

# North Central News

Serving the Churches of the Etowah, Hightower, Lanier and Roswell Baptist Associations



April 2016

## Alaska Mission Team Report by Alan Morris

One of the joys of this ministry is that I am regularly introduced to some of the most incredible people on the planet. The over 130 pastors that I work with undoubtedly contain some of the best cream of the crop!

Various mission trips introduce me to international leaders that, too, are simply indescribable people - sacrificial, passionate, focused, and supernaturally gifted. This past month we had the



**Team building playground**

privilege of hosting a team from Anchorage,



**Team members teaching at Academy**

AK, a group of 21 students, parents, and teachers from Grace Christian School. It was their Spring Break, so of course they decided to spend it

building a bathroom, a playground, cabinets, and teaching at-risk students at the Academy at Double H Ranch. Isn't that what you plan to do with your Spring Break?



**Service at Sutalee Baptist Church**

This team not only worked each day at the ranch, they would perform skits, many of which they wrote, sing songs, also which they wrote, and give testimony of how Christ had changed their lives. This unique team demonstrated selfless service and provided a witness for our Lord that was encouraging and hopeful. Each of our churches that

had them perform expressed how grateful and blessed they were to have this team in their church. The character and integrity of this group was immediately recognized by all that worked with them, including the



**Service at Cornerstone Community Church**

Sunrise Camp personnel where they stayed. It was quite a whirlwind as they came in on a Saturday afternoon, 4 hours jetlagged, only to lose another hour the next day! They would get

up at 6:00 AM each morning, never complaining, and would work each day until dark. It was a joy to see this group live out their faith in Jesus Christ in such an effective way.



**Service at Center of Hope Christian Ministries**

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What a joy to have experienced this blessed team from Alaska. They have created a mission's venture called "Anchorage to Appalachia," and this is their second year to come to our area. Each team member is carefully screened and only the most spiritually mature are allowed to participate. Their skills in music and drama are quite impressive, but it pales compared to their level of work ethic. These students are a complement to their parents, churches, and school. Strangely enough, something from Alaska was able to warm our hearts!



**Team members spending time with Academy students**



**Train ride at Camp Sunrise**



**Team and Academy students at Double H Ranch**



**Team and Academy students at Cotillion**



### Ordering Lifeway VBS Materials Through Association Office

As we have in the past, North Central Area Missions will assist our churches in obtaining Lifeway VBS materials. When we receive your order, we will forward it to Lifeway, pick it up from Lifeway and deliver it to your church.

Your church pays the same for the literature whether you order thru North Central or directly thru Lifeway. North Central does receive a rebate from Lifeway on all orders purchased directly thru our office. These funds are used

to assist small or new start churches needing financial assistance in conducting VBS programs.

You may submit your VBS orders to our office by email to [janice@northcentralga.org](mailto:janice@northcentralga.org), by fax to 770-384-8658 or by calling our office at 770-384-8548.



**KIDEVENTPRO** is offered by Lifeway to assist churches in managing Kids Ministry Events.

For additional information or to purchase this product, please visit <https://kideventpro.lifeway.com>

**GEORGIA BAPTIST  
CHILDREN'S HOMES  
AND FAMILY  
MINISTRIES, INC.**

### **Lanier Baptist Association Annual Collection**

The annual collection drive for the Georgia Baptist Children's Home for churches in the Lanier Baptist Association will be conducted April 23 thru May 15.

Pickup by the Children's Home will be on Monday, May 16, at First Baptist Cumming between the hours of 9AM and 12:00 Noon.

Listed below are the items requested:

- Butter Flavored Crisco
- Real Vanilla Extract
- Pie Filling
- Ravioli
- Spaghetti O's
- Canned Chicken
- Gift Cards for perishable items

*For additional information, please email [janice@northcentralga.org](mailto:janice@northcentralga.org) or call 770-384-8548.*

*Or you may contact Barbara Wood at [bmwvoyager@bellsouth.net](mailto:bmwvoyager@bellsouth.net) (Barbara is coordinating the collection at First Cumming).*



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# CHURCH FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE SEMINARS

The 2016 Financial Compliance Seminars are designed for church treasurers, secretaries, ministers, budget committees, and any other financial leadership. The seminar will focus on compliance with federal and state payroll reporting requirements.

**Discussion Topics Include:**

- W-2s
- Form 1099-MISC
- 941s
- Who is an employee?
- Does our pastor receive a W-2?
- Who is responsible for mistakes made on federal and state returns?
- How do churches report healthcare premiums paid?
- Can we pay staff healthcare premiums?
- How can the church minimize taxes for ministers to maximize take home pay in these tough times?



Listed below are Seminars that will be conducted at locations physically close to churches in the Etowah, Hightower, Lanier and Roswell Baptist Associations

**August 25, 2016**

**6:00 PM**

Beech Haven Baptist Church  
2390 W. Broad Street, Athens

**September 6, 2016**

**6:00 PM**

Grace Baptist Church  
477 Old Cass White Road, Cartersville

**September 17, 2016**

**9:00 AM**

Blackshear Place Baptist Church  
3428 Atlanta Highway, Flowery Branch

**Seminar Leader**

Tony Neal, CPA  
Church Administration Ministry  
Georgia Baptist Mission Board

Register online: <http://gabaptist.org/churchadministration/>  
or call 770-936-5274

**Seminar Fee: \$5.00 per person**

**First Baptist Canton**

(Etowah Association)

announces the following job opportunities:

Financial Manager in the church offices  
and

Director of Mission Point Christian Academy

Please submit all resumes and any questions by email to [ministryassistant@fbccanton.org](mailto:ministryassistant@fbccanton.org)

**Waleska First Baptist Church**

(Etowah Association)

is seeking a part-time Music Minister.

Please send resumes to

Waleska First Baptist Church

P. O. Box 207

Waleska, GA 30183

**South Cherokee Baptist Church,  
Woodstock**

(Etowah Association)

is in need of a pianist (interim or full time).

They are also in need of a Music Minister.

Individuals interested in either position, should contact Faye Doss at [fdoss@woodstockga.gov](mailto:fdoss@woodstockga.gov) or call her at 678-898-1451.



**Join Us for an Exciting Experience of  
Inspirational Preaching, Music and  
Worship as We Gather to Celebrate  
The Gospel and Renew a Call to  
Evangelism in Our State**

**Date:** Beginning Monday, April 11 at  
1:30 pm through Tuesday, April 12  
around 8:30 pm

**Location:** Piedmont Church,  
570 Piedmont Road, Marietta 30066

For additional information, visit  
[gbcvangelismconferences.com](http://gbcvangelismconferences.com)

## New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary



Monday, April 18, 2016

Prospective students will have the opportunity to observe a class, learn about NOBTS programs and dialogue with NOBTS faculty, students and staff.

For additional information or questions, please email

[NGAadministrator@nobts.edu](mailto:NGAadministrator@nobts.edu)  
or call 678-905-7668

## National Day of Prayer 2016

The National Day of Prayer Team for Georgia is asking every pastor to call their church to united prayer on the Sunday, May 1, 2016, and encourage their congregants to join others in the Body in appealing to heaven on the **The National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 5, 2016**. Given the condition of the land in this crucial hour, it is our desire that a state wide call to prayer would ring from every pulpit throughout the state across racial, denominational and generational lines.

One way of appealing to heaven is by using the historic An Appeal to Heaven Flag. This special piece of history is a call to prayer and reconciliation, which is presently needed in every facet of our churches and society.

Please know that this does not support or endorse any individual or political group - except Jesus.



Check with your local municipalities to get exact locations and times of National Day of Prayer events.

For more information on the National Day of Prayer, contact David Franklin, Georgia State Coordinator, National Day of Prayer, at [davidfranklin.ndpga@gmail.com](mailto:davidfranklin.ndpga@gmail.com)



For more information on the Appeal to Heaven Flag (pictured on the left) and its history, or to purchase one of the flags, google *Appeal to Heaven Flag*.

There are several options for information or purchase of the flag.

If you want to obtain the historical information relating to the Appeal to Heaven Flag and do not have access to a computer, please call North Central Area Missions at 770-384-8548 and we will mail this historical information to you.



# MINISTRYSAFE

## Is Your Ministry Safe From Child Sexual Abuse?

MinistrySafe is a complete safety system designed to reduce risk of child sexual abuse in your organization.

### FREE ONE-DAY CHURCH SAFETY WORKSHOPS

Dedicated to sexual abuse awareness and prevention.



April 28, 2016 - Cartersville - Grace Baptist Church, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Lunch is provided

To learn more about MinistrySafe visit their web site: <https://www.ministrysafe.com>

## Georgia Baptist Women's Spring Event 2016

APRIL 15-16, 2016 | JEKYLL ISLAND, GEORGIA



Linda Cooper  
President of National  
Woman's Missionary Union



Shelly E. Johnson  
Worship Leader

Featuring Author and Speaker  
Margaret Feinberg



**For additional information or to register, please visit  
[www.gabaptistwomenspringevent.com](http://www.gabaptistwomenspringevent.com)**

# GO Georgia

A TOTAL CHURCH LEADERSHIP EQUIPPING EVENT

August 5-6, 2016 \ Prince Avenue Baptist Church, Athens

- > 2-DAY EVENT
- > 100+ TOPICS
- > TOP NATIONAL SPEAKERS
- > AFFINITY TRAINING
- > SPECIALIZED TRAINING

**Register** >>>

For additional information or to register, please visit <http://www.gogeorgia.net>



## Dental Assistance for Ministerial Staff and Their Spouses

The Baptist Mobile Health Ministry (BMHM) is again the recipient of grant funding from the Georgia Baptist Health Care Foundation to offer dental assistance at no charge to ministerial staff and their spouses and widows of ministers who do not have dental insurance or the financial means to obtain dental care. The services offered are dental hygiene, x-rays and restoration (both silver and tooth colored) and extraction of teeth.

**March 31 - April 2, 2016**

McDonough Road Baptist Church, Fayetteville

*Open to any Georgia Baptist Mission Board ministerial staff and spouse who do not have dental insurance.*

**April 11 - April 13, 2016**

Ethnic Ministers and Spouses - Intercultural Church Planting and Mission Ministry Leadership Conference

Georgia Baptist Mission Board Conference Center, Norman Park

*Must be registered as a participant of this event.*

**September 14 - 17, 2016**

Ministers Wellness Retreat\*

Georgia Baptist Mission Board Conference Center, Toccoa

**September 22 - 24, 2016**

Ministers Wellness Retreat\*

Georgia Baptist Mission Board Conference Center, Norman Park

*\*Sponsored by Georgia Baptist Mission Board Church Minister Relations Ministry.*

*Registration is open to any Georgia Baptist Mission Board minister and spouse who do not have preventive health insurance. Dental service is offered to participants of the event who do not have dental insurance.*

For information regarding the event for the Ethnic Ministerial Staff, please contact Carlene Cooper at 770-936-5217 or by email at [ccooper@gabaptist.org](mailto:ccooper@gabaptist.org)

For information regarding either of the Ministers Wellness Retreats, please call Ruth Smith at 770-936-5364 or by email at [rsmith@gabaptist.org](mailto:rsmith@gabaptist.org)

For information regarding the event to be held at McDonough Road Baptist Church or for any other questions, please contact Diana Brown at 770-935-5217 or be email at [dbrown@gabaptist.org](mailto:dbrown@gabaptist.org).

**The Baptist Mobile Health Ministry** is in need of additional Driver/Coordinators for its two (2) mobile dental units. This is an opportunity for Christian men to be on mission for Christ by being a member of our team as we serve the underserved of our state. This position offers financial compensation, meals and lodging provided while on site and mileage reimbursement to men who meet the following qualifications:

- Must be a member of a Georgia Baptist Mission Board church
- Must be available to drive the unit to and from a location and be on site for an average of three (3) days at a time - usually Thursday thru Saturday
- Must have a working knowledge of electricity and be an "all around handy man" capable of maintaining the mobile unit during a mission project
- Some heavy lifting required
- Georgia CDL license preferred, but not necessary.

All interested persons should contact Diana Brown, BMHM, at [dbrown@gabaptist.org](mailto:dbrown@gabaptist.org) or at 770-936-5217 for additional information.

# Antioch Presents: Baptist Church



**Ann  
Downing**  
Speaker, Author,  
Dove Award-winning  
Recording Artist

"No  
Strings  
Attached"



A  
Ladies'  
Event

**Space is limited.  
To RSVP, please call  
770-887-6900**

**Or Email:  
[antiochbc@comcast.net](mailto:antiochbc@comcast.net)**

**APRIL 16, 2016  
11:00 a.m. Meet and Greet  
11:30 a.m. Lunch served  
2465 Antioch Rd.  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Suggested Offering: \$10**



*Priscilla*  
**SHIRER**  
**SIMULCAST**

**“Global Priscilla Shirer LIVE Simulcast”**

Saturday, April 23, 2016

9:00am - 4:35 pm - Doors open at 7:45am

First Baptist Church Canton  
One Mission Point  
Canton, GA 30114

Tickets: \$12.00 (lunch included)

Registration: [www.fbccanton.org](http://www.fbccanton.org) or call 678-880-1326

# ATLANTA STREET BAPTIST CHURCH JUBILEE WEEKEND

APRIL 23-24

ROSWELL



GEORGIA



**JAMIE CALDWELL**  
SENIOR PASTOR REDEMPTION CHURCH  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND  
SPEAKING SUNDAY 11 AM & 6 PM



LAMAR NEWTON



JEFF NUNNALLY



**ABBY CALDWELL**  
GUEST VOCALIST



**THE ORIGINAL RED BACK  
CHURCH HYMNAL SINGING**  
SATURDAY EVENING 6 PM  
A MOVING AND POWERFUL  
EVENING OF MUSIC  
AND CELEBRATION



DR. JAMIE CALDWELL SR.  
PASTOR ASBC

340 SOUTH ATLANTA STREET ROSWELL GEORGIA

## JUBILEE WEEKEND 2016

EVENING SERVICES BEGIN AT 6 PM



SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE 11 AM

COME BE A PART OF THE MASS CHOIR FOR THE SUNDAY EVENING CELEBRATION

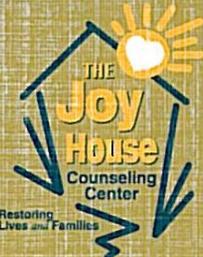
## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### April 2016

- 4 Hightower Preacher/Deacon Meeting, 7:00 PM
- 7 Talking Rock Baptist Church Food Trailer (10:00 AM - 2:00 PM)
- 9 Hightower Baptist Association Food/Clothing Bank (7:30 AM - 12:00 Noon)
- 16 Ann Downing at Antioch Baptist Church (see page 8)
- 19 Etowah Pastor's Luncheon, Red Lobster in Canton, 11:30 AM
- 21 Lanier Pastor's Luncheon, Slopes in Cumming, 11:00 AM
- 23 Priscilla Shirer Simulcast at First Canton (see page 9)
- 26 New Hope Baptist Church (Etowah Association) Food Trailer (10:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

### May 2016

- 2 Hightower Preacher/Deacon Meeting, 7:00 PM
- 5 Talking Rock Baptist Church Food Trailer (10:00 AM - 2:00 PM)
- 5 National Day of Prayer (see page 5)
- 11 Roswell Baptist Association Executive Ministry Team Meeting, Clear Springs Baptist Church, 10:30 AM  
Roswell Pastor's Luncheon, immediately following Executive Meeting at a place TBD
- 14 Hightower Baptist Association Food/Clothing Bank (7:30 AM - 12:00 Noon)
- 16 Georgia Baptist Children's Home Collection for Lanier Baptist Association Churches (see page 2)
- 17 Etowah Baptist Association Executive Ministry Team Meeting, North Central Area Missions, 10:30 AM  
Etowah Pastor's Luncheon, immediately following Executive Meeting
- 19 Lanier Baptist Association Executive Ministry Team Meeting, Living Stones Church, 10:30 AM  
Lanier Pastor's Luncheon, immediately following Executive Meeting at a place TBD
- 24 New Hope Baptist Church (Etowah Association) Food Trailer (10:00 AM - 1:00 PM)
- 30 Memorial Day Holiday - North Central Area Missions closed



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