



# Goshen News

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## *Goshen Association suffers losses in ministry*

In my article for the April edition of the Goshen News I shared some thoughts about the unexpected death of Diane Chiles, one of the volunteers who gave of her time and spirit to help with the ministries our Association carries out each week. Shortly after that edition had gone to the printer we experienced a second loss among the group of our volunteers. Pat Barnette died following a short stay in the hospital on March 23. Pat had been a RuraLove volunteer for four years helping with RuraLove by taking applications over the phone and by sharing from her heart and her great experience in the medical and business world with those who contacted our Ministry Center in need. Her humor, love of music, and her devotion to the Florida Gators made her a true gift to our work in the Goshen.

On Monday, May 17, our Association suffered another severe loss. Dr. Donald Reid, pastor of the Mechanicsville Baptist Church, died following a struggle with cancer. In his years as part of the Goshen Don had served as pastor of the Germanna Community Church, and as interim pastor then pastor of the Blue Ridge Shores and Mechanicsville Churches. Don served as the interim Pastoral Care Director for our Association following Dr. Murphy Terry's retirement, and as a professor of the New Testament for our R.I.T.E. ministry. Don, also, served his fellow pastors by preparing breakfast for them at their monthly prayer meetings. Don was a blessing to those privileged to know and serve with him. He will be remembered for his pastoral heart, his love of music and the Word of God and for his devotion to the people of his churches and of the Goshen Association.

We ask you to remember also, the Fork Baptist Church, whose pastor Rev. Kline died on the 17th following a brief time of illness.

*John*

## Stop Hunger Now

On Sunday, April 11, 2010, 19 Goshen Churches gathered (and one visiting church) with 136 registered volunteers to pack meals for Stop Hunger Now. We had collected \$9,250 which would purchase the ingredients to make approximately 37,000 meals. Six meals were packed in each bag and each time we packed 1,000 meals Noah Boston would hit the gong for us so we could cheer our progress. 37 gongs and two hours later we completed our task and loaded the meals onto the truck. The meals were to go to the Ivory Coast since Haiti was already fully stocked with meals.

## 'Til we meet again at Jesus' feet...

Loosing two close co-workers within ten days has been difficult. First, Diane Chiles, our Wednesday volunteer here in the Goshen Ministry center suddenly went to be with the Lord on March 13. Then, Tuesday, March 23 our Tuesday volunteer Pat Barnette was called home. Pat began volunteering in September 2006. She enjoyed her service here and you could always count on her to be here unless her health prohibited her from coming. Pat loved music and played piano for our Mission Celebrations and Associational Meetings. She was also a medic and participated in mission trips to the South following various disasters. Because of her love of service, she was tapped to serve the association as our Disaster Data Coordinator. In 2007, she accepted a position on the association's nominating committee and served faithfully as chair for the past two years.

About three months ago we received a call for volunteers to work with hospice. When Pat read the request she immediately called and volunteered. She completed the training and began with her assigned patients. She loved this new ministry.

Well, the Lord's work goes on here in the Goshen, but Pat has earned her crown of service. I know she is enjoying the music of heaven, praising God and her Lord. Well done Thy good and faithful servant!

*Joy*

## 2009-2010 Ministry Action Budget Receipts

Church	April	Year	GRIF 2010
Antioch	242.82	1,800.57	
Berea		300.00	
Blue Ridge Shores		1,318.82	
Calvary	546.48	1,038.73	
Craigs	1,080.70	1,080.70	
Crossroads CC		197.24	
Dogwood	431.42	1,575.48	
Elk Creek		1,875.00	
FBC, Louisa		200.00	
Goldmine	156.83	551.09	
Gordonsville		1,504.05	
Hebron		1,000.00	
Louisa		4,250.01	
Mechanicsville	722.42	5,752.42	
Memorial/Columbia	75.00	225.00	
Mine Road	150.00	1,200.00	
Mineral	3,070.00	8,097.00	
Mount Gilead	348.68	4,064.72	
Mount Hermon	40.00	120.00	
New Hope		1,000.00	
North Pamunkey	416.32	2,896.41	
Oakland	1,247.83	3,636.66	
Orange	649.98	1,733.32	20.00
Perkins	1,400.00	2,800.00	
Rhoadesville		2,874.00	
Servants of Christ		1,914.28	
Shady Grove		500.00	
Smyrna		900.00	
South Anna	200.00	400.00	
St. Mark		500.00	
Thornburg	195.00	1,355.00	
Trinity		200.00	
Waldrops			
Wallers	751.83	4,929.20	
Zoar	625.00	1,225.00	
Others	100.00	930.00	40.00
<b>Total as of 4/30/10</b>	<b>12,450.31</b>	<b>63,944.70</b>	<b>60.00</b>

## FREE Housecleaning!

Any woman with cancer receiving chemo treatments can get her house cleaned monthly for four months while she is in treatment. If you know any woman currently undergoing chemo for any type of cancer, please pass the word to her that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning - one time per month for four months while she is in treatment.

For more information visit [www.cleaningforareason.org](http://www.cleaningforareason.org)

## Goshen Media Center

Please come in and make use of the Goshen Media Center (our library). There are no fees and there are a lot of Bible studies, kids videos, books, and learning tools available.

Let's all make use of this valuable resource.

## Mission Opportunities

**Project for June: Layettes for RuraLove and underwear and socks for Coeburn.** Baby Boy, Baby Girl, and Neutral Layettes are desperately needed at RuraLove. Also, we are collecting new underwear and socks for school children to send to Coeburn, VA. Deadline is the end of the June.

**RuraLove - A ministry of Goshen Association to local families in crisis ~ 540.894.8440**

URGENT: Dressers, ALL mattress sets! Also, summer clothes, sofas, cribs, pots and pans, can openers, mops, brooms, electric stoves, washing machines, refrigerators, good vehicles, etc. Please make sure all donations work before giving them to RuraLove. **Also NEED VOLUNTEERS** for pick-ups and deliveries, and to help sort Tues. or Wed. mornings or another by appointment. **REMINDER:** Requests should come from the church to help meet the needs in the community in the name of Jesus. Thus our motto "Neighbor Helping Neighbor" - meeting physical needs, developing trust through relationships and ministering spiritually. **PLEASE make sure to FOLLOW UP with families after they have been helped. This is key to making the most of opportunities to minister spiritually to families in crisis.**

### Bethany Christian Services

Christ-Centered Crisis Pregnancy Center & Adoption Services  
1616 Stafford Avenue, Fredericksburg 540.370.1800

### Hope House

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

### Safe House

For Battered and Abused Women and their children. P.O. Box 402, Culpeper, VA 22701 540.825.TURN

### Sheltering Arms

A Christ centered homeless shelter ~ Orange 540.672.6210

### Thurman Brisben Center

Homeless shelter - Fredericksburg 540.899.9853

**\*All ministries listed above are in need of:**

your prayers, financial support, volunteers, toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, styrofoam cups and plates, cleaning & laundry supplies, baby formulas & foods, diapers (all sizes), towels, washcloths, dish detergent, bleach, toothbrushes & paste, shampoo, hair spray, hair care for African Americans, deodorant, combs, brushes, sanitary products for women, disposable razors, shaving cream, light bulbs, paper lunch bags, plastic sandwich bags, etc.

### RuraLove Ministry Update

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

- 23 families with financial help
- 12 families with household needs
- 3 families with whole house set-up
- 21 families with clothing
- 2 families with medical
- 1 family with a baby layette
- 2 families with baby items



**RuraLove is in desperate need of baby boy, girl, and neutral Layettes!**

# CHURCH NEWS

**Blue Ridge Shores** held their annual homecoming on Sun., May 2.

**Crossroads Community** has begun ten one minute spots on Z95.1 on Sunday mornings.

**Elk Creek** called Lynwood B. "Woody" Jenkins as pastor beginning April 18.

**First Baptist** is pleased to announce the election of the Rev. Bruce S. Jones as its new pastor.

**Gordonsville VBS** will be held June 14-18 entitled "Saddle Ridge Ranch"

**Louisa VBS** will be held Sun., June 27 until Thurs., July 1 with dinner from 5:30-6:15 and classes from 6:15-8:00.

**Mineral** will hold a children's play entitled "Cool Furnace" on June 6 during the 11 a.m. service. VBS "High Seas Expedition" will be June 7-11. June 19 will hold an UpWard Celebration at 6 p.m. with a Trevor Thomas drama. June 20 Trevor Thomas will have the 11 a.m. service. June 21 the youth go to Ridgecrest NC for Centerfuge. And June 27 will hold a church picnic at 4 .m.

**Mine Road** has eight new members. Missionary teams from Goshen Outreach will be with the church from June 7-11 to assist in church projects and projects with the elderly. VBS will be held June 21-25, 9 .m.-12:30 p.m. All are invited. Musical group, Blood Connected will be performing at the church on June 27 at 4 p.m. All are invited.

**Orange** welcomes four new members.

**Perkins VBS** will be held June 21-25 from 9 a.m. - noon with the theme Saddle Ridge Ranch.

**Rhoadesville** welcomes four new members. VBS will be held July 12-16 from 9-noon with the theme, Egypt - Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace.

**Servants of Christ** voted to extend and enclose the current building and add two new classrooms and two bathrooms.

**Zoar VBS** will be held June 7-11 from 6-8:30 p.m.

## Bluefield College New inSPIRE Accelerated Adult Degree Completion Program

You know us for our strong Christ-centered educational programming for the traditional 18-22 year old student. In addition, Bluefield College has a strong area program for adults, too. Perhaps you have postponed completing your college degree - now is your time. We have a new location at the Virginia Baptist Resource Center. Contact Tim Boschen, Admissions Counselor, Richmond North (804) 915.5011 for a confidential interview and for information about the program. Now is your time! Bluefield College is in covenant with the Baptist General Association of Virginia.

## 700 mhz frequency

The FCC adopts order to clear the 700 mhz frequency for public safety and next generation consumer users. Check your wireless microphones and make sure you are NOT operating in the 700 mhz band. This is now illegal.  
[www.fcc.gov/cgb/wirelessmicrophones](http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/wirelessmicrophones)

## "Grist from the Mill"

In a commentary on the Gospel of John, I read that the most common healing miracles Jesus performed was the giving of sight to the blind. It was prophesied that the Messiah would do this in the Old Testament and so Jesus, in healing the eyes of the blind, was fulfilling the promises made about Him. But I really think there is more to it than that. I believe that He came to cure the blindness that afflicts even those who possess perfect physical vision. Gary Chapman wrote a song some years back called, "Father's Eyes." As recorded by Amy Grant it tells how she desires for people to look at her and see that she has her Father's eyes. She describes His eyes as being: *"Eyes that find the good in things when good is not around. Eyes that find the source of help, when help just can't be found. Eyes full of compassion, seein' every pain, knowing what you're going through, and feelin' it the same."*

When Jesus gave sight to the blind, it was not only to restore their vision so they could walk around freely or work to make a living. He offered them to opportunity to see Him as Messiah and Lord and to see the world around them in a new way. He gave them the chance to "see" their family and community as the place where the Lord is working and loving and seeking to better people's lives.

This gift of sight is meant to be ours as well. With it we see people and not burdens. We find opportunities and not just challenges. With our Father's sight we see beyond hopelessness and despair. It is to bring us all these things that Jesus seeks for you and me to receive our sight.

*John*

## Thank You Notes

We want to thank you for getting RuraLove to find a crib for the couple and the 11 month old son who are living with us. We especially appreciate that the Kunkels delivered the crib and helped me set it up. Thank you all!

Name withheld

Thank you for all the shoes, and shirts, and pant you givin us. God bless you.

Love

Armando, Leslie, Jose

*(typed as it was written)*

## Help Wanted

Hopeful Baptist Church in Montpelier, VA is seeking a part-time youth minister. Experience and education will be considered, and some experience with youth is preferred. However, a sense of calling to ministry is absolutely essential. A job description and additional information can be found at [hopefulbaptistchurch.org](http://hopefulbaptistchurch.org) or by calling (804) 883.6617.

## Your opinion needed

What types of training events would you like to see the Goshen Association offer? What training would you be interested in attending? Call (540) 894.8440 or email [goshenba@nexet.net](mailto:goshenba@nexet.net)

## June

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

01	Green Anniversary	Louisa
05	Nancy Emerick	Retired
05	Jeannette Burgess	Retired
06	Deborah Durham	Mineral
06	Bowers Anniversary	Dogwood
08	John Swain	Craigs
09	Nancy McDaniel	Rhoadesville
11	Mike Durham	Mineral
11	Lee Bowers	Dogwood
17	Rick Clore	Orange
21	Bess Anniversary	Memorial of Columbia
22	Williams Anniversary	North Pamunkey
26	Wilson Anniversary	Perkins
27	Tim Wilson	Perkins

### Need a pulpit supply?

Brian Miller	804.883.7351
Bob Graver	540.972.8610
Rick Mitchell	540.854.6723
James Eure	540.842.9287
Charlie Chilton	540.972.9497
Ed Jordon	804.556.2122

### Goshen Counseling Center

**Dwight Boston, LCSW, M.S.W. 540.894.8814**

Member: American Association of Christian Counselors. Fees are covered by most insurance plans. Those with no insurance may be seen with an adjusted fee based on finances if funding allows. Counselor is trained to provide counseling to children, adolescents, adults, couples, and families. Dwight is available to provide educational seminars on specific topics of interest. Confidential.

## June

3	Minister's Breakfast 9 a.m. GMC
5	RuraLove Yardsale 8-1 at the warehouse
7	WMU Council Annual Planning GMC 6 p.m.
13-14	WMU Annual Missions Celebration, Orlando FL
15-16	SBC Annual Meeting - Orlando FL
24-25	CBF General Assembly - Charlotte, NC

GMC = Goshen Ministry Center 587 Mica Rd., Mineral

### Websites for Ministries

**Door of Hope - South Africa** (Christian Orphanages which place abandoned children) [www.holeinthewall.org.za](http://www.holeinthewall.org.za)

**Living Hope Community Centre News - South Africa** (Living Hope makes a difference in the lives of those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS in the deep south of Cape Town in the Name of Jesus Christ.) [www.livinghope.co.za](http://www.livinghope.co.za)

**South India** - Dr. & Mrs. Kunjumon Chacko, P.O. Box 11, Vadavathoor P.O, Kottayam, Kerala, India 686010  
email: [chackos@sancharnet.in](mailto:chackos@sancharnet.in) [www.preciouschildren.org](http://www.preciouschildren.org)

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