office Closed)
- 4 “Barnabas” Group-Association Office, 11AM
- 6 Assoc. WMU Meeting-Southside BC, 6:30PM
- 8 “Step Up” Men’s Conference-Bainbridge Coliseum,  
8:30AM-12NOON

### October

- 2 “Barnabas” Group—Assoc. Office, 11AM
- 16 Assoc. Fall Meeting-Faith BC, 4:30 PM  
(and Children’s Home Truck Loading)
- 16-18 Ag Expo (GBC Outreach)-Moultrie

## Summer Camp Lost & Found

The following items were left at Children’s Camp (without names):

- Beach towels: one blue with polka dots, one blue with polka dots that have polka dots in the polka dots, and one penguin
- 1 large straw hat
- Kids Sunscreen spf 50
- Cutter Sensations Insect Repellent
- CVS spf 100 Sunscreen
- 1 small orange t-shirt (S.L.A.M.)
- 1 gold “Property of Jesus 3:16” t-shirt
- 1 pair size 6-6X Girl Connection blue shorts
- 1 pair size large (10/12) Faded Glory green shorts
- 1 pair size large brown Softe shorts (totally)
- 1 pair green flip flops
- 1 pair lavender and green high tops women’s 7.5
- 1 pair of white with burgundy trim New Balance sneakers



Must be claimed by September 1st. If not claimed by that time, they will be donated.