

Goshen News

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RuraLove Volunteers Recognized

RuraLove volunteers were recognized at the Volunteers of Louisa ceremony and thanks for their spirit and time. Among those honored were: Barbara and Willie Emberton, Bob Foster, Celia Suthard, Doreatha and Robert Halsey, Elizabeth "Ann" Sprouse, Jackie Grubbs, Jean Shifflett, Joy and Tommy Dickens, Lesley Alford, Linda Olinger, Madine and John Williams, Rod and Ruth Kunkel, Ralph and Sherry Vick, Robert Pence, Shirley Mitchell, and Tammy and Wes Wood.

Rod and Ruth Kunkel were also nominated for the Adult Volunteer Spirit Award.



Sanora Alvis Earns Don Reid Award



Sanora Alvis earned the first annual Donald P. Reid, Sr. Servant Award. Sanora, 81, of Mount Gilead Baptist Church in Goochland, passed away just weeks before we were able to present her with this award. So, the award will be presented to her husband of 59 years, James Alvis.

Sanora came to the Lord at

age ten and was baptized on the second Sunday in August in the creek across from the church. She has held many positions in the church including Sunday School Director for 18 years; WMU Director for 17 years; Sunday School teacher; Director and Acteen Leader for ten years; a messenger to the association since 1968; and served on the nominating committee of Mount Gilead. Sanora also had a heart for the community and volun-

teered at St. Mary's Hospital for 15 years and did clerical work at The Meadows for two summers. She was also the chaplain for the American Legion Auxiliary.

Born in Kents Store in Fluvanna, Sanora had four brothers and three sisters. Upon completion of high school and the Smithville Massey Business School, she worked for Virginia Insurance Rating Bureau/Insurance Services Office for over 43 years.

Sanora truly had the heart of a servant and will be dearly missed.

Stop Hunger Now

Start collecting your quarters for Stop Hunger Now. Only one quarter per meal!! Goal is \$10,000 for 40,000 meals. We will be packing meals again at the fall Missions Celebration October 9.

2010-2011 Ministry Action Budget Receipts

Mission Opportunities

| Church | April | Year | GRIF 2011 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|
| Antioch | | 1,600.67 | |
| Berea | | 450.00 | |
| Blue Ridge Shores | 156.18 | 1,297.03 | |
| Craigs | | | 84.00 |
| Crossroads CC | | 25.00 | |
| Dogwood | 200.37 | 1,616.95 | |
| Elk Creek | | 2,850.00 | |
| FBC, Louisa | | 100.00 | |
| Goldmine | 70.00 | 541.67 | |
| Gordonsville | | 5,332.96 | |
| Hebron | 400.00 | 800.00 | 150.00 |
| Louisa | 665.00 | 5,223.31 | 100.00 |
| Mechanicsville | 714.75 | 5,533.04 | |
| Memorial/Columbia | | 75.00 | |
| Mine Road | 150.00 | 1,050.00 | |
| Mineral | | 4,728.00 | |
| Mount Gilead | 628.02 | 3,097.64 | |
| Mount Hermon | | 140.00 | |
| New Hope | | 2,000.00 | |
| North Pamunkey | 485.45 | 2,815.82 | |
| Oakland | 1,406.97 | 4,244.67 | |
| Orange | 433.32 | 1,733.28 | |
| Perkins | | 3,000.00 | 10.00 |
| Rhoadesville | 500.00 | 3,378.00 | 5.00 |
| Servants of Christ | 715.00 | 1,852.60 | |
| Shady Grove | | 400.00 | |
| Smyrna | 283.33 | 869.80 | |
| South Anna | 200.00 | 200.00 | |
| St. Mark | | 500.00 | |
| Thornburg | | 1,048.00 | |
| Trinity | | 400.00 | |
| Waldrops | | | |
| Waller | 608.92 | 5,244.07 | |
| Zoar | | 2,000.00 | |
| Others | 550.00 | 1,598.00 | |
| Total as of 4/30/11 | 8,167.31 | 65,745.51 | 349.00 |

Project for June: RuraLove Read below. RuraLove - A ministry of Goshen Association to local families in crisis ~ 540.894.8440

URGENT: Silverware sets, mops, brooms, sofas, dressers, TWIN, FULL, QUEEN mattresses (separates or sets - we'll match), bed frames, pots and pans, electric stoves, washing machines, refrigerators, good vehicles, etc. Please make sure all donations work properly. **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 22401 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.

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.

Available to check out on loan - July 2007

Growing Your Heart for Host Peoples - Mark Mittelberg, Rickey Bolden

Clinging to Faith - Jennifer Rothschild

Ultimate Leadership: A Leader's Accountability Needs - Dr. Henry Cloud

High Impact Church: Beyond Survival Mode - Pastor's Torn - Chip Ingram, Steve Clifford, Bret Robbe, Rene Schlaepfer, Dave Stone

Exploring Atheism - Mark Mittelberg, Judson Poling, Frank Turek

Thank You Notes

To the kind people at the Baptist Association, thank you so very much for your help in our time of need. May you all be blessed with the Lord's love.

Dear staff, only wish you really knew how many thanks this brings to you. God bless you.

RuraLove Ministry Update

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

- 11 families with financial help
- 11 families with household needs
- 9 families with clothing



CHURCH NEWS

Antioch will hold Vacation Bible School from June 27-July 1 from 9 a.m.-noon.

Berea has a baptismal pool to give away. Contact Bev Dulaney.

Cordero de Dios (Hispanic Church Plant) will have a fishing day at Goshen on June 11 followed by a fish fry at church.

Craigs will hold a soccer camp from July 25-29 from 6-8:30 p.m. \$25 per child. Register by July 1.

Gordonsville will hold Vacation Bible School from June 27-July 1.

Louisa will hold Vacation Bible School from June 26-30.

Mount Gilead is excited about being a host site for the Angel Food Ministry. This ministry helps provide a weeks worth of groceries for \$20-\$40 and is open to all. Call 804-457-3508 or go to Angelfoodministries.com to place an order.

Orange ordained Alan Miller to the Gospel Ministry on Sunday, May 22. Orange welcomes four new members.

Perkins will hold Vacation Bible School from June 21-25 from 8:45-noon.

Rhoadesville will hold Vacation Bible School from July 11-15.

Shady Grove celebrated their 140th anniversary May 1.

Trinity will hold a Memorial Day musical celebration on Sunday, May 29 from 10:30-12:30 a.m.

Waller has called Jojuan White as associate pastor.

Sincere Sympathy

to Larry and Debbie Hoyle and their family on the death of her father, Paul Bulifant, Jr. Larry is the pastor of Louisa Baptist.

Help Wanted

Church Accompanist for Mineral Baptist Church...Submit resume to kmoskowitz@mineralbaptistchurch.org or mail resume to Karen Moskowitz, Minister of Music, Mineral Baptist Church, P.O. Box 447, Mineral, VA 23117

Ministry Opportunity. We are seeking to raise a Good News Club for Trevilians Elementary School. If you have a heart for reaching children contact Grace Mancuso at rgmancuso@embarqmail.com or call 434-589-6255.

Horses for Panama

Here are the churches who donated a horse for the evangelists who will work in the mountains of Panama:

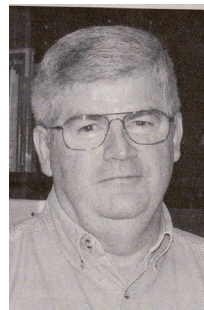
Waller, North Pamunkey, Oakland, Smyrna, Gordonsville, the Kunkels, Craigs, the youth at Zoar, and Hebron.

"Grist from the Mill"

Osama bin Laden is dead. Somehow, I thought when I heard those words, I would have a more powerful reaction. I thought I would shout or dance or sing or pledge to the Flag of our country or somehow find a sense of relief, power or joy. But even now, several days after learning of his death, I feel none of those. Strangely, I feel a vague sense of emptiness, a feeling that somehow verges on failure.

It is not that I believe his death was unwarranted. He had made himself an enemy of my nation and of my faith. But, I remember hearing somewhere that the Lord is not the enemy of His enemies, and that thought will not leave my mind. I remember that he was the leader who caused the deaths in New York, Pennsylvania, and the Pentagon. The families of those victims have a far better reason to rejoice in his death than do I. And those thousands who have suffered a death in the war against terror have also reason to see the death of this man differently than I do. But there is still within me that void.

I suppose what it comes to is this. Every day I live in dependence upon the grace of the Lord to get me through. Now, bin Laden will never know that grace or the forgiveness Christ offers. Do I have any reason to think that bin Laden would have changed, repented and found Christ? Absolutely none. Yet, is it not the heart of our faith to believe that the worst can be forgiven and become a servant of the Lord in this world?



Osama bin Laden is dead. Let us use his death as a reminder of our duty to tell the world of God's love.

John

Update on Haiti Relief

Over \$535,000. has been given by members of Virginia Baptist Churches for Haiti Relief. As of mid April the first floor of the orphanage has been completed and walls on the second floor are up and ready to pour second floor. The orphanage is due to be completed by August or September 2011. It will house 50-60 children, have a water purification system that will enable them to sell bottled water to neighbors and a large kitchen where they can sell food to the community. They have property where they will grow produce and raise chickens/eggs. They plan to be self supporting in 3-5 years.

There will also be a connecting wing that will be used for a community center. They will offer job and computer skill training. Eight homes have been completed and three more near completion. \$3,000 provides materials to build one house. To date, in every home built by Virginia Baptists volunteers (except one) the homeowner has come to know the Lord Jesus as Savior.

During May -July there will be seven teams going to Haiti.

June Birthdays & Anniversaries

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| 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 |
| 26 | Wilson Anniversary | Perkins |
| 27 | Tim Wilson | Perkins |

June

- 6 WMU annual planning 6 p.m. GMC
- 11 RuraLove Yard Sale 8-1
- 12-13 National WMU Meeting - Phoenix, AZ
- 14-15 SBC Annual Meeting - Phoenix, AZ

GMC = Goshen Ministry Center 587 Mica Rd., Mineral

Need a pulpit supply?

See the website for an updated list of supply preachers at www.goshenassociation.com or call the Goshen Ministry Center at 540.894.8440.

Websites for Ministries

Door of Hope - South Africa (Christian Orphanages which place abandoned children) 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

South India - Dr. & Mrs. Kunjumon Chacko, P.O. Box 11, Vadavathoor P.O, Kottayam, Kerala, India 686010
email: chackos@sancharnet.in www.preciouschildren.org

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.

The Leadership Gathering
“Energy: The Power of One”
May 6-7 at Eagle Eyrie

www.vbmb.org for more information

Newsletter deadline is the 15th of each month.

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