



Habersham Baptist Association - September 2023

Important Dates:

Sept. 8-16—Ga Mountain Fair Min.

Sept 12—Good News Club at Pastor Prayer and Share time 11am

Oct. 15-22—Week of Prayer & Support for Associational Missions

Oct. 22- Habersham Annual Meeting. Mt. Carmel BC. 4:30
Missions fair, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 dinner

Nov. 1, 3- Christmas Backpacks
drop offs from 9am-1pm at
Clarkesville Baptist

Nov. 4—Women's Day of Prayer at
Cornelia Baptist

Nov. 13-14—Georgia Baptist Annual Meeting. First Baptist Snellville

Nov. 13-17 - Operation Christmas Child to be collected at Bethlehem Baptist

Dec. 3-10—Week of Prayer for International Missions/Lottie Moon

Dec. 12—Minister and Wives Christmas Fellowship at the Grays, 6pm

Weekly— Join us each Tuesday for Minister's Prayer & Share at the Associational Office— 11.00am!

From The Associational Missionary - Tony Gray

"Summer and winter and springtime and harvest. Sun, moon and stars in their courses above. Join with all nature in manifold witness...to Thy Great Faithfulness, mercy and love!" (from Baptist hymn)

Truly this song does certainly speak the truth as we do rejoice in His Faithfulness as we see another change of the season (It's Fall Y'all!) around us! Great IS His Faithfulness! Many things have happened and are happening around us! Look at some of the things that have taken place in which we rejoice....

We rejoice in a great Mobile Dental Ministry Event that happened on August 24-26 that touched many lives! Thanks to our great WMU leadership and to Clarkesville Baptist for planning and hosting this ministry!

We rejoice in the great participation (and certification) of our new area Disaster Relief Team as we had 35 folks who are now certified DR workers for our region! They are connected to Region 7 out of Toccoa and can now respond to crises happening! To come this fall will be the formation of a "minuteman quick response team" (QRT) from those certified members and others around the area who will be able to help us locally in times of crisis (such as fires, floods, tornadoes, etc...).

We are currently rejoicing and working at this writing time at the Chattahoochee Mountain Fair as we have a large group of volunteers (from seven different churches) from Habersham and Liberty Associations who are sharing Christ and ministering to families attending the Fair! Already we have shared the Gospel many times and connected with many families. Keep this ministry in your prayers as they work through this Saturday the 16th!

We are planning now toward our Annual Meeting times are going to be great times of sharing what the Lord has done and planning for future ministry! Liberty Association will celebrate their Annual Meeting on October 1st at Antioch Baptist Church beginning with a meal at 6pm and then followed by the celebration time! Be ready to be blessed! Habersham Association will celebrate their time on October 22 at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church beginning at 4.30pm with a Mission Fair (drive through style!) all around the church and then enjoying a delicious meal also at 6pm with the meeting at 7pm! Rev. Ricky Ward, the Worship Minister at Mt. Carmel will be leading our worship and congregational singing and he invites you and your choir/praise team to join him in a mass associational choir on that night! It's going to be great! I will send to you a letter from Ricky giving instructions how to join him for this experience.

Also happening around the annual meeting times (during the week of October 15-22) our two associations are celebrating and working together to promote the Week of Support for Associational Missions and Ministries!

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Please let your congregations and ministries know about this week. If your church has been affected by COVID in the past and you have not been able to financially contribute to the work of our associations this would be a great week to take up a special offering in support of our working together! Encourage your members to be active in our ministries and missions! Overall please keep the work we do together in your prayers!

We are currently working with Christmas Backpacks for Appalachia as they are being packed in our churches. They will be collected on November 1, 3, and 4 over at Clarksville Baptist Church. If you need help in knowing how to pack a backpack please text or call me at 706-332-9119 and I will get that information to you.

Also, we are currently working with Operation Christmas Child (Samaritan's Purse - Christmas Shoeboxes) and can tell you that you can deliver your shoebox gifts to Bethlehem Baptist Church during the week of November 13-17! Look for the signs when you arrive there at the church.

The Georgia Baptist Convention Annual Meeting will be the days of November 13-14 down at First Baptist Church of Snellville (Gwinnett County). Be sure to elect/select your messengers to participate in the celebrating and planning times! Please also fill out the ACP (Annual Church Profile) that the GBMB sent to you in preparation for that Annual Meeting time! Any questions about that profile please feel free to contact me....God bless your fall ministries at your church! Bro Tony



Backpacks for Appalachia

Collection dates are Nov. 1st, 3rd & 4th at
Clarksville Baptist Church

Introducing...



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CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

Christian Counseling has come to Habersham County! This agency is a tremendous resource to individuals and churches! Birthed out of Helen FBC in 2020 and overseen by a 7-member board, we provide affordable professional counseling with Christian values and affordable rates based on income.

For appointments: call 762-230-2247 or visit our web site at www.negachristiancounseling.com/about

To make a donation: make checks out to NE GA Christian Counseling and mail to P.O. Box 2505, Cleveland, GA 30528



Pastor Wives Coffees

All Pastor wives are invited to join other Pastor wives to a time of coffee. Held each time at Farmhouse Coffee Shop in Demorest. Text Laura Gray at 706-332-8119 to be added to the contact list or stop by the Pastor Wives table at the Ministry Fair at our Annual Meeting on October 22 to sign up for invites!

Mark your calendars for ...

Habersham Annual Meeting and Missions Fair, Oct. 22!

Mt. Carmel Baptist Church

Come out to the ministry fair, dinner and meeting!

If you want a booth, contact Tony at 706-332-8119

Mt. Carmel Baptist Church would like to extend an invitation to each church in our association. We would like for you to join our choir on Sunday night, October 22, 2023 where we at Mt. Carmel will be hosting our Annual Habersham Baptist Associational Meeting. If any representatives from your choir would like to join up with our choir, we will be having a choir practice on Friday evening, October 20, 2023 at 6:00 pm. We are planning 6 songs throughout the service. If you would please call or email our church at mcbcdemorest@yahoo.com or 706-754-1407 so we can keep you updated as that day draws closer.

Yours In Christ,

Ricky Ward, Minister of Music, MCBC

Pastor Wellness Events 2023

- Health Summit- Sept. 21-22- Stone Mountain
- Health Summit- Oct. 13-15— Callaway Gardens

***Registration for any of these is at <https://gabaptist.org/pastorwellness/>

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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. Send us an email 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**

****OUR LOCAL GOOD NEWS CLUBS NEED YOUR HELP! WE CURRENTLY HAVE CLUBS IN ALL AREA ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS **EXCEPT BALDWIN ELEMENTARY!** IF YOU OR YOUR CHURCH WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO HOST A GOOD NEWS CLUB MINISTRY AT BALDWIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PLEASE CONTACT BARBI RIDLEY (404) 247-2708!

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