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# Dear Tucker Baptist Association members,

The Tucker Baptist Associational Missionary Search Committee is excited to present a candidate for our vacant Associational Missionary position. After months of prayer and seeking, our committee unanimously and enthusiastically recommends Rev. Lee Bradley to be the next Associational Missionary of the Tucker Baptist Association.

Lee is originally from Alabama, but he is currently serving as a Pastor and Church Revitalizer at Cornerstone Community Church in Mobridge, South Dakota. Before that, Lee was a career missionary with the International Mission Board and served in Albania, planting churches and equipping pastors and leaders for almost 20 years. Prior to that, he served in a variety of pastoral and church planting roles from Alabama to California.

Throughout his ministry, Lee always felt like he had a future in associational ministry, and we believe that the Lord is fulfilling that desire through the Tucker Baptist Association. Lee is a natural leader, but he is extremely humble. He longs to build relationships with pastors and churches and assist them in better reaching their areas for Christ. We believe that his personality, gifts, and experience will fit very well in our association and help us to continue moving in the right direction.

Due to Lee's current distance from southwest Georgia, we will be bringing him down in October for a rather condensed time of fellowship with our association before he is presented for a vote at the annual meeting. Here is a schedule of dates on which Lee will be available to meet the members of our association:

\* October 9 - Quarterly Men's Ministry Meeting, Pleasant Grove, 6:30 p.m. - Lee will be the guest speaker that night and will meet the men of the association that evening.

\* October 10 - Pastor's Fellowship, First Baptist Pelham, 6:30 p.m. - We will provide a dinner and time of fellowship for all the pastors of the association. This will be a good opportunity for the pastors to get to know Lee and ask him any questions they might have.

\* October 12 - Executive Committee Meeting, Mt. Olive, 6:30 p.m. - Lee will be present at that meeting and will briefly share his testimony and calling. Afterward, the Search Committee will address your questions, and the floor will be open for discussion.

\* October 17 - Annual Meeting, Hinsonton, 4:00 p.m. - Lee will remain in town through the annual meeting and will be available to meet all the messengers that night. The Search Committee will present Lee for a vote at the annual meeting. All discussion will take place beforehand at the Executive Committee meeting (Oct. 12, Mt. Olive). The vote at the

annual meeting will take place without discussion.

We invite you to attend these meetings and get to know Lee as you are able. In the meantime, please pray for Lee and our association as we continue to seek God's wil regarding the future. We are thankful for how God has clearly directed us so far, and we look forward to what he has planned for our association in the future.

> In Christ along, The Tucker Baptist Search Committee

Search Committee Members: Rev. David Pickering (Delwood, Chairman), Mr. Jim Barker (Mt. Carmel), Mrs. Patty Brown (Mt. Olive), Mr. Randy Covington (Lake Pleasant), Rev. Matt Peek (FBC Pelham), Rev. Joe Poitevint (Pine Cliff), Rev. Kerry Walsh (Pebble City), Rev. Robert Lewis (Mt. Carmel, ex officio)

## **BACPACKS of HOPE for APPALACHIA & SOUTHWEST GEORGIA**



The Backpacks for Appalachia project is changing to Backpacks of Hope and is expanding! Going forward, it will include the children and youth in Appalachia AND the children and youth in the most poverty stricken counties in Southwest Georgia.

## **Upcoming Events**

## October



#### 1-31 Cooperative Program Emphasis Month (SBC)

- Annual Church Profiles (Church Letters due to Ronnie Morrell, Associational Clerk) Personal Evangelism Commitment Day (SBC) I
- 2 Associational Budget Meeting
- 8 Minister Appreciation Day & Global Hunger Sunday (SBC)
- 9 Men's Ministries Meeting, Please Grove, 6:30 p.m., Speaker: Rev. Lee Bradley, (supper)
- 10 Pastor's Fellowship Supper, meet with Rev. Lee Bradley, FBC Camilla, 6:30 p.m.
- 11-13 Children's Homes Food Drive, TBC, Wed.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Fri., 9 a.m.-12 noon
- 12 Happy Hearts join with Camilla FBC Sunshine Club, 11 a.m., program & lunch to follow.
- 12 Associational Executive Committee Meeting, Mt. Olive, 6:30 p.m., (supper)
- 16 National Boss's Day
  - 17 124th Annual Meeting of the Tucker Baptist Association, Hinsonton, Registration at 3:30 p.m., First Session begins at 4 p.m., Supper at 6 p.m., Worship Service begins at 7 p.m., Speaker: Rev. Kerry Walsh

November

- 5 Daylight Saving Time Ends & Disaster Relief Appreciation Day (SBC) 6
  - Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer, Union Grove, 5 p.m.
- 7 **Election Day**



Due to Associational Clerk, Ronnie Morrell October 1st



Associational Henry Ministries Meeting Pleasant Grove October 9th, 6:30 p.m., Supper Speaker: Rev. Lee Bradley Associational Executive Committee Meeting



Mt. Olive October 12th, 6:30 p.m. Supper

# **Church News**

**Hinsonton**: Thankful for 4 new members to our church family. Monthly ministry continues at Albany Rescue Mission each month. Our church provided supper and supplies for a group home who evacuated from Florida and was housed at Camp Crosspoint. On October 17, 2017 Hinsonton Baptist will host the annual Tucker Baptist Associational meeting. On October 29, 2017 we will host a Fifth Sunday night service for area churches at 6:00 p.m. The group, Three 4 One, will lead us in worship. All are welcome to come. Tentative date for our annual fall festival is November 5, 2017. Praising God for all He continues to do in our community. Rev. Stacy West, Pastor

**Lakeside:** It may be too late for this months newsletter, but Lakeside would like to let all know in September we have had 2 baptisms and on Wednesday Nights we have been able to add an additional children's class. Praise the Lord. Rev. Les Pollock, Pastor

<u>Mt. Olive</u>: We are making plans for our upcoming 175th Homecoming Celebration set for October 15th. Former Pastor, Johnny Copper will be the guest speaker and the Harper's will be in concert. Services will begin at 1 a.m. and we will have a covered dish luncheon that will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited! Rev. Carl Stokes, Interim 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!

## PLEASE NOTE!!!

First Baptist Church, Donalsonville is seeking a full-time Youth and Children's Minister. Resumes may be emailed to: <u>secretary@fbcdonalsonville.com</u> or mailed to: First Baptist Church, P. O. Box 81, Donalsonville, GA 39845. Thank you! Ann Pace, Secretary, First Baptist Church, Donalsonville



Associational Treasurer 668 Hand Ave. Pelham, GA 31779 October 2017		
Balance August 31, 2017	\$63,847.13	
Monthly Income 8/31/17	\$11,021.46	
Monthly Expenses 8/31/17	-\$2,484.50	
Current Liabilities (+/-)	+\$23.03	
September 30, 2017	\$72,407.12	
Designated Funds	-\$11,974.00	
Total Current Liabilities	-\$1355.15	
Total Operating Funds	\$59,077.97	

Treasurer's Update

Mr. Duane Bentley

Year to Date Church Contributions Receipts January –September 2017

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Baconton	<u>Office</u> 1,476.00	Camp Tucker 100.00
Camilla First	10,878.10	527.00
Cool Springs	1,305.00	365.00
Delwood	3,399.06	600.00
East Pelham	1,350.00	0.00
Harmony	2,448.11	0.00
Hinsonton	3,333.34	833.34
Hopeful	4,874.00	608.70
Lake Pleasant	3,617.00	900.00
Lakeside	800.00	1,599.00
Liberty Hill	0.00	0.00
Mt. Carmel	1,288.25	0.00
Mt. Olive	1,575.00	280.00
Mt. Zion	698.92	0.00
Newton	1,600.00	100.00
Pebble City	1,350.00	195.60
Pelham First	8,361.40	1,000.00
Pine Cliff	5,066.99	3,134.50
Pleasant Grove	2,300.00	142.25
Pleasant Hill	4,750.90	1,900.36
Sale City	2,581.00	0.00
Southside	9,836.22	0.00
Trinity	800.00	0.00
Union Grove	1,824.44	852.00
Total	\$72,551.89	\$13,137.75



## **Operation Christmas Shoe Boxes**

Operation Christmas Shoe Boxes Collection Week Nov. 13th-20th, 2017



Monday, Nov. 13th -9 AM-12 Noon Tuesday, Nov. 14th 9 AM-12 Noon Wednesday, Nov.15th 9 AM-12 Noon Thursday, Nov. 16th -9 AM-12Noon Friday, Nov. 17th - 10 AM-12 Noon Saturday, Nov. 18th - 9 AM-12 Noon Sunday, Nov. 19th - 2 PM-4 PM Monday, Nov. 20th 9 AM-12 Noon

For more information call Kim Fenn at 294-6117 (home) or 200-4615 (cell). Collection will take place at **Union Grove's** Fellowship Hall located at the back of the church.



October 24th, 6-9 p.m. Fairview Baptist Church, 2913 Reese Rd., Columbus, GA Columbus Assoc. Keys to Best Practices in Church Compliance & Giving in the Church

**Church Financial Compliance Seminar** 

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Call for more information @ 770-936-5274 I locations left in 2017.