

Issue 4

April 2018

## The Tucker Newsletter

### 2018 WMA Spring Events

### Tucker Baptist:

**A community  
of believers  
becoming one  
body, one Spirit,  
one Faith, one  
mind striving  
together for the  
cause of Christ!**



Everyone has a need to grow and learn and we are certain you will find something that hits the spot for you at this year's Spring Event. Check out the conference options at [gabaptistwomenspringevent.com](http://gabaptistwomenspringevent.com) and register!

### GA Baptist Ministry Assistant's

**GA Baptist Ministry Assistant's Retreat  
Epworth by the Sea  
Saint Simons Island  
April 19th-20th**



#### April

- 1 Joe Beauchamp
- 3 Chad Boyd
- 7 Teresa Poitvint
- 15 Sylvia Hager
- 17 Amanda Barber
- 20 Steve Wooten
- 25 Andrew Chaffer

#### April

- 6 Andy & Bessie Hall
- 28 Joe & Teresa Poitevint

**Join us!**  
Date: April 19-20, 2018  
Location: Epworth By the Sea

Georgia Baptist Association of Ministry Assistants Conference (GBAMA)

**CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION**

## On Mission With God

**On mission with God** is more than a slogan. It is a way of life for those who take Jesus' commands seriously to go and make disciples throughout all the world. Those eleven men to whom Jesus first spoke those words could do nothing else but fulfill his command. They were so in love with him. Nothing else mattered but Jesus. These men turned the world upside down forever because they loved him that much.

Being on mission means first being a missionary where we live as stated in Acts 1:8. Our neighborhood. Our community. Our county. Our Jerusalem. I am all for going other places to do mission, but missions begins at home. (It does not end at home, but begins at home). I think God is presenting Tucker Baptists with

the challenge of doing some much needed mission work right here in Mitchell and Baker Counties this summer. There are housing projects where we can do VBS and outreach to the kids and their parents. There are lonely people everywhere who need a friend who cares. There are some community service projects that need to be done to improve the lives of people around us. There are potential ministry projects for kids, teenagers and adults from 18 to 100 years of age. On April 19 at 6:30 p.m. there will be an organizational meeting with leaders from our churches at FBC Camilla to discuss ministry needs and volunteers. I hope many of you will come and see what you and your church can do to help us have more impact locally.

During the week of April 23-26 I will be in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania with about twelve other associational missionaries in Georgia who are looking at the **possibilities** of partnerships. Pittsburgh is the largest city in Appalachia. Did you know this? Until a few weeks ago I didn't. In Pittsburgh there is one Southern Baptist church for every 42,500 people. In Mitchell County we have one SB church for every 1,150 people. Evangelicals make up only 5% of the population of Pittsburgh. Evangelicals are a lot more numerous here than in Pittsburgh. **Perhaps** there is something we can do to help them. I am going to see what is needed and will give you a report when I get back. Please pray that God will help me see what I need to see. Our readiness to

take on a partnership like this will largely depend on our willingness to do more ministry in our own Jerusalem.

I want to commend all the churches who have participated in the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for missions in North America. Did you know this offering helps support over 5,200 folks who serve in a variety of locations throughout America and Canada? If you haven't already given to this offering, I hope you will still do so in the month of April. Easter may be over, but the offering and the needs to reach lost people will not be over until Jesus comes. Don't forget that you will meet some of these missionaries next February in our On Mission Celebration.

Your Missionary,  
LEE BRADLEY

## On Mission Celebration 2019

### March your Calendar!

**February 23-27, 2019 is our next On Mission Celebration! Please put these dates on your calendars and begin praying and publicizing this special event. We also pray that all 24 churches will participate in this special event.**

## Upcoming Events

### April

#### 1 Easter

- 8 Cooperative Program Sunday (SBC)
- 9 Joint Men's Ministries/WMU Meeting, Camilla FBC, 6:30 p.m., (supper), Speaker: Rev. Mike Everson
- 12 Executive Committee Meeting, Mt. Carmel, 6:30 p.m. (supper)
- 13-14 WMU Spring Event, Stone Mountain, Atlanta Evergreen Marriott Conference Resort
- 15 Baptist Doctrine Study (SBC)
- 19-20 GA Baptist Ministry Assistant's Retreat, Epworth by the Sea, Saint Simons Island
- 22 SBC Seminaries Sunday
- 26 Administration Professionals Day
- 27-28 Awakening Men's Conference, GA National Fairgrounds & Agri- Center Miller-Murphy-Howard Building, Perry, GA

### May

- 3 National Day of Prayer
- 6 Senior Adult Sunday
- 13 **Mother's Day and Offering for Georgia Baptist Children's Homes Day**
- 13-19 Christian Home Week (SBC)
- 19 Armed Forces Day

*Have a blessed  
Easter!*

April 1st

*"For God so loved the world,  
that He gave His only begotten Son, that  
whosoever believeth in Him should not  
perish, but have everlasting life."*

—John 3:16

**Joint Men's Ministries/  
WMU Meeting**  
**April 9th**  
**Speaker:**  
**Rev. Mike Everson**



**Tucker Baptist  
Executive Committee  
Meeting**  
**Mt. Carmel**  
**April 12th**



**Treasurer's Update**  
Mr. Duane Bentley  
Associational Treasurer  
668 Hand Ave.  
Pelham, GA 31779  
April 2018

Balance	February 2018	\$76,557.34
Monthly Income	3/31/18	\$10,973.27
Monthly Expenses	3/31/18	\$7,602.76
Current Liabilities (+/-)		+\$774.48
March 2018		\$80,702.33
Designated Funds		-\$11,356.70
Total Current Liabilities		-\$1,166.44
Total Operating Funds		\$67,682.19

**Year to Date**  
Church Contributions  
Receipts March 2018

	<u>Office</u>	<u>Camp Tucker</u>
Baconton	0.00	0.00
Camilla First	5,021.31	0.00
Cool Springs	290.00	0.00
Delwood	1,738.22	875.00
East Pelham	450.00	150.00
Harmony	725.11	0.00
Hinsonton	999.99	249.99
Hopeful	1,735.00	700.00
Lake Pleasant	1,045.00	900.00
Lakeside	225.00	1,200.00
Liberty Hill	118.00	0.00
Mt. Carmel	645.80	0.00
Mt. Olive	525.00	0.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	0.00
Newton	400.00	0.00
Pebble City	750.00	0.00
Pelham First	3,313.00	0.00
Pine Cliff	1,592.31	736.15
Pleasant Grove	1,500.00	0.00
Pleasant Hill	1,898.61	759.44
Sale City	769.00	0.00
Southside	2,399.07	0.00
Trinity	300.00	0.00
Union Grove	675.29	150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$27,115.71</b>	<b>\$5,520.58</b>

## Church News

**Pine Cliff:** We are seeking a Bi-Vocational Worship Leader and Choir Director. Please send your resume to Pine Cliff Baptist Church, 8193 Pine Cliff Rd., Camilla, GA 31730. Rev. Joe Poitevint, Pastor

**Pleasant Grove:** We have a used Sound System with microphones to be given away. For more information call Glenn Pollock @ 787-5728 or 349-9012. Rev. Ricky Griner, Pastor

**Please note the deadline for church news for the Newsletter is the 20th of each month and should be 75 words or less. Thank you!**

## Fundraiser for North Georgia Mission Trip

When: Thursday, April 19th

Time: 5 PM until 7 PM

Place: Camilla First Baptist Church

Menu: Spaghetti, Salad, Dinner Roll, and Dessert

(We will deliver to churches that order 10 or more plates.)

Just give me a call and set it up @ 869-4588.

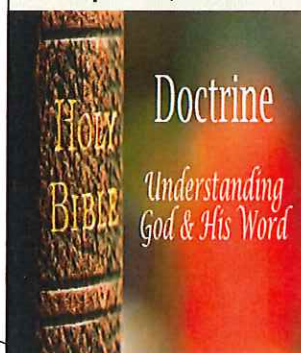
Thanks and God Bless—Bro. John McComas

**Send in your VBS Dates:**

Southside—3rd thru 7th, 6 p.m.—8:30 p.m. each night—"Game On!"

## SBC and GBC Events

**Baptist Doctrine**  
**Sunday**  
**April 15, 2018**

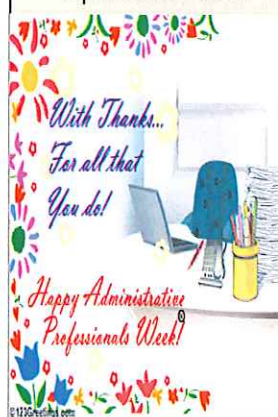


THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST  
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY



April 22nd

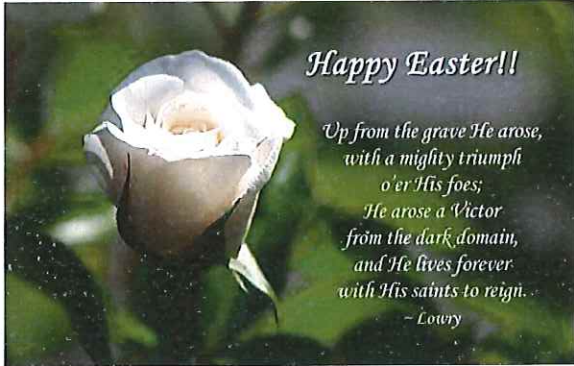
April 23rd—27th



*Jesus said to her,  
"I am the resurrection  
and the life.*

*He who believes in me will live, even  
though he dies; and whoever lives and  
believes in me will never die."*

*John 11:25-26*



*Happy Easter!!*

*Up from the grave He arose,  
with a mighty triumph  
o'er His foes;  
He arose a Victor  
from the dark domain,  
and He lives forever  
with His saints to reign.  
- Lowry*

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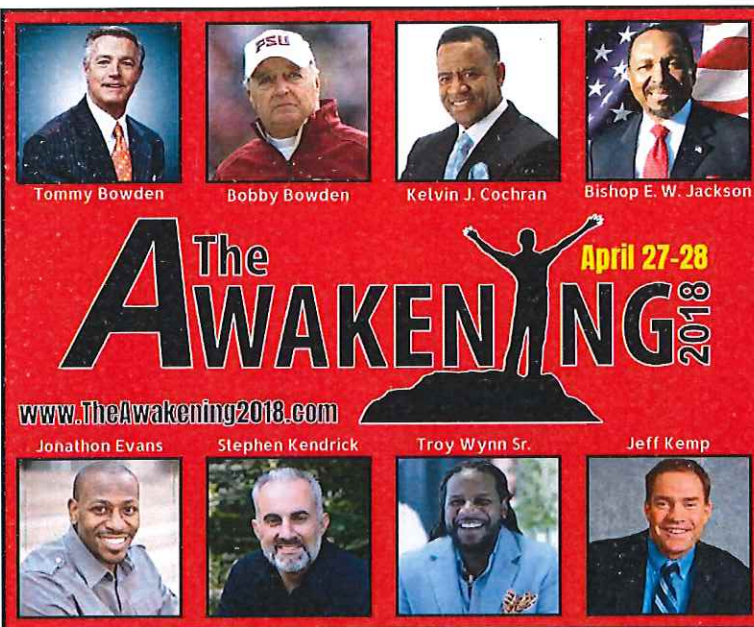
*"In God We Trust"*

Mr Judson Thomas

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Albany GA 31705

The Awakening 2018 National Men's Conference

UNITY— National Day of Prayer



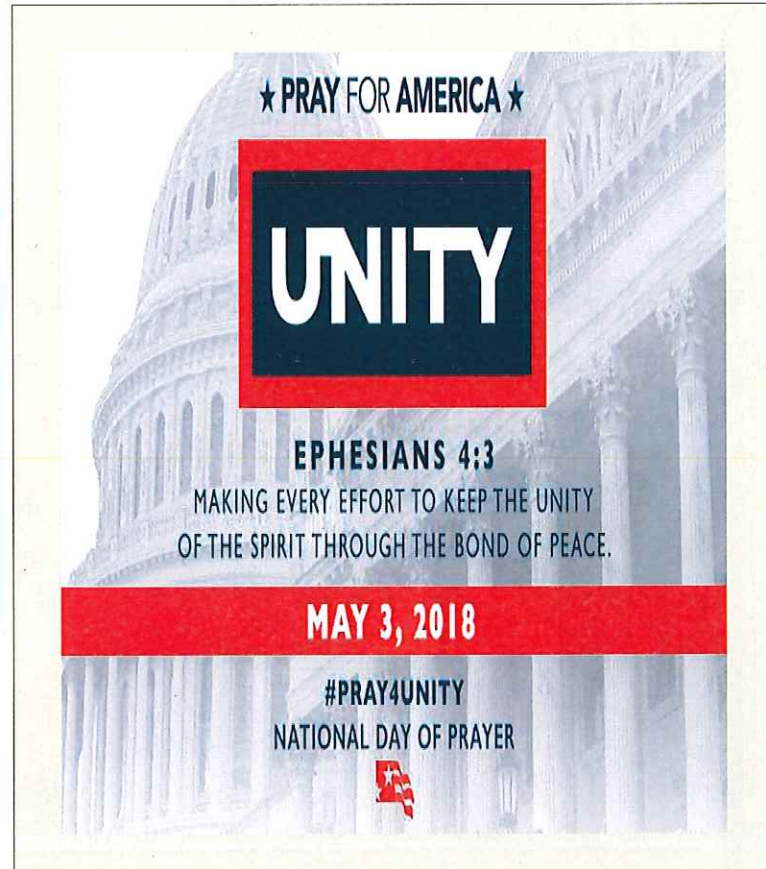
Tommy Bowden Bobby Bowden Kelvin J. Cochran Bishop E. W. Jackson

**The AWAKENING 2018** April 27-28

www.TheAwakening2018.com

Jonathon Evans Stephen Kendrick Troy Wynn Sr. Jeff Kemp

**National Men's Conference**  
**April 27—28, 2018**  
**Agicenter Miller-Murphy-Howard Building**  
**Perry, GA**



★ PRAY FOR AMERICA ★

**UNITY**

**EPHESIANS 4:3**  
MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO KEEP THE UNITY  
OF THE SPIRIT THROUGH THE BOND OF PEACE.

**MAY 3, 2018**

#PRAY4UNITY  
NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

## ACTION OR JUST TOUGH TALK?

I would like to thank all of you who responded to my article in last month's newsletter insert: "What Is Wrong and What Is Wrong?" It is one thing for me to be bold in writing or even in preaching about things that are unwelcome or depressing to the ears. It is affirming that many of you acknowledge that I am right in what I am saying. Nevertheless, is that all that is needed for a change to come? Merely recognizing the problem is not enough. Knowing the right answer is not enough. Talk is not enough. I reminded our pastors this week that tough critical talk can be like vomiting on people if there is no action to back up what has been said. It might make us feel better for the moment, but it is also plainly hypocritical. We have to take it to the next level: **ACTION**. Thus, I now invite you to **join me in doing something** that I believe can be a **catalyst for the change** we so much need.

No movement of God to bring revival ever comes without God's people praying and praying **desperately** for it. When we pray, **WE CHANGE**, and our hearts and lives align with the heart of Christ. When we pray, we do a lot of self-examination. If we pray rightly, we come out of the experience with clean hearts that are renewed. As David said in Psalm 51:13, "Then I will teach transgressors your ways and sinners will return to you." That is only possible if we are first clean ourselves (Ps. 51:10). This kind of honest prayer gets us right with the Lord. It must be our reality before we pray for others to experience revival. This is about the only time in life when "ME FIRST" is okay. In fact, it is essential. When we are right with the Lord, it just seems to be a natural thing for lost people to be saved, broken families to be healed, unforgiving people to forgive, passive believers to become engaged, joyless worship to become infused with the Holy Spirit, and dead churches to come alive. The change we so desperately need becomes reality when we're right with God. God lives and thrives among his people once again. Being in church is a taste of heaven. People eagerly await the next time the church doors are open because they know God will be in there. People no longer look for excuses to avoid church. They crush all excuses and eagerly show up. They even show up early. Just gotta be there. Nothing is gonna stop them.

What I'm talking about **CAN BE OUR PRESENT REALITY**. The concept of a revived church is not something confined to yesteryear. It can be the reality today. We've got to plead for it like we can't live without it. We deny ourselves of anything that stands in the way: tv, internet, entertainment, unhealthy relationships, bad habits, unforgiveness, pride, just to name a few. We even go without food to seek God more intensively. When this happens, God becomes our food. (John 4:32-34).

I am calling on the believers of Tucker Baptist Association churches to come together for **a day of prayer and fasting**. We will do this on **Friday, April 13, from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m.** I want to invite you to come and to send people from your church to pray and fast with us. We will pray for each of the 24 churches of our association in that 12 hour prayer time. We will pray for revival in each church. We will pray especially for those churches who are barely hanging on and facing the impending reality of closure unless God's people surrender to him. We will pray for the leaders and all the members of our 24 churches to be responsive to the leadership of the Holy Spirit in all they do instead of relying on man's wisdom which holds them back from glorifying only God. We will pray for a greater awareness of the hindrances to God's work in our lives: cowardice, reliance on "common sense," faithlessness in both big and small things, prayerlessness, laziness, unconcern for the lost, unconcern for the prodigals who have left our churches, coldness to people who are not like us, coldness to God's Spirit, judgmentalism (both pronounced and subtle), racism, lack of seriousness in God's house, insincere worship, theft (Malachi 3), being man-pleasers rather than God pleasers...just to name a few. When God brings these sins to our hearts for examination, I pray that we will repent and be cleansed of all of this. Without intentional self-confrontation, we will always be too busy to deal with these sins and repent of them. Without this intentional self-confrontation, we will avoid embarrassment and pain, but not experience the change we need. All these sins on this list will continue to just seem so "normal" in our churches. We won't see what a big deal they are to God. He is offended by them. We must respond in humility and repentance.

I am inviting you and people from your church to join me in prayer and fasting that day. I would love to have an Aaron and Hur join me for the entire day of prayer. Could some of you come and plan to stay all day with me? Twelve hours! I know this is asking a lot. I also realize that many of you have jobs and church responsibilities. I am sure most of you will not be able to stay all twelve hours. Please come and stay as long as you can. Leave when you need to go. It is okay. There will be designated hours when we will pray for your church. If you can come or send some of your people to the prayer meeting during that designated hour, we will know better how we can pray for you and your church.

One last thing. Fasting is a very personal thing. I believe the Bible teaches that we should fast from time to time in order to more intentionally hear the Lord's voice and to learn to depend on him in a greater way. I am not a judge of your fasting. From reading the Bible, we know it is possible to fast and our hearts still remain far from God. Drawing near to God is what is most important. If you don't feel led of God to fast on this day or you have medical reasons you should not fast, I totally understand that. Some may be able to fast only for one meal. I invite you to do what you can and not worry about what you can't do. Let's do this to draw closer to the Lord and to glorify him. May this be a catalyst for the change that is so much needed in all 24 churches of our association.

For His Glory!

P.S. If you already had other commitments on April 13 and can't come, please come by the association office another day and pray with me. I would love to pray with you.