

# The Bethel News

Bethel Baptist Association

September 2015

"Strengthening Churches in Sharing Christ"

## Pray for our: Sept. 12-13, 2015 On Mission Connection Missionary Speakers:



### International Mission Board

Alan Woody Central Mexico  
Lee Bradley Durres, Albania  
Gary\* Northern Africa/Middle East  
Judy\* Northern Africa/Middle East

### North American Mission Board

Bill Barker Appalachian Regional Ministries  
George & Cathy Chinn Mississippi River Ministries  
Diane Smith Anniston, AL Women's Ministry  
Bennett Ekandem Clarkston, GA Refugee Ministry

### Georgia Baptist Convention

Buck Burch CP/Stewardship  
Stacy Dyer Church Revitalization  
Mike Flowers RAs/Camp Kaleo  
Cindy Fruitticher Youth

### Others:

Russell Proctor, Penfield Christian Homes  
Jim Lucas, Savannah Baptist Center Church  
Randy Smith, Georgia Campers On Mission (President)



## Speaking Schedule for Sunday September 13th

Church	Service Time	Missionary Speaker
Arlington	6:00 pm	Gary*
Bethel	7:00 pm	George Chinn
Beulah	11:00 am	Gary*
Blakely First	6:00 pm	Alan Woody
Bluffton	11:00 am	Bill Barker
Carnegie	11:00am	Cindy Fruitticher
Coleman	11:00 am	Mike Flowers
Colomokee	6:00 pm	Diane Smith
Cuthbert First	6:00 pm	Judy*
Damascus E	11:00 am	Cathy Chinn
Damascus R	11:00 am	Buck Burch
Edison	11:00 am	Judy*
Enterprise	11:00 am	Lee Bradley
Faith	6:00 pm	Buck Burch
Fort Gaines	6:30 pm	Stacy Dyer
Georgetown	7:00 pm	Bennett Ekandem
Leary	10:30 am	George Chinn
Milford	6:00 pm	Lee Bradley
Morgan	11:00 am	Stacy Dyer
Morris	11:15 am	Alan Woody
Mt. Gilead	6:00 pm	Randy Smith
Mt. Hebron	6:00 pm	Cathy Chinn
Mt. Vernon	11:00 am	Jim Lucas
New Bethel	9:30 am	Lee Bradley
New Hope	6:00 pm	Russell Proctor
New Zion	11:00 am	Diane Smith
Salem	11:00 am	Russell Proctor
Shellman First	6:00 pm	Cindy Fruitticher
Shiloh	6:00 pm	Jim Lucas
Southside	6:00pm	Bill Barker
Sowhatchee	6:00 pm	Mike Flowers
Springvale	10:30 am	Randy Smith
Vilulah	11:00 am	Bennett Ekandem

Missionary Musings

First of all, I want to thank all of those Sunday School Leaders who turned out for our **SW Georgia Regional Sunday School Training** event at Blakely First Baptist on August 15. We had a total of **80 people** in our conferences that Saturday morning, representing 15 different churches from 3 associations. It was a good day of equipping and training, and we have received much positive feedback. I especially want to thank First Baptist of Blakely and their Sunday School Director, **Mr. Ron Drew**, for hosting us and working above and beyond the call of duty to see to our comfort and success.

Of course, THE big event coming up this month is our **On Mission Connection+ Missions Conference**. We have been waiting for this special weekend for over 5 years! I am very excited about the **16 missionaries** we have coming in to meet us and speak in our churches. They are a good mix of international, North American, and

Georgia Missionaries, representing a variety of strategic ministries that reach people for Christ in different ways. I believe you will not only learn a great deal about missions by participating in the activities of **September 12-13**, but you will also be inspired to be on mission for our Lord yourself right here in our own communities!

In this newsletter you will find the complete schedule for Saturday, September 12th and the missionaries speaking schedule for Sunday, September 13th. Please give special consideration to the **Missions Fair** on Saturday morning and the **Breakout Sessions** on Saturday afternoon, as these will give you opportunity to meet and dialog with all of our guest missionaries, not just the one who will be speaking in your church the next day. All of the Saturday activities will take place at the Edison Baptist Church,

including the **Missions Banquet** on Saturday evening (please note that the banquet is by reservations only).

Finally, by the time most of you receive this newsletter, I will have observed my **60th Birthday**. It's really hard to believe that I'm that old! Seriously, you all have been very kind and supportive of me and all our endeavors here in the Bethel Association since I arrived here 16+ years ago as a young man of 43. The time has really flown, and now I am looking forward to my seventh decade to see what God has in store. Thanks for your love and help along the way, and for your continued prayers as we go forward.

In Christ,  
*Bro. James*

**mis-sion-ary, {noun}**  
someone who leaves their family for a short time, so others may be with their families for  
**ETERNITY**



**Schedule for Saturday, September 12, 2015**  
**“On Mission Connection” Activities at Edison Baptist Church**  
**19530 W. Hartford St., Edison, GA 39846**

**9 AM–12 Noon, Missions Fair** in the Family Life Center (all missionaries will be on hand and will have displays)

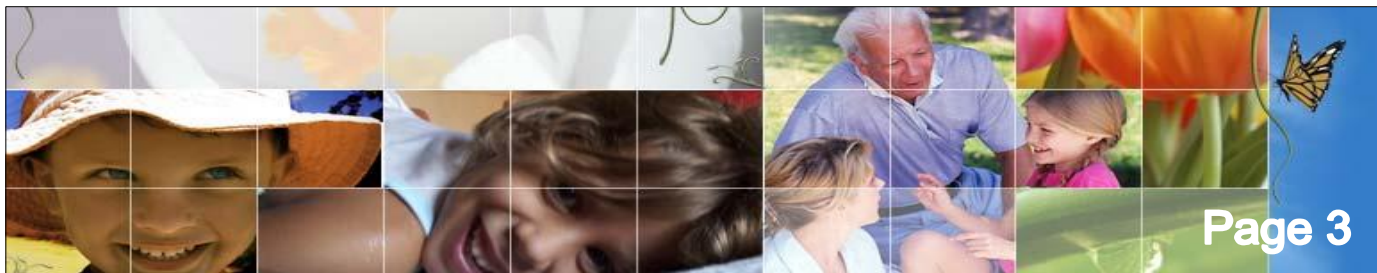
**12 Noon,** We will feed a **sandwich lunch** to the 16 guest missionaries.

**1 PM–3:45 PM,** 5 missionaries will lead small-group **“Breakout Sessions”** in main building classrooms. Sessions go for about 1:15, then take a 15 minute break, and repeat the session for a different audience, so that participants can attend 2 different sessions of their choice that afternoon. While this is going on, Lisa Hagler and her team of children's workers will guide special children's missions education activities in the Duvall Bldg.

**The Following Breakout Sessions will be offered:**

- Bill Barker . How to Participate in the Christmas Backpacks for Appalachia Project+
- George and Cathy Chinn . Preparing Your Team to Go on a Mission Trip+
- Lee Bradley . Providing Theological Education in a Cross-Cultural Setting+
- Gary & Judy . Sharing Christ Among Muslim Peoples+
- Jim Lucas . Ministering to the Down-and-Out in Your Community+

**6 PM-7:30 PM Missions Banquet** in the Family Life Center. Catered meal, by reservation only (4 per Church). Following the meal, there will be a short program during which all of our missionaries will be introduced.



# Bethel Baptist Association Annual Meeting

October 4th  
5:00 pm  
Cuthbert FBC

**& GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES AND FAMILY MINISTRIES, INC.**  
**TRUCK LOADING 3 pm**

A list of items that the Good Shepherd Campus is asking for:


- Pinesol
- Clorox
- Magic Eraser
- Dryer Sheets
- Plastic Cups
- PowerAde Drinks
- Please make sure all items are **boxed!**
- 13 & 55 gal Trash Bags
- Liquid Laundry Detergent
- Liquid Body Wash
- Presweetened Kool-Aid
- Disinfectant Spray
- Gift Cards are also accepted!

## CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

July 29, 2015 thru August 26, 2015

Arlington	1,119.32
Bethel	337.94
Beulah	274.12
Blakely FBC	1,187.79
Bluffton	325.85
Carnegie	
Coleman	
Colomokee	
Cuthbert FBC	512.50
Damascus (E)	
Damascus (R)	345.42
Edison	106.80
Enterprise	
Faith	3,000.00
Fort Gaines	660.73
Georgetown	500.00
Leary	
Milford	366.00
Morgan	
Morris	
Mt. Gilead	
Mt. Hebron	158.13
Mt. Vernon	
New Bethel	
New Hope	
New Zion	
Rehoboth	
Salem	
Shellman FBC	300.00
Shiloh	291.00
Southside	225.00
Sowhatchee	244.86
Springvale	
Vilulah	50.00
Individuals	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,005.46</b>
<b>Balances (Aug 26, 2015)</b>	
General Fund	20,002.68
Designated Fund	13,432.73
New Work Fund	9,678.03
World Missions Conf.	5,167.78

**Association - Wide - 55+**



**FISH FRY**

**Thursday, September 24, 6:00 PM**  
**Blakely First Baptist Church**  
(Fellowship Hall)

Join Us for an evening of fellowship, music, & inspiration.  
NO CHARGE - but **donations** will be accepted in baskets provided.  
Please make reservations with our Associational Office  
229-835-2887 by **Thursday, Sept. 10th** so we will know  
how many to expect from your church!  
(Brought to you by Jerry & Lora Ann Sasnett,  
BBA Senior Adult Ministry Coordinators)

### What is MISSIONGEORGIA?

The Mission Georgia offering is an annual emphasis which supports the ministries, missions, and evangelism work of the Georgia Convention

For more info and resources go to:

www.MISSIONGEORGIA.ORG

**MISSIONGEORGIA:**  
Season of Prayer and Offering for State Missions

**September**  
**Missions Emphasis Month**

Thank you!

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Requested

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### September

- 1 %Barnabas+Group - Assoc. Office, 11 AM
- 7 LABOR DAY (Associational Office Closed)
- 12-13 “On Mission Connection” (World Missions Conference)
- 21 Administrative Team - Assoc. Office, 6:30 PM
- 24 Association-Wide **55+ Fish Fry**, Blakely FBC, 6 PM

### October

- 4 BBA Annual **Fall Meeting** (and Children’s Home Truck Loading)  
Cuthbert FBC, 5 PM (loading will begin at 3 PM)
- 5-16 Bro. James on Family Vacation
- 6-29 %Backpacks for Appalachia+will be received at the Assoc.  
Office (Tue, Wed, Thurs; 8:30 AM- 4:30 PM)
- 9-10 Association-Wide **Disciple NOW Weekend** - Cuthbert FBC

### November

- 9-10 **Georgia Baptist Convention** - (Roswell St. BC Marietta)
- 16 Missions Coordinating Committee - Assoc. Office, 7 PM
- 21 %Christmas at the Fort%(Festival Outreach) Ft. Gaines 9 AM-4 PM
- 25-17 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS (Assoc. Office Closed)

### December

- 3 Ministersq/SpousesqAnnual Christmas Banquet at Faith BC  
(6:30 pm)



*is extended to Karin Tabb and her entire family, in the loss of her husband, Mike Tabb, Sr.*

*Bro. Mike passed away peacefully at their home in Milford on August 17th, 2015.*

*He was a strong community leader and committed member of Milford Baptist Church. Karin serves as our Bethel Baptist Association WMU Specialist.*



### Missions Coordinating Committee

Mon. November 16th , 7 PM.  
Have request and proposals in to the BBA Office by Thurs., November 12.

If you are missing t-shirts, shoes, sunscreen, etc.. from Summer Camp, you may pick them up at the Bethel Association Office in Edison or call 229-835-2887. Thank You.

