**CVBM 2012 Pastor-Deacon Conference**

“Keeping the Main Thing, The Main Thing”  
(Ephesians 2:10)

**MARCH 19, 2012**

**Branch’s Baptist Church**  
3400 Broad Rock Blvd, Richmond, VA 23234  
804-276-5000

**SCHEDULE:**
- 6:00 p.m. Refreshments/Bookstore
- 6:30 p.m. Welcome & Inspirational Meditation
- 7:00 p.m. Session I
- 7:50 p.m. Refreshment Break
- 8:00 p.m. Session II

**CONFERENCE CHOICES, select two:**
- Helping Others Wrestle Their Way through Grief, Dr. P. James Flamming, First Baptist Church
- Pumping New Blood into Worn out Deacons (Session I only), Dr. Daniel Bagby, BTSR
- Deacon Family Ministry/Team Ministry Overview, Dr. Tom Stocks, VBMB
- New Models in Ministry, Reverend Louis Blakey/Reverend Lois Blakey Paige, New Canaan Worship Center
- Dealing with Growth Within the Church, Dr. David Benjamin, Winfree Memorial Baptist Church
- Using Social Media in Ministry, Reverend Spenser Dillard, Parham Road Baptist Church
- Shepherding Congregations through Loss and Grief During Change and Transition, Dr. Robert E. Lee, IV, New Highland Baptist Church
- Basic Training for Deacons, Dr. Ken Kessler, VBMB
- Multiple Ministries, Multiple Services and Multiple Campuses, Dr. Travis Collins, Bon Air Baptist Church
- Equipping Saints to Serve, Dr. Roberta McBride Damon, Chester Baptist Church
- Keys to Multiplication, Reverend Larry Frakes, New Covenant Baptist Church
- Help for Hurting Pastors (Pastors/Clergy only), Dr. Charles Chandler, Ministering to Ministers Foundation

**CVBM 2012 Vacation Bible School Leader’s Conference**

**MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2012**

**CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
1500 Courthouse Road, Richmond, VA 23236

**SPAGHETTI DINNER**
Serving from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m.
Cost: $5.00
Reservations for Dinner MUST be made by March 1 at 12:00 noon

**CONFERENCE 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM**
Reservations are not needed for conferences!

**DIRECTORS’ CONFERENCE (2 hours): 7:00 to 9:00 pm**
This conference will include information: security, food allergies, leading a child to Christ and other Directors’ information and needs.

**BREAKOUT SESSION I: PREVIEW OF VBS LITERATURE (choose one): 7 - 8 PM**
- **LIFEWAY I:** Preschool
- **LIFEWAY II:** Children
- **GOSPEL LIGHT**
- **GROUP**

**BREAKOUT SESSION II: (_CHOICE ONE) 8 – 9 PM**
Each conference will include information about leading a child to Christ
- Understanding the Children You Teach
- Understanding the Preschoolers You Teach
- Missions Fun with Children
- Teaching the Bible through Art Activities

Questions? Contact Gayle Bradley at 804-748-2749 or gaylebradley1@comcast.net.  
RESERVATIONS: email Joan Hudson at joan.hudson@cvbm.org  
Checks should be made out to CVMB, Inc.  
Payment may be made at the door or sent to:  
Joan Hudson, 1975 Urbine Road, Powhatan, VA 23139

---

There is a $5.00 fee for this Conference, payable at door.  
No Pre-Registration Requested!  
Information is available on-line at:  
www.cvbm.org
Questions? Contact Frances Jones, RBA, at 329-1701
Greetings:

The imaginative way in which folks personalize their auto license plates to squeeze so much meaning into seven or eight letters is fascinating. Sunday morning as I was leaving worship I spotted parked against the curb a car with such a plate. The letters spelled STAYTRU! “What good advice!” I mused. Stay true to God, to yourself, to your family, to all who love you, to your community, your nation! Life and relationships without truth are empty and frustrating.

Sitting at a stop light earlier in the week I looked down at the rear license plate of another car. The plate contained the letters TRSTNO1.

TRSTNO1! Trust no one? What a sad message! I could envision someone who had been bruised by life, disappointed in love, abandoned by someone they had dared to trust at a better moment. If this were the meaning of the letters my heart was saddened by the loneliness of the person who had chosen them. To come to a place where you trust no one is to find oneself dreadfully isolated.

TRSTNO1! Perhaps there is a happier message: Trust number One! (Capitals mine!) Depending upon whom the ONE is, this could be a great statement of faith – a message that the Old Testament Psalmist or the New Testament Apostle could embrace! In Psalm 40:4 (NASB) the Psalmist declares: “[4] How blessed is the man who has made the Lord his trust, and has not turned to the proud, nor to those who lapse into falsehood.” In Psalm 52 he states, “[8] But as for me, I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; I trust in the lovingkindness of God forever and ever.” Like the green olive tree he is nourished through properly placed trust!

In Hebrews 2:13 the One who sanctifies declares of His heavenly Father, (Hebrews 2:12-13) "I will proclaim Your name to my brethren, In the midst of the congregation I will sing Your praise." [13] And again, "I will put my trust in Him."

Christ and believers share the same truth. When Christ was upon earth, He trusted God perfectly, never sinning or disobeying Him. Christ leads believers to trust God, learning to trust Him more and more with each passing day.

So when God is our Number One, we have One in whom our trust is well founded; in the midst of the congregation we can sing His praise that all around us may be strengthened in their trust of Him! Our trust can multiply into the lives of others as we, out of our trust, praise Him! TRSTHM!

Joyously,

Mike

---

**The RBA family extends our deepest sympathies to:**

The family and friends of Melissa Cheliras, Baptist Collegiate Minister at the University of Richmond who died on February 10 following a courageous four-month battle with esophageal cancer. Melissa is survived by her parents, Richard and Cathy Cheliras, and her sister, Christine. Memorial gifts can be made to the Melissa Cheliras Memorial Fund at Blacksburg Baptist Church, 440 North Main Street, Blacksburg, VA 24060.

---

**Thank you for your faithful stewardship!**

These last years have been challenging for all of us and the turnaround in our economy is slower than any of us would prefer. But there are individuals and churches who are growing in faithfulness in spite of the challenges.

The Association closed its 2011 financial books on January 13th, 2012. Since then I have reviewed the information and found both challenges and encouragement. Income for helping our churches, helping the community through our centers, funding the salary packages of our camp director and camp registrar as well as administrative liabilities experienced a budget shortfall in 2011 of $100,633.

With the reduction in our 2012 Budget of nearly $30,000, looking forward the 2012 Budget would require just slightly over $1,000.00 per year in church giving over last year’s contributions per church to meet the current year’s budget challenge. Is it possible to rise to that level in Richmond?

I am convinced that the answer is a resounding "yes!" Richmond Baptists have a long history of rising to the challenge! As a matter of fact, a number of our churches have already begun to rise to the challenge. They did so in 2011 through increased faith giving over their contributions in 2010.

Celebrate them with me!

**The 15 churches who increased General Program giving in 2011 over 2010:**

- Bethany Place
- Bethlehem Fairmount
- Cambridge
- Carlisle Avenue
- Friendship Memorial
- Ginter Park
- Grace
- Grace
- Gravel Hill
- Jahnke Road
- Leigh Street
- Mount. Tabor
- Northminster
- Oak Forest
- Skipwith
- Southampton

**The 19 churches who increased Camp Offering giving in 2011 over 2010:**

- African Christian CC
- Bon Air
- Broadus*
- Carlisle Avenue
- Derbyshire
- Gayton
- Ginter Park
- Grace
- Huguenot Road
- Leigh Street
- Monument Heights
- New Bridge
- Oak Forest
- Oakwood Memorial
- Patterson Avenue
- River Road
- Staples Mill Road
- Stockton Memorial
- Tabernacle

*Former RBA Church

**The 5 churches who increased both their General Program and Camp offering giving in 2011 over 2010:**

- Carlisle Avenue
- Ginter Park
- Grace
- Leigh Street
- Oak Forest

To EVERY church who gave, your gifts are deeply, deeply appreciated. To those who stretched your sacrifice just a bit farther, thank you very, very much. Under-resourced families all over Richmond are grateful for your sustaining assistance and campers who might never have known Christ but for your gifts thank you from their hearts! As you volunteer and give, you are Christ to hundreds around our city every month!
BAPTIST CENTER NEWS!

South Richmond Center Relocates Spaces
Saint Paul’s Belt Campus

Community Missionary, Wesley Garrett, reports that the South Richmond Baptist Center has been relocated to the first floor of St. Paul’s Belt Campus (700 E. Belt Blvd). The Center spaces have been moved from the second floor of the administration building to the breezeway location nearest to the gym/fellowship hall.

Wesley wants everyone to know that when you come to make deliveries or visit the office, you no longer need to stop at the small door in the rear. The new location is nearest the front doors of the gym/fellowship hall where you have dropped off food and supplies in the past.

If you have any questions about the new location, just give Wesley a call at 804-232-0174.

RBA’S MINISTERS’ FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012

Richmond Baptist Association Office
3111 Moss Side Avenue, Richmond 23222

12:00 Noon: LUNCH (Reservations Required)
$6 PER PERSON, TO BE PAID AT THE DOOR

Reservation deadline is Monday, March 5. Contact Frances Jones at frances.jones@rbaonline.org or 329-1701.

12:30 to 1:30 P.M.: PROGRAM

Ms Annette Hall, IMB Missionary, and member of First Baptist Richmond, will lead us in exploring: "Using STORY-ING to Evangelize, Disciple, and Overcome Secondary Orality.” If you do NOT know what secondary orality is, don’t feel badly. Annette will help all of us with that. You will be very surprised to find out what a prevailing condition secondary orality really is. It probably accounts for the absence from our churches of more individuals than you might ever imagine!

The S.A.L.T. Plan™

The Enemy will never “waste a good crisis,” so neither should we as God’s people. We can turn everyday adversity into advantage by loving others and leading them into God’s Kingdom during their time of need. The signs are around us every day. We are truly in times of economic hardship, and some would even say that we are hinging on an Economic Event of Biblical Proportions. The idea of preparing for hardship is a timeless concept. How can you protect your family in the midst of financial crisis?

God’s Word provides proven principles for preparing you to do well in any economic situation. The S.A.L.T. Plan™ is a culmination of those principles compiled into a practical guide that provides both biblical wisdom and sound advice to help you carefully plan for hard times, while continuing to be faithful with your God-given resources.

The S.A.L.T. Plan™ is a must read for individuals and families to live prepared for a worst case scenario and to seize the opportunity to be “Salt and Light” as God commands. Are you ready to commit to being salt and light in a darkening world?

Easily adapted for businesses and entire church congregations in the form of group studies, we suggest that individuals and families join together within larger organizations to help support each other while implementing the various aspects of the plan. You can order The S.A.L.T. Plan™ via my web site, www.rrowekamp.crown.org, and click on “Purchase”.

Randy Rowekamp
Area Director, Eastern and Central Virginia
Cell: 804.683.1595

2012 Camp Alkulana Offering

Formerly known as the RBA Week of Prayer for Associational Missions

As of 1/31/12

Offering Goal: $114,000.00
YTD Receipts: $ 1,994.00
YTD Expenses: $ 7,749.55

2012 Spring Camp Alkulana Offering

Formerly known as the RBA Week of Prayer for Associational Missions

As of 1/31/12

Offering Goal: $114,000.00
YTD Receipts: $ 1,994.00
YTD Expenses: $ 7,749.55
**THE GOOD NEWS:**
Every Person, Every Place, Every Church
21-C 2012: New Dates & a Fresh Focus

There will be a fresh focus for the 21-C Conference in 2012! It is our hope that Virginia Baptists will set in motion a movement of Kingdom proportions as we play host to the inaugural Fresh Expressions National Gathering at First Baptist Church of Alexandria.

**March 16—17, 2012**
First Baptist Church of Alexandria
2932 King Street, Alexandria, VA

Come and participate in the epic story of God’s work through Fresh Expressions and receive practical training on how it can impact your church and community. Visit http://freshexpressionsus.org/national-gathering/ for information on the conference or contact Ben Jamison, Fresh Expressions, at 800-255-2428 x6280 or ben.jamison@vbmb.org.

---

**Church Retirement Plan Update & Review**

For RBA ministers and paid church staff who are interested in enrolling in GuideStone’s Church Retirement Plan or for those who already participate in this plan and desire to know more about planning financial support.

*Sponsored by GuideStone Financial Resources and the Virginia Baptist Mission Board in partnership with the Richmond Baptist Association*

**Thursday, March 29, 2012**
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
**Refreshments provided**

At the
**Richmond Association Office**
3111 Moss Side Avenue • 804-329-1701

**Presented by**
Jeff Cranford, VBMB GuideStone State Representative

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER:**
Contact Melody Fowler at 1-800-255-2428, ext 5293 or melody.fowler@vbmb.org

Come get updates on GuideStone’s Church Retirement Plan and help with your personal retirement planning. Individual appointments following morning session are available, if desired.

---

**SAVE THIS DATE**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2012**
8:45 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

**PREPARE/ENRICH**

**CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP**

Offered by
First Things First of Greater Richmond

At Richmond Baptist Association
3111 Moss Side Ave, Richmond

**Cost:** $175 by April 13 ($185 After)
Some partial scholarships available.

Note: Lunch included in price.
Spouse may attend for $10 w/shared materials. CE Credits (7 hours) available; form provided in class.

Send Registration & payment to: First Things First, 5200 Grove Ave, Richmond, VA 23226
Or Register on-line at:
http://www.firstthingsrichmond.org/topic/article/29422

**WWPD**

**WHAT WOULD PUPPETS DO?**

✦ Interested in starting a new ministry at your church?
✦ Want to add new skills for your existing puppet ministry?
✦ Want a chance to fellowship with local puppet teams?
✦ Want to be entertained by puppets?

Then we have an opportunity for you!

**PUPPET MINISTRY CONFERENCE**

**Saturday, April 28, 2012,**
8:30 am-5:00 pm

**BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH**
1100 Huguenot Springs Road
Midlothian, VA 23113

**COST:** $10/PERSON

Participate in a variety of classes:
✦ How to Start Your Own Puppet Ministry
✦ Puppet Techniques
✦ Prop Making
✦ Shadow Puppetry
✦ Dowel Rods and Flags
✦ Make a Puppet (nominal materials fee)
✦ And More!

Registration materials will be available in March!
For more information call Paige Rider 677-0476, Frances Morris 794-6130 or Andrea Hale 378-9360

---

The PREPARE/ENRICH Certification Workshop is designed to help facilitators learn how to administer PREPARE/ENRICH and provide feedback to premarital and married couples using six core and over 20 supplemental exercises. Learn to help couples identify their strengths and growth areas in categories such as Communication, Conflict Resolution, Spiritual Beliefs & Financial Management.

---
Ministry Service Opportunities During NASCAR Race Weekend April 26-28, 2012

VOLUNTEERS ARE WANTED to minister beside RIR guest services by providing raceway fans an opportunity to worship, enjoy Christian music and arts, discover the message of Christ through media and know His transforming presence.

Volunteers are asked to work only a 3 or 4 hour shift from April 26 through 28 as they serve in a variety of ways in our Hospitality Ministry Tents at the Richmond International Raceway Complex. As ambassadors of goodwill, opportunities for service include: distributing “cups of cold water,” cookies, Christian driver cards; performing as singers, musical groups or with performing arts (clowns, magicians, mime, jugglers, balloon artists, etc.); and serving as chaplains, crisis counselors, logistics and support persons.

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION
All volunteers need to attend the Training Session Tuesday, April 17, at 7:00 p.m. at the Richmond Baptist Association, 3111 Moss Side Avenue, Richmond, VA. At this session Volunteers can sign up for a shift time, which are:

APRIL 25 - WEDNESDAY: SET-UP Main Tent and
APRIL 26 - THURSDAY: SET-UP & Hospitality for NASCAR K&N PRO SERIES EAST RACE
9 am-1pm, 1-4pm, 4-7pm, or 7-10 pm
APRIL 27 - FRIDAY: NASCAR NATIONWIDE RACE
9 am-1pm, 1-4pm, 4-7pm, or 7-10 pm
APRIL 28 - SATURDAY: NASCAR SPRINT CUP RACE
9 am-1 pm, 1-4 pm, 4-7 pm, or 7-10 pm
APRIL 28 - SATURDAY: TAKE-DOWN Main Tent
8 pm until done

WANTED!! THOUSANDS OF COOKIES!!!
We are asking that church mission groups, Sunday School classes, youth groups, etc. volunteer to make “homemade” cookies and bag these in small or medium sized clear zip lock plastic bags with 2-3 cookies each. A label saying compliments of _______ Baptist Church may be put outside of the bag. No tracts please! These will be available from Motor Racing Out-reach and the Central Virginia Fellowship of Raceway Ministries. Cookies may be brought to the RBA Office, 3111 Moss Side Ave, April 23-25, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (329-1701).

For more information CONTACT:
BILLY DAVIS, Volunteer Coordinator
(H) 804-741-4898 or (C) 804-306-1604 OR
EMAIL: billy.davis1@verizon.net
DEBBIE CARTER, Chaplain Coordinator
(H) 804-377-9914; Email: DebbieCarter88@aol.com

**NEWS FLASH**
CVRM invited to EXPAND Ministry Presence at RIR for 2012!

Central Virginia Raceway Ministries (CVRM) has been invited by the management of Richmond International Raceway to expand their presence at the track in 2012! For more than a decade Christians from Richmond and the surrounding area have engaged in this successful seed planting ministry that is highly valued and deeply appreciated by the new crew of track officials.

WE NEED YOU, YOUR FRIENDS, AND FELLOW CHURCH MEMBERS TO BE A PART OF OUR EXPANDED CHRISTIAN OUT-REACH! In 2012, in addition to the many volunteers who are needed to bake cookies, hand out literature, serve as chaplains, and staff the four ministry sites, we will also need volunteers to become residents in the RV lot with camping race fans from Thursday, April 26 through Sunday morning, April 29! RIR Management has made available to CVRM three (3) RV sites “free of charge” for use as ministry sites. RIR management believes that having CVRM representatives living and ministering at these sites among camping race fans will strengthen the Christian influence throughout the raceway complex.

SEEKING RVs: If you have a camper or motorhome you would like to park at RIR for the April race weekend either for your own occupancy or for someone else from CVRM to occupy because you cannot be present, please contact Billy Davis at billy.davis1@verizon.net or Todd Combee at toddcombe@verizon.net or . Either of these ministry leaders will be happy to answer any questions.

Faith & Family Day at the Track! Saturday, April 28, 2012
Green Flag @ 7:30 p.m.

Join us with your group for a day of faith, family, and fun. Experience all the race day festivities leading up to the green flag for the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series 400 Race “under the lights.”

- FREE on-site parking
- Interactive displays giveways, prizes, games, entertainment
- Souvenir haulers w/race apparel, keepsakes & more!
- Chevy Fan Fest
- Faith & Family program (see below)

Tickets Start at $35 per person.

EVENT ITINERARY:
- Meet with your group 4pm to 6pm
- Raceway ministries on-site
- Climate-controlled building
- NASCAR personality appearance

Faith & Family Day at the Track is limited to the first 1,000 fans and is offered at no additional cost! RSVP and show your tickets at the door.

TO ORDER TICKETS OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Contact Scott Byer at 804-228-7692 or sbyer@rir.com.
BON AIR’s Student Ministry is sponsoring a “Dodgeball Tournament” for Middle School Students on Friday, March 23, 6-9:30 pm and for Adults and Teenagers on Saturday, March 24, with 2 brackets: morning, “The Social Bracket”, 8:30 am – 12:30 pm and afternoon, “The Sporting Bracket”, 1-6 pm. This is a Youth Fundraiser for their first all campus International Mission Trip to Singapore. The Music & Worship Ministry will present David Bailey & Arrabon in a free concert for Community Reconciliation on Friday, March 9, at 7:30 pm at the Buford Road Campus. CHAMBERLAYNE will have a multi-church program on Wednesday, March 7, so that all members from the mission team can share their experiences from their trip to Haiti.

FAIRMOUNT MEMORIAL graciously hosted the North East WMU Winter Celebration Dinner in January. FIRST’s Parish Health offered a class for First Responders who needed to be certificated and to other health professionals who wanted to become first responders on February 26. The church will have a Hymnal Dedication Service on Sunday, March 4 at 7 pm to sing, dedicate and explore the depths of their new hymnal, Celebrating Grace. GRACE will once again host CARITAS during Holy Week, March 31 – April 7. GRAVEL HILL will have their Annual Women’s Day Celebration on Sunday, March 18, with the theme “A Women’s High Calling” with guest speaker, Sybil Jones, of Sharon Baptist Church, Cumberland. HUGENOT ROAD’s Staff-Led Mission Experience in February involved an afternoon helping Alberto Jimenez, pastor, of Bon Air Baptist’s Hispanic Church; an afternoon volunteering at the Crossover Medical Clinic; and a morning helping Jennifer Turner, Director of Oregon Hill Center. The Church will host the Annie Moses Band, a Christian family of Julliard trained musicians and award winning songwriters, on Sunday, March 11, in both the 8:45 and 11:05 am worship services and at 6:00 pm will offer a free concert, open to the public. The church will host CARITAS (about 40 homeless women) March 10-17. MONUMENT HEIGHTS once again did a wonderful job of hosting the RBA Special Education Valentine Social on Friday, February 10, and their Youth sponsored a “Stuffed Animal Collection” for St. Mary’s Pediatric Emergency Room during the month of February. OAK FOREST’s Children, Youth and Vacation Bible School Committees will host a brunch immediately following the worship service on Sunday, March 18, to raise funds for their 2012 Vacation Bible School program. PINE STREET had a “Youth Potato Bar Fundraiser” after Worship on February 26 to raise money for their Youth Ministry. RIVER ROAD is hosting two performances of the Baylor University A Cappella Choir on Saturday, March 10, 7:30 pm and on Sunday, March 11, during their 11:00 am worship service. The church will offer a Women’s Retreat featuring “Women of the Bible” as presented by Anita Gutschick on Friday Evening, March 16, 7:00 -9:00 pm and continuing on Saturday, March 17, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. SAINT PAUL’S has begun their Special Lenten Worship Series featuring guest speakers on “Terrific Tuesdays” at their Belt Campus, “Wonderful Wednesdays” at their Elm Campus and “Thunder On Thursdays” at their Creighton Campus. SANDSTON will offer a class on Disaster Preparedness on Wednesday night, March 28, to learn about being prepared for a hurricane or ice storm. SECOND will have teams assemble 20,000 meals for “Stop Hunger Now!” in their Family Life Center on March 3 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Their Missions Council is throwing a Beach Bash Missions Fair after worship on Sunday, March 11, to show off their Summer Mission trip opportunities, local ministries and all the unique ways members can get involved. SKIPWITH is offering “Life Line Screening” at the church on Friday, March 16. (Pre-registration is required.) STOCKTON MEMORIAL’S Choir and “Character” actors will present the Palm Sunday musical “Spread the News” on April 1, at the 11:00 am service for one and all! SWIFT CREEK will again offer their “Women’s Fun-Shops” on March 2-3 with special guest speaker, Leighann McCoy. (Register online at www.swiftcreekbaptist.org.) WEBBER MEMORIAL will be hosting CARITAS the week of March 31 – April 6. WESTOVER had a “Wild, Wild West-over” Chili Cook-off” on Sunday, February 19, after their worship service with the proceeds going to benefit the Children’s Camp Fund.

CAMP AULKULANA IS SEEKING…
CAMPERS and COUNSELORS
Camp Alkulana is busy planning for the summer, and we invite you to be a part of it!

- Do you know children ages 9 (who have finished 4th Grade) to 11 that you’d like to see attend Camp Alkulana?

- Do you know college-aged students that would make good camp counselors?

Contact Beth at campalkulana@gmail.com or call the RBA office (804-329-1701 ext 206) to find out more. Camp counselors must be at least 18 years old. Campers should qualify for their school’s free or reduced lunch programs, though some exceptions apply. Get involved in your RBA camp today!

BUILD RENEW REFRESH
VIRGINIA BAPTIST LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
www.vbla.wordpress.com

SPRING CONFERENCE
Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center
Lynchburg, VA
March 30 & 31, 2012
Register directly with Eagle Eyrie;
www.eagleeyrie.org
**Gospel Jail Ministry** needs a full-time **CHAPLAIN** to serve in an Adult Jail and two Juvenile Detention Centers. Please call Chaplain Joe Driver for more details at 804-261-1810.

**USED CAR NEEDED:** The RBA Partnership Missions Team is looking for a used car for the African Christianity Community Church. If you have a car, in good working condition, you would like to donate, please contact Ruth Guill at 804-745-1655.

---

**Become a Better Steward of Your Finances**

Entrust Financial Credit Union enables its members to be good stewards of finances by providing the tools and most importantly biblical encouragement to stay on the path to financial freedom. To learn more contact a Member Resource Specialist, Melody or Craig, at 353-8012 or mbrresources@entrustfcu.com.

---

**Lakewood Manor's 5th Annual Book Sale to Benefit Literacy**

**Friday & Saturday, March 9 & 10**

10 AM – 2 PM

Simms Center

- Paperback Books- 50¢
- Hardback Books- $1
- VHS Tapes – 50¢
- DVD’s- $2
- Audio Book Cassettes - $1

All proceeds will benefit local English as a Second Language (ESL) Programs.

We hope to see you there!

1900 Lauderdale Drive, Richmond, VA 23238

---

**Lakewood Manor Benefit Golf Tournament**

**Thursday, April 19, 2012**

**Rain or Shine**

Independence Golf Club
Midlothian, Virginia

Register online: www.vbh.org/foundation/golf

For more information contact: Matt Rose at (804) 521-9212 or mrose@vbh.org

Proceeds from the tournament benefit the Lakewood Manor’s **Endowed Fund for Benevolence** established to help seniors enjoy a loving, welcoming community, with quality care, security, and peace of mind through their lifetime.

Throughout 65 years of Virginia Baptist Homes’ history, no resident has been asked to leave who, through no fault of their own, has outlived their financial resources.

Thank you for your support of this important ministry to seniors.

---

**March Calendar**

**March 4-11**

**Week of Prayer for North American Missions**

“**Annie Armstrong” Easter Offering**

**March 5 @ 10:00 am**

**RBA Staff Meeting**

**March 5**

**CVBM VBS Leaders’ Conference, Central**

6 PM Dinner; 7-9 PM Conferences

**March 6 @ 9:00 am**

**Raceway Ministries CORE Team Meeting, RBA**

**March 6 @ 12 noon**

**RBA Ministers’ Fellowship & Lunch, RBA**

“Using STORYING to Evangelize, Disciple and Overcome Secondary Orality,”

Led by: Ms Annette Hall, IMB Missionary

Lunch Cost $6: RSVP by March 5 to 329-1701

**March 8**

**CVBM Coordinating Team, RBA**

**March 11**

**Daylight Saving Time BEGINS**

**Set Clock Ahead One Hour!**

**March 13 @ 6:30 pm**

**Camp Alkulana Support Team, RBA**

**March 16 @ 12 noon**

**Deadline to Submit Material for April 2012 Transformed**

**March 16-17**

**Fresh Expressions National Gathering (21-C 2012 Conference)**

First Baptist Church, Alexandria

**March 19 @ 6:00 pm**

**CVBM Pastor-Deacon Conference**

Branch’s Baptist

**For More Info: www.cvbm.org**

**March 29 @ 10:00 am**

**Associational Church Retirement Planning Update & Review Meeting @ RBA**
2012
SOJOURNERS
SUMMER MISSIONARY
PROGRAM

The Sojourners Summer Missionary Program of the Richmond Baptist Association places youth, ages 16 (must have completed the 11th grade) to 21, in our three Baptist Centers to experience missions first-hand.

The 2012 summer session is for up to ten weeks. The work schedule is flexible. The Sojourner will average 20 hours of service per week with some weeks being more intense than others. Stipends for 2012 will be $750 per individual.

The Sojourner Program offers experiences in working with children, youth, and senior adults in an inner-city environment. Sojourner youth are exposed to a variety of social ministries at all three Baptist Centers. The program is often formative in a young person’s choice of career or life of service.

A copy of the 2012 Application can be downloaded from the RBA website, www.rbaonline.org.

For more information, contact Mike Robinson at 329-1701 ext. 202 or mikerobinson@rbaonline.org.

May 19 and June 2, 2012

HELP US GET READY FOR THE SUMMER SEASON! PLenty TO DO:

• Yard Work • Spring Cleaning • Light Carpentry • General Repair

GREAT BONDING OPPORTUNITY FOR CHURCH GROUPS*

Leave Richmond early, eat breakfast on the way. Arrive at camp by 10:00 and work until 4:00 with a lunch break. Stop in Staunton on the way home for dinner.

*Okay for youth to come with your adult group; however, youth should understand that “normal” camp activities will not be available, as the goal is to fix up camp.

For more information and to let us know that we can count on you, call or email Beth Wright, Camp Director: 329-1701, ext. 206 or campalkulana@gmail.com.

Annual Fix-up and Clean-up Days
At Camp Alkulana

MAKING A DELIVERY TO THE RBA OFFICE?
Please call before you plan to arrive to make sure someone will be at the office. There are times, during the day, when everyone may be away, so it will save time and gas if you call ahead. The RBA Office is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday—Friday.

HELP THE RBA SAVE POSTAGE COSTS
GIVE US YOUR CHANGE OF ADDRESS!
If you are on our newsletter mailing list and will be moving—please let Frances Jones know your Change of Address in advance! The RBA has to pay $0.45 “postage due” for each returned newsletter because they are mailed bulk rate and the post office will not forward them to your new address! Postage due costs can add up if we have several newsletters returned each month! We appreciate your assistance with this matter.

Dated Material — Do Not Delay

Non-Profit Org.
U. S. Postage
Paid
Richmond, Va.
Permit No. 1555

Richmond Baptist Association
3111 Moss Side Avenue
Richmond, VA 23222
Phone: 804-329-1701
Fax: 804-321-7121
E-mail: office@rbaonline.org
Website: www.rbaonline.org

Return Service Requested