



## Habersham Baptist Association - November 2022



### Important Dates:

Nov. 2-3 -Christmas Backpacks collected—Clarkesville BC

Nov. 5—Women's day of prayer at 10:30 a.m.—Clarkesville BC

Nov. 14-21- OCC Shoeboxes collected at Bethlehem Baptist Church

Nov. 13-15—Georgia Baptist Convention Annual Meeting , Warren Street Baptist Church, Augusta.

Dec. 4-10 IMB Week of Prayer for International Missions

Dec. 5- Help 4 Haiti - last day to donate items for Haiti Relief

Dec. 13 -Pastor and Wives drop in Christmas Open House at Grays from 5-8 pm

FROM THE ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY (TONY F. GRAY)

“And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years...” Genesis 1:15

Long before the invention of “daylight savings time”, before smart watches, before digital clocks, and before atomic time pieces to keep accurate time....God did all that and more with His creation and set it all in motion with a flair! He allows us to enjoy the seasons changing as we are seeing happening around us!

With November arriving there is a lot happening in our association that you need to be aware of! Let me start with several praises with a great HBA Annual Meeting at Hazel Creek Baptist (great attendance, great Missions & Ministries Fair and great session!) also for our collection week for Children's Christmas Backpacks for West Virginia (over 629 collected!) and then a very well attended WMU Women's Day of Prayer at Clarkesville Baptist! Great things have been happening as well as great reports of lives and families ministered to at our area Fall Festivals! It has been a great fall so far! Let me list some immediate happenings and plans that you will want to keep in mind as we move to close out 2022 and enter 2023....

Help 4 Haiti! - With the island of Haiti moving through tremendous turmoil these days our brothers from Habersham Baptist Church (led by Pastor Doug Porter) asks your help in ministering to the area of Jacmel, Haiti! There is a list of food and medical needs that is in this issue of the newsletter. Please look at the list and supply as many of them as you can. You can bring them to the Associational Office (319 Madison Street, Clarkesville) or can take them to Habersham Baptist Church (600 Old Habersham Mill Road, Demorest). They need these items before December 5<sup>th</sup>!

Peru Mission Team - There is interest within our association to send a team to work in Peru at the end of September next year. If you would be interested in being a part of the team please contact me (Tony) for more info. We are working with Keith Ivey and Georgia Baptist in this trip.

Youth Ministers/Student Ministers Fellowship -- We are helping to organize our Student Ministers into a fellowship group. If you could please send us your student minister's name, email address and cell number we will contact them and help them organize! Send that to me please.

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### WEEKLY EVENTS for Pastors:

Pastors prayer and share times are Tuesdays at 11:30 am at the Associational office. Bring your lunch!

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Our Missions & Ministries Team (MMT) did an excellent job (thanks team and Steven Caudell!) with the organization of the Missions & Ministries Fair at the Annual Meeting. Now over the next month you will hear of a Training Session for local Missions & Ministries. In this we wanted to give exposure to the local opportunities for local ministries and how to connect them to your church. A date/session will soon be announced!

Families 4 Families (Foster Care with kids) came to us and did a great job sharing out what they can offer to families and churches. I will be sending out their information to you soon (coming by email) if you would like to connect with them and schedule an "info-session" for more details.

Disaster Relief Training - a training session is being scheduled now to allow us to organize our own local Habersham/Liberty Associational Team for DR ministry. Let me know if you and your church wants to be involved...

Ministry Safe Training (Child Protection) - we are trying to update our workers in our churches who work with minor youth and children. If your church is interested in participating in a group training let me know please.

A lot of things happening in the near future! Let's move forward to finish this year of 2022 and boldly move into 2023 committed to make a difference in the lives of folk in our areas! Thank you for your commitment to Christ and for supporting the Association!

Blessings.... Bro. Tony

## Georgia Baptist Annual Meeting

November 13-15, 2022 in Augusta, GA at Warren Baptist

For complete schedule and to register, go to <https://gbc200.com/>

Minster wives are invited to a minister wives luncheon on  
Tuesday, Nov. 15.

Contact Loretta Crow at [lcrow@gabaptist.org](mailto:lcrow@gabaptist.org) or call 770-936-5232.

All ministers and wives are invited to free dental care at  
the annual meeting. For appointment, contact

Tom Crites at [tcrites@gabaptist.org](mailto:tcrites@gabaptist.org) or call 678-576-3636



Remember...Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes  
Due Nov. 14-21 @ Bethlehem Baptist



Pastors and Wives....You are invited to a drop by

## **Christmas Open House**

Tuesday, December 13 from 5-8pm

At the home of Tony and Laura Gray

404 Rolling Hills Lane, Clarkesville

*Come by for fellowship and yummy treats!*



## **BACKPACK UPDATE:**

Thank you for your sacrificial giving!

Over 629 collected!! (1200 overall in our NE Region!)

Mission Opportunity:

## **Help 4 Haiti**

Needed by December 5!!

**Food**– rice, beans, canned meat, cooking oil

**Medicine**– triple antibiotic ointment, cold/flu medications, antacids/Tums, pain medications, wound care/dressing items

Deliver to the Association office or to Habersham Baptist!

## **Get Real Ministries** is a local ministry in

Baldwin, GA. We are located at 102 Hwy 441 Baldwin. Our mission is to love God and love people and fulfill that by meeting needs of our community. Ministry opportunities are available monthly. Visit our website [www.getrealnow.org](http://www.getrealnow.org). Send us an email [getreal@getrealnow.org](mailto:getreal@getrealnow.org) Or call us at 706-776-7491 for ways to be involved.

### **Needs for Families:**

**Paper Towels, Toilet Paper and  
Laundry Detergent**

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