

Habersham Baptist Association ~ December 2023

Important Dates:

Dec. 3-10—<u>Week of Prayer for</u> <u>International Missions</u>—Lottie Moon Christmas Offering 2023

Dec. 12 -<u>Minister and Wives</u> <u>Christmas Fellowship at the Grays</u>, 6pm. 404 Rolling Hills Lane, Clarkesville

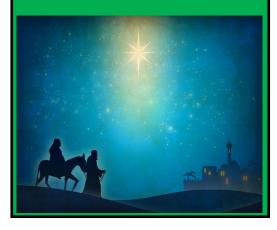
December 25- Jesus' Birthday!

January 1– Happy New Year 2024!

January 8– <u>Habersham Assoc.</u> <u>Executive Committee Meeting</u>, Mt. Airy Baptist Church, 6 pm

February 22-24— <u>WMU Training</u> <u>Retreat</u>, Pinnacle Retreat Center. Clayton

February 25-26—GBMB Evangelism Conference, FBC Conyers



From The Associational Missionary - Tony Gray

"And behold you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High and the Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His Kingdon there will be no end." (Luke 1:31-33)

This announcement to young Mary from the angel Gabriel begins by telling her that she will conceive and bear a son and the first description of him is that "He will be great..."! A good pastor friend of mine shares consistently that our privilege and purpose is to "make much of Jesus"! Oh how I agree to that in that you and I have the awesome privilege to "Make much of Jesus" as we minister and serve in His name! As we enter 2024 let's continue being committed to doing that as the body of Christ in our churches and families! Merry Christmas to you all! 2024 will begin with a flurry of activity as we continue to have many opportunities to minister and serve. Here are a few of those upcoming opportunities to know about....

- 1. Habersham Associational Executive Committee Meeting -January 8 - 6pm - At Mt. Airy Baptist Church
- 2. GBMB Missions Roundtable @ Tom's Creek Baptist, Martin, GA - Time to be announced later.
- 3. WMU Training Retreat February 22-24 At Pinnacle Retreat Center, Clayton, GA
- 4. GBMB Evangelism Conference February 25-26 At FBC Conyers, Georgia
- VIP! Start up of new Hispanic Church Starts in Cornelia at the end of March! We have a sponsoring church but need Partner Churches to lead with multiple activities!

Again, our prayers are with you as you end this year of 2023 and begin a new year in 2024! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and yours! Blessings!

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Backpacks for Appalachia

Thank you for giving!



These Backpacks will be delivered to the Appalachian area on December 4-5! Pray for the children as they receive them and begin to read the Christmas story and their Bibles!

Update— Over 1150 Backpacks from area to be distributed! 623 from our Habersham/Liberty area!

Introducing...

NORTHEAST GEORGIA 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



Ministry Wives Coffees

All ministry 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

> Great turnout for our coffee in November! We will do another after **the new year!**



Ministers and Wives Christmas Fellowship Tuesday, Dec. 12 from 6-8pm 404 Rolling Hills Lane Clarkesville

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. 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

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