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"The purpose of this Association shall be to proclaim Christ as Lord, to expand the Kingdom of God, and to assist our affiliate churches to carry out their mission before God."

2018 Servant Award



Stapleton W. Wills "Pete" a lifelong native of Louisa County. He was educated in Louisa County and is a 1971 graduate of VA Tech. He has worked as a Certified Public Accountant in Charlottesville, VA for many years and now oversees accounting operations at Wills and Associates.

He has attended Mechanicsville Baptist Church for his entire life. He has served over the years in many positions within the church. (Serving on Pastoral Search Committee, Building Committee, Stewardship Committee, Deacon, Moderator, Sunday School Teacher and choir mem-

ber to name a few).

Pete married schoolmate and life long friend, Mary Holley over 45 years ago. In Mary's words, "with his sense of humor, love and wit it has been an interesting and never boring 45 years."

He has worked within the Goshen Association for many years serving on Executive Committee, as a messenger, Finance Committee and Budget Committee, Vice Moderator and Moderator, and Director of Missions Search Committees.

Pete presently serves Virginia Baptist on their Executive Committee and has served Virginia Baptist in various ways.

Within the Gordonsville - Green Springs District he serves his community as Judge on election days and has been a member and officer of the Gordonsville Lions Club for over 30 years.

To sum up Pete's walk with the Lord. He seeks the will of God in his daily life and continues to enjoy the joyful life God has given him.

We are pleased to present the Donald P. Reid, Sr. Servant Award for 2018 to Pete Wills.

New email address: GoshenAssociation@hughes.net

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Projects for February: Hannah and Jochebed Ministries; Children's underwear for Standing Rock Reservation; Church Planter support due.

RuraLove 540.894.8440 A ministry of Goshen Association to local families in crisis. Open year-round on Wednesdays 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and the first Saturday of the month April-November.

RuraLove is in need of working **refrigerators, good AC units, wood stoves, twin, and full mattresses, bed frames, good vehicles.** Also, can openers, cleaning supplies, crib sheets, kitchen towels and dish rags.

We need churches who will **follow up** with families in crisis to let them get to know you and possibly get them into a church family.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer to work in the yard sales on Wednesdays and the first Saturday of the month from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. (to help set up and put away items) or deliver and pick up furniture please call 540.894.8440.

Bethany Christian Services 540.373.5165 Christ-Centered Crisis Pregnancy Center and Adoption Services. 5610 Southpoint Centre Blvd., Fredericksburg 22407

Fredericksburg Pregnancy Center 540.370.1800 Empowering those facing unplanned pregnancy with hope and life-affirming choices. 1616 Stafford Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401 www.FredericksburgPregnancyCenter.org

Hope House 540.371.0831 Battered women's shelter for abused women and their children, 902 Lafayette Blvd., Fredericksburg

Shelter for HELP in Emergency 434.963.4676

Working to end domestic violence. Charlottesville Shelter for HELP in Emergency wish list: HE laundry detergent, HE dishwashing detergent, dishwashing liquid, toilet paper, paper towels, white full-sized sheet sets, white bath towels, CTS bus tickets (available at C'ville City Hall), gift certificates to area grocery, department, and drug stores, pre-paid calling cards (regular and international). For all other donations please call first due to lack of storage space.

2018-2019 Ministry Action Budget

Budget	167,029.00
Monthly Needs	13,919.00
Received Dec.	23,244.00
Received Oct.-Dec.	43,963.00
Budget	+ 2,206.00

Sewing Day at Goshen

A sewing day is planned at The Goshen Ministry Center for Saturday, **February 16** from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. for anyone interested in learning to make the sani-pads, dresses, or shorts. Even if you don't sew you can help. Need: Sewing machine, scissors to cut fabric, straight pins, pre-washed cotton fabric, thread. Bring about \$10 to get lunch brought in from a local restaurant or bring your lunch.

Please collect new girls size 14 & 16 and women's size small and medium COTTON briefs to send with the sani-pads. Money is also being collected to help with the shipping costs. **Urgent need for the underwear!!!** Cotton and flannel fabric and pillowcases are always in NEED to make these projects of HOPE.

If you go to the Dollar Tree please pick up a few 3-packs of lingerie bags. We are packing pads in them. They are on the laundry aisle and hang on a hook. They are 12x15.

Like our Facebook Page: Goshen Sewing Ministry. Check out: www.littledressesforafrica.org

Encourage your WMU, older youth, mission, or Sunday School group to get involved with a stitching project or collecting underwear or material. To learn how you can start your own sewing group contact Terry Graham at 540.661.6268 or email mrsjrg@aol.com

Summer Camps

Camp Piankatank

Camppiankatank.org

CrossRoads Summer Camp

www.crossroadscamp.com

RURALOVE MINISTRY UPDATE

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

- 15 Families with financial needs (\$4,409)
- 10 Families with household needs
- 1 Family with a whole house
- 1 Family with a medical need

Thrift Store:

Served 120 families with clothing

Served 502 families with household items



CHURCH NEWS

Blue Ridge Shores has welcomed six new members in the past two months.

First Baptist is beginning the new year by revamping the scope of her various ministries in an effort to achieve greater unity and supporting the overall mission of the church. They have also received several new members. They continue to move forward in faith with their major renovation project.

Mineral is faithful in collecting mission offerings; 28 decorated boxes of fruit and treats were distributed to local shut-ins and friends; the youth have returned from Winterfest at Liberty University; Monday Bible Study celebrated 25 years. The youth invite you to their 2019 Valentine's Banquet February 10 at 5:30 p.m. to benefit youth mission trips. Tickets are: Adults \$10; Children (5-10) \$5; under 5 are free. For info call 540.894.4234 or email mbcassociate@outlook.com Tickets are available through Feb. 1.

New Hope is pleased to announce that New Hope will be the host of the live stream simulcast "Going Beyond" a Priscilla Shirer women's conference on April 6. This all-day event will include three teaching sessions featuring Priscilla Shirer, worship segments with Anthony Edwards (Priscilla's brother) as well as the Priscilla Shirer Praise Team, prayer experiences led by Priscilla, food, fellowship, and more! Space is limited, so register today. 540.223.8935 or info@newhopebapt.org Event is \$10; t-shirt optional for \$15; CD is optional for \$5.

Orange welcomes two new members.

Waller will have a Stone Soup Supper on Wednesday, February 6 and 20 from 5-6:15 p.m. at Wallers where they will serve bread, soup, and dessert free to the community. On February 9 they will have a Valentine's Day Dinner with fun activities to follow the dinner. Call 540.582.5703 for more information.

Help Wanted

Organist/Pianist Needed: Rhoadesville Baptist is seeking a part-time organist/pianist. Responsibilities include providing music support for Sunday morning traditional worship, Wednesday night rehearsals, and special services throughout the year, including the possibility of funerals and weddings. Must have playing experience in a church setting. This position available February 2019. If interested, please contact the church office at 540.854.7527 or email: rbc1888@gmail.com

"Grist from the Mill"

Sunday night Terry Green, Richard Sandberg and I sat around a dinner table at a restaurant with our counterparts from the Chiricana Baptist Association. We had talked for over an hour about the details, expectations and dreams each of us had for the partnership. At the end of that time, we had reached a place of clarity not only in what teams that would come or the types of work and help provided but also in the goals for both our groups.



As we were preparing to leave, Teodoro Arias, president of the Chiricana Association looked across the table at me and said, "Pastor Miller, gracias". "Thank you." His word has stayed with me. He was not thanking me for the money we will invest, the people we will send or the help in unknown ways that you, the Goshen, will provide. No, his thanks dealt with something far simpler and to me, more powerful.



Teodoro and I have little in common, except our faith in Jesus. He is a Kuna Indian, dark skinned, short and whenever my Spanish and his English get together we always look for a translator. But, he is in many ways more like me than most of my blood kin. We share a vision of Christ's people working together as equals. We see our people enjoying one another as family. We see that when we come together, we are more completely whole than when we are apart.

His simple word, "Gracias", meant that he wanted me and all of you to know that he sees us not as saviors, bankers or providers. We are his brothers and sisters who have chosen to join with a distant part of the Body of Christ to show a suffering world what the love of Christ and love for Christ can accomplish.
~John

New Christian Counselor

Goshen has made Christian counseling available to those who may need assistance again at the Goshen Ministry Center. Samantha Reynolds will return your call and schedule an appointment by leaving a message for her at the Ministry Center 540.894.8440.

Ministry to Roma People at Ruth School—Romania contact Brittany Garton: Garton.Brittany@gmail.com or check out Ruth School's website at : www.project-ruth.org

South India—Dr. & Mrs. Kunjumon Chacko: Seminary ~ email: chackos@sancharnet.in P.O. Box 11, Vadavathoor P.O, Kottayam, Kerala, India 686010

Living Hope Community Centre News—South Africa (Ministering to those living with HIV/AIDS). Wwww.livinghope.co.za

Door of Hope—South Africa (Saving many unwanted babies) www.holeinthewall.org.za

Arise Ministry Group—South Africa www.arisemg.org.za

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February

1	Riggins Anniversary	Retired
5	Linda Terry	Retired
9	Terry Green	Antioch
11	Tom Everett	Mineral
13	Dickens Anniversary	Ministry Assistant
14	Amy Lester	Thornburg
19	Barbara Ellington	Goldmine
19	Kris Hutchinson	Mineral

February

7	Minister's Breakfast GMC 8:30 a.m.
9	Pastor/Spouse Appreciation Luncheon GMC 12 p.m.
10-17	Focus on WMU Week
16	Mission Stitchers GMC 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

**To donate and help people effected by
disasters go to**

www.bgav.org or call

1.800.255.2428

**100% of money donated goes directly
to help people in need**