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The 139th MBA Annual Meeting



Thursday, Oct. 20
5 pm– 8 pm

Unity Baptist Church
101 E Bryant Dr
Sylvester, GA 31791

Please call 229-776-4212 by Monday, Oct. 17 for Dinner Reservations

This Month

October 2022

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

SENIOR ADULT RALLY!!

October 6, 2022

Sherwood Baptist Church
2201 Whispering Pines
Albany, GA 31707



Calling All Seniors!

Please call 229-883-1910
by Mon., October 3 for reservations!!!

*"Churches Serving Together to
Make Disciples to Impact the World"*
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DOM Thoughts

Nehemiah 6:15-16 So the wall was finished... in fifty-two days. ¹⁶ And it happened, when all our enemies heard of it, and all the nations around us saw these things, that they were very disheartened in their own eyes; for they perceived that this work was done by our God.

When we read the book of Nehemiah, we find an amazing account of how God can use a group of people in an amazing way against a multitude of odds. The book starts out with Nehemiah inquiring of one of his countrymen how things were in Jerusalem, the capital city of Israel. The response was not good. This brought him to mourn over his homeland and ultimately ask his boss, the king, to help. When Nehemiah made his request to the king, he prayed to the Lord in the moments before. Nehemiah knew that his task was large and only the Lord could provide all that was needed.

So, the people worked on the wall. Enemies threatened them, but they continued their work. It got so bad that they would build the wall with a trowel in one hand and a sword in the other. All the while, Nehemiah focused on the Lord and what He wanted, and not the outside distractions that desired to derail the work.

What was the end result? The wall around Jerusalem was built in 52 days. This would be amazing even today with our heavy machinery and skilled labor. It is even more amazing knowing that the people working were not brick masons or construction foremen; they were just average folks.

Each year I read the account of Nehemiah and those inhabitants of Jerusalem. And each year I am reminded how God can take ordinary people and do amazing work. God has blessed many of our churches with men of God, who like Nehemiah, are looking for the Lord's leadership to accomplish His will in our communities. As we begin Pastor Appreciation Month, I pray you will take some time to let your pastor(s) know how much they mean to you. I pray you will allow your pastor and staff to help you drown out the noise of this world, and help you listen to the Lord and His leadership. Now more than ever, your pastor needs encouragement and your consistent prayer support. You letting him know that you pray for him and maybe even some specific requests will mean a great deal to him.

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/.../13YXRdNmK9J2wROKw.../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.

FBC Donalsonville: First Baptist Church Donalsonville is looking for a full-time Associate Pastor of Music & Worship. He will provide pastoral leadership to our music and worship ministries, and to the church at large. A more detailed job description is available upon request. All interested candidates should send resumes to michael.wingertsahn@fbcdonalsonville.com or mailed to P.O. Box 81 Donalsonville, Ga 39845. For questions contact the church office at 229-524-2166.

FBC Sylvester: First Baptist Sylvester is going to LANCASTER and GETTYSBURG, PA - October 31 - November 4

It is a 5 day/4 night trip including a tour of the PA Amish country, a performance of David at the Sights and Sounds Theater in Lancaster and a tour of the Gettysburg battlefield. For more information or to receive a flyer contact Bobby Boutwell.

423-619-1735, bobbyrboutwell@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

Northside: Northside Baptist Church, Sylvester is seeking a bi-vocational pastor. If interested, please mail to Northside Baptist Church, Attn: Pastor Search Committee Chairman, P O Box 445, Sylvester, GA 31791, Or Email to cgreene89@hotmail.com.

Northside Baptist Church is seeking a bi-vocational music leader. If interested, email your resume to mharrellbfs@outlook.com or mail to Northside Baptist Church, P O Box 445, Sylvester, GA 31791. Attn: Music Leader Committee

Unity: BLOCK PARTY!!!! October 29, 2022 — 4-8 pm

—90.7 The Life FM in Albany is looking for someone to help with ad sales. This person could possibly have their own radio show on the station. Interested people may contact Rodney@thelifem.com for more information.

Mallary Prayer Time
October 17, 2022
10am, MBO



**Alpha Pregnancy Center
 2022 Celebration Banquet
 Building a Legacy: Beauty from Ashes**

Monday, October 24th
 First Baptist Church of Albany
Keynote Speaker: Melissa Ohden

Tickets are free but required for admission
 To find out more or to get tickets call:
 229-431-2343 or
 Email jessicas@alphapregnancycenter.net



- The Mallary Office will need to know how many of each gender and age backpack you are doing by **October 3**
- Backpacks will be due into the Mallary Office on **November 14**.
- If you would like to donate funds in lieu of packing a backpack please contact your church WMU group or the MBO at 229-435-6171.
- **For more information and resources, visit: christmasbackpacks.org**
- The need for our partner site in Columbus, GA this year will be **300** backpacks!



**Serving Your Church's
 Vision for Gospel Impact**

Is your church finance team following best practices? Join us at one of our Church Financial Conferences in 2023 (CFC23) to discover creative giving solutions for your church members, budgeting strategies to advance kingdom work, pastor compensation recommendations that demonstrate the value of pastoral ministry, and practical guidance for navigating financial and tax matters above reproach. **REGISTER NOW**

Register by November 22 to receive the early bird discount of \$15!

Sun, Apr 23, 2023, 5:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Sherwood Baptist Church,
 2201 Whispering Pines Rd,
 Albany, GA, , 31707

<https://events.idonate.com/cfc23-waycross>

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 Sylvester, GA 229-921-8598
 Dawson, GA 229-956-2250
 Donalsonville, GA 229-612-9080

We serve our community by providing pregnancy testing and ultrasounds, as well as pre-natal and parenting classes with material and, if you or your church would like to find out more about getting involved, please contact us at one of the numbers listed.

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ALPHAPREGNANCYCENTER.NET
 FACEBOOK.COM/ALBANYAPC

Get involved: Join our volunteer team. Support monthly as a church, business, or individual. Donate items for our baby store.



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

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

November 2022

- 6 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 13-15 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

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



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August Income: \$12,394.57
August Expenses: \$13,194.50
Budget Needs Per Month: \$15,020.74

Minister/Staff Anniversaries

October:

- 11 Jerome Granade, Pastor, New Union 2015
- 24 Patrick Sebesta, Pastor of Sports & Recreation, Sherwood 2016

Minister/Staff Birthdays

October:

- 6 Phillip Dove, Youth, Unity
- 15 John Spencer, Pastor of Education and Family, Sherwood
- 21 Charlie Brown, Minister of Education, Unity
- 22 Danny Smith, Pastor, Shingler
- 23 Rob Gray, Pastor, Red Oak

MALLARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PRAYER UPDATE
(Acts 1:8 Prayer Plan—Volume 24, Number 10, October 2022)

Urgent Needs

1. David Smith. He is now undergoing chemo for cancer.

Our Jerusalem

1. Pray for our Vision to become a reality: *"Serving together the churches of the Mallery 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. Sherwood (Paul Gotthardt, pastor), Shingler (Danny Smith, pastor), Southside (Bill Suggs, pastor), Sumner (*vacant*), Sunnyside (Terry Siniard, pastor).
3. Pray for the churches without pastors: Alpha, Beacon, New Hope, Northside, Sumner, 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 Mallery Baptist Staff (Dr. Hans Wunch and Mrs. Pat Wilks).
10. Pray for the Mallery 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 the MBA's search for a new Baptist Collegiate Ministry (BCM) director at ASU.

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 for our Georgia Baptist Meeting at Warren Baptist Church, Augusta, GA November 13-15.
4. 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.
5. 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 on 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, firefighters, 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.

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 October 17th, 2022 at 10am at Mallery Baptist Association Office. All are Welcome

Prayer for Renewal and Revival

You can hardly turn on the TV for more than five minutes and avoid a political ad. The airwaves are crowded with them. Moreover, political conversations seem to be on the uptick as well. I have heard multiple times something along the lines of, “if we can just elect (insert a party/candidate here), there is hope.” It is not my intention to make this a political message. Certainly, the Bible implores us not to put our hope or trust in anyone other than Jesus. At the same time, the Bible tells us, “Righteousness exalts a nation, But sin is a reproach to any people.” Prov 14:34.

Democracy or even a Representative Republic, as we have in the US, is not really found in the governments during the time of the writing of the Bible. Yet, God was not surprised by the foundation of the United States of America or our system of government. The fact that citizens of a nation have a way to directly impact who leads them without some sort of military coup is a good thing as far as I am concerned. Thus, if “righteousness exalts a nation” and we have the ability to vote for people whom the Lord leads us to vote for, then it would stand to reason that believers should be praying for our elections in November. How are we to be One Nation Under God, if we do not consult Him about whom to vote for, or that He would raise up candidates that would walk in His wisdom? These things do not happen by accident.

As you turn to the Scriptures today, I would ask that you allow Joshua 24:14-24 to be your guide. Once you have finished reading this passage, return here.

In Joshua 24:14-24 the children of Israel had completed their conquest of the Promised Land. There was no doubt that the Lord had given them the victory. Joshua knew that if the people did not continue to focus on the Lord, they would fall into the same traps of idolatry as the people whom they had just conquered. Joshua lays out a choice to the people, serve the other gods, or serve the one True God. And just like when he went against the other spies who said that they could not defeat the inhabitants of the land, he was willing to stand alone with the Lord. He knew the value of trusting the Lord, and in this speech before all of Israel, Joshua is calling the Israelites to make a choice to trust the Lord too. The people quickly said they would follow the Lord. Then, almost as quickly, they strayed from Him. The book of Judges is story after story of how the Israelites leave the teachings of the Lord and follow other gods, only to cry out to God in their hour of need. I fear, if we are not careful, the US has and will do the same thing.

As you pray allow the following to guide you:

1. Ask the Lord to raise up government leaders who would walk in His wisdom.
2. Ask the Lord to inform you for whom you should vote in the coming election.
3. Thank God that we can trust in Him regardless of who holds an office in government.
4. Commit to praying daily for those in governmental leadership as Paul commands in 1Tim 2:1-4.
5. Ask the Lord to send revival and renewal (living water) to your life and the church you serve.
6. Pray that the Lord would help you show the love of Christ to others, especially those far from God.
7. Pray for the needs of the others on your team, yourself, and church (including your pastor and staff).
8. Pray that God would send more people to pray.
9. Pray that the Lord would extend the free gift of salvation to those in your community and family.
10. Pray that God would raise up church leaders and missionaries to labor in His fields.
11. Pray that the gospel would advance regardless of what is happening locally or globally

160TH ANNUAL HOMECOMING & REVIVAL

WHEN

Homecoming Oct 9th 11am

(Meal to Follow)

Revival Oct 9th 6pm

(Meal to Follow)

Revival Oct 10th-12th 7pm

(Finger Foods to Follow Final Night)

WHERE

Union Baptist Church

2693 Evergreen Rd., Doerun, GA 31744



**Homecoming
Pastor Donnie & Jane
Bentley
Moultrie, GA**

Revival Day 1



**Harrell Family Ministries
Hilltop Bible Baptist/Cairo GA**

Revival Day 2



**Nick Arbogast & Family
Salem Baptist/Sylvester, GA**

Revival Day 3



**Will & Brooklynn Miller
Faith Baptist/Thomasville, GA**

Revival Day 4



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