The Tucker Newsletter

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





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May 18 James & Annette Sanders "On Mission" In Tucker Association



Associational Missions Emphasis Season of Prayer

> "On Mission" In Tucker Association May 21st-28th

## National Day of Prayer



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## "Focusing On Our Youth In Tucker Association"

With the opportunity to write for the Tucker Association newsletter, I wanted to provide a focus on youth. I have been blessed with the opportunity to serve as the youth director for the Association for the last few years. While serving in that role, I have been able to see that our churches are blessed with teenagers that love the Lord. During our last Discipleship Now weekend our youth were given a time to share testimonies. Teenagers from many churches volunteered to stand before a gathering of approximately 100 people to share the things happening in their life and how God has moved. It was an engaging and encouraging time.

Of course, knowing God moves in the lives of young people should not surprise us. The Bible is full of accounts detailing God working in the lives of youth, as God accomplished His will. David was a young person when he killed Goliath. Daniel was a captive teenager when he defied the orders of his captors to stay obedient to God. Timothy was young when Paul left him to lead the church of blank. God has been working through teenagers throughout history.

teenagers throughout history. What about today in our churches? How are we working with our youth? Are we helping them to grow as disciples? Are we providing them with opportunities to serve? Are we instructing them in the truth of the Bible?'

I love working with teenagers because of their honesty. When they know I am going to be honest with them, then they will be honest with me. They will express what they honestly think or feel, what confuses them, and what makes sense to them. That honest truth is a joy to me! In today's world there are many false teachings being presented as facts to all of us, including our teens. The Church should be a resource teenagers can trust and help them distinguish between these confusing messages. Who are the teenagers you know trusting for guidance? As adults, we need to be ministering into the lives of our teenagers so they will know who

to turn to for knowledge, wisdom, and guidance.

Not only do our churches need to be providing ministries to serve our youth but we need to be involving youth in ministries to reach our communities. I believe our youth are an underutilized resource in our churches. Our youth want to do things for God. Teenagers can easily be labeled as lazy and bored, but if we will invest in making opportunities for them to be successful in serving the Lord, then I believe our youth will flourish. Of course, they are going to need guidance and training as they work in ministry. No one expects a new employee to know all the inner workings of a company when they are first hired. In the same way, we shouldn't expect youth to know the ins and outs, finer details, and proper procedures to complete the workings of our churches. Discipleship involves a teacher investing and guiding a student, not just a lecture and leaving the student on their own. We need to be serving alongside our youth, as a team,

to accomplish God's will. How do we do these things? I want to encourage you to include a time for youth in your church, whether its Sunday School, Discipleship Training, a Wednesday evening program, or something else. Provide a regular time for youth to get together. Invest time with them. Share your testimony with them - when teenagers see an adult who is willing to share their past failings, hard times, joys, success stories, etc. in an honest way, it is powerful. Trust that even when they don't appear to be listening, many of them are digesting every word. Then trust them with guided opportunities in ministry. Invite them to go on visitations and mission outreaches, sing in the choir, help with the sound system. If we never give them the opportunity they will never learn. If they never learn, then who is going to do the work of our churches in the future?

Bro. Charlie Tucker



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- 26-30 Girls Week at Camp Tucker

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Fucker Baptist Center May 22, 2017 11:00 AM



## **Church News**

**Hinsonton**: On May 10 the youth will sponsor a bake sale. During the month of May we will honor all of the women in the church; also will honor our high school graduates. Our men's ministry are completing work on the module building to enlarge the size of the rooms. Plans are being made for VBS to be held in July, 2017. To God be the glory; great things He has done. Rev. Stacy West, Pastor

**Pelham First:** We had four baptism in April, more scheduled for May. On May 7 we will have a Senior Adult Luncheon, after the morning worship services. The Golden Age will have their monthly luncheon and will meet at the church 11:30 a.m. We will have our Awana Awards on May 10 during the morning service. On May 14 we will celebrate our Mother's on Mother's Day. May 17 we will have a Church family picnic at Camp Crosspoint 5-7:30 p.m. Our youth will lead the services on May 21 during the morning services, also we will recognize our Senior's that will be graduating. May 26 the youth will have a meat sale distribution 4-6 p.m. We are looking forward to our VBS upcoming up June 5-9 from 9 a.m.-12 noon. Rev. Matt Peek, Pastor

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



Mr. Duane Bentley Associational Treasurer 668 Hand Ave. Pelham, GA 31779 May 2017		
Balance March 30, 2017	\$47,667.18	
Monthly Income 4/30/17 Monthly Expenses 4/30/17	\$7,164.88 \$(3,539.65)	
Current Liabilities (+/-)	\$2,605.68	
April 30, 2017	\$48,686.73	
Designated Funds Total Current Liabilities	\$14,280.38 \$542.06	
Total Operating Funds	\$33.864.29	

Treasurer's Update

Year to Date Church Contributions Receipts January – April 2017

Baconton	Office 0.00	Camp Tucker 0.00
Camilla First	5,310.14	527.00
Cool Springs	580.00	365.00
Delwood	1,473.88	600.00
East Pelham	600.00	0.00
Harmony	2,448.11	0.00
Hinsonton	1,666.65	416.65
Hopeful	2,164.00	475.00
Lake Pleasant	1,043.00	300.00
Lakeside	300.00	1,099.00
Liberty Hill	0.00	0.00
Mt. Carmel	429.75	0.00
Mt. Olive	700.00	280.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	0.00
Newton	600.00	100.00
Pebble City	600.00	0.00
Pelham First	3,762.69	0.00
Pine Cliff	2,339.71	1,779.85
Pleasant Grove	987.50	142.25
Pleasant Hill	2,119.70	847.88
Sale City	1,061.00	0.00
Southside	2,514.97	0.00
Trinity	300.00	0.00
Union Grove	795.84	150.00
Total	\$31,796.94	\$7,082.63

North GA Mission Trip-Senior Adult Conference-Children's Home Offering Day-UNITE Georgia

