



The Bethel News



June 2019

Camp Hicita in Kolomoki Mounds State Park

JUNE 26-29

# Lion Kings

Bethel Baptist Association's  
2019 Summer Camp

“Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the root of David, has conquered.” (Revelation 5:5)

*A Study of the Judean kings and the King of Kings*

You can download Camp Forms @  
[www.bethelassociation.com](http://www.bethelassociation.com)



**Day Camp \$60**

June 26, 27, & 28

(Ages 4 - completed 2nd grade)

Wed. June 26th, registration begins at 8:30 am. Day Camp will begin each morning at 9:30 am and end at 3:30 pm.

**Overnight Camp \$85**

June 26, 27, 28, & 29

(Completed grades 3-7)

Wed. June 26th, registration begins at 7:30 am, welcome will be at 8:30 am.

**Registration  
Deadline  
Thursday, June 6**

Presented by the Bethel Baptist Association

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## "Missionary Musings"

By the time you read this, all our schools will be out for the summer, and some of our churches will be kicking off their **Vacation Bible Schools**. I hope and pray for all of you that this will be your best VBS ever, and that many boys and girls (and families) will be brought closer to the Lord through this powerful evangelistic tool. May God continue to bless VBS!

The last week of June is our annual Bethel Association **Summer Camp**. Our Overnight Camp (for older children) begins on Wednesday morning, June 26th, and runs through noon on Saturday, June 29th. Our Day Camp (for younger children) will be from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm on Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday (June 26-28). All the details about Camp can be found elsewhere in this newsletter and on our website, [www.bethelassociation.com](http://www.bethelassociation.com), including information and forms for registration. Remember **registration deadline** for both camps is **Thursday, June 6th**, so be sure your church group has signed up with us by that date!

It looks like this is going to be a great camp. I am excited about our "**Lion Kings**" theme, and about the great staff who have volunteered to serve. I am especially excited about the **six Student Summer Missionaries** from throughout our state who will be assisting

us in camp this year! Please pray for them, and for all our staff, as they prepare for this special week.

And now, allow me to get just a bit sentimental... June is the season for many weddings and anniversaries, and this particular month back in 1979 was very big for me and my lovely bride. Yes, on the 17th of this month, Mary and I will be celebrating **40 years** of life together as husband and wife!

I can't imagine what the last 40 years, and especially ministry, might have been like for me had God not brought this special help-mate, companion, and friend into my life! There have been many times when I would have "thrown in the towel" and turned away from seeking after God's will if it had not been for the encouragement and support of this special lady.

I know that some of you reading this newsletter may not know my wife very well, because she works full-time and is very faithful in attendance at Blakely First Baptist Church ("our church") on Sundays. Therefore she is unable to attend many associational functional and is rarely with me in my fraternal visits with our other churches. Those of you who have met her know that she is very quiet and unassuming in public. But make no mistake about it, she is definitely the "rock" of stability and faithfulness in our home, and has served this association admirably in many unseen

ways over the past 20 years.

In other words, I couldn't do it without her, and I just hope she's willing to put up with me for another 40 years or so!!



Happy Anniversary, Darling!

Oh, and Happy Anniversary to all you other June wedding folks out there!

Till next time,

Bro. James

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### **Missions Coordinating Committee meeting**

Monday, July 8th

@ 6:30 pm

Project proposals and Requests for New Work Funds must be received at the Assoc. Office by **Wednesday, July 3rd**.



CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

April 25—May 29, 2019

*Christian Sympathy*



to the family and friends of **Mrs. Mavis Johnson**, who passed away on Thursday, May 2nd. For many years, Ms. Mavis served our Bethel Association as WMU Director and on several committees, as well as faithfully serving her beloved Arlington Baptist Church. We will miss her greatly here on earth, but we know we shall be re-united with her in Heaven!

## BBA Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, June 24 @ 7:00 pm; Assoc. Office

All pastors are automatically on the Association's Executive Committee plus two elected representatives from each church!

Arlington	815.25
Bethel	105.96
Beulah	
Blakely FBC	1,284.10
Bluffton	337.76
Carnegie	
Coleman	
Colomokee	247.98
Cuthbert FBC	512.50
Damascus (E)	
Damascus (R)	314.58
Edison	115.26
Enterprise	
Faith	
Fort Gaines	708.33
Georgetown	833.32
Leary	
Milford	
Morgan	
Morris	
Mt. Gilead	15.59
Mt. Hebron	200.00
Mt. Vernon	
New Bethel	150.00
New Hope	58.15
New Zion	
Rehoboth	
Salem	
Shellman FBC	200.00
Shiloh	708.00
Southside	225.00
Sowhatree	235.00
Springvale	
Vilulah	50.00
Individuals	50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,166.78</b>
<b>Balances</b> May 29 (2019)	
General Fund	8,597.62
Designated Fund	11,177.30
New Work Fund	7,638.88

**2019**  
**SW Georgia Regional**  
**Sunday School &**  
**Small Groups Leader Training**

"Making Disciples through the Sunday School"

**Saturday, August 10th**  
 First Baptist Church of  
 Blakely, GA

"Safety and Security Issues for Your Small Group Ministry"

2019 SBC ANNUAL MEETING - BIRMINGHAM, AL. - JUNE 11-12

**GOSPEL**  
**ABOVE ALL**  
 2019 SBC ANNUAL MEETING  
 BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA • JUNE 11-12  
 1 CORINTHIANS 15:3-4

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# CALENDAR *of Events*

## June 2019

- 2 Camp Planning Meeting - Assoc. Office, 2:30 pm
- 6 **Deadline** for all Camp Registrations
- 11-12 Southern Baptist Convention - Birmingham, AL
- 24 BBA Executive Committee - Assoc. Office, 7:00 pm
- 25 Camp Staff Set-Up at Camp Hicita - 4:00 pm
- 26-29 BBA Children's Overnight camp (Day Camp is 26, 27, & 28) - Camp Hicita Kolomoki Mounds State Park

## July 2019

- 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY (office closed)
- 8 Missions Coordinating Committee - Assoc. Office, 6:30 pm
- 11 "Christmas Backpacks" Mtg. - Assoc. Office, 7 pm
- 14-21 Bro. James on Vacation
- 29 Administrative Team - Assoc. Office, 6:30 pm

## August 2019

- 6 "Barnabas" Group - Assoc. Office, 11 am
- 10 SW GA. Regional Sunday school Training - Blakely FBC, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm
- 16-17 "GO Georgia" Conference - Jonesboro, GA
- 23-24 "GO Georgia" Conference - Statesboro, GA

