

Goshen News

Goshen Baptist Association

www.goshenassociation.com

October 2011

Volume XXXII Number 10

Fall Missions Celebration

Sun., Oct. 9

2:45 Registration

3 until... packing meals
for

Stop Hunger Now

Place **CHANGE**: Family Life Center
of Mineral Baptist Church



Stop Hunger Now Funds so far

Individuals	\$203.25
First Baptist	\$151.75
North Pamunkey	\$629.33
Mineral VBS	\$582.82
Trinity	\$500.00
Mt. Gilead	\$144.12
Craigs WOM	\$ 50.00
Dogwood	\$244.78
Elk Creek	\$1,126.00
Mechanicsville	\$1,168.25
Craigs VBS Sr. Mens and Ladies Class	\$500.00
Berea	\$ 79.85
New Hope	\$554.70
Total	\$5,934.85



Goshen Baptist Association Annual Meeting

Tuesday, Oct. 25
Louisa Baptist Church
10:00 a.m.

**“The Hands of Christ:
Serving, Growing, Cooperating”**

Devotional

Rev. Larry Hoyle

Special Music

Mr. Steve Comer

Annual Sermon

Rev. Lowell Wright

Mission Message

Chaplain Karen Powell

2010-2011 Ministry Action Budget Receipts

Mission Opportunities

Church	August	Year	GRIF 2011
Antioch		3,068.68	
Berea		450.00	
Blue Ridge Shores	194.97	2,133.99	
Craigs			84.00
Crossroads CC		25.00	
Dogwood	333.28	2,441.16	255.00
Elk Creek		4,850.00	391.00
FBC, Louisa		100.00	
Goldmine		798.92	100.00
Gordonsville		9,927.90	
Hebron	200.00	1,400.00	567.21
Louisa	1,330.00	7,218.31	240.00
Mechanicsville	1,010.35	9,399.79	890.00
Memorial/Columbia		75.00	
Mine Road	150.00	1,650.00	32.00
Mineral	1,500.00	9,182.00	
Mount Gilead	451.94	4,738.89	195.00
Mount Hermon		220.00	
New Hope		3,000.00	
North Pamunkey	495.51	4,817.57	530.00
Oakland	447.98	5,998.91	200.00
Orange	216.66	2,383.26	370.00
Perkins		3,000.00	980.00
Rhoadesville	500.00	5,378.00	645.00
Servants of Christ		2,317.65	225.00
Shady Grove		400.00	
Smyrna		1,294.80	
South Anna		400.00	
St. Mark		500.00	
Thornburg	158.00	1,808.00	
Trinity	200.00	800.00	
Waldrops		1,124.07	
Walters	17,028.58	23,659.95	50.00
Zoar	2,250.00	4,250.00	207.00
Others	1,100.00	5,651.00	55.00
Total as of 8/31/11	27,567.27	124,462.85	6,016.21

Project for October: All Occasion Cards and Christmas Cards for prisons. 10 to a pack.

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.

RuraLove Ministry Update

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

- 15 families with financial help
- 8 families with household needs
- 1 families with a whole house
- 5 families with clothing
- 1 family with a layette
- 2 families with a project
- 1 family with medical equip.



Music Notice

The Goshen Media Center has three Cantatas to loan. They also have several volumes of Hozanna music to lend.

Disaster Funding for Earthquake victims

The Virginia Department of Emergency Management will be sending personnel to Louisa to assist in our damage assessment of residential structures, working with our emergency services and other county staff. I have been assured that if we can get a list of uninsured, affected properties (and values) to the state, we may be eligible for disaster funding to help. If you have anyone needing assistance, please have them call the emergency services at (540) 967.3491 to get their information catalogued.

CHURCH NEWS

Elk Creek presented a check to Goshen for Stop Hunger Now to pay for over 4500 meals. They exceeded their church goal by collecting change every Sunday. No one was to leave with a jangle in their pockets. They reached their goal by mid July. One young boy gathered all of Mom's laundry-collecting change and another brought a church-shaped bank.

Mechanicsville (Route 22) will celebrate homecoming Oct. 2 with lunch following the 11 a.m. service. This is the 183rd year of worship. You're invited to a Gospel sing on Oct. 15. Donations accepted to support Camp Little Crossroads Scholarships.

Mine Road recently sent two members to Trinidad for mission work and sent 9 members to New Jersey for mission work with World Changers. Homecoming will be held Sun., Oct. 9 with a meal following the 11 a.m. service. A BBQ dinner will be held October 15 from 4-7 p.m. Tickets are \$10.

New Hope welcomes 29 new members the first half of 2011 including 11 baptized. Two deacons were also ordained.

Orange welcomes two new members.

FALL FESTIVALS

Mechanicsville (Route 22) will hold a Harvest Festival on Oct. 31 from 6-8 p.m. Games and food for children and youth. Everyone is welcome!

Mount Gilead's Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, October 15 at 4:00 p.m. Fun, Food, and Fellowship for all ages.

Oakland will hold their 31st annual Fall Festival on Sat., October 8 from 8-2; vendors, car show, basket raffle, live music, games and prizes for the kids, children's consignment sale, food and baked goods available, brunswick stew, vegetable soup, jams, jellies, and much more. Free booths available by calling Sherry at 804.855.7446.

South Anna will hold a Fall festival on Oct. 15 from 10-5. There will be old machinery, a petting zoo, games for the children, lunch provided, music in the afternoon by True Spirit Gospel Band at 2 p.m. Other music groups throughout the day. The WMU will have a booth with quilts and yard sale items with proceeds going to Baptist World Hunger Fund.

Walters will hold a Fall festival on Sat., October 1 from 10-3. All are welcome for a time of free fun and fellowship.

Composition Books

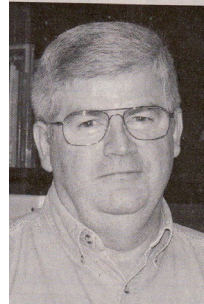
Please note that I can no longer give out the black and white composition books to offenders to be used as journals. Security uses the black and white ones. So the inmates must have the colored composition books. The purpose is to differentiate between the two.

Chaplain Karen Powell
VA Correctional Center
for Women

"Grist from the Mill"

Many years ago, a friend asked me how much Spanish I knew. I surprised him when I replied, "Enough to get my face slapped." Rather than leave him wondering about my answer, and life-style, I told him that Spanish uses idioms, phrases and such that may literally mean one thing, but may be interpreted in an entirely different way to the hearer. I do not know enough Spanish to always be able to say things correctly and so may unintentionally say the wrong thing.

All languages share this same risk. English is a notoriously difficult language to learn as so much of our language is based on context, idiom, and region of the country. It amazed me to learn that a Yankee in New York is someone who lives in New England while in New England a Yankee is someone who eats their peas with a knife. My Southern-born mother's thoughts on what constitutes a Yankee I will not share.



We too often use words like Yankee because those words have an emotional impact. We want the hearers to think about the object of our discussion in a certain way. By calling them a Yankee, or any of the numerous other charged words we have in our vocabulary, we attack a human being as certainly as if we had thrown a rock or a knife at them.

Our intention is to control how others see that person, and what we want them to see is not positive or affirming.

Sadly, we find this behavior within the church. The epithets are different, perhaps, and may even be disguised by a pious mask. But the intention to manipulate and the harm caused are as devious and devastating as you will find on the streets. Such behavior edifies no one, nor is it of Christ.

John

Stop Hunger Now

Please make sure you get your Stop Hunger Now money into the office ASAP so we can order the food for packing.

Congratulations

to Rick and Karen Clore, pastor of Orange Baptist on the birth of a granddaughter, Ava Renee Wilkerson, born August 12. She was 8 lbs. 5 1/2 ounces.

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

08	Marshall Burgess	Retired
08	Una Wright	Trinity
14	Joyce Childs	Retired

October

1	RuraLove Yard Sale 8-1
3	Coordinating Committee Meeting GMC 7 p.m.
4-5	VA Baptist Mission Board Meeting EE
6	Minister's Breakfast 9 a.m. GMC
8	Hispanic Team Meeting 10:30 a.m. GMC
9	Goshen Fall Missions Celebration - Mineral Family Life Center 2:45 p.m.
10	Audit Committee GMC 10 a.m.
17	Associational Council Meeting GMC 7 p.m.
25	Goshen Fall Meeting 10 a.m. Louisa - Group 5
25	Deadline for Mission Opportunity (Cards)
30	"Consider Your Call" Sunday

GMC = Goshen Ministry Center 587 Mica Rd., Mineral
VBRC= Virginia Baptist Resource Center, Richmond
CCCC = Crossroads Camp and Conference Center

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.

LOST

"The God Makers" is lost from the Goshen Media Center. If you have it call the Goshen Ministry Center at 540.894.8440.

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.

Newsletter deadline is the 15th of each month.

Goshen News

Goshen Baptist Association
587 Mica Road
P.O. Box 296
Mineral, Virginia 23117

Rev. John Miller, DoM
Cell: 540.229.5366
Joy Dickens, Ministry Assistant
Phone: 540.894.8440
Fax: 540.894.8442
Email: goshenba@nexet.net
website: www.goshenassociation.com

Tammy Wood, Editor

**ADDRESS
SERVICE
REQUESTED**

**Non Profit Organization
U.S. Postage Paid
Permit Number 1
Louisa, Virginia 23093**