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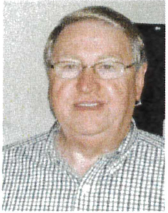
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What are We Tryin' to Do?

Have you ever had a chance to “practice your eavesdropping?” In a restaurant recently I was not trying to listen to the conversation at a table near me, but the talk was so loud I couldn’t help but overhear. Two men were talking about the good and great things God was doing in their church. The server came over to refill their coffee cups and asked them a terrific question. “What are ya’ll tryin’ to do at that church - reach everybody in the county?” The great part of her question was, “What are ya’ll tryin’ to do...” This is a question every church leader and church member should ask often. It is important to be clear in what we are trying to do.

In the PBA this month, we are trying to do two things. We are trying to raise funds for state missions. The Janie Chapman State Missions Offering is collected in September. Please allow the Holy Spirit to direct you in your mission giving. Also, we are trying to reach lost people and to encourage churches. It’s time again for the Area Wide Crusade, September 23-26, at Rock Springs Baptist Church. See the note below about the preachers.

“What are ya’ll tryin’ to do?” For your church, develop a mission statement and mission strategy. The time is urgent for the church to be the church.

Robert



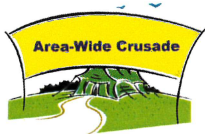
Will You Help?

Thank you to all who helped with the Sr. League World Series this year. We were able to adopt and meet needs for three different teams in addition to laundry and the meals that churches provided. One of those teams was from Venezuela and we pray that Gospel seeds were planted and taken back to sprout in that country.



As you read this, the Upper SC State Fair will be in full-swing. Thank you to all who are helping provide meals, work our laundry unit, and volunteer in our ministry booth at the fair. We are excited to see what God is going to accomplish. If you would like to be involved, there is still time as the fair continues until September 9. Give me a call to get plugged in.

Blessings:
Chris



September 23-26
Rock Springs Baptist Church

Guest Speakers:

Sunday Night (6pm) Dr. Junior Hill
Monday Night (7pm) Dr. Herb Reavis
Tuesday Night (7pm) Dr. Fred Luter
Wednesday Night (7pm) Dr. Mike Whitson

State Missions Emphasis 2018

September 9-16, 2018

State Goal for Janie Chapman

Offering - \$1,750,000



PBA WMU Fall Training

Saturday, September 15th

9:30 - 11:30am

Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Easley

The WMU ladies from Pickens-Twelve Mile Association will join us for our training. Refreshments will be served.

Classes & Leaders:

WMU Directors - JoAnn Thornton
Women on Mission - Margaret Morris
Children in Action - Cindy Burns
Mission Friends - MaryJo O'Shields



PBA Office will be closed
Monday, September 3 in
observance of Labor Day.

Treasurer's Report July 2018

Contributions from Churches	25,669.67
Other	4.50
Total	25,674.17
Total Spent in July	22,870.62
Difference	2,803.55

Monthly Budget Required	25,567.33
Budget Required thru July	178,971.31
Receipts to date	156,582.82
Budget Deficit	-22,388.49

Contributions from Churches (Note: Some churches give quarterly)

	Jan-July 2018	Jan-July 2017
Agape	2,617.32	2,416.59
Arial	2,432.00	1,150.00
Bishop Branch	6,936.93	5,279.82
Brushy Creek	7,000.00	6,000.00
Calumet	1,127.00	1,129.00
Calvary Hill	5,795.35	5,127.75
Cannon Memorial	1,750.00	1,750.00
Catechee	1,860.35	1,816.00
Cedar Rock	1,403.84	1,709.37
Central First	1,640.00	1,418.00
Connection Fellowship	446.25	393.75
Corinth	1,706.88	2,184.42
Crosswell First	500.00	800.00
Easley First	5,733.32	5,016.65
East Clemson	1,777.31	1,373.26
East Side	2,625.00	2,625.00
Elljean	754.66	823.16
Enon	3,316.48	2,430.00
Esperanza	.00	.00
Faith	450.00	350.00
*Fellowship Comm	200.00	400.00
Flat Rock	4,943.25	4,490.27
Geer Mem.	2,376.29	2,550.40
Georges Creek	1,555.94	1,420.39
Glenwood	1,791.06	1,700.42
Graceway	.00	284.88
Hunt's Mem.	2,100.00	2,100.00
Jones Ave.	3,160.17	3,864.38
Liberty First	3,000.00	4,000.00
Mountain Springs	5,537.06	3,753.15
Mt. Airy	4,500.00	5,600.00
Mt. Carmel	4,878.84	4,606.72
Mt. Moriah	1,750.00	1,750.00
Mt. Pisgah	7,000.00	7,000.00
Mt. Tabor	.00	174.00
My Father's House	.00	.00
Norris First	4,625.00	6,125.00
Park Street	137.00	51.00
Pendleton St.	450.06	450.06
Powdersville First	6,643.31	7,176.20
Refuge	1,238.31	1,178.31
Rice's Creek	969.82	1,053.03
River Road	548.29	633.05
Rock Springs	30,495.56	35,788.14
Ruhamah	.00	.00
Siloam	5,962.53	5,792.38
Six & Twenty	1,400.00	1,408.76
Slabtown	1,651.00	1,558.00
Smith Grove	400.00	500.00
The Neighborhood	200.00	200.00
Trinity Point	.00	.00
Wren	573.24	610.25
Total	149,059.42	150,011.56

*Not a member of PBA



Hunt's Memorial: Annual Craft Fair, November 3rd, 8am-2pm. If you would like to reserve a table email kelsinabors@gmail.com with subject line HMBC CRAFT FAIR.
Christi Bearden is looking for full time pianist position. Phone: 864-318-4848.



September

Prayer Calendar

Birthdays:

- 2 Troy Harrison, Pastor, Siloam
- 5 Gregg Finley, Pastor, My Father's House
- 5 Walt Sweet, Minister of Education, Rock Springs
- 5 Steve Allsep, Music Associate, Rock Springs
- 7 Robert Fowler, Pastor, Flat Rock
- 8 Joni Jordan, wife of PBA Missions Ministries Coord.
- 9 Carrie Silver, wife of Minister of Youth, Flat Rock
- 11 David Lyles, Pastor, Connection Fellowship
- 18 Nick McClellan, Minister of Youth, Brushy Creek
- 18 Kathy Shorter, wife of Pastor, Calvary Hill
- 21 David Gallamore, Pastor, Rock Springs
- 21 Chad Campbell, Pastor, Mt. Pisgah
- 22 Rick Baumgarner, Minister of Music, Easley First
- 28 Raquela Alexander, Children's Director, Brushy Creek
- 29 Troy Sudduth, husband of Ministry Asst., PBA
- 29 Miles Bridges, Pastor, Powdersville First

Wedding Anniversaries:

- 4 Robert & Faye Dickard, PBA DOM
- 7 Rick & Carol Jo Baumgarner, Minister of Music, Easley First
- 7 Gene & Teresa Gilliam, Pastor, East Clemson
- 11 Harold & Dianna Sanders, Pastor, Wren
- 17 Eric & Regina Olson, Minister of Music, Siloam
- 18 Mark & Valerie Kannarney, Pastor, Liberty First
- 27 Josh & Rachel Culver, Pastor, Mt. Tabor

Staff Anniversaries:

- 1983 David Gallamore, Pastor, Rock Springs
- 2001 John Adams, Pastor, Easley First
- 2003 Jimmy Sanders, Min. Of Media, Brushy Creek
- 2007 Bobby Brock, Min. of Education, Brushy Creek
- 2011 Eric Olson, Minister of Music, Siloam
- 2015 Mike D'Avanzo, Minister of Youth, Norris First

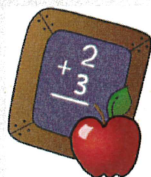


The Pastor/Staff Lunch will be Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 11:30am at Silver Bay in Easley.

UNITED CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES 2018 School Supplies Outreach

UCM is once again collecting NEW school supplies for children in need in our service area. Below is a list of items needed. We typically do not receive enough of these and usually purchase more to fill in the gaps.

- Book Bags-Large, gender neutral**
- Binders (3 Ring hard cover)-1", 1½" or 2" sizes preferred**
- Pocket folders with brads**
- Composition Books**
- Dividers**
- Colored Pencils & Markers**
- Erasers**
- Scissors**
- Pencil Pouches**



Here's how it works: UCM collects new school supplies from you and others in the community. We give your donations to the guidance counselors in our school district at the beginning of the year and throughout the year as needed. The guidance counselors in turn put the supplies directly into the hands of the student. Thank you for helping to meet such a tremendous need in our community! Please drop your school supplies at UCM, 303 Dacusville Hwy, Easley.