Richmond Baptist Association’s

Annual Spring Celebration

Thursday, April 26, 2012
7:00 PM

Theme:
The RBA - Panama Partnership!
2012 to 2016

Joining Hands,
Joining Hearts

Program Highlights

Welcome to Panama Presentation
A multi-media introduction to our four-year Partnership Mission in Central America!
The RBA returns to Panama! What are the mission opportunities waiting for us?
Get your passport, pack your bags….let’s head South!
Together….we will Transform lives in Panama!

Also...
Special Music
Election of Association Officers
Commissioning of Sojourners

RBA Churches—It’s Time to
Elect Messengers to Represent Your Church
The voting body of the Association shall be composed of five (5) elected messengers from each member church, and one (1) additional messenger for each $5,000 or major fraction thereof given to the General Program and Week of Prayer offering of the Association during its previous fiscal year; provided, that no church shall be entitled to more than fifteen (15) such messengers. Further, each mission under the sponsorship of an Associational church shall be entitled to two (2) elected messengers, and all officers, members of all teams and councils, chairs or heads of Association organizations shall be members of the voting body of the Association.
Greetings:

If you attended the 60th Annual Fall Meeting of the Richmond Baptist Association on Sunday, October 16th, 2011, at Ginter Park Baptist Church you may remember Dr. Chris Backert. Chris is the National Coordinator of “Fresh Expressions, US.” He joined our own Dr. Travis Collins, Senior Pastor at Bon Air Baptist, to challenge us in thinking creatively about how we can engage in what God is doing today to reach the world He loves just as much as He did when He sent His Son nearly two thousand years ago.

On Friday and Saturday, March 16 and 17, “Fresh Expressions” held their National Gathering at First Baptist Church, Alexandria, VA. More than three hundred attended. I was among them, along with several pastors from the Richmond Association.

“Fresh Expressions” is not an initiative born in America but rather in the United Kingdom. Several years ago, the staff of the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV) learned of “Fresh Expressions” in the UK, seeing it as the best example of an initiative helping established churches and denominations move into a mission-oriented future. In 2009, several Virginia Baptists went to view the work of “Fresh Expressions” firsthand.

In December 2010, the BGAV sponsored a two-day meeting with Anglican Bishop Graham Cray in Falls Church, Virginia. The meeting was hosted by The Falls Church (Anglican) and Columbia Baptist Church in Falls Church. It was then that the BGAV coalition began to take shape.

Chris Backert states, “Each step along the way, we continue to be affirmed that Jesus is up to something new and dynamic that we believe will lead to the renewal of our existing congregations and hundreds, if not thousands, of new expressions of church that are capable of connecting with people who are beyond the reach of our more typical church services or programming.”

We must come to terms with the reality that even among healthy and vibrant congregations there are many within their nearby shadows who for one reason or another will not easily, and in some case never, come inside their buildings. Don Davidson, Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church, Alexandria, put it well when he said, “The solution for this, of course, is to look for new ways to make disciples,…..to learn to tap into the creativity of the people already in church to better engage the people who are outside the church.”

“Fresh Expressions” is not a one-size-fits-all sort of program, but a change in thinking about how we “do” church. Davidson goes on to say, “It doesn’t mean that we change the way we do Sunday morning, but it does mean that we begin to train ourselves not simply as church members or church staff, but as missionaries. Some of us will find our mission field within existing ministries of the church, but others of us will begin to see our workplace, fitness center, or book club as fertile soil for the gospel, holding untapped potential for new forms of church.”

When surveys confirm that the fastest growing segment of religious affiliation in the United States is the “nonaffiliated,” – 16.1% of adults age eighteen and older – and when people moving into the unaffiliated category outnumber those moving out of that category on a ratio of three to one, there is a clear signal that simply doing what we have always done is not a winning strategy.

Someone has said that continuing to do what we have always done and expecting a different result is the definition of insanity. Harsh though it may sound, the statement is not without merit!

Encouragement from the “Fresh Expressions National Gathering” is that the hand of God’s Holy Spirit is already powerfully at work in England, Scotland, Ireland, Australia and the US renewing many existing congregations and birthing thousands of new expressions of church. These existing congregations and “Fresh Expressions” are touching communities in ways unheard of in decades past and reaching segments of people seemingly previously unreachable.

Be encouraged! God is still at work! Be flexible! His work in the current day may surely call each of us to think and be a bit different from whom we are now! But isn’t that what growth is? And with growth comes new possibilities and the potential for enriched Kingdom results! And isn’t that what it’s all about … His Kingdom?…”Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven….?”

So….let’s grow!

Rejoicingly,

Mike
PRAY FOR THE RBA
CHURCH OF THE WEEK

| APRIL 1 | STOCKTON MEMORIAL |
| APRIL 8 | STUKELEY HALL |
| APRIL 15 | SWIFT CREEK |
| APRIL 22 | TABERNACLE |
| APRIL 29 | TRINITY |
| MAY 4 | UNITED FOR CHRIST |

MEETING NOTICE!
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, April 19, 2012
7:00 p.m.
@ RBA Office

RBA’S MINISTERS’ FELLOWSHIP LUNCH
TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 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, April 2. Contact Frances Jones at frances.jones@rbaonline.org or 329-1701.

12:30 to 1:30 P.M.: PROGRAM
“Unpacking the 2010 Census: The New Realities of Race, Class and Jurisdiction”
Led by David Vinson, Resident Intern, Richmond Hill.
We will examine the dramatically changing landscape of human need and what can be done collectively — city and counties — to address the plight of our neighbor and to minister in context.

Crown’s New Magazine

Do Well is Crown’s new, quarterly magazine. This magazine is a massive upgrade to Crown’s supporters who loved Money Matters, which was canceled. Most importantly, it is yet another way for Crown to connect with its audience, share its story, and highlight how God is working through Crown to impact the world globally, while offering great teaching and practical insight that its readers want. To receive a free copy of Do Well, go to www.crown.org and click on the banner. To subscribe to Do Well via my web site, go to www.rowekamp.crown.org, and click on “Purchase”.

Also this month, check out Crown’s new resource, Basic [Financial] Training for Military Families … Getting Fiscally Fit. It is designed for our men and women in uniform, returning from deployment and those on active duty, whose families could benefit from it. Go to www.crown.org and click on the banner.

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

The RBA family extends our deepest sympathies to:

LOUISE CLARA HEIRICH HILL who passed away on February 27, 2012 in Ahoskie, NC. She was preceded in death by her husband Dr. Eugene L. Hill. Dr. and Mrs. Hill were missionaries in China for many years. In 1955, Dr. Hill became head of Missionary Education and Promotion for the IMB. They were members of Ginter Park Baptist Church and active in founding the Chinese Baptist Church, where their portraits hang in the foyer. Mrs. Hill is survived by several children, grandchildren and many friends. A memorial service will be held in Richmond in April. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Historic Hope Foundation (132 Hope House Road, Windsor, NC 27924) or to your local foreign missionary offering.

The family and friends of the REVEREND DR. JOHN W. PATTERSON Sr. who passed away on February 28, 2012. He is survived by his wife Patricia W. Patterson and children, Patti Gail, John, Jr., Leighanne, Micki, Scott and Heather and their families. Dr. and Mrs. Patterson served as missionaries in Colombia, South American prior to coming to Richmond. Dr. Patterson served faithfully as the Pastor of Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church from August 13, 1967 until June 12, 1983. He also served as Director of Missions for the Peninsula and Mid-Tidewater Baptist Associations. A memorial service was held on March 3 at Hatcher with a private burial following.

Bonnie Herdman Scholarship Program

Entrust Financial FCU offers two $1,000 scholarships: one for a graduating high school senior who’s entering college, technical, or trade school, and one for a full-time seminary student. Completed application and essay must be postmarked by Saturday, April 28, 2012. Applications for each scholarship can be downloaded at: https://www.entrustfcu.org/What’s-New/Scholarships-Available.

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.
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

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.

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

BETHEL 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!

Register online at:
https://adobeformscentral.com/?f=orB3ryFWEDPnduN4xiNLsQ
For more information call Paige Rider 677-0476,
Frances Morris 794-6130 or Andrea Hale 378-9360

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY APRIL 2**

Growing Vibrant Leadership
"I am the vine." John 15:5

May 4-5, 2012
@ Eagle Eyrie

The Leadership Gathering: engaging worship gatherings and practical breakout sessions that encourage church leaders to find God’s missional calling for your congregation as the church seeks to live out its involvement in God's Kingdom. There will be breakout sessions for pastors, deacons, Sunday School directors, Vacation Bible School directors, age group leaders, finance/Stewardship committee leaders, and more!

With Special Guest Speaker: Dr. Jeff Iorg
President, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary and Author

Registration Now Open at: VBMB.org/LG

Cost*: $79 per person
($59 for BGAV Churches until April 2)

*Lodging and meals can be provided through Eagle Eyrie for an additional fee. Contact Eagle Eyrie at www.eagleeyrie.org or 434-384-2211 for more info.
**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 outreach!** 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 toddcombee@verizon.net or . Either of these ministry leaders will be happy to answer any questions.

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**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:** Setup Main Tent and

- **April 26 - Thursday:** Setup & 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-1pm, 1-4 pm, 4-7pm, 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 clear zip lock plastic bags with 2-3 medium sized cookies each. A label saying compliments of ________ Baptist Church may be put on the outside of the bag. No tracts please! These will be available from Motor Racing Outreach 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 am-4:30 pm. (329-1701).

For more information CONTACT:

**Billy Davis, Volunteer Coordinator**
(H) 804-741-4898 or (C) 804-306-1604
Email: billy.davis1@verizon.net

**Debbie Carter, Chaplain Coordinator**
(H) 804-377-9914; Email: DebbieCarter88@aol.com

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**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, giveaways, 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.
Announcements:

**CHURCH NEWS**

**BETHLEHEM (PENICK)** had “Church Game Night” on Friday, March 16 at 5:45 pm with board and card games, “chicken foot Dominos”, pizza, drinks and prizes for the winners. **BON AIR** will present “The Last Supper”, a Dramatic Portrayal with the Celebration of Communion, featuring their Sanctuary Choir, Exaltation (Adult Ensemble) and Total Praise (Women’s Ensemble) on Thursday & Friday, April 5-6 at 7:30 pm. **CHAMBERLAYNE** will have a Community Festival & Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 7 from 10:00 am to noon at Chamberlayne Farms Shopping Center on Wilkinson Road. This is a free event sponsored by Chamberlayne and Anointed New Life Baptist with an egg hunt, bouncy hour, carnival games and a 30 animal petting zoo. **FAIRMOUNT MEMORIAL** had a Sunday School Breakfast Fellowship during their Sunday School hour on January 29 and decided to start a new tradition with a Breakfast Fellowship on every fifth Sunday of the month. **FIRST** is hosting Ken Medema in concert to benefit The Ministering to Ministers Foundation, on Sunday, April 29 at 7:00 pm. Tickets are $15 on-line at MTMMedemaConcert.com or $18 at the door. On Saturday May 5, The popular Physician Within medical education series continues with a three-hour workshop on “Nerves and Nervous System topics” at 9:00 am in the dinning room. Check the church website www.fbcrichmond.org for more information. **GAYTON** is looking forward to another successful year for the “Spirit of Baseball” on Saturday, April 21, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm at John Marshall High School. This sports outreach will provide instruction on baseball fundamentals to inner city kids while introducing them to Christ’s unconditional love for them. On Saturday, April 28, the church’s Toolbox Ministries will lead volunteers in their third “Rebuilding Together” event in the East End neighborhood of Eastview. **GINTER PARK** is offering “Contemplative Worship”, a quiet worship service, in their Chapel on Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm with space to be present to God and to yourself in sacred silence, to be still before the work week starts. All faith traditions are welcome and dress is casual. **GROVE AVENUE** will be hosting the “Iron Sharpens Iron” Men’s Conference on Saturday, March 31, 8:30 am – 4:55 pm. **HATCHER MEMORIAL** is sponsoring their “Annual Earl Moore Memorial Golf Tournament” on Saturday, April 21, 8:00 am at the Crossings Golf Course with profits going toward Youth Trips. Call 405-2290 or email dannydenton@comcast.net. to make reservations or for more information. **JAHNE ROAD** will hold a benefit piano concert on Saturday, April 28 at 7:00 pm to help one of their families defray some of the costs associated with adopting two special needs children from Bulgaria. The public is invited to enjoy the music of Michael Edwards, our Pianist. A love offering will be taken. **LAKESIDE** will have a special Maundy Thursday “Meal and Lord’s Supper Service” on April 5 at 6:00 pm including music from “Lightforce” for $6.00 per person. Call 266-1613 to make reservations. **MONUMENT HEIGHTS** Family Ministry Team has planned a Fifth Sunday Family Worship at 11:00 am on April 29 featuring Jonathon Austin for an interactive, family-focused worship experience for all ages. **NORTHMINSTER** will host a Youth Peace Summit”, sponsored by the Richmond Peace Education Center, promoting teen leadership, nonviolent conflict resolution, social justice and positive self-expression on Saturday, April 28. This event, is open free of charge to young people, ages 12-19 (registration required). There will be morning and afternoon workshops on a variety of topics, lunch and a midday performance by talented local youth. **OAK FOREST** will offer their Easter Cantata, “O What A Savior” on Easter Sunday during their 11:00 am Worship Service. **PINE STREET’s** Spiritual Life Committee is encouraging members to share their crosses by bringing them in to create an “Easter Cross Display” for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. **RIVER ROAD** will send a Mission Team to Bland County to provide assistance to residents in the Appalachian mountain communities of Virginia on April 15-21. The church will host “FAMILIA”, a fun evening of Latino Culture, including a Mexican dinner, art, culture and music, a cooking lesson, games, soccer and fellowship for everyone, young and old, and especially FAMILIES on April 24, 5:00 – 8:00 pm. **SANDSTON’s** Easter Musical will be on Palm Sunday, April 1, at 4:00 pm with the children’s choir joining the youth choir, the adult choir and handbells for an afternoon of praise. The church will hold their annual “Operation Inasmuch” on Saturday, April 21, a day dedicated to short-term mission projects in the Sandston community. This is an opportunity for the congregation to work together to share God’s love with their neighbors beyond the walls of the church. **SECOND’s** Maundy Thursday Service, a dramatization of “The Last Supper”, including the Ordinance of the Lord’s Supper will be Thursday, April 5 at 7:30 pm. **SOUTHWEST** is hosting its first Spring Bazaar and Community Yard Sale on Saturday, April 14, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm with unique gifts, arts, jewelry, etc. Contact the church office at 272-5942 or email, southampton-joy@yahoo.com for more information. **STAPLES MILL ROAD** had a Men’s Retreat at Camp Alkulana on March 23-25. The church will simulcast “Secret Church” with David Platt on Friday, April 6, at 7:00 pm to 1:00 am for a time of intense Bible study and prayer for our persecuted brothers and sisters around the world! Tickets can be purchased at http://smrbcsecretchurch.eventbrite.com/. **SWIFT CREEK’s Men’s Ministry is sponsoring “Friday Night Lights” on Friday evening, May 11, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the church (7511 N. Spring Run Rd Midlothian VA 23112). To connect men, especially Dads, with their teenage kids (8th grade and up), teaching them their Godly role to be real champions in their families and communities. There will be a barbeque dinner followed by speaker, Adrian Despres, www.adriandespres.com, chaplain for the University of South Carolina football team. There will be DOOR PRIZES!!! Tickets are $15 for Adults and $5 for youth. Register at www.swiftcreekbaptist.org/Events. **WEBBER MEMORIAL’s Creative Ministries will present “O What A Savior”, the testimony of every redeemed soul, the celebration of victory over sin and life everlasting through His death on the cross and His glorious resurrection, on Sunday, April 1, at 8:30 am and 11:00 am. **WOODLAND HEIGHTS** is proud to announce their new website, www.whbcva.org, with pictures, basic history and information about their church to serve as an introduction to those in the community wishing to explore their church further. The church will have a “Community Connections Gathering” on Wednesday, April 11 at 6:30 pm with Dr. Tracy Hartman of BTSR to lead them in thinking about their growing efforts in community ministry, considering their assets as well as opportunities to learn and how to put their learning into practice.

**STAFF NEWS**

**SAINT PAUL'S** celebrates the Official Release and Book Signing of Dr. Lance Watson’s new book, “That Was Then-This is Now” on Easter Sunday, April 8. **SKIPWITH** recently celebrated the 15 year anniversary of Rick Tinsley as their Minister of Music. **STAPLES MILL ROAD** is pleased to announce the addition of Tommy Knighten as their new Associate Pastor for Children and Families.
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.

April 1
Palm Sunday

April 3 @ 9:00 AM
Raceway Ministries CORE Team Meeting, RBA

April 3 @ 12 Noon
RBA Ministers’ Fellowship & Lunch, RBA

“Unpacking the 2010 Census,” Led by: David Venson
Lunch Cost $6: RSVP April 2 to 329-1701

April 8
Easter Sunday

April 9
RBA Office Closed
For Easter Monday

April 10 @ 6:30 PM
Camp Alkulana Support Team, RBA

April 17 @ 6:00 PM
RBA WMU Annual Celebration & Dinner, River Road Church Baptist
8000 River Road, Richmond, VA 23229

April 17 @ 6:30 PM
Raceway Ministries Volunteer Orientation, RBA

April 18 @ 12 Noon
Deadline to Submit Material for May 2012 Transformed

April 19 @ 7:00 PM
Administrative Council, RBA

April 23 @ 12:00 Noon
Centers Support Group, RBA

April 23-25 @ 8:30 AM-4:30 PM
Raceway Cookie Delivery to RBA

April 24 @ 8:45 AM
Prepare Enrich

April 26 @ 7:00 PM
Raceway Spring Celebration, Bon Air

April 26-28
Raceway Ministries, NASCAR Race Weekend, Richmond International Raceway

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Camp Alkulana 2012 Summer Schedule

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1209 Palmyra Avenue, Richmond, VA 23227

Invites you to visit and personally browse the collection:
Monday-Thursday from 1 to 5pm or by appointment or to

View the collection on our revised website:
www.resourcingchurches.com

Contact our staff:
804-358-8306; 1-888-241-5132; resourcecenter@cavtel.net
Visit us on Facebook and Twitter

Make a Nomination:
2012 Celebrating Excellence in Ministry Banquet
Greater Richmond Convention Center's Ballroom C
Friday, November 16, 2012

Mark Your Calendars

RBA Executive Council Meeting
May 17, 2012
12:00 noon
Huguenot Road Baptist Church
10525 W. Huguenot Road
Want to do something BIG?

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

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SUmMER MISSIONARY
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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. April 9 is the deadline to submit applications.

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

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.

Contact Frances Jones via email or snail mail at the addresses listed below:
• To submit an article—must be received by the 15th of each month.
• To be added or deleted from the mailing list.
• To submit a change of address in a timely manner so the RBA will not incur postage due costs for returned newsletters that cannot be forwarded.

Richmond Baptist Association
3111 Moss Side Avenue,
Richmond, VA 23222, 804-329-1701.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED