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SAVE THE DATE…

Oakland Baptist Church will host the PBA Annual Spring Meeting, **Sunday, April 26th at 4:00 PM**. ***This Hope*** will perform. We look forward to having all PBA churches attend!

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

At our February conference, David Washburn from the BGAV gave us an update on the many things that our churches' contributions to them are accomplishing in Virginia and abroad. It was a very informative session, and he also listened to find out what of our concerns he could take back with him.

Dr. Roger Crump will host the March conference on **Monday, March 2, 2020** at 10:30 AM at **Powers Memorial Baptist Church,** 2807 Jackson Street, Hopewell. Guest speaker Rosa will be discussing her mission trip to Austria and Lebanon, and the work with refugees. It promises to be informative and enlightening.

As of press time, details for the April and May conferences are still being confirmed, but Rev. Lee Woodcock and Rev. Wilson Conwell are working hard to bring great programs those months. We will distribute the details via email when they are known.

We are currently looking for topics/presenters for the 2020-21 year. If you have an area of particular expertise, or know a presenter who does, please let me know (mike@sappony1773.org). You can also call or text 804-896-2859.

I look forward to meeting with you soon!

In Christ,
Mike

PRAYER CONCERNS

4 Churches without Pastors
Associational Ministries
Romania Partnership

KEHUKEE COUNCIL

Mark your calendar for March 21!! We will have a Kehukee Work Day (Rain Date 3/28) to start some projects that need to be accomplished before our groups start arriving for the summer. If your church would like to assist, but this date doesn't work for you…. PLEASE contact me: 804-894-2323 or email me at: william.wilson418@gmail.com. and we will get you on the calendar.

Bill Wilson, Kehukee Coordinator

Part-Time Minister of Music Position

First Baptist - Petersburg is seeking a part-time, two days a week, Minister of Music, who can play the organ, the piano and direct an adult choir.

If you are interested in the position or know of someone who might be interested, contact the church 804-733-7484.

Resumes can be sent to:

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UNSHAKABLE PURSUIT

"***My dear friends, stand firm and don't be shaken. Always keep busy working for the Lord. You know that everything you do for Him is worthwhile.***" *1 Cor 15:58 (CEV)*

IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE!! The PBA **WMU Annual Meeting** date has been changed from Tuesday, April 7th to **Tuesday, April 21st.** Please be sure to update your calendar! The meeting will be held at Zion Church in Emporia, beginning at 9:45 am. Lunch will be provided after the meeting. Our guest speaker will be Mrs. Valerie Carter Smith, Executive Director/Treasurer of WMU of Virginia. Join us on April 21st and be inspired and encouraged by Valerie, and enjoy a time of worship and fellowship as co-laborers for Christ!

It is during our WMU Annual Meeting that Leadership Team officers for the upcoming WMU year are presented and voted on. Please join our Team in prayer as our Nominating Committee seeks candidates willing and ready to serve!

March 1st through 8th is the **Week of Prayer for North American Missions and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**. In reading the stories of the highlighted missionaries during the Week of Prayer, we realize that, like many of us, they too sometimes feel inadequate, unprepared, or ill-qualified in their missions work. May we better understand our role in helping them to fulfill the Great Commission. We have an opportunity to bring help and hope to missionaries and the communities they serve. Through our prayers and support, we enable missionaries and church planters to do the most crucial thing: share the gospel.

Other dates of interest:

If you are interested in serving with the **Standing Rock Mission**, **training sessions** will be held on April 18th at the Virginia Baptist Resource Center, 9am to 4pm.

WMUV Mom & Me will be held April 24th – 25th or April 25th – 26th at Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center.

The annual **RA Family Event** will be held June 5th & 6th at Kings Dominion.
Information and registration for each of these events can be found via WMUV.org -OR- by calling the WMUV office at (804) 915-5000.

Blessed to serve with you,

Tammie Frazier
Association WMU Director

FROM THE DESK OF... *INTERIM DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS*

Thrill-seekers…beware! I enjoy amusement parks. I do not enjoy the rides, in fact, I rarely get on one. But I do enjoy watching people and their reactions to certain rides. For the most part, however, I just enjoy watching people.

I have been fortunate to be able to go to Disney World almost every year with good friends. The massive crowds are most interesting. Some folks just meander around (like me) with no certain destination in mind. Others seem to have a plan and scurry off to fulfill their expectations.

From the very young to the very old, from every sort of background and ethnicity, from every size and shape, you can find them walking the pathways of Disney, or any other gathering place, and one might wonder if those folks know the full plan of their destiny.

Multitudes of people making decisions…right, wrong, or indifferent. Joel 3:14 reads, ***"Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision."***

What decisions are on your horizon? Your church? The Petersburg Baptist Association? Since God has given us the power and the freedom to choose our future, far too many are rejecting the very ONE who can guide them on the right path.

Don't be caught up in the crowd heading in the wrong direction. Step out and step up. Be the leader and example Christ intended you to be. Our Association is dependent on leaders like you. Join us as we seek God's will for the future of the PBA.

By the way, for those of you who enjoy a good thrill ride or rollercoaster, you can help lead the way for all of us. After all, it is a small world!

Serving HIM by Serving You!

Pastor Fred

MISSIONS & EVANGLISM

Greetings in the name of our LORD JESUS CHRIST. We ask that you continue to hold us up before THE LORD in your prayers. As we seek HIS guidance in searching for a partnership mission field. May our LORD continue to keep you and bless you.

In CHRIST,
Tom

SUMMER MISSIONARY

The Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to seek and employ a Summer Missionary this year. We are interested in a young adult with at least one year of college, who has a heart for ministry, working especially with children and youth in the Association. The Summer Missionary would be available to assist in Vacation Bible Schools of member churches on a first-call, first-served basis. He or she would also be available to assist with activities at Camp Kehukee involving children or youth sponsored by the PBA or member churches. Other duties are listed in the job description that is located on the insert of your Gleam and on our web page. The Missionary must be available to work about 30 hours/week for at least 10 weeks during the summer, and have their own transportation. The pay would either be $15/hour, or a salary of up to $4500. Contact the PBA office for more information. A candidate may email a resume to info@petersburgbaptist.org or mail to: Petersburg Baptist Association P.O. Box 3117 Petersburg, VA 23805 by March 23 if interested. We would like to present a candidate at the April 20 Executive Committee Meeting.

Dr. Mark Hughes, Chairman, PBA Personnel Committee

March - May 2020

Mar 1-8		Week of Prayer-North American & Global Missions
Mar 2	10:30 AM	Ministers' Conference– Powers Memorial Baptist Church
Mar 8		Daylight Savings Time Begins/Spring Forward
Mar 10	7:00 PM	Mission & Evangelism Meeting - Associational Office
Mar 18	9:30 AM	Budget & Finance Meeting – Associational Office
Mar 21	8:00 AM-1:00 PM	Kehukee Work Day – Camp Kehukee (Rain Date: March 28th)
Apr 5		Palm Sunday
Apr 6	10:30 AM	Ministers Conference – Associational Office
Apr 7	11:45 AM	Kehukee Team Leader's Meeting – Associational Office
Apr 8	9:30 AM	Budget & Finance Meeting – Associational Office
Apr 8	1:00 PM	Nominating Committee Meeting – Associational Office
Apr 9	7:00 PM	Kehukee Council Meeting – Oaklawn Baptist Church
Apr 12		Easter
Apr 13		Easter Monday – Office Closed
Apr 14	9:45 AM	WMU Annual Meeting- Zion Baptist Church
Apr 20	7:00 PM	Association Executive Council- Walthall Baptist Church
Apr 21	9:45 AM	WMU Annual Meeting—Zion Baptist Church
Apr 26	2:00 PM	Annual Spring PBA Meeting – Oakland Baptist Church
Apr 27		Deadline for all **Councils** to reserve Kehukee for 2020
May 4	10:30 AM	Ministers' Conference– Associational Office
May 7		National Day of Prayer
May 9		Mission Day – Camp Kehukee
May 12	7:00 PM	Mission & Evangelism Meeting – Associational Office
May 13	9:30 AM	Budget & Finance Meeting – Associational Office
May 17 - 24		Week of Prayer for Associational Mission Emphasis & Mission Offering
May 18	10:00AM – 2:00 PM	First Kehukee Reservation Day – 2021
May 25		Memorial Day - OFFICE CLOSED

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