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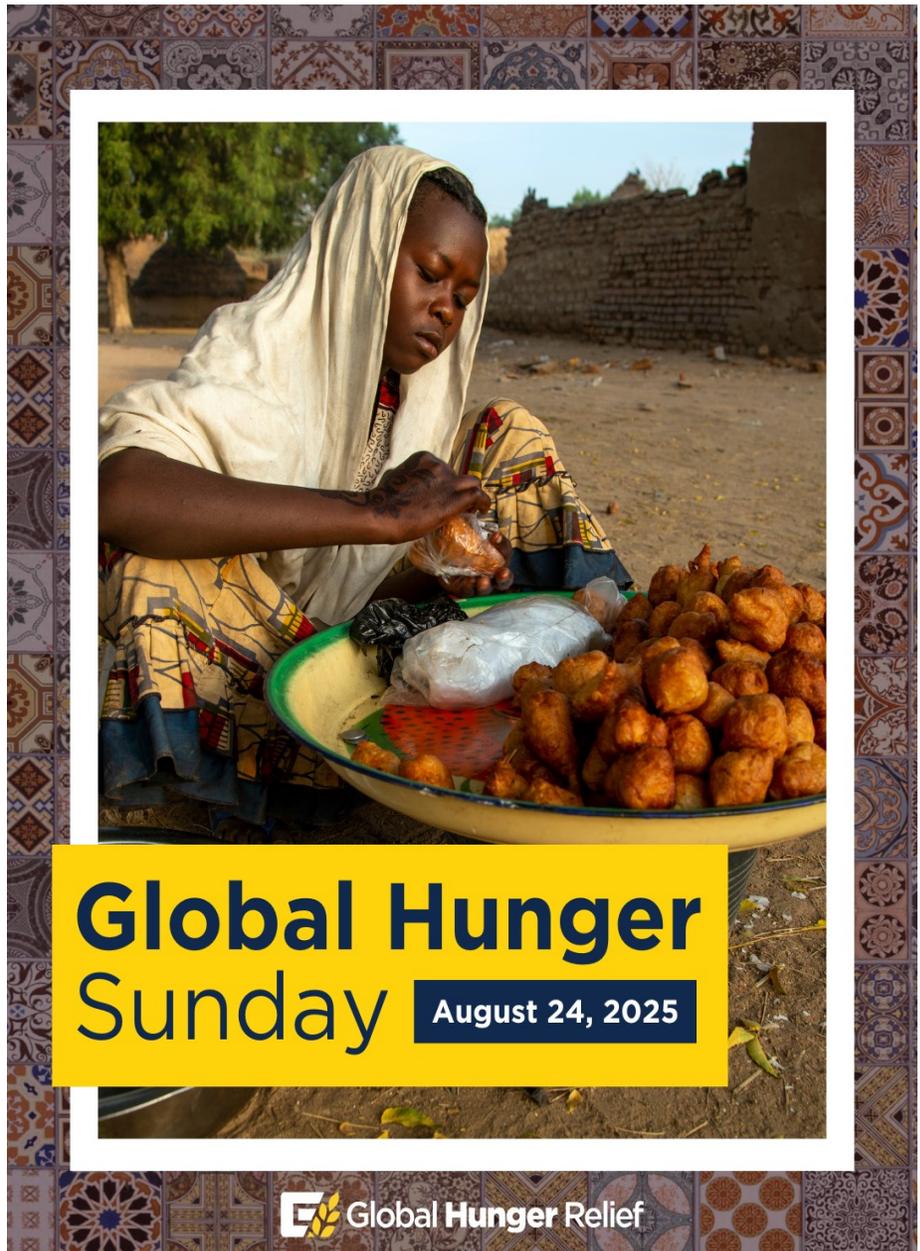
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**Global Hunger Sunday**  
**August 24, 2025**



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

1 Kings 19:9-10 "And there he went into a cave, and spent the night in that place; and behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and He said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

So he said, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God of hosts; for the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they seek to take my life."

On the heels of Elijah's victory over the prophets of Baal on Mt. Carmel, he gets word that Queen Jezebel wants to take his life. Fearing for his life, he ran away to Mt. Horeb (aka Mt. Sinai). It is there in a cave that God speaks these words to Elijah, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" And I believe there are several key points to this interaction between the Lord and Elijah that remind us of truths found in Scripture that can help us today.

First, Elijah may have run away from Jezebel, but he couldn't escape the Lord's presence. Note that God doesn't say, "What are you doing there, Elijah?" but rather, here. God was in that cave. He was close enough to the prophet that he could hear the Lord's voice. That should encourage us that we cannot find a place where God is not already there. That includes space and time. He is where you are and when you are. And He is where you will be, whenever you get there.

Second, God knows us personally. The question from the Lord to Elijah doesn't end with "here.," it ends with his name. This was not a random encounter between the Lord and one of His thousands of followers. This was a divine appointment between Jehovah and one of His prophets. God knew who he was and where he was. The same is true for us today. God knows us better than we know ourselves, and He still loves us.

I wanted to remind you of these things today because sometimes we forget. Sometimes, when we forget these things, we are in a bad place. Just like Elijah would find out, thousands of followers remained faithful to the Lord. We can be reminded that we are not alone either. Moreover, we can be there for others.

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](mailto:alphabaptistchurch01@gmail.com) or mail to 182 Academy Avenue North, Leesburg, GA 31763.

**FBC Shellman:** is searching for a full time Children/Youth minister providing housing and good salary!  
If interested send Resume to [Pastorchet@calvaryaz.Com](mailto:Pastorchet@calvaryaz.Com)

**First Baptist Sylvester:** will be offering a new semester of Griefshare beginning August 6th. Griefshare is a grief recovery support group where individuals can find help and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this ministry encourage them to reach out to us for more information at 229-776-3337.

**Philema Road:** Philema Road Baptist Church, an independent, KJV only, Baptist congregation in Leesburg, Georgia, is actively seeking the Senior Pastor whom God has chosen to lead us into the future. Philema Road is a growing, family-oriented church in Lee County drawing people from around the area. We are a multi-generational congregation of 250+ with a strong foundation of nearly 50 years of ministry. Our loving and compassionate congregation is looking for a man gifted with practical and relevant preaching and teaching. Please send a letter of interest and resume to PRBC Pastor Search Committee, c/o Mike Christian, 114 Stocks Dairy Road, Leesburg, Georgia, 31763, or email [Mike@PRBC.email](mailto:Mike@PRBC.email). Visit our website at [www.PhilemaRoadBC.com](http://www.PhilemaRoadBC.com)

**Poulan:** Poulan Baptist Church in looking for a Bi vocational pastor. Send resume to Pastor Search Committee, 302 West Church Street, Poulan, Ga 31781

**Sumner:** Sumner Baptist Church is looking for a pianist that can start soon. It is a paying position. They can call Joey Thompson at 229-881-9911. 1 service a week which is Sunday at 11am.

**Sunnyside:** Sunnyside Baptist Church is seeking a Bi-Vocational Pastor. If interested, please send your resume to the Pastor Search Committee, Sunnyside Baptist Church 320 S. Mock Road, Albany, Ga. 31705 or email: [sunnysidebc1@mchsi.com](mailto:sunnysidebc1@mchsi.com).

**Worth County Pregnancy Center:** The Worth County Pregnancy Center has an opening for a Nurse. The center is open 2 days/week from 10 am-4 pm. If anyone is interested in this position please contact Jessica Sheets [@jessicas@alphapregnancycenter.net](mailto:@jessicas@alphapregnancycenter.net)

**Mallary Prayer Time**  
**August 25, 2025**  
**10am, MBO**



**ACP**  
**ANNUAL CHURCH PROFILES**

The GBMB will be mailing ACPs to all of our churches across the state of Georgia along with stamped, self-addressed envelopes to return them. The profile information is collected from Sept. 1, 2024-Aug.31, 2025. If you do not have your report; you can print the blanks from iGO and go ahead and start collecting your information. If you need more forms you may call our office at 229-435-6171 or there are many resources on the iGO website. Just log in to <http://gasbcworkspace.com>. (They have also supplied your user name and password. This information is the same every year).

We are asking that these be completed and returned or keyed in by **Oct. 9, 2025** so that we have the statistics for our Annual Meeting on Oct. 16.

**Labor Day**  
**Sept 1, 2025**  
**MBA Closed**

2025 *Save the Date*  
**SPARK**  
 CONFERENCE

Rock Spring 8.23	Mount Vernon 8.24	Albany 9.7
Dacula 9.14	Dunwoody 9.21	Greensboro 9.28

Find more details at [thesparkconference.com](http://thesparkconference.com)

confluence

**Join us for**  
**confluence 2025**  
 A GEORGIA BAPTIST COLLEGIATE CONFERENCE



Rosemont Baptist Church  
[3794 Hamilton Road](http://3794HamiltonRoad.com)  
 LaGrange, Georgia 30241

Sep 12, 2025 - Sep 13, 2025

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 7, 2025**

<https://gbcdrmm.infellowship.com/UserLogin/Index?ReturnUrl=%2fForms%2f478399>

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**Georgia Baptist Bible Institute**

Tricentennial logo

**New Testament Survey—Fall Course**

**Classes Starting Tuesday 8/19 at 6p-8:30p @ FBC Sylvester**

**Classes Starting Monday 8/18 at 6p-8:30p @ Gillionville**

**Course Cost for Credit \$150**

**Course Cost Audit (Not for credit) \$75**

<https://apply.gbbsi.bpc.edu/> to apply. Under "Campus" select

"First Baptist Church Sylvester (Mallary Baptist Association) or Gillionville"

For more information email [hwunch@mallary.org](mailto:hwunch@mallary.org) or call (229) 435-6171

**Albany Biblical Counseling**

*Get all the advice and instruction you can, so you will be wise the rest of your life. Proverbs 19:20*

Providing Biblical solutions for the problems people face and guiding them to speak the truth in love.

Pastors, please contact us at  
 229 431 3101

information on discounts for your entire congregation

**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@mallary-baptist.org](mailto:minassistant@mallary-baptist.org)**

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## September 2025

- 1 Labor Day, MBO Closed
- 7 SPARK Conf, Sherwood
- 10 MBA Administrative Team, Noon, MBO
- 15 MBA Prayer Time, 10a, MBO
- 23 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 23 Prayer Walk for Local Schools, 7pm
- 24 See You At The Pole

## October 2025

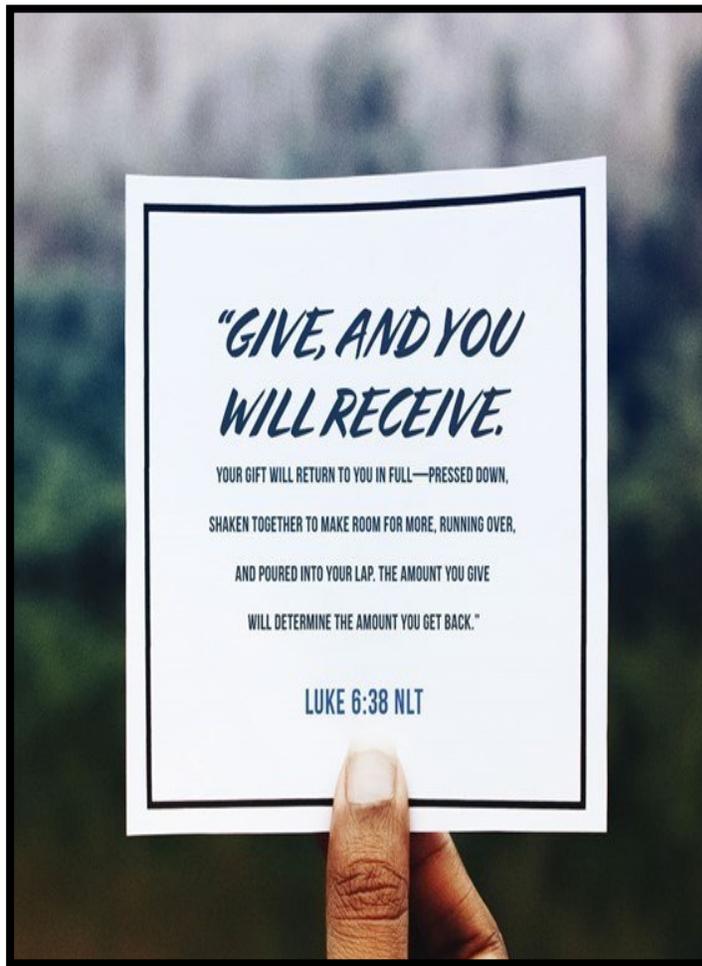
- 8 Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 19 MBA 142<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting, 5-8p
- 20 MBA Prayer Time, 10a, MBO
- 28 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany

## November 2025

- 2 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 9-11 GBC Annual Meeting, First Statesboro
- 17 MBA Prayer Time, 10a, MBO
- 19 MBA Administrative Team, Noon, MBO
- 27 Thanksgiving, MBO closed

## December 2025

- 1-7 Week of Prayer for International Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- 3 MBA Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 4 MBA Minister's/Spouses Christmas Banquet
- 15 MBA Prayer Time, 10a, MBO
- 23-Jan 4 Christmas Holidays, MBO closed



## Minister/Staff Anniversaries

### August:

- |    |                                 |      |
|----|---------------------------------|------|
| 27 | Trey Brown, Pastor, Pine Forest | 2016 |
| 29 | Brad Floyd, Pastor, Gordy NB    | 2019 |

## Minister/Staff Birthdays

### August:

- |    |  |
|----|--|
| 6  | Mark Scardino, Children's Pastor, Sherwood |
| 29 | Mark Spraggins, Pastor, Friendship         |

**NO-CONTACT COMMUNION SUPPLIES AVAILABLE AT THE SOURCE BOOKSTORE**

The pre-packaged cup and wafer are ideal for distributing no-contact communion. Fellowship Cup communion supplies are available in 100, 250 and 500 count.

**THE SOURCE BOOKSTORE**  
(229) 431-9330  
2201 Whispering Pines Road  
Albany, GA 31707

June Income: \$16,148.35  
June Expenses: \$15,032.68  
Budget Needs Per Month: \$16,669.51

## MALLARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PRAYER UPDATE

(Acts 1:8 Prayer Plan—Volume 27, 8, August 2025)

### 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. Sumner (Daniel Solomon, pastor), Sunnyside (vacant), Terrell (Brian Norton, pastor), Thundering Springs (Ira Thomas, pastor), Union (Rocky Duckworth, pastor).
3. Pray for the churches without pastors: Amazing Grace, FBC Acree, New Union, Poulan, and Sunnyside.
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, and Administrative Team.
9. Pray for the Mallary Baptist Staff (Dr. Hans Wunch and Mrs. Pat Wilks).
10. Pray for the Mallary Baptist Association Fall Meeting, at FBC Leesburg, on October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
11. Pray for the Alpha Pregnancy Centers in Albany and Worth Counties. Pray for nurses to serve at Worth County Center.
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 First Baptist Atlanta, GA November 9-11.
4. Pray that God would continue to raise up individuals from SW GA to carry the Gospel to the corners of the earth, and by His grace leave a few of them here in service to His local churches.
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 Jeff Iorg for the Executive Committee and Clint Pressley, SBC President.
4. Pray for our SBC Annual Meeting on June 9-10, 2026 Orlando, FL.
5. Pray for our partnership with the Metropolitan New York Baptist Association, New York; Larry Mayberry, 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 Josh and Shannon Jennings, church planters in Sedona, AZ.

### Our Uttermost Parts of the World

Pray for the International Mission Board--its president (Paul Chitwood), staff, and missionaries.

Pray for Chuck and Barb as they minister to a city of over 20 million, most of whom have never heard the name Jesus.

2. Pray for the 1.8 billion Muslims of the world that they will come to an understanding of who Jesus Christ is.
3. Pray for the Gospel of Christ to come to the 4.8 billion unreached people in the world.
4. Pray for protection for our armed forces around the globe.
5. Pray that those who are seeking to escape religious persecution will find freedom.
6. Pray for the millions of families globally who deal with the impact abortion has had on their lives.
7. Pray for Gideons International, Wycliffe Bible Translators, and Christian Missionaries around the world.
8. Pray for Ukraine and our brothers and sisters in Christ there.

**Prayer Time August 25, 2025 at 10am at Mallary Baptist Association Office.**

**All are Welcome**