# May 2017 **THE "PROCLAIMER"**

Newsletter of

### **PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH**

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### More Than We Can Do Alone:

As many of you know, I am currently serving as a BGAV Missions Council representative for the Appomattox Baptist Association and the Southside Region. This week, I attended the annual Missions Council meeting and at that meeting, John Upton, our executive director, shared his vision for the BGAV now and in the future. He focused in on what he considers to be the primary functions of the BGAV. They include developing church leaders, planting new "kingdom endeavors," sending God's people on mission, building a collaborative network, being a trustworthy partner, and being a celebrative family. To support these functions, BGAV staff and churches focus on planting, developing, and sending. It's exciting to hear some of the statistics associated with these three areas:

- Planting:
  - 14 new churches have begun
  - Church planting training (220 participants)
  - Focus on investing in the lives of 45 specifically trained church planters who will be planting new churches in the near future
  - In partnership with Lifeway, produced a training video called *Multiplying Missional Church*
  - Non-traditional church outreach focus called "Fresh Expressions"
- Developing:
  - Our field strategists support churches and pastors through training (for deacons, search committees, Sunday school leaders, etc.), peer support, pastoring the pastors, regional training events
  - Offering coaching for pastors to provided accountability, training, and personal ministerial development
  - Uptick: investing in young leaders (18-25 year olds) through relationships, training, and coaching
  - Kairos: college ministry (you might remember this as BCM) serving over 1500 students annually with 479 participating in some type of mission activity
- Sending:
  - Sponsored 65 teams that served internationally (we were one of them!) to places like Ghana, Haiti, Romania, Australia, China, and Brazil
  - 81,000 nets distributed in Yendi, Ghana as part of the More Than Nets campaign (19,000 still to be distributed)
  - 56 district hunger ministries
  - 450 volunteers from 66 congregations participated in construction missions with the Southwest Virginia Partnership
  - Disaster Response: 136 volunteers with shower units in Baton Rouge, La; 125 volunteers trained; 578 volunteers in recovery work after natural disasters

As I was hearing this report, it made me proud to realize how much of this work Providence has had a hand in some way – through financial giving and lots of hands-on participation. We are doing kingdom work as a local body and through our connections with this larger body of Christ. As you've looked at this snapshot, if there are any areas that stirred your heart to action, please talk to me about how you can get connected.

Blessings,

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| Benny Marston<br>Emily Mitchell<br>Mike Reeves<br>Bill Wells | 248-6350<br>248-6390<br>660-0423<br>376-9978 | May 2<br>7 pm<br>RTUNITIES for ADUL | May 14 May!'s |
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| Brian Bennett<br>William Clowdis<br>Benny Marston            | 664-8309<br>376-5044<br>248-6350             | Tuesday<br>May 2                    | happy happy   |
| Richard Nunnally<br>Susan Adams                              | 660-5037<br>315-4325                         | COUNCIL                             |               |
| Vice Chair:<br>Annette Bennett<br>Secretary:                 | 664-5004                                     | CHURCH                              |               |
| Chair:<br>Carl Reeves  | 248-9728                                     |                                     |               |

Will meet on May 17-11:00 am

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A tentative reservation has been made at Lois' Kitchen in Chase City. If anyone has a different suggestion, please let me know before May 7 so reservations can be changed. Thank you.

### **INTERCESSORY PRAYER NEEDS**

**Patrick Cheatham Carolyn Chambers** Martha Bosiger **Clara Fortune Renneth Marston** Ann Taylor Reynolds Nan Andrews **Catherine Wright** Carson McCall **Bill Owens Danny Slayton** 

**BIBLE STUDY GROUP** 

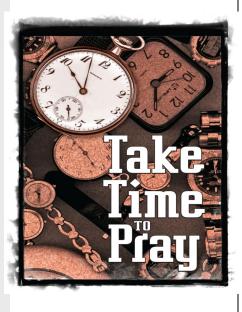
**Rachel Rice Melvin Reeves** Carolyn Cheatham Martha Colwell Andy Clowdis **Deborah Howard** Lory Wells **Brenda Steele Roger Lindsay** Mary Barksdale

7 pm

**Jack Chambers** Ski Pignowski Clifford Blackwelder **Nancy Jones** Eddie Peck **Buck Wilkinson & Family Chuck Chumley Devon Wood & Chris** Steve Gosnell Pete Chumley

Chanse Cook and Tim Sullivan

Military: Frankie Jennings, Erica Harris,





9:00 am -Noon Mt. Zion **Baptist Church** 

DEACONS





**Adult Bible** Study Wednesday

# JOY GROUP

The JOY group went to Heritage Baptist Church in Farmville in April and had a wonderful time of food and fellowship with the group there. Pastor Scott gave a great talk and slide show of the mission trip to Ghana. We are looking forward to sharing fellowship with Heritage again in August at Providence.

The event for May is still undetermined. A **tentative** reservation has been made at Lois' Kitchen in Chase City, a short distance below Keysville. It was also considered to visit the MacCallum More Museum & Gardens near the restaurant containing a variety of flower gardens, but upon further investigation, the gardens cover 5+ acres and entails a lot of walking as you cannot drive into it. Visitation would depend upon individual choice as to go.

If anyone has a different suggestion, please let me know ASAP, preferably before May 7 so different arrangements can be made.

Sally

Vacation Bible School June 5-9 5:30-8pm Come and join the fun as we Celebrate Jesus.



Thank you,

Special Mother's Day Treat

Providential Kidz children's choir will be giving a Mini-concert In honor of Mothers During the service on May 14

| Saturday  | 0   | <u>۳</u>  | 20<br>9:00 AM FOOD BANK @<br>Mt. Zion<br>Brian & Cara Bennett<br>Brian & Cara Bennett  | 27<br><u>Happy Birthdav:</u><br><u>Hal Chambers, Ellen Midkiff</u>  | s<br><u>Happy Anniversary:</u><br><u>William &amp; Peggy Clowdis</u>  |
|-----------|---|---|--|---|---|
| Friday    | Happy Birthday: Bunny<br>Reynolds   | 2   | 9<br><u>Happy Birthday: Tristan Roach</u><br>Second <u>Last day of school -</u><br><u>Charlotte County</u>   | 26<br>Happy Birthday: Ski Pijanowski  |   |
| Thursday  | <u>7:00 PM ABA</u> <u>Executive Team</u> <u>Meeting @</u> <u>Providence Baptist</u> <u>Church</u> <u>Angie Reeves.</u> <u>Gloria Colley Wade</u>                        | _   | 8<br><u>Happy Birthday:</u><br><u>Khrysti Franklin</u>   | 25<br><u>Happy Birthday:</u><br>Garet Bosiger   |   |
| Wednesday | 4<br>6:00 PM Adult Choir Practice<br>7:00 PM Adult & Youth Bible<br>Study<br>7:00 PM Children's Choir<br>Practice<br>Happy Birthday: Freida<br>Whitlow, Raegan Swanberg | 10<br>6:00 PM Adult Choir Practice<br>7:00 PM Adult & Youth Bible<br>Study<br>7:00 PM Children's Choir<br>Practice<br>Happy Anniversary: Billy &<br>Chrissy Dixon | 17     11:00 AM JOY Group       6:00 PM Adult Choir Practice       7:00 PM Adult & Youth Bible       Study       7:00 PM Children's Choir       Practice       Happy Birthday: Rodney       Martin | 24<br>6:00 PM Adult Choir Practice<br>7:00 PM Adult & Youth Bible<br>Study<br>7:00 PM Children's Choir<br>Practice<br>Last Day of School -<br>Campbell & Appomattox<br>counties | 1<br>6:00 PM Adult Choir Practice<br>7:00 PM Adult & Youth Bible<br>Study<br>7:00 PM Children's Choir<br>Practice<br>Happy Anniversary: Scott &<br>Kristen Curtis |
| Tuesday   | 2<br>7:00 PM Church Council<br>Happy Birthday: Abigail<br>Clowdis   | 9<br><u>Happy Anniversary:</u><br>Allen & Virginia Marston  | 16<br><u>Нарру Anniversary:</u><br>Mike & Betty Berry  | 23  | 30  |
| Monday    | 1<br>1:00 PM WMU<br>Happy Anniversary: Jimmy<br>& Susan Adams<br><u>Aappy Birthday: Candice</u><br><u>Clowdis</u>   | ∞   | 15<br><u>Happy Birthday:</u><br>Comor Swanberg,<br>Evan Czaplicki,   | ppy Birthday: Will<br>ambers, Jason Marston   | 29<br>MENORMLDW   |
| Sunday    | 30<br>Sunday School<br>11:00 AM<br>Worship<br>SHECVES   | 7<br><u>10:00 AM Sunday</u><br>School<br><u>11:00 AM Worship</u>  | 14<br>10:00 AM Sunday<br>School<br>11:00 AM Worship<br>Happy Birthday:<br>Margie Layne   | 21<br><u>10:00 AM Sunday</u><br>School<br>11:00 AM Worship  | 28<br>10:00 AM Sunday School<br>11:00 AM Worship<br>Happy Birthday: Kevin<br>Reeves   |

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#### **The Proclaimer**

# From the WMU



**APPOMATTOX BAPTIST ASSOCIATION WMU** will be assembling a cookbook to sell to help support our scholarship fund if you are interested in having your recipes printed in this book; I will have forms for you to write your recipes. See letter on back for further information. See Emily for the proper form to use for the recipes



WMU will once again be collecting school supplies for the Bland County Mission. Donations will be collected until July 23 and may be placed in the basket in the library.

### Are You College Bound?



There is information about three (3) WMU scholarships posted on the WMU bulletin board. These scholarships are available to members of the churches in the Appomattox Baptist Association. Applications must be received by the scholarship committee no later than June 1 for the year which the scholarship is requested.

Thanks to all who donated undies and socks for the Bland County Mission.

Emíly Mítchell

WMU director

May 4, 2017

Dear ABA Churches:

The Appomattox Baptist Association WMU is going to be publishing a cookbook, and we'd love to include favorite recipes from the members of your church.

The Woman's Missionary Union, now called Baptist Women, was created over 100 years ago to help equip people of all ages to become involved in God's work. Missions involvement takes all forms and with this in mind, the ABA WMU began sponsoring three scholarships for students of ABA churches a number of years ago. One scholarship for \$500 is awarded to one or two recipients who enter any Virginia Baptist school or college, another one for \$500 to one or two recipients from the ABA or other parts of Virginia who are preparing for full-time Christian service, and the final one for \$500 for one or two recipients who are entering nursing training. All funds received from the sale of our cookbook will help us maintain the scholarship fund.

We have included a recipe form which we ask that you duplicate for your church members' use, along with instructions which will be helpful in submitting your recipes. Please be sure to "sign" your recipes so your name can be included in the book. Recipes may be printed or typed on the form. Recipes may also be submitted on a sheet of paper. **The deadline for receiving recipes will be June 15**.

In addition to helping us by submitting recipes, if your church or church members would like to help defray the cost of printing the cookbooks, we would welcome any donations so that even more profit can be put into the scholarship fund. Checks can be made payable to the ABA WMU and sent to the association office.

The cookbooks will be delivered to your church in plenty of time for you to give them as Christmas gifts. They make great secret pal gifts, as well as good gifts for any member of your family and all your friends.

If you have any questions, please call or email any of the ladies listed below or call Carolyn Dolan at the ABA office. Carolyn is helping coordinate the project and we greatly appreciate what she does for our association.

We're really excited about our cookbook and hope you will help us make this a successful fund raiser by submitting your tastiest recipes. We all know Baptists are the best cooks! Thank you in advance for your recipes and for helping us keep these scholarships benefitting deserving students in our churches.

Sincerely,

Laura Mills Hebron Emily Mitchell Providence Patricia Shumaker Brookneal Martha Webb Glenn Memorial

## UPCOMING SERMONS

| May 7  | <b>Recommendations and</b> |  |  |
|--------|----------------------------|--|--|
|        | Dedications                |  |  |
|        | John 10:1-10               |  |  |
| May 14 | Out of Print               |  |  |
|        | 1 Peter 2:2-10             |  |  |
| May 21 | More than Words            |  |  |
|        | John 14:16-20              |  |  |
| May 28 | Off the Shelf              |  |  |
| -      | Acts 1:6-14                |  |  |

<u>WEDNESDAY</u> 6 pm ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE 7 pm ADULT & YOUTH BIBLE STUDY 7 pm CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE

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Pastor Scott, Kristen and their children.

APPOMATTOX BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SPRING MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 4 7 PM PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH Light snacks will be served at 6pm

"We invite you to Providence Baptist Church where you will always be welcomed with open arms."