



The Messenger

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- 14 MBA Senior Adult Rally, Noon, Byne
- 18 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO

ANNUAL TRUCKLOADING

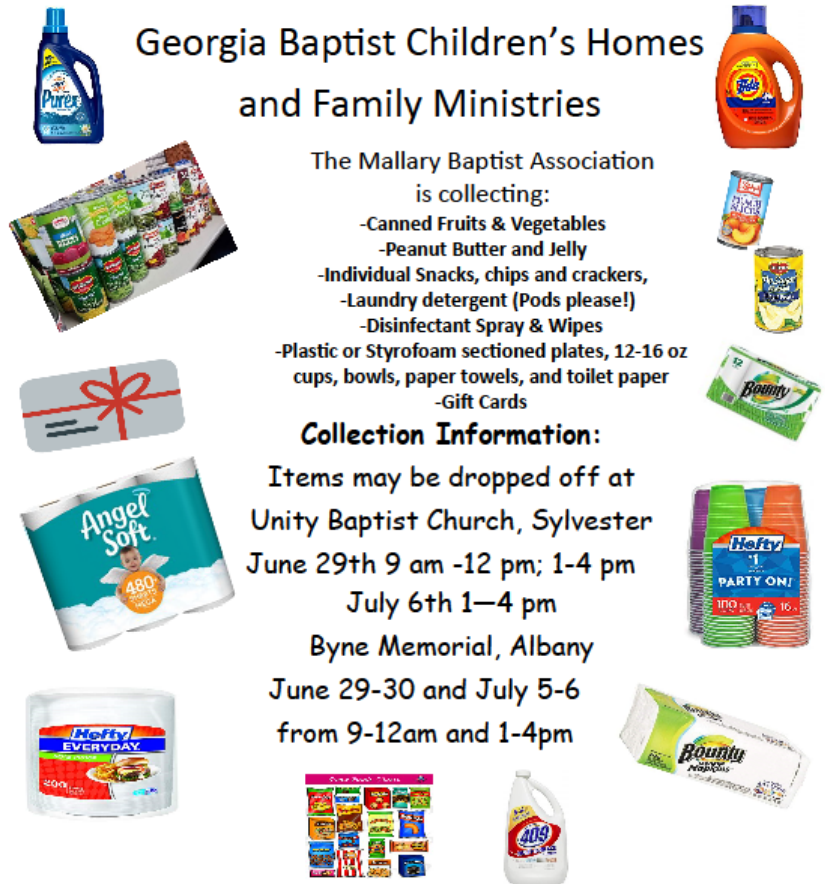
Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries

The Mallery Baptist Association is collecting:

- Canned Fruits & Vegetables
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Individual Snacks, chips and crackers,
- Laundry detergent (Pods please!)
- Disinfectant Spray & Wipes
- Plastic or Styrofoam sectioned plates, 12-16 oz cups, bowls, paper towels, and toilet paper
- Gift Cards

Collection Information:

Items may be dropped off at
 Unity Baptist Church, Sylvester
 June 29th 9 am -12 pm; 1-4 pm
 July 6th 1-4 pm
 Byne Memorial, Albany
 June 29-30 and July 5-6
 from 9-12am and 1-4pm



Questions? Please contact the Mallery Baptist Association Office @ 229-435-6171
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DOM Thoughts

Proverbs 3:5-6 ⁵Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; ⁶In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths." (NKJV)

We live down a road without streetlights. There are lots of trees that border the road. There are deer and other animals that like to run across the road. This can make driving at night hazardous. So, a few years back, I added something to my truck that I thought would help. It is called a bull bar, and it protects the center of my front bumper. If you look at it just right, it makes my truck look like it has an underbite. But that is not all. In the bar, there is an LED light bar. When I turn it on, it is brighter by itself than my high-beam headlights. It makes the dark road we live on, much easier to navigate, in the dark, or in the fog. In fact, when it is on, I can see wider and further than I can without it.

Our vision of the future is often dark and dim. Similar to the road we live on at night. We think we know what the road ahead holds, but often we cannot see the hazards before us. I do not run those lights when the sun is out. I have no need, for even when I turn all my lights on high, I cannot tell a difference when the sun is out. When I read Proverbs 3:5-6, it reminds me that my understanding is nothing compared to the Lord's. His knowledge of the road ahead and any proverbial bumps or animals on it is infinitely greater than our own. When we have fully put our trust in Him, we have found this to be true.

I so often attempt to lean on my own understanding. I know full well this is a bad choice, yet I make it anyway. When I do that, I am no longer acknowledging the Lord. When I do that, I should not be surprised to discover He is no longer directing my path. I encourage you today, ask the Lord this question, "Am I fully trusting in you?" If not, I find it highly unlikely you are acknowledging Him in all your ways. Return your trust in Him today, so that His directions will be clear when the path is light, and when it is dark.

As one who is infinitely weaker than the Lord,
Hans

ENGAGE, ENCOURAGE, EMPOWER

Church News

Alpha: Alpha Baptist Church currently has a position open for a pianist. We will accept all players at any skill level who are willing and able. This is a modestly paid position.

We are also in need of a child care worker, preferably with special needs experience. The candidate would be required to work for two to three hours each Sunday, starting at ten in the morning until worship lets out, usually a bit after twelve. Must be able to pass a background check.

If interested in one of these positions please send your resume to alphabaptistchurch01@gmail.com or mail to 182 Academy Avenue North, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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 davidcromie.27@gmail.com.

New Hope: 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: roberthwilliams61@icloud.com

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 children and youth fall sports! Soccer (ages 4-13) and Flag Football (K5-5th grade). Register at SherwoodBaptist.net/sports.

Mallary Prayer Time
July 18, 2022
10am, MBO



Happy Independence Day!!
Monday, July 4
MBA Closed

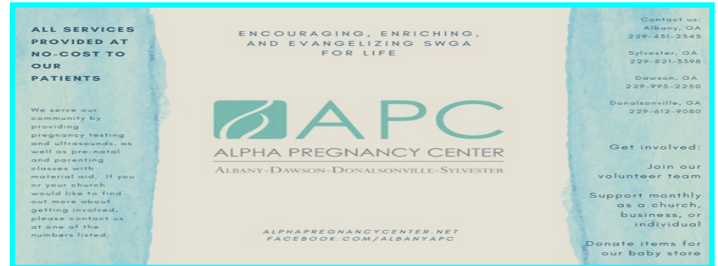


SPARK Conference 2022

Attend Online or Live
Byne Memorial Baptist Church, Albany, GA
Saturday, August 20, 2022

You can attend all day August 25 as the session releases in real time. After that, during the free portion of the event, you can watch online anytime. Each presentation will be available via free access for 3 weeks.

Register: <https://www.thesparkconference.com>



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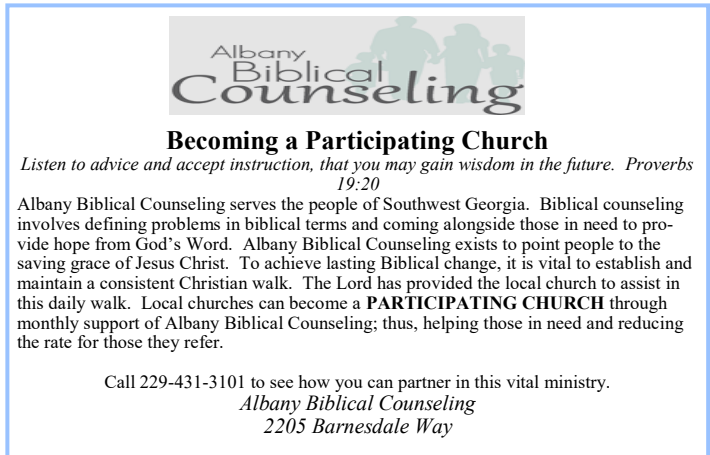
TRANSITIONAL PASTOR TRAINING

August 22, 2022

Sherwood Baptist Church, Albany, GA

Register at gabaptist.org/pastorwellness

COST: \$85



Albany Biblical Counseling

Becoming a Participating Church

Listen to advice and accept instruction, that you may gain wisdom in the future. Proverbs 19:20

Albany Biblical Counseling serves the people of Southwest Georgia. Biblical counseling involves defining problems in biblical terms and coming alongside those in need to provide hope from God's Word. Albany Biblical Counseling exists to point people to the saving grace of Jesus Christ. To achieve lasting Biblical change, it is vital to establish and maintain a consistent Christian walk. The Lord has provided the local church to assist in this daily walk. Local churches can become a **PARTICIPATING CHURCH** through monthly support of Albany Biblical Counseling; thus, helping those in need and reducing the rate for those they refer.

Call 229-431-3101 to see how you can partner in this vital ministry.
Albany Biblical Counseling
 2205 Barnesdale Way



2022 Info and Reg: <https://gabaptist.org/public-affairs-trainings/>

PUBLIC AFFAIRS TRAINING

How Any Christian Can Preserve and Increase Biblical Values In Culture, Policy, and Government

Just a reminder to our churches that the deadline to submit news for the Newsletter is the 15th of each month. Just send us an email to minassistant@mallery-baptist.org

WHAT'S HAPPENING

August 2022

- 10 Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 15 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO
- 22 SPARK Conference, Byne Memorial
- 23 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany

September 2022—Georgia State Missions - All Month

- 5 Labor Day, MBO Closed
- 14 MBA Administrative Team, Noon, MBO
- 19 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO
- 27 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 27 Prayer Walk for Local Schools, 7pm
- 28 See You At The Pole

October 2022

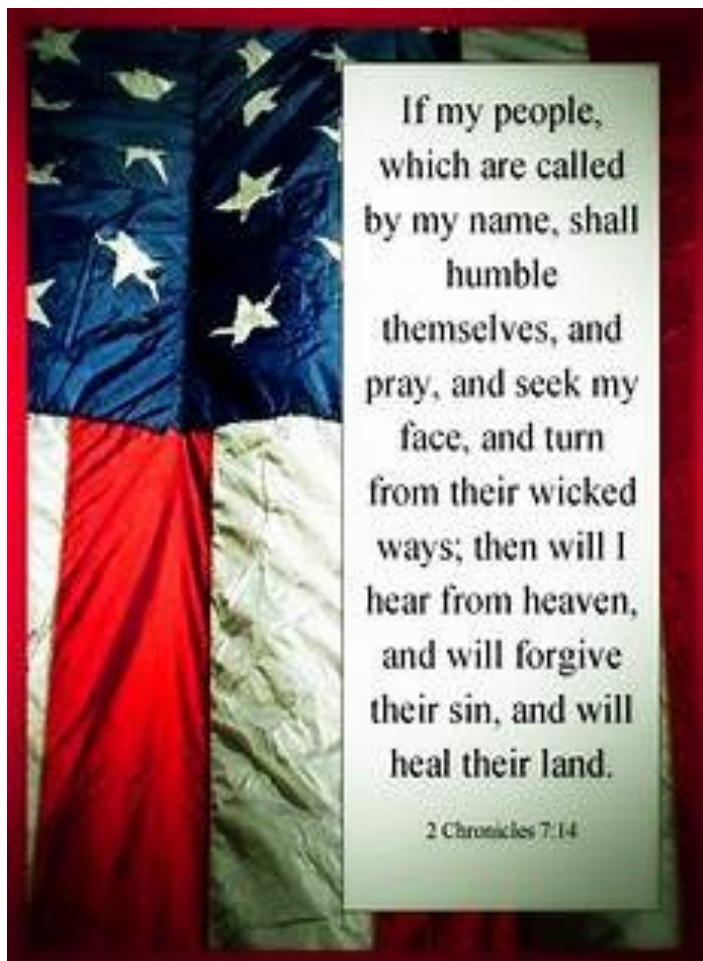
- 12 MBA Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 13 MBA Senior Adult Rally, Noon, TBA
- 18 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO
- 20 MBA 139th Annual Meeting, 5-8 p.m.,
Unity Baptist Church, Sylvester
- 18-21 Ag Expo, Spence Field, Moultrie
- 25 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany

November 2022

- 6 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 7-8 GBC Annual Meeting, Augusta Civic Center, GA
- 14 MBA Prayer Time, 10 am, MBO
- 16 MBA Administrative Team, Noon, MBO
- 24 Thanksgiving, MBO closed

December 2022

- 4-11 Week of Prayer for International Missions
and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- 1 MBA Minister's/Spouses Christmas Banquet
- 14 MBA Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 19 MBA Prayer Time 10 am, MBO
- 21- Jan 2 Christmas Holidays, MBO closed



Minister/Staff Anniversaries

July:

- 1 Brian Dougherty, SCA, Headmaster 2011
- 2 Bobby Joe Brown, Bridgeboro, Pastor 1989
- 3 Richard Parker, Liberty, Assoc. Pastor 2003
- 8 Ethan Smith, Unity, Music 2012
- 10 William Knight, FBC Albany, Pastor 2005
- 18 Brian Kelley, Sherwood, Mktg & Media 2000
- 22 Dan Story, Jr., Bethel, Pastor 2007
- 23 Philip Joyce, Sherwood, Sports and Rec. 2018
- 24 William Suggs, Southside, Pastor 1994
- 25 Paul Gotthardt, Sherwood, Senior Pastor 2021


Minister/Staff Birthdays

July:


- 2 Richard Parker, Liberty, Assoc. Parker
- 5 Bruce Gordon, Antioch, Pastor
- 5 Jim McBride, Sherwood, Exec. Pastor
- 29 Brian Dougherty, SCA, Headmaster

NO-CONTACT COMMUNION SUPPLIES AVAILABLE AT THE SOURCE BOOKSTORE

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THE SOURCE BOOKSTORE
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Albany, GA 31707



May Income: \$17520.43
May Expenses: \$12015.38
Budget Needs Per Month: \$15,020.74

MALLARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PRAYER UPDATE
(Acts 1:8 Prayer Plan—Volume 24, Number 7, July 2022)

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. Korean Church (Jung Choi, pastor), Lakeside (Andrew Kornegay, pastor), Liberty (Charles Rouse, pastor), Liberty Hill (David Williams, pastor), and Mercedes (Chris Hall, 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 Annual Meeting, October 20th, 2022 at Unity 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.
13. Albany Area Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Mark Lane, Director. Pray for their opportunities to share the Gospel with students of all ages.
14. Pray for Vacation Bible Schools at many of our churches. That all who attend hear the gospel so they can respond.

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. Churches are signing up now. 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 Bart Barber, SBC President.
4. Pray for our SBC Annual Meeting June 13-14, 2023 in New Orleans, LA.
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 Brandon and Katie Wood and New England Church Planters.
10. Pray for Josh and Shannon Jennings, church planters in Sedona, AZ.
11. Pray for John and Jenny Corder, church planters in Glendive, MT.

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. Pray for Ukraine and our brothers and sisters in Christ there.

Next Prayer Time July 18th, 2022 at 10am at Mallary Baptist Association Office. All are Welcome

Prayer for Renewal and Revival

Recently, there have been a number of protests at the home of some Supreme Court Justices. It appears this is because of a leaked draft of an opinion that if it became the judgment of the court, would send abortion decisions back to the states. At that point, state legislators would have to pass laws to codify when and if abortion would be legal. The desire of these protestors seems to be to change the mind of the court on this case so that Roe would remain the law of the land. It is quite possible by the time you read this the court will have made a decision on the case that we pray will overturn Roe. It is also possible that the court may bow to the pressure that these protestors and lawmakers have placed on them, and allow Roe to stand.

God will not bless what He has already condemned. In other words, God doesn't change His mind. He doesn't change His mind because we don't like what He has said. He will never hear our objections and think better of His previous decisions. We cannot badger Him, plead with Him, or wear Him down. He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. I, for one, am glad that He does not change His mind. Think about it, if God was given to changing His mind on subjects we do not like, what is to stop Him from changing His mind on subjects we do like?

God has given clear instruction on how to place your faith in the work of Jesus in order that we may receive the gift of eternal life. What if God changed His mind? What if there were someone else we need to place our faith in now? If God changed His mind on anything, then everything would be in flux, including, and perhaps most importantly, salvation. With that in mind, this month, I encourage you to study Daniel chapter 3. It is quite possible this passage will be very familiar to you. Yet, I would ask that you read it with this in mind: Why did the Hebrew young men refuse? What was their response when the king gave them one last chance? What was the end result of their faithfulness? Notice that the young men did not protest, or parade their objections. They simply told the king, we must serve the Lord above all.

Allow the following to guide you as you pray:

1. Ask the Lord to help you stand firm against the tide that would seek to negate His Word.
2. Ask the Lord to show you any beliefs, convictions, or traditions that you have that do not obey His Word.
3. Thank God that He never changes. Thank Him because of His steadfastness your salvation is secure.
4. Ask the Lord for opportunities to speak the truth in love, and to have opportunities to live the truth so that others may know Him.
5. Ask that God would give you opportunities to serve others.
6. Ask the Lord to send revival and renewal to your life and the church you serve.
7. Pray that the Lord would help you show the love of Christ to others, especially those in the church.
8. Pray for the needs of the others on your team, yourself, and church (including your pastor and staff).
9. Pray that God would send more people to pray.
10. Pray that the Lord would extend the free gift of salvation to those in your community and family.
11. Pray that God would raise up church leaders and missionaries to labor in His fields.
12. Pray that the gospel would advance regardless of what is happening locally or globally.

Dear Brothers in Christ,
I want to make you aware of an event coming to our church.

A very special event, the Christian Worldview Film Festival, is coming to Albany, August 1st through 5th, and we're inviting **you!**

The Kendrick brothers have been a part of the CWVFF for the past six years, and this Summer, we are hosting the event here at Sherwood for the first time. We want to gather as many members of the body of Christ as we can to experience it with us!

What Is the Christian Worldview Film Festival?

The Christian Worldview Film Festival/Filmmakers Guild is an annual conference focused on equipping and encouraging filmmakers and film enthusiasts from a Biblical worldview.

The week is divided into two sections: The Filmmakers Guild is Monday–Wednesday and consists of training and networking; the Film Festival is Wednesday–Friday and consists of screening different categories of films.

During both sections, there is a lot of networking, connecting, and sharing that happens among participants, not to mention group worship sessions and amazing speakers!

You and your church can join us for the whole week or just for the film festival part! See www.cwvff.com for more information and tickets.

Why Should You Come?

Do you like watching movies?

Are you fascinated by the behind-the-scenes process of making movies?

Do you want to meet and connect with Christian actors, directors, producers, editors, and more from all over the world?

If you answered "No" to those questions, how about these:

Do you want to see God glorified through media?

Do you want to see Christ proclaimed through film?

Do you want to learn how you can best support the Christian film industry to better honor and share Jesus through the releasing of new films?

Do you want to support a movement of Christ-at-core filmmakers whose primary goal is to make Jesus and His message of salvation known through film with excellence?

Then you've come to the right place. The CWVFF exists to facilitate community, learning, and encouragement among filmmakers seeking to glorify God in their craft.

Does this sound like you or like something you can stand behind?

Join Us August 1–5 and See for Yourself!

We are so excited to be part of this event, and we want to see you there.

Thank you and God bless,
Jim McBride