

Troup Baptist Association

The Landfill Harmonics

In his book, "The End of Me," author Kyle Idleman tells about a town in Paraguay, South America, which is built around a garbage dump. Every day 1,500 tons of trash is added to this dump. The people of the town make their living by scavenging through the dump seeking things they can recycle and sell. Sadly, the living conditions in the town are as you might imagine.

Now insert a man named Chavez into the equation I described above. He is a music teacher. He came to this poverty stricken town and surprisingly, where others saw hopelessness and despair, of all things, he saw an orchestra! An orchestra! This just proves that whatever is in us determines how we see the world. We view it through the prejudice of our own filters!

He began by recruiting the man who supervises

the garbage dump to start looking for anything that could be salvaged and made into a musical instrument. Before long he had made a cello from an old oil can, he used old x-ray films for drumheads, and saxophones and other wind instruments were fashioned from metal water pipe. He even used old spoons and forks for the keys on these instruments. He then taught the people how to play them.

Today, this little poverty stricken town in Paraguay, built around a trash dump, has a full orchestra that is comprised of instruments made from recycled trash and played by the people of the village. They have toured worldwide, playing the most prestigious venues. They have even played before royalty. They said, "The world sends us their trash – we send them our music!" One

female member of the orchestra said, "Just because you have nothing, doesn't mean you can do nothing!" They call themselves: The Landfill Harmonics.

The story of this town in Paraguay and its citizens should serve as a reminder to us that as Christians, we too are in the recycling business. In fact, Jesus Christ modeled before us the greatest recycling project ever known to mankind when He left His throne in heaven to reclaim and repurpose His creation that satan, through sin, had cast upon the garbage heap of life. Then He said to His disciples in John 14:12(KJV), "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do ..."

God has called us to: Win the lost; disciple the found, and to mend the broken. We are to

recycle and repurpose broken people! To that end, He will bring people across our life-path who, in their current condition, just like those instruments made from recycled products, may not remotely resemble what they have the potential to become. However, if we will only take the time to look past everything they are presenting and see what they have the potential to become, we may be able to repurpose/ recycle them into an instrument that produces a beautiful melody.

I am glad that we serve a God Who, regardless of what script the world has written for our lives, allows re-scripting! Aren't you?

Brother Aaron

PS ... To watch a documentary about this orchestra, Google 'Landfill Harmonics'.

News

Association - On March 6, several of the pastors from the Monday Pastors Prayer Fellowship had the privilege of running into Pastor Jackie and Mrs. Ella Taylor at Cracker Barrel. Please pray for Brother Jackie Taylor and family. Mrs. Ella passed away March 25. Bro. Jackie's mailing address is 270 Veranda Circle, Tallapoosa, GA 30176

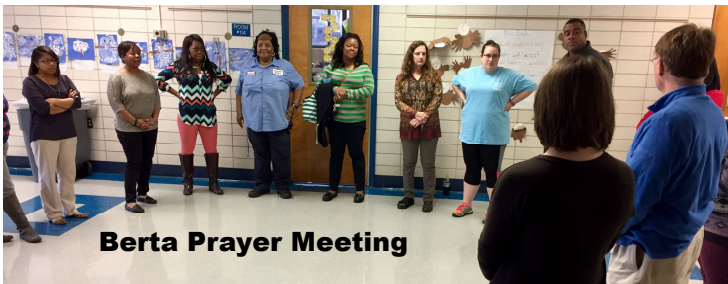


L-R: Dr. Lamar Truitt, Rev. Jackie Taylor, Rev. Billy Allen, Dr. Paul Baxter and Rev. James Hendrey (seated)

Association - The bi-vocational pastors and wives held their quarterly meeting at Rosehill Seafood Restaurant in Columbus, Georgia. A good meal was enjoyed by all who attended. Next quarter the meeting will be held in June at the Troup Baptist Association office where the pastors and their wives will enjoy Rib Night with ribs and all the trimmings prepared by Rev. Jerome Shipman and crew. The Pastor's Rib Dinners are sponsored each year by Higgins LaGrange Chapel. (see photo at right)



Bi-Vocational Pastors and Wives L-R: Marianne McCollough, Judy King, Rev. Richard King, Dr. Lamar Truitt, Carol Truitt, Janet Geter, Rev. Bryan Geter and Associational Missionary Aaron McCollough (taking the photo)



Berta Prayer Meeting

Association - Weekly prayer meetings are held each Thursday after school hours for all Berta Weathersbee teachers and staff members who want to participate. Each week the participants gather in the hallway for a brief time of prayer requests and prayer facilitated by a pastor from one of our Troup Baptist Association churches. (see photo at left)



At left: Bobby Robinson wearing Dr. Baxter's hat!

At the Monday morning Pastors' Prayer Fellowship Bobby Robinson swiped the hat of his hero, Paul Baxter. He aspires to be like Paul, but his head isn't big enough to fill that big ole hat Paul has! ~ Bro. Aaron

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Mission Statement:

The Troup Baptist Association is a Spiritual, educational, and community resource that, through cooperative fellowship, equips pastors, staff, and churches as they seek to fulfill The Great Commission of Jesus Christ.

Association - Church Prayer List

For April 2017, please pray for following churches:

- Week of April 2, 2017 - Mountville Baptist Church
- Week of April 9, 2017 - Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church
- Week of April 16, 2017 - New Heaven Korean Baptist Mission
- Week of April 23, 2017 - New Hope Baptist Church (LaGrange)
- Week of April 30, 2017 - New Hope Baptist Church of Greenville

For May 2017, please pray for following churches:

- Week of May 7, 2017 - New Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
- Week of May 14, 2017 - Northside Baptist Church
- Week of May 21, 2017 - Open Range Cowboy Church
- Week of May 28, 2017 - Praise and Prayer Ministry

Please pray for God to bless these churches and meet their needs.

News (continued)

Baptist Tabernacle - During March, God blessed the church family with six new members. "Our God is good."

- The Clothes Closet was busy this month. They served 175 individuals and gave away 31 coats. The Food Closet was also busy. They gave 342 boxes of food away and 498 meals in addition to 60 back packs.
- The Awanas continue to have fun as they learn about God. On March 8, they had Retro Night - Dress 80's Style. It is hard to say who enjoyed it the most; the children or the adults who work with the children. Also, on March 22, they enjoyed "We Want More Night", which was to inspire the children to bring a friend. Awanas will not meet on April 5 due to Spring Break. "Enjoy and be safe."
- A Red Cross Blood Drive was held on March 13. There were 57 pints of blood collected to help save lives. "Thanks to all who participated."

Bethel - celebrated Rev. Steve Sexton's fifth anniversary as Pastor of Bethel Baptist Church on Sunday February 26. Associational Missionary Aaron McCollough brought the morning message. After the service Bro. Aaron and Mrs. Marianne enjoyed a meal with Pastor Steve and the Bethel congregation. "Good worship, good fellowship, and good food! God is alive and well at Bethel Baptist Church!" (photo below)



East Vernon - Brian Free and Assurance were in concert at East Vernon on Thursday evening, March 23. Stephanie Walker provided the opening songs.



Brian Free & Assurance on left; Stephanie Walker on right.

East Vernon - A Senior Adult Luncheon was held on February 23. They enjoyed a barbecue lunch catered by Sloppy Pig Catering of LaGrange. For entertainment, Associational Missionary Aaron McCollough presented his comedy routine "Ten Things I Have Learned About Women".

Dunson - hosted a joint picnic with Unity Baptist at the home of Pastor Kenneth & Pam Cole. Associational Missionary Aaron McCollough and Pastor Doug Bingham (Unity) had a water pistol quick draw contest. Things didn't turn out as planned and Pastor Kenneth ended up getting in on the action! Bro. Aaron also entertained the crowd with one of his standup comedy routines. There was lots of good fellowship, games, food and singing. A good time was had by all.



L-R: Pastor Kenneth Cole, Bro. Aaron McCollough and Pastor Doug Bingham

East Vernon - held their annual Birthday Bash on Saturday, March 18. Each table was decorated to represent a month of the year and attendees were to sit at the table of their birth month. Alexandria Pasley won first place for her 'Elvis' table decorations. The winning 'Elvis' table is shown below.



1st Place winner
Alexandria Pasley



Above - Senior Adult Luncheon at East Vernon Baptist
Catered & served by Sloppy Pig Catering of LaGrange

News (continued)

Grace (GBC) - Do you feel like Rip Van Winkle? Is it Spring?? Do you think... did I sleep through the winter! What happened? Where is the snow? I see bees buzzing and flowers blossoming. It's Spring! Well, God never sleeps and He has been working marvelously at Grace Baptist Church and we are wide awake! We are now preparing for the Easter season to reflect on the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, and what better time of the year to appreciate how even death brings life. Life to the earth is refreshed and we reflect on the new life that we as believers have in Jesus. So far in 2017, Grace has added 14 new members. "Glory to God!" • Grace celebrated their 14th Homecoming on March 19 with the "Gold City Quintet," who will be inducted into the Gospel Hall of Fame in May. The service was followed by a covered dish dinner that was enjoyed by about 300 people. The weather was beautiful. "Wow! What a day." Prior to the service, the GBC History Committee distributed the GBC Annual Report to the members. • The youth have enjoyed many outings this past month under the leadership of youth directors Jake and Paige Murphy. • The Brotherhood treated the Ladies of Grace with a BBQ cookout at the March meeting. "Good job guys!"

Highland - As a project for March, the WMU ladies started collecting snack items to be donated to LaGrange Hospice. They also continued to collect items for Project Joy to be given through God's Bread Basket in December. In addition, they began to collect and sort good used clothes for the back-to-school clothing give-away in July. • Highland had a "Get Your Green On" fellowship meal following Morning Worship Service on March 19. Since it was St. Patrick's Day weekend, several "green" items such as green beans, lime-fluff salad, grape salad, and lime sherbet punch were included with the meal. • Highland's Men's Basketball Team won the Church League championship for the 'first time ever' since they started playing in this league 15 years ago. "Great accomplishment!" • The choir continued practice for the Easter Cantata and drama to be presented at 11:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday.

Hilyer - held revival services February 26 through March 1. Evangelists Caleb Taft and Kevin Whaley brought the messages on Sunday. Evangelist Alan Carr from Lenoir, NC brought messages Monday through Wednesday nights. Ron Bowman of Harrisonville Baptist Church provided the special music. Rev. Cleve Moore is the pastor of Hilyer Baptist.



Left: Ron Bowman



Right: Evangelist Alan Carr

Lakeview - Josh and Stacy Griffin renewed their wedding vows after Sunday morning services on March 5, 2017. • Gideon Irby Barton spoke to the Brotherhood on March 18 and also presented a very interesting program to the church on Sunday, March 19 about the Gideons and their work. A love offering was collected to support the work of Gideons International. • WMU met on March 21 with all arrangements made by hostess Audrey Holloway.

Mountville (MBC) - had one new member by letter! MBC is excited to reveal their new logo. A special thanks to Phil Thompkins and Lisa Heath for designing it. It is displayed on the new tent. (See photo below) The theme for the new year is "Moving Forward" and they are excited to see what God has in store for Mountville Baptist! • The Youth Group enjoyed "Game Night" on Friday, March 17. They had green food and soda in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day! • What a great and beautiful day it was at the Spring Fling on Sunday, March 26 at Pastor Dwayne's house. There was a Corn-Hole Tournament, Field Games, and Volleyball. The little ones also enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt. • The Adult SS class has sponsored a child in India for several years. His name is Ed. The country has now announced a ban on all incoming correspondence and donations through this mission organization. MBC will send its last letter and will include a photo of the congregation for Ed to keep. Our prayers will continue to be with him and his family.



Mountville Baptist Church Congregation



Shown above is a tent bearing Mountville's new logo. The logo is green and brown.

News (continued)

New Hope (LaGrange) - God has been blessing the church family in many different ways...At the business meeting on March 5, they approved and welcomed Randy and Christie Holland as their new Youth Directors. "We appreciate the love and dedication this couple has for our youth to grow in the knowledge of the Lord." • The children's department baked goodies that were sold at the church on Sunday, March 28. They were excited watching people buy their baked goods. The proceeds went to Annie Armstrong offering. Thanks to Melissa Hughes for your leadership in the children's department. • The New Hope family is sad to see Jay and Kim Floyd and their four children move away. They honored the Floyd family on March 29 for their dedicated service to the Lord and the church. "We pray God's blessings on their new home and work. We will certainly miss you!"

Roper Heights - had a blessed month with five additions to the church! "We welcome them into our church family."
• Please pray for Brother Jackie Taylor and family. His wife, Ella passed away March 25. Brother Jackie Taylor was Pastor of Roper Heights until his retirement last August.

Teaver Road (TRBC) - The Acts 1:8 Missions Team has been very busy! They are collecting t-shirts for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. They are also preparing a meal once a month for the families of Hospice patients. In March, the ladies hosted a breakfast to raise funds for the Annie Armstrong offering. Their goal was \$500. They raised over \$600! • In March, they celebrated two decisions for Christ, one baptism, and added five new members to the church family!

Wehadkee - The members of Wehadkee would like to say a big ole THANK YOU to Leon Wessinger and Jimmy Massey. These two work hard at the church to keep everything together.
• The ladies attend a women's retreat in Pigeon Forge, TN. A great time was had by all. They are already planning the next retreat! The Lord granted them safe traveling. See photo below of the ladies who attended the retreat.



Above L-R: Gayle Studdard, Brenda Jennings, Debbie Cliett, Sharon L. Mickle, and Janet Pilgrim of Wehadkee Baptist.

LaGrange Parkinson's Support Group meets at 3 pm on the third Thursday of each month at West Georgia Wellness Center. For more information, contact William Cobb at 706-616-5670 or email poppiesbigboy1950@yahoo.com.
Group does not meet in June & December

Announcements



Faith Bible Institute
The Troup Baptist Association serves as a satellite campus of **Faith Bible Institute**, a ministry of Rowland Road Baptist Church in Monroe, Louisiana.

**Early Registration begins April 1 for Fall Semester
Classes begin August 22, 2017**

- New Student: \$126
- Returning Student: \$86
- FBI Graduate: \$53
- 2nd Family Member; \$53

For more information go to www.troubaptist.org
Contact Jane Gottshall - Director at (706) 957-7443
or by email: jane.gottshall@gmail.com

Affinity Group Evangelism Training

Monday, May 8 at 6:30 PM

Troup Baptist Association

1301 Washington Street, LaGrange Georgia

Presented by:

- **Dr. J. Robert White, Executive Director of GBMB**
- **George Barnett, Georgia Baptist Mission Board**
- **Regional State Missionaries: Charles Drummond & Mike Everson**

Purpose: To teach ministry leaders, church staff members, and lay people how to take a hobby or something they are passionate about and develop it into an evangelistic ministry. This is a Biblical concept that can revolutionize your church. God can use something that you are passionate about to unite others with like interests in your church and community and ultimately develop it into an evangelistic ministry. This is Affinity Evangelism!

Children's Camp Rockridge

June 19 - 22, 2017

Early Registration: \$155

Late Registration: \$180 (after June 11)

Ages 8 through rising 6th graders

Online Registration Available!

Visit: www.troubaptist.org/camp-rockridge-registration/

Camp registration fees may be paid using PayPal,
debit/credit card or by cash or check.

Announcements (continued)

Baptist Tabernacle (BTC) - Prayer Service is continuing every Saturday at 9 pm. "Come by and pray with us." • BT Cruisers are selling luminarias for the Relay for Life on April 21. The luminarias are to remember those whose lives have been touched by cancer and to support the American Cancer Society's fight against cancer. You can keep the fire of HOPE burning and help to light the way to a CURE by donating a luminaria. To purchase a luminaria, contact Patti Brazeal at 706-616-2679 or by email: patti.brazeal@interface.com. You may also visit www.relayforlife.org/trouppga. • The Easter Cantata will be April 16 at 10:30 am. The choir will be performing *Because He Lives*. "Come and join us for a blessing." • Other ministries that are held each month are: Brotherhood - Second Saturday at 8 am. God's Helping Hands - Second Monday at 6:30 pm. Lighthouse Keepers - Third Monday at 6 pm.

Davidson - has several upcoming events in April and would love to share all of them with you. All will be held at Davidson Baptist on Highway 18 in West Point, Ga.

- April 8 at 11am there will be an Easter Egg Hunt for children followed by hamburgers, hot dogs and everything that goes with them. (wonderful fellowship included)
- April 16 Easter Sunrise service will begin at 7am followed by breakfast. Worship service begins at 10:30am.
- May 8 - 22 Tent Revival More information to come.

Please visit with us at Davidson to share in the blessings and worship of our Holy Father!

Sunday Breakfast at 9:00 am / Sunday School at 9:45 am
 Sunday Worship Service at 11:00 am (Easter @ 10:30 am)
 Sunday Evening Service at 6:00 pm
 Wednesday Bible Study at 6:30 pm
 3rd Thursday Prayer Night at 7:00 pm
 4th Thursday at 11:00 am Food Closet - Message & Food

East Vernon - • On April 11 at 7 pm, EVBC will have a singing featuring Colin Elliott from 'Live Issue' and Andrew Cornett. Everyone is invited.



Colin Elliott of 'Live Issue'



Andrew Cornett

Franklin Road - will have a full week of services for Holy Week leading up to Easter Sunday.

Saturday, April 8 from 10am to 4pm: FREE Kid's Easter Adventure Camp. Your children's ministry is invited to attend.
 Sunday, April 9: Kid's Egg Hunt with free lunch following the Palm Sunday worship service.

Thursday, April 13 at 7pm: Maundy Thursday with Communion

Friday, April 14 at 7pm: Good Friday with drama

Sunday, April 16 Easter: 7am Sunrise Service & breakfast, 9:30am Sunday School and 10:45am Easter Worship

THE GREAT EXCHANGE
Jesus' life for mine!

franklinroad
 BAPTIST CHURCH
 1424 New Franklin Road, LaGrange

R210 Children's Ministry presents
 an adventure camp for kids
 looking into the final week of
 Jesus' life and His Resurrection.

Saturday, April 8
10am-4pm
 for kids K-5th Grade
 (FREE)

ROUTE 210
 CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
 FREE

Grace (GBC) - The Brotherhood will host a 'Wild Game Supper' on April 29 at 5:30 pm. Raffle tickets are being sold for a chance to win a Mossberg Camo 500 12 gauge turkey gun. Tickets are \$1 each. Contact Mike Pittman @ 706-589-8437 for tickets or more information. • Grace will serve as the host church for the annual WMU Spring Luncheon to be held on April 8 from 11:30am to 1:30pm in the George Harris Building (GHB). Registration begins at 10:30am. Contact Judy King at 706-882-0371 to RSVP or for more information.

- Easter Sunrise Service will be held April 16 at 7:00am. An Easter Cantata will be led by Music Director Kelly Elliott. Breakfast prepared by the Brotherhood will follow at the GHB.
- Congregational pictures will be taken in April for the new GBC directory. • May 7 - 13, GBC will make another mission trip to Artemus, KY. If you or someone you know would be interested in joining this mission, please contact Jim Rutledge at 706-302-3849. "Our doors are always open to those who would like to be a part of our church family."

THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU AT GRACE.

*****If there is a church that could use past quarter adult and youth Sunday School curriculum please contact the church at 706-882-9263 or 706-885-3477. Curriculum is from Lifeway.**

Hilyer - The children's Awanas meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 in the Family Life Center. This is for babies through 18 years of age. "We invite your children to attend." • The annual Easter egg hunt will be Saturday, April 15 at the Family Life Center with snacks and egg hunt for all ages.

Highland - will have "Spring Break Fun Days" on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 4 - 6 for children grades K-5.
 • Easter Sunrise Service will be held at 6:45 a.m. behind the fellowship hall, weather permitting. Breakfast will be served following the service. Easter Worship Service will begin at 11:00 a.m., with a beautiful Cantata and Drama. They will not have Sunday School on Easter morning.

Announcements (continued)

Lakeview - On Good Friday, April 14, volunteers from the church will distribute 100 door hangers inviting people to Easter Sunday services. An Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, April 15 from 1 pm to 2 pm at the church.

- Lakeview members are participating in the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

Mountville - will have a team participating in "Relay for Life" on April 21.

New Hope (LaGrange) - The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Wednesday evening, April 12. Supper will be served before the egg hunt. • The Easter celebration will be Sunday, April 16 with the cantata "It is Finished." • On Saturday, April 22, New Hope is sponsoring RENEW 2017, a conference for youth from 12 noon to 4 pm at New Hope Baptist on Roanoke Road. All churches are invited to bring their youth groups. There will be food, games, and worship. Speakers will be Derek Ehlers, J.B. Burns and Abby Poole. Worship will be led by 8:08 Ministries. Please contact Christie Holland at (706) 302-1083 or by email christieholland@icloud.com for more information. (see below) • Vacation Bible School is just around the corner! Mark your calendar for June 25 - 29. See Rita Karr or Melissa Hughes if you can help in any way.

RENEW 2017

WHAT TO EXPECT:
 - FOOD - GAMES - WORSHIP
 - AMAZING SPEAKERS - ENCOURAGEMENT WITH CHRIST - FREEDOM - YOUR LIFE - THE BEST TIME OF YOUR LIFE - ALSO TO MEET NEW FRIENDS

SPEAKERS:
 DEREK EHLERS
 ALBY POOLE
 J.B. BURNS

WORSHIP BY:
 8:08
 MINISTRIES

WHERE AND WHEN:
 April 22, 2017 - 12pm to 4pm
 New hope baptist church
 4050 Roanoke rd
 lagrange, ga
 30240

FOR MORE INFO:
PHONE:
 Christie holland - 706-302-1083
EMAIL:
 christieholland@icloud.com

All churches are invited to bring their youth groups

Roper Heights - The Sonshiners, age 60 and up will go to Logans Eatery in Opelika, Alabama on April 6. "We welcome all." • Easter Sunrise Service will start at 7 am at the church with breakfast following. During the morning worship, the choir will perform an Easter Cantata. • Homecoming will be May 21 with special singing from 'Higher Hope' of LaGrange. Roper Heights issues a special invitation to all former members to attend Homecoming. • Vacation Bible School will begin on Saturday, June 3 with a Kick-off from 4 to 6 pm. VBS will continue nightly Sunday, June 4 thru Friday, June 8 from 6 - 8:30 pm. Friday night will be VBS Family Night.

Rosemont - Join us Easter morning at the Troup High School Auditorium for our Easter Services. There will be two services: 8:30am & 10:30am. Childcare for ages birth through four years will be provided at Rosemont Baptist Church for both services. • The Secret Church Simulcast with David Platt, will show on Friday, April 21 at Rosemont Baptist Church from 6:00pm until midnight. Cost is \$8.00 per person. Please call the church office or contact Jared Humphries at 706-523-1689 to register.

Teaver Road (TRBC) - Their Community-wide Easter Egg Hunt will be April 15 from 10 am until 12 pm. • TRBC Homecoming will be held April 30 from 10am until 12pm • The Brotherhood Ministry will meet April 8 at 8:00 am. All men are welcome to come and enjoy breakfast, a devotion, and fellowship.

Unity - VBS is right around the corner and Unity is gearing up for it. This year's theme is Galactic Starveyors, where we will see God's astronomical creation take a hold of the hearts of children! The adventures will be grand and God's story even grander! Unity VBS will be June 11-16 from 6:00 - 8:30 PM.

Trio of Faith Revival

3 Churches 1 Faith 1 Revival

Sunday April 23, 6:00 PM
Callaway Baptist Church
Higher Hope

Monday April 24, 6:30 PM
Dunson Baptist Church
 Evangelist: Dan Robinson & *New Desire*

Tuesday April 25, 6:30 PM
Unity Baptist Church
Kenneth Cole Trio
New Direction

Combined Choirs from Callaway, Dunson, and Unity Baptist will sing at each service

Announcements (continued)

Church Security Training

Troup Baptist Association, 1301 Washington St., LaGrange

Session 1: April 24 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Session 2: May 1 6:30 - 8:30 pm
(includes an Active Shooter Drill)

Topics to be addressed:

- Developing church security plan
- Enlisting a church security team
- Defining specific roles for team members
- Defining specific roles for ushers and greeters
- Conducting a building & property security survey
- Practicing your church security plan
- Threat detection & situational awareness
- Who should conceal carry

Captain William O'Neal of North Georgia Security Consultants, LLC will be leading both sessions. This company does all security training for the Georgia Baptist Mission Board.

Session 2 will include an Active Shooter Drill conducted by SPO Jim Davison of the LaGrange Police Department

No cost - but please RSVP to Angela (706) 884-1975

First Baptist Church on the Square

is seeking to fill two ministry positions due to the coming retirements of our Minister of Music, Rev. Paul Blair, and Music Ministry Assistant, Mrs. Barbara Grantham.

- Minister of Music (full-time) - We seek a highly committed, experienced, and gifted leader for our church in worship and music ministry.
- Music Ministry Assistant (full-time) - We seek a ministry-minded individual to maintain the Music Ministry Office and to assist the Music Ministry staff.

Please submit resumé and cover letter before April 20th to:
First Baptist Church on the Square
Attn.: Bret Bryant, Personnel Committee Chairman
PO Box 1127
LaGrange, GA

Materials may also be sent to personnel@fbclagrange.org

"Messiah in the Passover"

Oakside Baptist Church
1921 Hamilton Rd, LaGrange

April 16 @ 10:45

Peter Simonov with Chosen People Ministries will demonstrate the Last Supper and show the typology of Christ throughout this Passover meal.

You are invited to participate in this very unique Easter celebration.

Communion will be served to conclude the demonstration.

Unbridled Spirit

...don't be afraid to let go of the reins

Women's Conference

Western Heights Baptist Church
2382 West Point Rd, LaGrange Ga

Friday, April 21 5-9 pm

Saturday, April 22 8am - 5pm

Fun, Fellowship, Bible Study, Delicious Food,
Creative Arts, Inspiring Praise & Worship

Cost: \$20 per person (includes 3 meals)

Please register by mail before April 14 to:

"Spoken For" Ministries

Unbridled Conference

P.O. Box 431, Orangeburg, SC 29116

Childcare will be provided and will include
camp-type activities and Bible lessons.

For more info contact: Beverly Thomas 803-664-4910
or Becky Grubbs 706-957-2390

Rise up...take courage...and do it...Ezra 10:4



WinShape Camps

June 12 - 16, 2017

Camp WinShape is returning to LaGrange for Year Six!

The camp serves children who have completed 1st through 9th grade at a cost of \$209 per camper.

Camp WinShape needs volunteers!

If you would like to volunteer to help with Camp WinShape the week of June 12 - 16, please go online and register at WinShapecamps.org. We have a place for you.
For more information, contact David Traylor at 762-323-8612 or email traylor@gmail.com

Spring Share-A-Thon

April 4 - 8 Tune in to 90.9 FM

Funds raised will help with operating expenses and tower equipment for the next six months.

Spring Fling

April 8 8am until 1pm

B & E Happy Hoppers & Yard Sale

Yard Sale spaces are available on a first come first serve basis.
Call 706-884-2950 for more information.



The Oak 90.9 fm
Solid Christian Radio

Serving LaGrange, GA and the Surrounding Area

Announcements (continued)



**National
Day of Prayer**
May 4, 2017

Daniel 9:19 "Hear us...Forgive us...Heal us!"
www.nationaldayofprayer.org

16TH LOCAL

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

AT

**BIBLICAL HISTORY CENTER
(EXPLORATIONS IN ANTIQUITY)**

130 GORDON COMMERCIAL DR, LAGRANGE, GA

THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2017

12:15 PM TO 12:45 PM

FOR YOUR GREAT NAME'S SAKE!

For more information contact Linda McGill (706) 884-4203
or email bellemcgill@gmail.com

The Big Invite

More Guests Than Ever For Easter

- 7.1 million are lost & unchurched in Georgia.
- 83% are somewhat likely to attend church if invited.
- Goal: Invite 1 million households to church for Easter

For more information go to <http://thebiginvite.org/>
or call Rev. Andy Buchanan (706) 882-3482

WMU Spring Luncheon

Saturday, April 8

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Registration begins at 10:30 am

Comedy Entertainment:

Rev. Aaron McCollough

Guest Speakers:

Jeremy & Jamie Phillips

*Jeremy is Pastor of Adult Discipleship
at Rosemont Baptist Church*

Location:

Grace Baptist Church

3731 West Point Road, LaGrange, Georgia

*A love offering will be received for the
Partner in Education Fund for
Berta Weathersbee Elementary School
and Troup County Homeless Shelter.*

*Please RSVP to Judy King
by Email: lifose@outlook.com
or by phone (706) 882-0371*

Attention: Troup Baptist Association Churches

We would like to help promote your Vacation Bible School.

Please send us the dates and times of your 2017 VBS.

Also provide information such as the VBS title or theme,
ages served and VBS events such as Family Night.

Call Angela at (706) 884-1975 or email angela@troubaptist.com

**Happy Birthday
May**

- 4 Rev. Jimmy McMillian, Baptist Tabernacle
- 7 Rev. Chuck Anderson
- 16 Rev. Dwayne Perdue, Mountville
- 18 Rev. Terry Prestridge, Mt. Pleasant
- 21 Mrs. Marianne McCollough,
First Lady of Troup Baptist Association
- 24 Rev. Anthony Hovey, Shoal Creek
- 25 Rev. Cleve Moore, Hilyer
- 26 Rev. Randy Gilbert, Long Cane

MAY CALENDAR

- 1 Pastors' Prayer Fellowship New Macedonia Michael Carter
- 1 Church Security-Session 2 Troup Baptist Assoc. 6:30-8:30pm
- 4 National Day of Prayer
- 8 Pastors' Prayer Fellowship New Macedonia
- 8 Affinity Group Evangelism Troup Baptist Assoc. 6:30pm
- 15 Pastors' Prayer Fellowship New Macedonia
- 19 Church Planters' Meeting 10am - noon at Troup Baptist Assoc.
- 22 Pastors' Prayer Fellowship New Macedonia
- 29 Memorial Day TBA & GBMB Closed
- 29 No Pastors' Prayer Fellowship

**Note: Prayer Team meets at association office Mondays at 5 pm.
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Happy Birthday April



- 6 Rev. Paul Blair, First Baptist on the Square
- 6 Rev. Clay Snyder, Harvest
- 7 Rev. Cade Farris, First Baptist on the Square
- 9 Rev. Aaron McCollough, Association
- 9 Rev. Donnie Benefield, Grace
- 11 Rev. Nick Pilgrim, Wehadkee
- 23 Rev. Randall Foxworth
- 27 Rev. Steve Vickery, Western Heights
- 28 Rev. Hugo Oropeza, First Hispanic
- 29 Rev. Frank Sledge

APRIL CALENDAR

- 3 Pastors' Prayer Fellowship New Macedonia Doug Bingham
- 8 WMU Spring Luncheon 11:30am - 1:30pm at Grace Baptist
- 10 Pastors' Prayer Fellowship New Macedonia Derek Williams
- 14 TBA & GBMB Closed for Good Friday
- 17 Pastors' Prayer Fellowship New Macedonia Jim Cheyne
- 21 Church Planters' Meeting 10am - noon at Troup Baptist Assoc.
- 24 Pastors' Prayer Fellowship New Macedonia Lamar Womack
- 24 Church Security-Session 1 Troup Baptist Assoc. 6:30-8:30pm
- 27 Executive Committee Meeting 7pm at Troup Baptist Assoc.

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Happy Easter!

On The Lighter Side

Spring Fever:

Four high school boys afflicted with spring fever skipped morning classes. After lunch they reported to the teacher that they had a flat tire. Much to their relief she smiled and said, "Well, you missed a test today so take seats apart from one another and take out a piece of paper." Still smiling, she waited for them to sit down. Then she said: "First Question: Which tire was flat?"

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