

**CHILHOWEE BAPTIST
MESSENGER**



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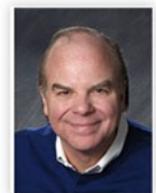
Begin with a Prayer

Father, your Son is so glorious and worthy of complete surrender and worship. Would you please pour out the Spirit of Christ upon your disillusioned, rebellious, prideful, wounded, and depressed people in order that we might behold the promised land of intimately knowing Jesus. Then help us to embrace this exchanged life doing whatever it takes, at whatever cost, to know Christ as the Lion and the Lamb. Please lead us into a season of repentance and enable us to humble ourselves before you and tremble at your Word that your incomparable face might radiate upon us for our ultimate joy, as well as for the renown of your supreme name among us and all the peoples. In Jesus' name and authority.

AMEN ! Copied form "24 Radical Prayers for a Christ Awakening"

The following events are for everyone.

"Christ Is All" Retreat with David Bryant **April 1-2, 2016** at Broadway Baptist Church. Friday 6-9 PM and Saturday 9AM to Noon. Please register by March 28th at info@cballive.org or call 982-0499. David Bryant is the Founder of **Proclaim Hope, The Christ Institutes**, and noted Author of **"Christ Is All"**



Prayer Blitz— Sunday May 1st at NOON. Every Church! Every member! Look for more details coming soon!

CHRISTFest— August 2016. A Student led 90 minute guided prayer time focused on Christ Jesus our Lord! Date/Location TBA



September 25-28, 2016. Four Nights, Four Speakers, Four Locations, focusing on the Preeminence of Christ!

Points of Interest

CBA Executive Board Meeting

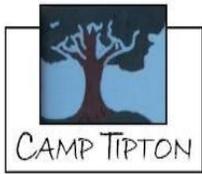
Jan. 12, 2016 NOON*

April 12, 2016 NOON*

July 12, 2016 NOON*

* **RSVP** for lunch to the CBA office by 10:00 the day before the scheduled meeting. Please call 982-0499 or ifo@cballive.org.

CAMP TIPTON



Camp Tipton spends the winter preparing for the rest of the year! This is the time that we make repairs and upgrades to our camp facility. We have roofs to repair and playgrounds to work on. We are looking for help spreading mulch, assembling a tire sphere, and restoring playground equipment. We are on the look out for used playground equipment in good condition. We are looking for mission teams who would like to come serve in the Blount County area. We have opportunities in evangelism, community outreach, and home repair. If your church, youth or children's ministry, or mission group is looking for a project please contact us.

Camp Tipton is now accepting applications for staff and volunteers for the summer of 2016. If you're looking for a place to serve Christ then maybe camp ministry is for you. Go to CampTipton.com and click on the "get involved" tab. There you will find an application that you can print and send in. Lots of work, lots of fun, and lots of ministry.

Looking for a place to Baptize? A large water tub was donated to camp this summer. It is portable and ready to be used indoors or out. You can call 865-257-2288 or contact us @ info@camptipton.com for more details and scheduling.

Camp Tipton is looking for opportunities to share what we do with the churches in our association. We would love to join you for worship, fellowship, or mission time and share how God is blessing this ministry. Please call us at 865-257-2288 to set up a time. Camp Tipton is praying that each of you have a blessed New Year.

Larry Overton,

Camp Tipton Director

CHARM

Endings and Beginnings

A backpack giveaway and a gift wrapping event signaled the end to CHARM'S activities in 2015 and now planning for a new year has begun.

Two churches from near Macon, GA partnered with CHARM to provide a backpack, loaded with gifts and food and toys, to each child in Townsend Elementary School- a total of 119. During the giveaway, each child got a Bible and heard the story of the birth of Jesus and the way to salvation. CHARM was connected to the Georgia churches through an initiative of Appalachian Regional Ministries.

At the same time, in mid-December, CHARM was able to connect Townsend Elementary with a school in Hilliard, FL, through CHARM'S partnership with a church there. Students and faculty at the Florida school donated resources of many kinds to the staff at Townsend school.

On the Saturday before Christmas, local volunteers wrapped Christmas gifts for shoppers in Townsend, while other helpers gave away hot chocolate and still others told the Christmas story to families.

CHARM is blessed to have volunteers from local churches, as well as partnerships with churches from across the eastern United States. And of course, We will be recruiting and training volunteers for outreach this year.

This winter, a Bible study and Sunday worship services will continue at KOA campground in Townsend. We'll be visiting and assisting workers and business owners whose businesses remain open year-round. To learn more about CHARM activities, go to www.facebook.com/charm.smokies or visit www.CHARMsmokies.com. We invite you, your small group, or your church to reap the rewards of serving through opportunities with CHARM on the Peaceful Side of the Smokies.

BAPTIST CENTER

Chilhowee Baptist Center



Families Served in October and November 2015

SERVICES	NUMBER OF FAMILIES
Benevolence	18 (Utility support, gasoline)
Blankets	106
Clothing	352
Diapers	22
Food	885
Toiletries	829
Cleaning supplies	773
Furniture	39
New Clients	629 new families since January
Total Clients 2014	9416 families on file 28,767 total people on file

Thanksgiving season has gone now and we are happy to have served 130 Thanksgiving meals, including 30 family meals that were prepared and provided by Gracie’s Restaurant. They have been really great to help with the needs of our community. Mt. Zion came through once again with the full Thanksgiving package including turkey or ham for 100 families. Your generosity warms the lives of so many at this season.

Our Happy Birthday Jesus Party was Dec 12th. We have been working hard this year and it really has been stressful in the preparation for our gift distribution. We served 240 children with new toys and were able to share the Word in 8 different sessions. The children were presented with the real Christmas story and shared in snacks. This has been one of the most challenging years that Sue and I have experienced while serving here. We really need your prayers as we make decisions about how to proceed with our Christmas celebrations next year. We want to do the best for our needy families as well as to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Gospel is the greatest gift for the season so please pray for wisdom as we seek ways that will be pleasing to God.

This next year we will begin to work more with those who have been released from jail and are seeking to change their lifestyle. If you have ever been involved with jail or prison ministries and would want to be involved, please contact Rick and let us know . We will be needing much help as we proceed with this new way of meeting needs.

Churches to bring food in January:Dotson Memorial, Hopewell, Immanuel, Laurel Bank, Marble Hill, Salem, Unity

Churches to bring food in February: East Maryville, Grandview, Faith Encounter, Pilgrim, Piney Level, Tuckaleechee, West Maryville

Serving Him Together

Rick and Sue Myers

NURSING HOME SCHEDULE

We need more churches to volunteer so contact Jeannie Cornett. If your church cannot fulfill the scheduled time please call Jeannie Cornett, CBA Nursing Home Director @982-3936. Thank you.

Jan 2016	Quality Care	Liberty Assisted Living
3th	Village	Allegheny
10th	Armona	Dotson Memorial
17th	Beech Grove	
24th	Calvary	Forest Hill
31st	Cold Springs	Four Mile
Feb 2016	Quality Care	Liberty Assisted Living
7th	East Maryville	Friendly Hill
14th	East Walland	Kagley's Chapel
21st	Hillcrest	
28th	Hopewell	Liberty
March 2016	Quality Care	Liberty Assisted Living
6th	Immanuel	Kinzel Springs
13th	Laurel Bank	Maple Grove
20th	Marble Hill	
27th	Meadowbrook	Mount Carmel
April 2016	Quality Care	Liberty Assisted Living
3rd	Old Chilhowee	Mount Zion
10th	Old Piney Grove	Oakland
17th	Parkway	
24th	Piney Grove	Oakview

Church News

Forest Hill Baptist is accepting resumes for Part-time Youth minister. Mail to FHBC, 1850 Forest Hill Rd., Maryville, TN 37803 or email office@foresthillbaptist.org.

Zion Chapel Pianist needed. Don @ 742-2729 or 995-1711.

Mt. Lebanon Trash/Treasure sale, Sat. April 30, 8am. Support American Cancer Society. Call 705-2213

Springview Baptist Griefshare seminar Jan. 11– mid April. This program features biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. When: Mondays 6:30 pm. Cost: Free. Child Care: upon request. Call 982-2804 or GriefShareSBC@gmail.com.

Grandview Baptist is searching for a Part time Music/Worship Director and also a Church Pianist. Paid Positions. Send resume to: Grandview Baptist, Attn: Music Search Committee, 2208 Tuckaleechee Pike, Maryville, TN 37803. (865) 982-8530.

Greenback Memorial is seeking a Part time Choir Leader. Unpaid position but could become paid in future. Call 719-5717 or email greenbackmemorial@gmail.com

W M U

Greetings in the name of Jesus! Hope everyone has a very Merry CHRISTMAS! Now on to a NEW YEAR and bigger and better things! Ladies don't forget to register and book your motel room for Women's Get Together in April. It is April 8,9 and 10 instead of in March this year! Looking forward to seeing you there! Watch the next messenger for more things to come this year! As you know January and February are kind of down months for a lot of things. So keep warm and stay healthy! Until next time May God Bless You!

Yours in Christ, Kathy Neely Chilhowee Baptist Association WMU Director

MISSIONS GET-TOGETHER & CONNECTION

April 8-10, 2016 @ Gatlinburg Convention Center

Missions Get-Together is an event for women & Connection is an event for girls in grades 7-12.

Featured Speakers– Connie Cavanaugh from Calgary, Canada & Cindy Townsend from Jackson, MS Get **READY** to invest time in God's word. Get **SET** for spiritual renewal and personal growth. **GO** away empowered to share the gospel. Registration will open Jan. 6. For more information visit www.tnwmu.org. or call 1-800-558-2090

MINISTER'S WIVES

Please join us for a great night of fellowship at the annual **Ministers' Wives Fellowship Sweetheart Banquet!** The banquet will be held at Madison Avenue Baptist Church on Friday, **February 26, 2016** from 6:30-8:30 pm. We are excited to have Dr. Glenn Cummings as our guest speaker this year. Dr. Cummings was born in Rome, Georgia and graduated from Thomasville High School in 1982. He holds a bachelors degree from Union University in Jackson, Tennessee; a Masters of Divinity from New Orleans Baptist Seminary, and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Luther Rice Seminary. Glenn has pastored three churches having previously served the Lydia Baptist Church in Lydia, Louisiana and the Dug Gap Baptist Church in Dalton, Georgia. He has served as Pastor of Madison Avenue since 1996. Glenn and his wife Caprice have two children: Brooke who is 23 and Bradley who is 21.

Invite other ladies who serve alongside their husband in ministry, or lead in ministry themselves. This group is open to wives of Sr. Pastors, Assoc. Pastors, Music Ministers, Children/Youth Pastors, Lay Preachers, Missionaries, Evangelists, etc.

Please reserve your spot for this great evening. The cost is only \$20 per couple and includes a delicious catered meal, special music, and an encouraging message. Deadline to RSVP is Monday, February 22, 2016. You can respond on Facebook, by email (cbamwf@gmail.com), or at the Chilhowee Baptist association office by calling 982-0499.

Jana Davis

Chilhowee Baptist Association, Ministers' Wives Fellowship, 341 Lincoln Rd., Alcoa, TN 37701

cbamwf@gmail.com. See Ecclesiastes 4: 9-10

MARK VANDERLIP

The anthem of our current secular American culture is written by a young man named Pharrell Williams, and the title of the song is Happy. The catchy chorus both provides, and describes, a growing philosophy being accepted by people in search of a character compass: “Clap along if you feel like happiness is the truth. Because I’m happy. Clap along if you know what happiness is to you. Because I’m happy. Clap along if you feel like that’s what you wanna do.” For a lot of people, including me, it’s one of those songs that sticks in your head at least for a day when you hear it. It’s just fun, easygoing, and happy! Happiness is truth, I know what makes me happy, and that’s what I’m going to do.

Whenever societies stray away from acknowledging that the Bible is God’s Living Word and the source of truth, some version of Pharrell’s philosophy floats to the forefront. However, James 1:27 tells us that “Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.” How are you looking after the vulnerable people in your church and your community? How are you and aren’t you keeping yourself from being negatively influenced by the catchy culture around you? And how does all that affect your true happiness and joy? I invite you to stop and write down your active definition of a successful life and consider what source of truth brought you to that important conclusion.

When I read the Bible through recently I found a lot about God wanting us to be humble and obedient, and a little about us being happy. But, as His children, He wants us to be truly happy! Humility and obedience lived out actively in our lives leads us to (ever)lasting happiness. That’s what He wants for His adopted children: Happiness in Him/Joy in Jesus!

Mark Vanderlip, MA,NCC, LPC/MHSP

Mat Makers Needed

The Mat Makers at Madison Avenue Baptist Church would like to expand this ministry to reach other churches in 2016. We have 1,000's of homeless in the Maryville – Knoxville area. We make sleeping mats for the homeless out of used Walmart grocery bags of any other bags that are similar. These mats are beautiful and much appreciated by the homeless community. This is a mission’s project that the entire church can become involved in, doesn't require a lot of money, and keeps the plastic out of the landfills.

We meet the second Monday of each month from 9:00 – 12:00. If you think this is something that your church might like to get involved in, we would be happy for you to attend our meeting and learn more about the project. You can train with us and either stay in our group or start a group in your own church. Our next meeting will be on January 11th, 9:00am, @ Madison Ave Baptist. We would love for you to drop by and find out more about the ministry. If you are interested in this, please contact Carolyn Martin @ 983-3389. I also have the names of a few churches that are already involved that I can give you, should it be more convenient for you. Help us all have the desire to reach the less fortunate is my prayer.

Carolyn Martin, (865) 983-3389

2016



WEST AFRICA- Teams of 2 to 4 people needed for February, March, April, September, October, November, and December. Cost Estimate \$2400-\$2700.

Teams will be sharing through “Storying” and beginning a discipleship process among new believers. At present Chilhowee Baptist Association is the only missionary contact to the Maninka (an unreached people group).



Dayton, Ohio

June 5-10, 2016

Creative Arts Camp, Light Construction, Community Out reach projects

Cost \$150 (covers all expenses while in Dayton– each church/ individual is responsible for travel to and from Dayton, OH.

Registration/orientation Meeting:

Monday, February 22nd @ Oak Street Baptist Church 6:30 PM

YOUTH Minister Luncheon

Thursday January 14th NOON

Camp Tipton

Discussion topics:

CHRISTFest

Discipleship

What’s God up to?



RSVP info@cblive.org or call 865 982-0499 by January 4th before 10:00.

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FINANCIAL ISSUES

FACING CHURCHES & MINISTERS

Monday January 11, 2016

6:00 –8:30 PM

Chilhowee Baptist Associational Office

341 East Lincoln Road

Alcoa, TN 37701

Important financial information for Pastors, Staff, Treasurers, Finance Committee Chairmen, and Financial Secretaries. Contact Gary Rickman @ grickman@tnbaptist.org 1-800-2090 Ext. 2020 or Lana Rose @ lrose@tnbaptist.org 1-800-558-2090 ext. 2008. This event is FREE. Please RSVP with the CBA office @ (865) 982-0499.

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