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Rev. Mike Baker, Director of Missions

“We know it is the right thing to do. We are extremely disappointed in having to make this decision, but God will see us through and give us a way until we are able to meet in person together again!” This is a recent quote from our President and CEO of the Southern Baptist Convention. This unique, worldwide medical emergency has shut down - for the first time in history - the convention of our denomination which meets yearly in June. Across the board, religious or public organizations have scrambled to deal with an attack that we really still do not know how to beat! Those who have listened and followed orders have avoided sickness. Those who contracted the virus did so unwittingly and innocently. 90,000 Americans have lost their lives in the last 3-4 months! Most of that number, elderly. However, with the warmer months upon us, we begin to open again like a flower abloom. Cautiously! Our Spanish mission met this week and they enjoyed being back together. As of this writing, I am aware that many of our missionaries have made it home after harrowing trials in airports worldwide. Mostly those with children. Others elected to stay in country and wait it out! I am not aware of any of our mission hands who have been hurt beyond just being worn out and we're thankful for that. They will rest and they will return as soon as they can for sure. Let's commit to pray for our missionaries. They are extensions of our church staffs, going where we can't to give the Gospel to those who otherwise would not hear.

I met recently with Dr. Ron Fousek and Dr. Ray Lowe, both serving currently as our Moderator and Vice Moderator, to talk about and pray about the PBA and future events. Our conclusion is that it is too soon to tell what we may have to do in regards to canceling or continuing events like TnT, the Sunday School Clinic, and even the Fall PBA Meeting. We will watch and wait and respond as we can. We are all great “co-operators” as Southern Baptists and I know our churches will be ready when called. As we met that day, I cast this vision for a long range mission challenge. I shared with them the need for funds for church planting in Indonesia. Many churches meet in homes until they spill out of the windows. I've seen it! Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could raise funds to buy a property for the purpose of helping our workers plant and start a new work where there is no Christian church. I've spoken by phone with IMB workers there and they would be thrilled! The need is great. Soon I will share with you plans to begin that project. So, we're not quitting! We're looking on to what the Lord has for PBA to do. God bless you all as you continue in worship and service of our great Lord and King Jesus Christ!

Love you,
Mike Baker, DOM PBA

Missions of the PBA

Ministry Health Kits- If your church has kits ready and would like to drop them off at the PBA, please call for a time and date. We have sent 50 kits out to our schools with the Back Pack food bags. Health Kits will be used in our local schools, community missions, and Operation Care.

Operation Care- Starting June 1, OC will be open Monday-Friday, 9:00am-11:00am. During the summer months, the number of clients will increase, your donations are greatly appreciated. All food donations can be used; canned goods, boxed items, fresh produce, snacks for children, and cold and freezer foods are welcome, too. Also, cleaning supplies and paper products.

Thank you, Back Pack Ladies- Through the Covid-19 school closing, the Ladies Community Prayer Group has continued to pack and deliver food bags to local schools. A special thank you to Kay Smith and Beverley Atkins! Both ladies have shopped, picked up items, and stocked the Back Pack mission during this pandemic. This mission has fed 157 children each week during the school year 2019-2020.

School Supplies- PBA Missions for June, July, and August. These are uncertain times; however, children will still need school supplies. The PBA will continue to collect all school supplies for elementary through high school for fall 2020. No list of items at this time. All supplies can be used. A drop off date will be announced in August.

Contributions from the PBA Churches
Year: October 2019 – September 2020
Reporting: April 2020 Receipts and YTD Total

Churches	Receipts	Year-to-Date
Beaverdam	500.00	3,500.00
Big Creek	303.00	2,545.89
Calvary	-	1,560.05
Cedar Falls	-	732.37
Cedar Grove	300.00	1,875.00
Columbia	307.76	1,115.63
Eastview	117.80	515.23
Friendship	75.05	621.75
Hillcrest	553.72	4,111.57
Macedonia	-	-
New Hope	440.69	2,774.92
Open Door	118.97	1,034.43
Piedmont Heights	130.56	1,069.68
Pelzer First	-	583.31
Rehoboth	-	-
Revive Church	-	-
Riverside	607.00	1,748.00
Tabernacle	233.33	1,633.31
Washington	600.00	4,200.00
Waycross	-	500.00
West Pelzer	173.38	957.70
White Plains	390.57	2,412.30
Whitefield	250.00	1,550.00
Williamston First	541.66	3,891.62
Total Received	5,643.49	38,932.76

Balance Brought Forward <u>TOTAL ALL ACCCOUNTS</u> April 1, 2020	\$ 30,871.69
Total Receipts from Churches	\$ 5,643.49
Deposit- Designated Account: Hispanic Church Mission	\$ 400.00
Deposit- PBA Book	\$ -
Interest on Checking April 2020	\$ 1.21
PBA Total Disbursements: Designated & General Fund for April 2020	\$ (5,385.36)
Total all accounts: Designated & PBA Operations April 30, 2020	\$ 31,531.03

***DESIGNATED FUNDS ACCOUNT BALANCE:**

Hispanic Church Mission	\$ 10,678.33
ESL Mission	\$ 2,508.60
PBA Book Sales	\$ 947.40
Total Designated Accounts April 2020	\$ 14,134.33

** PBA Operations General Fund April 2020 \$ 17,396.70

*Designated Funds Total	14,134.33
**PBA Operations General Fund	17,396.70
Total PBA Funds for April 2020	31,531.03

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Birthday – Anniversary – Wedding

June Birthdays

- 10 Rev. Barry Garrett, Pastor of Pelzer First
- 14 Rev. Bill Bryant, retired Pastor
- 16 Mrs. Ashley Steed, wife of Riverside Pastor
- 24 Rev. Tim Moon, Students and Worship, Cedar Grove
- 26 Rev. Mike Baker, DOM Palmetto Baptist Association
- 30 Mrs. Bromley Huff, wife of Beaverdam Pastor
- 30 Rev. Jimmie Farmer, retired Pastor of Beaverdam

June Wedding Anniversaries

- 3 Rev. & Mrs. Bob Clardy, Care Pastor, Whitefield
- 9 Rev. Bill & Linda Bryant, Retired Pastor
- 10 Rev. & Mrs. Terry Greer, Pastor of Macedonia
- 5 Rev. & Mrs. Tim Moon, Minister of Students & Worship, Cedar Grove
- 24 Rev. & Mrs. Stan Candler, Pastor of Washington
- 28 Rev. & Mrs. Joel Lopez, Minister of Youth and Children, Williamston First

- 30 Rev. & Mrs. Ryan Steed, Pastor of Riverside

June Pastoral Anniversaries ☩

- 13 Rev. Barry Garrett, Pastor of Pelzer First –9 years

July Birthdays

- 6 Mrs. Lisa Hart, wife of Friendship Pastor
- 18 Rev. Landrum Reece, retired Pastor
- 20 Mrs. Kathy Smith, wife of Rev. Jimmy Smith
- 24 Mrs. Jewel Fousek, wife of Big Creek Pastor

July Wedding Anniversaries

- 1 Rev. & Mrs. Larry Clayton, Pastor of Piedmont Heights

- 11 Rev. & Mrs. Chris Huff, Pastor of Beaverdam
- 21 Rev. & Mrs. Larry Baldwin, Pastor of Hillcrest

July Pastoral Anniversaries ☩

- 5 Rev. Joel Lopez, Minister of Youth/Children, Williamston First Baptist– 15 years

PBA Senior Adult Luncheon

The luncheon for June 9th has been canceled.

Our next PBA Senior Adult luncheon is scheduled for
 September 8, 2020 at White Plains Baptist Church.
 More information will be in the next newsletter.

PBA Administrative & Executive Meeting 6:45 PM, PBA Office, Monday July 13, 2020

PBA Nomination Committee Meeting 10:00 AM, PBA Office, Tuesday July 14, 2020

~ Please Note: Time & dates may change. ~

PBA Office & Operation Care will be closed
 July 6-10, 2020

