

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The end of our conference year seems to have come upon us fast. We have appreciated those who have led our sessions this year. It has been a great time of learning and fellowship together. On May 1, Rev. Fred Adkins will lead our last session of the 2022-23 year. As usual, our meeting is at 10:30 AM at the Association Complex. Afterward, we will enjoy lunch together.

It is my prayer that the summer will provide you with fruitful ministry and adequate enjoyment with family and friends. Thank you to those who have agreed to present topics for the 2023-24 year. I look forward to receiving the information on your topics that will be presented. As a reminder, here is the coordinator schedule for the upcoming year:

September 11, 2023: Rev. Joe Sumner
 October 2, 2023: Rev. Steve Lalk
 November 6, 2023: Rev. Michael Fields
 December 4, 2023: Dr. Gilbert Nash
 January 8, 2024: Rev. Mike Dickey
 February 5, 2024: Dr. Joe Lewis
 March 4, 2024: Dr. Mark Hughes
 April 8, 2024: Rev. Steve Knott
 May 6, 2024: Dr. Roger Crump

Please put these dates on your calendar so that you can learn and grow together with us.

In Christ,
Mike

KEHUKEE RESERVATIONS

Kehukee reservations for 2024 will begin Monday, May 15th for PBA Churches 1st selection.

Please call the office 804-733-2010 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM.

The next reservation date will be Monday, June 19th for your churches 2nd selection.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Associational Ministries & Churches
WMU Ministries
Missionaries
Ukraine

Mission Council

The Executive Council voted to approve the Mission Week Offering May 14 - 21. The theme this year will be "Praying for Fellow Believers".

Partnership Mission will remain 50% of the offering received as well as 50% for Disaster Relief.

Churches should have received their packets with the prayer guide, poster, and envelopes. If your church needs more envelopes please contact the PBA office.

We hope your church participates in the Associational Missions Emphasis Week.

The next Mission Council Meeting will be held Tuesday, May 9th at 6:30 pm at the PBA Complex. We invite you to join us!



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HOPE

---IN CHRIST---

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. (Rom 12:12)

Our 115th PBA WMU Annual Meeting was held at Zion Church on Tuesday April 18th. There were 36 people in attendance, representing 14 PBA churches. It was a beautiful morning of fellowship and worship, to include special music by Sheila Holland of Shiloh Church, hymns led by Margaret Suyes of Immanuel Church and piano accompaniment by Jean Roach of Oakland Church. Our special guest and featured speaker was “Coffee Bean” (Debbie Allen) of Mount Pleasant Church who delighted us with stories and information of her 15 years of missionary service to the Moo People in Southeast Asia. A delicious luncheon was provided by Zion following the meeting. Many, many thanks to Pastor Larry Grizzard and the folks of Zion for their hospitality, to the many others that participated in and assisted with the meeting, and to all that attended!

There are opportunities for YOU to serve with our PBA WMU Leadership Team! Prayerfully consider how you can serve the missions groups of our association – you don’t have to be asked or invited! Come, share your special gifts and talents!

For your participation and prayer support:

May 3rd – PBA WMU Leadership Team Meeting – 10:00 a.m. at the PBA Complex.

May 4th – National Day of Prayer – The first Thursday of May each year marks the observance of the National Day of Prayer. Originally signed into law by Congress in 1952 and designated an official day in 1988, the National Day of Prayer in the U.S. is a day when people of all faiths are asked to pray for our nation. Prayer guides and other helpful resources can be found at www.nationaldayofprayer.org.

May 13th – PBA WMU Spring Children’s Missions Day Camp – 10:00 a.m. to noon at our beautiful Camp Kehukee for all association children in kindergarten through sixth grade. Bring the children of your family, church family, and neighborhood for a morning of missions learning and fun as we **Dig into God’s Word!** Please register via phone to Leslie Allin @ 804-720-0061.

May 13th – World Fair Trade Day is an opportunity for your members to learn how WorldCrafts works with nearly 50 artisan groups representing thousands of people across more than 20 countries. Visit World-Crafts.org to shop for artisans’ products and to get a deeper insight into the people who produce these items. Pray for the hands that perform the work and the hearts that seek hope.

May 14th – 21st – Week of Prayer for Association Missions and Offering.

June 20th – World Refugee Day - Every year on June 20, the world recognizes World Refugee Day. Many churches use the month of June to honor, pray for, and welcome refugees. This is a perfect time for the body of Christ to follow His command and lead in embracing refugees. Pray about how your church can get involved in welcoming displaced peoples. Visit wmu.com/refugees for more information and resources.

July 10th – Association Women on Mission Meeting – 7:00 p.m. at the PBA Complex. Come and hear a presentation by our featured speaker, Kathleen Robinson, Executive Director of the Braille Circulating Library, Richmond.

Tammie Frazier
Association WMU Director

FROM THE DESK OF... INTERIM DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

“Our theme for May should be, **“Be Patient and Do Not Anger Easily”**. The reason I say that is because of the construction at Camp Kehukee. We are having to make some adjustments to scheduling and amenities offered, however, God can still use what we have at Kehukee to be a blessing to you and your church groups.

The work is well under way and no construction is without a few hurdles along the way. But we have a great group of folks working with our construction companies and overseeing the work. I can't say enough about Bob Streetz and his love and concern for Kehukee. He is on top of what is going on.

We are extremely saddened that the pool construction has been delayed but our hope is that it will be open this year. Let me remind you of the theme above.

I also want to ask that you prayerfully consider partnering with Friends of Kehukee and systematically give an offering to help offset the loan payment for the construction. We were blessed with a loan of \$150,000.00 at 3% interest for a 15-year term. Our monthly commitment is just over \$1,000.00. We currently have a few people who are giving every month to that cause but we need more. We can do this with God's help. We are counting on the good folks of the PBA to come through.

On another subject of importance, the Executive Council approved a motion to send the new constitution and bylaws to the messengers of the PBA Annual meeting in October. The committee of nine worked very hard to place in our hands a document that should work for many years to come.

As always, I consider it a privilege to serve the Petersburg Baptist Association. Please let us know if we can do anything to help your ministry for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

Serving HIM by Serving You,
Pastor Fred

KEHUKEE COUNCIL

Because of the approval and overwhelming support at the Special Called Business Meeting on March 13th, supplemental funding for the extensive repairs to Camp Kehukee was approved. In very short order through prayers and obvious Godly support, a very favorable loan was acquired. This loan allowed the repairs to begin immediately.

The first step was to repair the damage to the inside walls of the Spain Conference Center. This work was completed in the second week of April. The Monday following, the causes of our problems were attacked and is ongoing as I write this article. As soon as the water diversion work is finished, the concrete work will begin. This and other work will finish the project in the very near future - weather permitting!

While all this work is going on at the Center, the work at our pool is beginning. As you may recall we have identical water related problems there as well. Additionally we have many upgrades and repairs that must be carried out. This is no small project. The cost is quite high. If the pool is to have a future, this work must be done. As always, prayer is the common thread that joins our effort with success.

So the next 6 weeks will certainly be eventful. Effort, organization and money are all in place. The weather and as always—the unseen future is the great unknown. Therefore, our road to success must be heavily paved with much prayer. Please continue to pray for Kehukee.

To God be the glory.

Bob Streetz
Kehukee Coordinator

Associational Calendar May - July 2023

May 1	10:30 AM	Ministers' Conference- PBA Complex
May 4		National Day of Prayer
May 9	6:30 PM	Mission Council Meeting – PBA Complex
May 10	9:30 AM	Budget & Finance Meeting – PBA Complex
May 13	10:00—Noon	PBA WMU Spring Children's Missions Day Camp—Camp Kehukee
May 14-21		Mission Week Offering for Associations
May 15	10:00AM – 2:00 PM	First Kehukee Reservation Day – 2024
May 29		Memorial Day - OFFICE CLOSED
Jun 6	7:00 PM	Leadership Meeting – PBA Complex
Jun 13-14		Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting – New Orleans, LA
Jun 14	9:30 AM	Budget and Finance – PBA Complex
Jun 19	10:00AM – 2:00 PM	Second Reservation Day for Reserving Camp Kehukee - 2024
July 4		Fourth of July – Office Closed
July 11	11:45 AM	Kehukee Team Leaders Meeting – PBA Complex
July 11	6:30 PM	Missions Council Meeting – PBA Complex
July 12	9:30 AM	Budget & Finance Meeting – PBA Complex
July 13	7:00 PM	Kehukee Council – Oakland Baptist Church
July 17		PBA - All Reservations for Camp Kehukee - 2022
July 17	7:00 PM	Associational Executive Council – PBA Complex
July 17		All Budget Request Forms due for 2024 Budget

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