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“A Body of Churches Being His Hands and Feet”

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Rev. Mike Baker, Director of Missions

Dear friends and co-laborers in Christ Jesus, realizing that we are in a race as the Apostle Paul wrote about, we “press on toward the goal of the high calling in Christ Jesus.” I remember Dr. Billy Dickerson sharing as moderator at one of our past PBA administrative meetings. His short but poignant devotion was an answer to the question, “What do you do when you don’t know what to do?” “Using the story of Elijah and Zarephath in 1Kings 17, Dr. Dickerson stated; “1. **You press on** 2. **You persist on** 3. **You pray on.**” Zarephath saw her son raised from death! God is eternal God. He never changes no matter the situation on temporary Earth! Our world is facing the challenge of death. So what? Jesus faced it and defeated the sting of it so we who follow Him can... fear not! Therefore, we in faith, move forward! That said, I am planning a mission for Palmetto Baptist Association beyond our borders. We have two opportunities to open many doors of evangelism by supplying water filter pots to hundreds of homes in Southeast Asia. On August 18th our pastors will gather to meet MJ. He and family are home on extended stateside but will return to Southeast Asia in September. We want to partner with him and our friend Aji (ah-gee) to help provide clean water in village homes so our M’s and trained national partners can get into homes where Christ is not known and share the Gospel story. I have had the privilege of doing this first hand when we lived and served in the area. The families and kids are always excited to get a water filter pot and get the first drink from it! I am asking our WMU groups, men’s groups, youth groups, and churches to pray about how you can raise a few dollars to fund this project. It is possible that we can provide for the building of a kiln where the filter pots can be made. We—the IMB- already has a working farm model there, demonstrating farm methods with goats, rice, fruits, veggies, and education. Deb and I have been there several times sharing and teaching. To add a water filter pot facility would be a huge boost to the IMB evangelistic effort in this predominately Muslim country. Also one of our own members, Sharon of Columba Baptist Church, is serving with the IMB in the area as well! She works with young men and women to help them start small businesses to have some income. We will help support her efforts to build relationships through this offering as well. PBA has a wonderful opportunity before it! With the money exchange rate staying at over 14,000 rupiah to the dollar, a little of our money will go a long way. MJ will share with us other possibilities, even that of planting a house church. I’m aware that many of our churches have mission projects around the world you work with and I salute that! Here is something I think our whole association can be proud of and cooperate together in for Christ. There is even the possibility that we could take a team there to see it upon completion and have a great mission experience that’s out of this world! Please contact me as you consider this and please bathe this project in prayer as we continue to PRESS ON! Baseball great Yogi Berra said, “it ain’t over ‘til it’s over...then it ain’t over!” I like that optimistic attitude! Began praying for Sharon and MJ now as we prepare to share!

“Bersama Kita Angkat” – Together, We Lift!

Rev. Mike Baker, DOM Palmetto Baptist Association

TOGETHER Season of Prayer for State Missions, Missions Education and Kingdom ADVANCE in South Carolina September 13-20, 2020. ~Janie Chapman Offering~ for resource materials www.JanieChapmanOffering.org 1Corinthians 3:9

Mission of the PBA - 2020 School Supply List for ASD1

Please drop-off supplies at the PBA between August 24-27, 9am-11am. Thank you!

Individual hand sanitizers, disinfectant wipes, tissues, gallon zip lock bags, and pencil boxes (students will not be able to share any supplies, so they'll need something to keep them in) individual boxes of colored pencils and crayons will be a huge need in all elementary schools since student cannot share supplies in art class. The high school specially needs bottles of water and pencils. Additional items requested specifically by the middle school: tab dividers, paper, page protectors, zippered pencil pouch and pencils, 3 ring binders. (Binders are probably the biggest need as the kids go through them quickly) and book bags for all schools K5-12. Thank you for supporting PBA Missions and our community!

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

<u>Churches</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Beaverdam	500.00	4,500.00
Big Creek	893.00	3,438.89
Calvary	1,061.51	2,621.56
Cedar Falls	-	732.37
Cedar Grove	300.00	2,475.00
Columbia	153.88	1,423.39
Eastview	-	640.83
Friendship	271.40	893.15
Hillcrest	696.61	5,278.15
Macedonia	-	-
New Hope	247.20	3,883.96
Open Door	308.55	1,342.98
Piedmont Heights	215.25	1,525.28
Pelzer First	-	749.97
Rehoboth	-	-
Revive Church	-	-
Riverside	-	1,748.00
Tabernacle	233.33	2,099.97
Washington	600.00	5,400.00
Waycross	-	500.00
West Pelzer	170.46	1,267.00
White Plains	397.83	3,183.84
Whitefield	500.00	2,300.00
Williamston First	541.66	4,974.94
Fuente de Vida PBA Hispanic Church	200.00	200.00
Total Received	7,290.68	51,179.28
Balance Brought Forward TOTAL ALL ACCCOUNTS June 1, 2020		\$ 31,407.09
Total Receipts from Churches		\$ 7,290.68
Deposit- Designated Account: Hispanic Church Mission		\$ 277.00
Interest on Checking June 2020		\$ 1.31
PBA Total Disbursements: Designated & General Fund for June 2020		\$ (5,365.73)
Total all accounts: Designated & PBA Operations June 30, 2020		\$ 33,610.35
*DESIGNATED FUNDS ACCOUNT BALANCE:		
Hispanic Church Mission		\$ 11,393.33
ESL Mission		\$ 2,508.60
PBA Book Sales		\$ 962.40
Total Designated Accounts June 2020		\$ 14,864.33
** PBA Operations General Fund June 2020		\$ 18,746.02
*Designated Funds Total		14,864.33
**PBA Operations General Fund		18,746.02
Total PBA Funds for June 2020		33,610.35

PBA Senior Adult Luncheon

Our next PBA Senior Adult luncheon is scheduled for September 8th, 2020 at White Plains Baptist Church.

Host church will supply the meat, churches are asked to bring side dishes and 2 gifts for door prizes. If our luncheon is canceled due to Covid-19 information will be sent to each church by email on 9/1/2020. Please check with your church or the PBA for updates.

Annual Church Profiles Reports for 2020 on <https://workspace> will be ready mid-August for churches to key in their information. This is the same information and reports as 2019. If you need assistance please do not hesitate to call the PBA. Reports are due in the PBA 10/11/20. Please email or mail your In Memoriam Church List by 9/14/2020. Memoriam Report is not on the sbcworkspace website. Thank you!

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Birthday – Anniversary – Wedding

August Birthdays

- 10 Mrs. Kathy Cannon, PBA Family Ministries Director
- 18 Mrs. Kristen Lopez, wife of Minister of Youth & Children, Williamston First
- 20 Rev. Ryan Steed, Pastor of Riverside
- 30 Rev. Lloyd Robison, Pastor of Open Door

August Wedding Anniversaries

- 25 Dr. & Mrs. Bill Dickerson, Pastor of Cedar Grove
- 30 Rev. & Mrs. Zack Terry, pastor of Cedar Falls

August Pastoral Anniversaries

- 11 Rev. Mark Spearman, Pastor of Eastview - 1 year
- 20 Rev. Larry Baldwin, Pastor of Hillcrest - 14 years

September Birthdays

- 9 Rev. Chris Huff, Pastor of Beaverdam
- 12 Mrs. Linda Bryant, wife of retired Pastor
- 14 Rev. Michael McMinn, Jr. Pastor of Whitefield
- 19 Mrs. Jan Robison, wife of Rev. Lloyd Robinson
- 28 Mrs. Cathie Candler, wife of Washington Pastor
- 28 Rev. Jamie Crawford, Youth & Children Director of Tabernacle

September Wedding Anniversaries

- 7 Rev. & Mrs. Randall Smith, Pastor of West Pelzer

September Pastoral Anniversaries

- 1 Rev. Stan Candler, Pastor of Washington -30 years
- 9 Rev. Trey Haning, Pastor of Williamston First - 1year
- 30 Rev. Terry Greer, Pastor of Macedonia - 22 years

Operation Care - New hours until September 30th; Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:00am-10:30 am. Please call Operation Care at 864-847-7090 before delivering donations. All food donations are welcome along with cleaning, and paper products. Thank you ~

OLD FASHIONED REVIVAL - Washington Baptist Church, 7:00 pm, Sept 27-30, 2020. Guest Speaker, Rev. Randy Harling. For more information contact WBC at 864-243-3539.

PBA Committee Meetings Time & dates may change.

- 8/3Time, Place, Preacher Mtg. 10:00 am, PBA Office
- 8/10 Resolution Comm. Mtg. 10:00 am PBA Office
- 8/12 History Comm. Mtg. 10:00 am PBA Office
- 8/17 Order of Business Mtg. 10:00 am PBA Office, Prepare Program for Fall Mtg.
- 8/19 Finance Comm Mtg. 10:00 am PBA Office, New PBA Budget for 2020-2021
- 9/16 Mission Development Team Mtg. 10:00 am, PBA Office. PBA Christmas Mission Project.
- 9/21 All Reports due in PBA, Nominating, Resolution, and Finance Report.