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CORBITT'S COMMENTS:

Corbitt's Comments for December:

It is a tremendous honor to serve as your Director of Missions! As I start my third year of ministry with Covington Baptist Association I am still impressed by the breadth and depth of our cooperative ministry:

It is our cooperation in ministry that provides supplemental food for 800 families (about 2,300 people) each month in Covington County.

It is our cooperation in ministry that, to date this year, has facilitated the distribution of over \$20,000 worth of household items to people referred by local churches.

It is our cooperation in ministry that has funded scholarships in the amount of \$39,974 to 79 volunteer missionaries since our last Annual Meeting.

It is our cooperation in ministry that allowed us to donate sixty study Bibles to Crossover Ministries for their two classes this year.

It is our cooperation in ministry that has allowed us to conduct a powerful DNow event that touched the lives of 800 youth and their parents.

It is our cooperation in ministry that has allowed us conduct Disaster Relief chainsaw team training and purchase a new trailer for our new Clean-up and Recovery unit.

It is our cooperation in ministry that has allowed us to make critical repairs to the Old Stanley School so that it could be used for the Old School Men's Meeting and so that it can also continue to be a blessing to our community for other events.

It is our cooperation in ministry that has allowed us to help 15 churches purchase their LifeWay VBS materials locally instead of driving to Dothan, Montgomery, or Pensacola.

It is our cooperation in ministry that has allowed us conduct events to encourage churches and ministers, such as the Senior Adult Revival, the Deacon, Pastor, and Spouse Banquet and our Ministers' Conference.

It is our cooperation in ministry that allows us to provide a Biblically-sound Christian counselling ministry that touches the lives of 100 families in our community each year.

Finally, it is our cooperation in ministry that has allowed us to revise and refresh our ministry strategy.

Thank you for your part in helping make an impact for Christ in our community.

Every blessing,

Otis Corbitt, Director of Missions

LUKE 1:26-38

26 And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, **27** To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. **28** And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, *thou that art* highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed *art* thou among women. **29** And when she saw *him*, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. **30** And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. **31** And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. **32** He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: **33** And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. **34** Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? **35** And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. **36** And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren. **37** For with God nothing shall be impossible. **38** And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Our mailing list for 2015 has been updated for the CBA Newsletter. If you are not receiving the newsletter, or no longer wish to receive the newsletter, please call 222-3009 to update our mailing data.

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COVINGTON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION STAFF

Wishes you a very Merry Christmas!

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests." Luke 2:14

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OLD SCHOOL MEN'S MEETING

(A County Wide Outreach to Non-Churched Men)

3rd Thursday of Each Month @ 7:00 P.M.

Old Stanley School House-17784 Ala Hwy 55 South

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**A WEEKEND THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR MARRIAGE FOR EVER !**

**SAVE THE DATES: February 20-21, 2015**  
**A Covington Baptist Associational Event**  
**God is Love: ONE - A Marriage Event**  
**ONE Weekend That Will Change Your Marriage Forever**

**With Tim & Debbie Childers**

**Cost: \$10 per couple**

**www.THEREALITYGROUP.ORG**

**Location: Bethany Baptist Church**

**Friday Evening: Desserts & Sessions 1 & 2**

**Saturday: Breakfast; then Sessions 3 & 4**

**Saturday: Lunch and Final Session**

**Register now with Marty Holley at 222-3009**

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CBA Pastors, Staff & Spouses Christmas Banquet
Red Oak Baptist Church
Tuesday, December 2nd @ 6:00 p.m.

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CBA ministers/mission Idrs: Big Apple Vision Trip
April 7-10, 2015/cost \$300/person
deadline for commitment Dec. 1st

DECEMBER FOOD BANK DONORS

FBC- Andalusia, FBC- Opp, Zion Hill, Mt. Pisgah, West Highland, Oake Ridge, Searight, Northern Heights, Brooks, East Highland, New Hope, Pigeon Creek, Fairmount, Beda

NEWS FROM CHURCHES

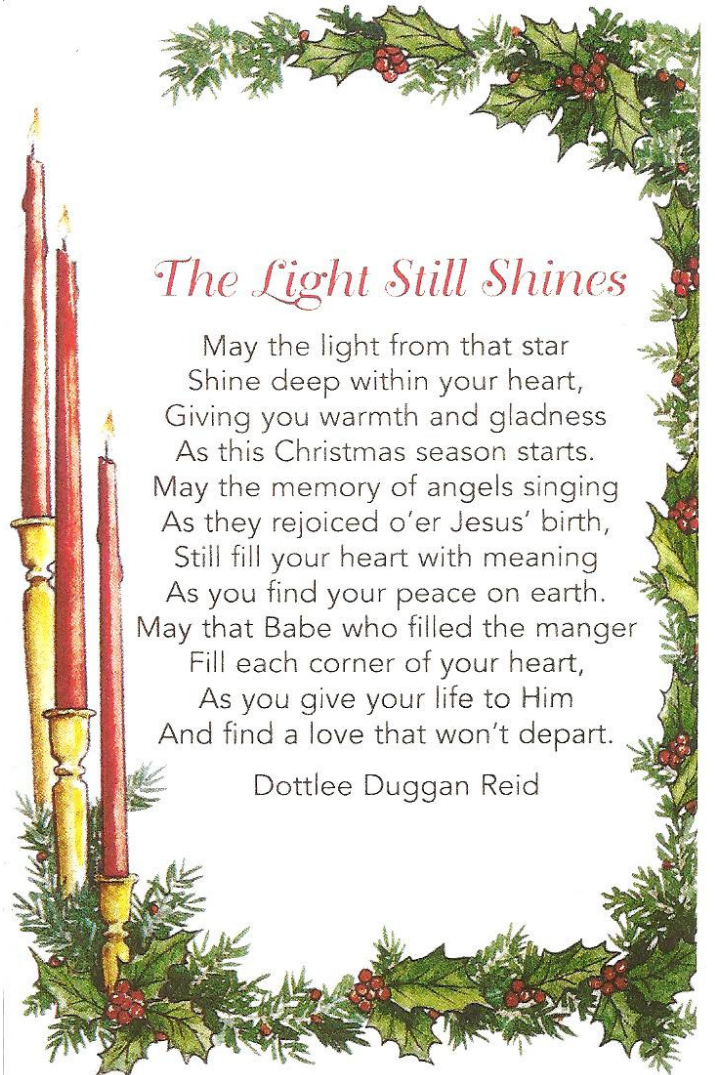
BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH

Mary Sue Ashberry and Donna Blair will depart on November 30th, to Atlanta to work at the Operation Christmas Child Distribution Center on December 1, 2nd, and 3rd .

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MATTHEW 1

18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just *man*, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. **20** But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. **21** And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. **22** Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, **23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel**, which being interpreted is, God with us. **24** Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: **25** And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.



The Light Still Shines

May the light from that star
Shine deep within your heart,
Giving you warmth and gladness
As this Christmas season starts.
May the memory of angels singing
As they rejoiced o'er Jesus' birth,
Still fill your heart with meaning
As you find your peace on earth.
May that Babe who filled the manger
Fill each corner of your heart,
As you give your life to Him
And find a love that won't depart.

Dottlee Duggan Reid