

NEWS FROM CHURCHES

Corbitt's Comments for June:

If there is a signature ministry for which our Association is known that ministry would be the food distributions that take place each week at our three Christian Service Centers in Andalusia, Opp, and Florala. Each year our Association touches thousands of lives by providing vital supplementary food item and this need continues to grow in our county: in 2012 we distributed 254,000lbs of food, in 2013, 279,000lbs and in 2014, 352,000lbs. Much of the food we distribute is donated by the churches of our Association and additional supplies are purchased with funds from the sale of donated items at our CSCs. Food distribution is a major part of our *Community Missions* efforts.

Our desire to help those in need stems from our *Core Value* of *Compassion*. Jesus himself expressed this in Matthew 9:36: "But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd." Later, Paul put it this way in Colossians 3:12, "Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering . . ." We are glad, and even eager, to serve Jesus by serving those in our county who have physical needs (Matt 25:35).

We must not forget, however, that the best *Compassion* is expressed when we help a lost person find salvation in Christ. Jesus did help people with their physical needs, but he also proclaimed in Luke 19:10: "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." As we continue to help people physically let us also renew our commitment to true *Compassion* and seek new ways to help people find the bread of life, Jesus (John 6:48).

Every blessing,

Otis Corbitt, Director of Missions

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VOLUNTEER CARE-GIVERS NEEDED

I am searching for volunteers to join me in giving freely to those in need of assisting caregivers of sick or dying loved ones. They all need a break from time to time. I would like to be able to allow these people a little time to get out of the house to go shopping, pay bills, or just to go out to lunch. I have been one of those caregivers. I truly understand the need to just get a small break. If you have any interest in joining me as a volunteer, please contact: Barbara @ [334-453-0005](tel:334-453-0005).

"Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee hungered, and fed thee? Or thirsty and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? Or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison and come unto thee? And the king shall answer and say unto them, verily I say unto you inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brother, ye have done it unto me. Matthew 25: 37-40

ASSOCIATION NEWS

Covington Association WMU Annual Meeting

The Covington Association WMU Annual Meeting was hosted by Red Oak Baptist Church in April. Baptist Women from Babbie, Southside (Andalusia), First Baptist Church Andalusia, Mt. Pisgah, and Hopewell enjoyed supper and fellowship prior to the program of speakers for local "Hands On" Ministries.

Penny Anderson, a member of First Baptist Church in Andalusia, told of the Jail Ministry for ladies at the Covington County Jail. A Bible Study is held weekly on Wednesday as well as other projects to help minister to the women inmates.

The Director of the Crossover Women's Ministry, Red Coleman, gave his testimony and told of the ministry to women who come through the Crossover program.

Hannah Cross told of her work with the Sav-A-Life Program. She said they need volunteers and supplies to help in the ministry.

Christian Service Center co-coordinator, Katie Cooper, gave a report on how the center is able to help those in need in Covington County. Many people depend on the food, clothing, household goods available there. She needs volunteers to help and encouraged those who can to call and sign up to help.

The next Association WMU meeting is scheduled in November for the World Day of Prayer. At that time, a combination of WMU and Women's Ministries guide lines will be announced and a leadership team elected.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Buck Creek's Vacation Bible School will be held June 7th - 10th.

Oak Grove B. C. Saturday, June 13th 7:30 am - 2:30 pm

Info: [334-453-0005](tel:334-453-0005)

Harmony B.C. Vacation Bible School
June 22nd – 26th, 5:30pm – 8:45pm

ASSOCIATION NEWS (Cont.)

10th Annual Senior Adult Revival

was held at Southside, Andalusia

May 5, 2015 with approximately

291 attendees.

Attendees enjoyed good music,

singing, preaching, and food!

We are already looking forward

to 2016!

JUNE FOOD BANK DONORS

**Brooks, East Highland, New Hope, Pigeon Creek,
Fairmount, Beda, Blue Springs, Carolina,
Northside, Enon, FBC-Floral. FBC-Andalusia,
FBC-Opp, Zion Hill**

(We're sorry about the mix-up in last months FOOD DONORS list.)

EDITOR

NEWS FROM CHURCHES

HOPEWELL

Hopewell Baptist Church is happy to announce that Emmett Massey is their new youth pastor

WEST HIGHLAND.

75th HOMECOMING WEST HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

Threatt & Packer Streets – Andalusia, Alabama

Please join us for our 75th Homecoming Service

June 2, 2015 - 10:30 a.m.

Speaker: Rev. David Richburg – Former Pastor

Lunch will be served after worship service.

All former members, pastors, and friends are

invited to join us on this occasion.

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HARMONY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 22 -26, 2015 - 5:30 P.M. – 8:45 P.M

FAMILY SUNDAY (COMMENCEMENT)

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2015 AT 10:30 A.M.

REVIVAL

JULY 5TH, 2015 AT 10:30 A.M

GUEST SPEAKER: BRO. BILL PRITCHETT

EVERYONE IS INVITED !

HARMONY BAPTIST CHURCH

WILL HOST: *THE UGANDAN THUNDER AFRICAN*

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

JULY 13TH, 2015 @ 6:30 P.M..

BUCKCREEK

The Buck Creek ladies will be hosting a Sisterhood Breakfast on Saturday, May 30th at 8:00 a.m. Mrs. Alice Rodberg will be speaking. The ladies should bring a breakfast casserole.

The church will join with Lindsey Bridge Baptist Church to worship on Sunday evening, May 31st. Bro. Tyler will be bringing the message, and the Buck Creek choir will be providing the music. There will be no evening service at Buck Creek.

The 4th, 5th, & 6th Grade Children's Group recently hosted a bake sale at the Dollar General in Red Level to earn funds for camp.

PIGEON CREEK

NEEDED – PIANIST, PIGEON CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

RED LEVEL, AL CALL [334-469-6161](tel:334-469-6161)

IF NO ANSWER PLEASE LEAVE MESSAGE

ENON

Enon Baptist Church would like to borrow a workbook that accompanies the study "Experiencing God" for teenagers. If your church has a copy that you would loan, please contact pastor: Judd Holderfield at 764-5687.