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### This Month

### February 2022

- 9 Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 13-20 Focus on WMU Week
- 21 President's Day, MBO closed
- 22 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 27 Racial Reconciliation Sunday
- 28 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO

Train-YOU-Ary RESCHEDULED!!!!

> Tracks For Pastors, Youth Leaders, and Music Leaders

# February 19th, '22, 9a-4p, FBC Sylvester

# Cost \$15 (Includes lunch and materials)

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### DOM Thoughts

Psalms 34:8 Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good. Blessed is the man who trusts in Him! (NKJV)

Before we came to southwest Georgia, I pastored a church in the upstate of SC. While there, I had the opportunity to teach at Anderson University (AU). I taught an overview of the Bible class that all graduates of AU were required to take. I really enjoyed getting to know the students and to help them increase in their knowledge and understanding of God's Word.

Being familiar with the town of Anderson, I had been to a restaurant called "The Corner Bagel" several times. The store is only open for breakfast and lunch. The bagels there are wonderful, and they also make a wonderful sandwich. Up until this point, I had only tried a couple, and my favorite was the Ruben. However, they had at least 20 other sandwiches. I determined, at the beginning of my final semester teaching, that I would eat there every time I taught class; and I would systematically order all the sandwiches on their menu. While I wasn't certain that I would enjoy all the sandwiches and their combinations of flavors, I knew the quality of ingredients the shop used and the fact that I had never had a bad meal there.

I thought about this experience when I happened upon this verse in my Bible reading recently. I must admit, I find David's word choice odd. How does one "taste the Lord?" or "taste the goodness of the Lord?" I could think of a number of words that I would have used instead like: "trust", "know", or "experience". Yet, David says "taste," and at least for me, that reminds me of the many good flavors I have tasted over the years; and the fact that there are things that taste good, and there are things that taste bad, at least to me.

Fact is, I trusted the kind folks at Corner Bagel, so I was willing to go out of my comfort zone to try the other menu offerings. I was not let down. After trying all of their sandwich offerings, I would eat any of them again. Same is true of the Lord, even more so. I have trusted the Lord in my life for 36 years now. While I have come to some "menu" offerings that did not look good, He has not failed once to work them out for good. So, with David, I would encourage you to taste and see that the Lord is good. Even when the menu doesn't look all that appetizing, trust that He who is making the "dish" knows what He is doing.

As one who is infinitely weaker than the Lord, Hans

# ENGAGE, ENCOURAGE, EMPOWER

### Church News

Alpha: Alpha Baptist Church in Leesburg GA is looking for a Pianist for Sunday 11am service only.

Antioch: ABC is prayerfully looking for a Youth Minister to lead and guide our church's middle and high school students. Visit our webpage or click the link below for more information >>> https://drive.google.com/.../13YXRdNmK9J2wRQKw.../view

**Faith:** Faith Baptist Church is seeking a piano player for Sunday mornings and Sunday evenings, which includes choir practice. If you are interested or know anyone who might be interested, please contact Pastor David Cromie at <u>davidcromie.27@gmail.com</u>.

**Lakeside:** Lakeside Baptist Church is searching for a part time Music Minister. For more information please reach out to Pastor Andrew Kornegay at 334-695-1121 or <u>Andrew.kornegay@gmail.com</u>

<u>New Hope</u>: New Hope Baptist Church, Scooterville GA, is seeking a bi-vocational pastor. Prayerfully interested individuals are requested to send a resume to the following address: New Hope Baptist Church ATTN: Pastor Search Committee / Steve Powell, 5445 GA Hwy 256 Sumner GA 31789 Please provide via email as well to: <u>roberthwilliams61@icloud.com</u>

**Poulan:** Poulan Baptist Church is seeking a pastor. Please send resumes to Poulan Baptist Church, P.O. Box 67, att: pastor search committee, Poulan Ga ,31781

**Sherwood:** Register for Spring Sports! Soccer & Baseball. Register at <u>sherwoodbaptist.net/sports</u>



### WHAT'S HAPPENING

### March 2022

- 6-13 Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong Easter
- 9 MBA Administrative Team, Noon, MBO
- 13 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO
  MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 22 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC 27 Church Planting Sunday
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### <u>April 2022</u>

- 8 MBA Senior Adult Rally, Noon, Lakeside
- 14 Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 10-17 Holy Week
- 17 Easter
- 18 Easter Monday, MBO closed
- 21 MBA Spring Meeting, 7pm, Central, Albany
- 25 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO
- 26 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 27 Administrative Professionals Day

#### May 2022

- 1 Senior Adult Sunday
- 5 National Day of Prayer
- 8 Mother's Day
- 10 MBA Administrative Team, Noon, MBO
- 16 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO
- 24 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 30 Memorial Day, MBO Closed

### June 2022

- 5 Disaster Relief Sunday
- 14-15 SBC Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA
- 19 Father's Day
- 20 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO

#### July 2022

- 4 Independence Day, MBO Closed
- 14 MBA Senior Adult Rally, Noon, Byne
- 18 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO

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December Income: \$14,627.21
 December Expenses: \$15,373.79
 Budget Needs Per Month: \$14,669.25

## For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life. Tahn 3:16

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### Minister/Staff Anniversaries

### February:

- 1 Jong Choi, Pastor, Korean First
- 1 Mark Scardino, Children's Pastor, Sherwood
- 18 Tim Johnson, MS Assoc. Pastor, Sherwood

### **Minister/Staff Birthdays**

### <u>February:</u>

- 2 Paul Gotthardt, Senior Pastor, Sherwood
- 19 Hans Wunch, Director of Missions, MBA
- 21 Grady Morey, Interim Pastor, Westview
- 21 Melvin Slappy, Pastor, Kinchafoonee

### MALLARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PRAYER UPDATE

(Acts 1:8 Prayer Plan—Volume 24, Number 2, February 2022)

#### **Urgent Prayer Requests**

David Smith as he takes treatments for cancer.

Those impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and their families. Pray for our churches, pastors, and leaders as they lead during this time.

#### Our Jerusalem

### 1. Pray for our Vision to become a reality: "Serving together the churches of the Mallary Baptist Association will make disciples to impact the world."

2. We are praying for our churches and pastors according to an alphabetical list of churches. Alpha (Les Reed, pastor), Antioch (Bruce Gordon, pastor), Beacon (Jim Eubanks, interim), Bethel (Dan Story, pastor), and Bridgeboro (Bobby Joe Brown, pastor).

3. Pray for the churches without pastors: Beacon, Bryant Drive, New Hope, Poulan, Terrell, Thundering Springs, and Union.

- 4. Pray for our city and county officials in Dougherty, Lee, and Worth Counties.
- 5. Pray for our schools, colleges, boards of education, superintendents, principals, teachers, and students.
- 6. Pray for the lost in your family and your circle of influence (work, school, recreation, neighborhood, etc.).
- 7. Pray for unity in the body of Christ in our association and surrounding area.

8. Pray for the meetings of the Prayer/Discipleship Team, Evangelism/Missions Team, Administrative Team, as well as the monthly MBA Prayer Time.

9. Pray for the Mallary Baptist Staff (Dr. Hans Wunch and Mrs. Pat Wilks).

10.Pray for the Mallary Baptist Associational Spring Meeting, April 21st, 2022 at Central Baptist Church.

11. Pray for the Alpha Pregnancy Centers in Albany and Worth Counties.

12. Pray for Call to Care, Promise 686, Lutheran Services of GA, and other foster / adoptive organizations.

#### Our Judea

1. Pray for our state government officials.

2. Pray for the Georgia Baptist Mission Board: its Executive Director (Thomas Hammond), its ministries, and other State Missionaries.

3. Pray that God would continue to raise up 31 churches in our area to pray for 24 hours each month (one day) for spiritual awakening and renewal in SW Georgia. <u>Churches are signing up now</u>. Contact MBA if you would like to join.

4. Pray for New Church Plants and Church Strengthening efforts in our GA Baptist Churches.

#### Our Samaria

1. Pray for our national government leaders.

2. Pray for the North American Mission Board, its president (Kevin Ezell), staff, and its missionaries.

3. Pray for the Southern Baptist Convention: CEO search committee of the Executive Committee and Ed Litton,

SBC President.

4. Pray for our SBC Annual Meeting June 14-15, 2022 in Anaheim, CA.

5. Pray for our partnership with the Metropolitan New York Baptist Association, New York; George Russ, Executive Director; its 260 churches; and their church planting efforts.

- 6. Pray for Pastor Lito & Pastor Bruce Plummer serving in MT. That God would call pastors to serve the tribes.
- 7. Pray for the revival of God's people and the spiritual awakening of our nation and the world.
- 8. Pray for the protection and support of our law enforcement, fire fighters, EMS personnel, and Medical Staff.
- 9. Pray for Brandton and Katie Wood and New England Church Planters.

10.Pray for Josh and Shannon Jennings, church planters in Sedona, AZ.

#### **Our Uttermost Parts of the World**

- 1. Pray for the International Mission Board--its president (Paul Chitwood), staff, and missionaries.
- 2. Pray for the 1.8 billion Muslims of the world that they would come to an understanding of who Jesus Christ is.
- 3. Pray for the Gospel of Christ to come to the 3.1 billion unreached people in the world.
- 4. Pray for protection for our armed forces around the globe.

5. Pray that the people of the world would have stable governments and that they would have an opportunity to hear the Gospel and respond.

- 6. Pray that those who are seeking to escape religious persecution would find freedom.
- 7. Pray for the millions of families globally, who deal with the impact abortion has had on their lives.
- 8. Pray for Gideons International, Wycliffe Bible Translators, and Christian Missionaries around the world.
- 9. Ukraine and especially the believers of that country.

#### Next Prayer Time 2/28/2022 at 10am at Mallary Baptist Association Office. All are Welcome

#### **Prayer for Renewal and Revival**

As we start a new year, we are prone to think about ways we can grow and improve in the year to come. Many people refer to those improvements as resolutions. While there are several ways you can encourage your walk with Christ, prayer should be a part of all of them. When you study your Bible, you should pray that the Lord gives you wisdom to understand what you are reading. When you gather for worship, you should pray before, during, and after the service for God to be glorified and His will to be done. When you share your faith, or serve others, you should pray for opportunities to point people to Christ.

So, what do we pray for first? You. That is right, you are the subject of our prayer time this month. Now, that may seem selfish, or odd, but you are part of the field that I believe God desires to revive and renew. We have to start somewhere, and you are already willing to pray. As you begin your prayer time, open your Bible to the 51<sup>st</sup> Psalm. Next, ask the Lord to reveal what He desires through His Word. This is a psalm of King David. Specifically, it is a prayer/song of repentance because the Lord used a prophet named Nathan to point out to King David that his affair with Bathsheba, and subsequent murder of her husband, Uriah, was sin (If you would like to know more about what happened, read 2 Samuel 11 & 12).

Why pray for yourself first? Because we have all sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Rom 3:23). Revival and renewal have to start somewhere, wouldn't it be great if it started in you, and your church? So just like planting a crop, there are some things you can do to help the soil be more productive. In farming you can fertilize, spray for pests and weeds, and plough the land so the seeds can get a head start in the ground. Keeping with this analogy, you can fertilize by Bible study. You can spray for pests and weeds by confessing and repenting from sin. You can plough the land by gathering for worship and by being a part of this team.

As you study Psalm 51, notice King David's position or attitude before the King of kings. Examine David's attitude towards the sin that has been personally pointed out to him. Ask yourself, does David make excuses for his actions? Did he try to justify them? What were his requests to the Lord? What was David willing to do in return? Why? As you finish these questions, please continue in prayer for the following items:

- 1. As you confess your sin to the Lord, that He would forgive you and keep you from the temptation to follow in the sin again.
- 2. That God would conform the desires of your heart to His Will.
- 3. That God would create/restore within you a clean heart.
- 4. That God would help you forgive others.
- 5. That the Lord would give you a desire to confess/repent of sins quickly after they are committed.
- 6. That the Lord would transform your mind to the Mind of Christ.
- 7. That the Lord would give you eyes to see His work, ears to hear His voice, and the strength to accomplish the work that He has laid out for you to do.
- 8. Pray for the needs of the others on your team, yourself, and church (including your pastor and staff).
- 9. Pray that the Lord would make this a sweet time that you would look forward to each month.
- 10. Pray that God would send more people to pray.
- 11. Pray that the Lord would extend the free gift of salvation to those in your community and family.
- 12. Pray that God would raise up church leaders and missionaries to labor in His fields.



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 MARCH 18 - TRANSFORMED STUDENT NIGHT WCHS GYMNATORIUM 6:30-8:30