News of Richmond area churches...together...changing lives—July 2008

Transformed!

Needed: Backpacks ♦ School Supplies ♦ Underwear ♦ Socks for “Back To School Celebrations” @ Baptist Centers

Last fall our three Baptist Centers distributed close to 900 backpacks with school supplies to the children of their communities! We hope to do as well this year. We have downsized the list of items for each backpack from last year. Items to be included in each backpack are listed below. Questions? Contact Carol Alley, WMU Mission Involvement Consultant, 804-282-7982 or resaca@rcn.com

Backpack (sturdy, large enough for notebooks and textbooks.)
1 three-ring binder and divider tabs ■ 1 or 2 packs of wide-lined notebook paper (200 sheets total)
4 black-and-white composition books ■ 2 three- or five-subject spiral notebooks
(DO NOT INCLUDE 1-SUBJECT SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS, NO ONE USES THEM!)
5 to 8 pencils ■ 5 to 8 black or blue ink pens
a Christian bookmark or something similar, appropriate for children

Additional items (do not put in backpacks)
colored pencils ■ red pens ■ crayons (pack of 16 or 24)
Highlighters ■ magic markers ■ 3 x 5 index cards
erasers ■ protractors and compasses ■ pencil sharpeners (small hand-held)
floppy disks ■ blank CDs ■ scissors (pointed or blunt, metal)
glue sticks ■ water-color paint kits
rulers (1 ft, w/inches & metric units) ■ pencil boxes ■ folders w/pockets (with or without brads) in various colors
erasers ■ protractors and compasses ■ pencil sharpeners (small hand-held)

South Richmond Center & Church Hill Wellness Center prefer pre-filled backpacks. Oregon Hill Center prefers empty backpacks plus supplies.

Socks and Underwear for children kindergarten through high school age.
(Boys prefer briefs. Girls like whatever the girls that you know like!)

Where and When to Deliver These Supplies
This year we are asking that you take your backpacks and supplies directly to one of the centers (check the list below for the suggested recipient center of your church’s supplies.)

South Richmond Center
Thursday, August 28
Deliver supplies August 27.
Call Margaret Allen; 232-0174 to schedule delivery.

Church Hill Wellness Center
Saturday, August 9
Deliver Supplies August 4, 5 or 6.
Call Glinda Ford; 780-0053 to schedule delivery.

Oregon Hill Center
Wednesday, Aug. 20
Deliver supplies Aug. 18 & 19.
Call Jennifer Turner; 648-1353 to schedule delivery.

South Richmond
Bethany Place
Bon Air
Chinese
Community of Grace
First Union
Friendship Memorial
Gravel Hill
Huguenot Road
Jahnke Road
Korean
Lighthouse of Hope
Morning Star
New Canaan
New Life

Church Hill
A Different Richmond
Bethlehem (Fairmount)
Bethlehem (Penick)
Broadus Memorial
Cambridge
Carlisle Avenue
Chamberlayne
Community Mission
Derbyshire
Disciples for Christ
Fairmount Memorial
Gayton
Hatcher
Lakeside
Leigh Street
Life-Line for Jesus
Monument Heights
Mount Carmel
Mount Sinai
Mount Tabor
New Bridge
New Canaan Int’l
Oakwood Memorial
River Road
Sandston
Second
Staples Mill Road
Westhampton

Oregon Hill
Boulevard
First
Ginter Park
Grace
Grove Ave.
New Covenant
Northminster
Patterson Ave.
Pine St.
Skipwith
Stukeley Hall
Tabernacle
Greetings!

The seven members of the Camp Alkulana Director Search Committee have been enlisted and will have their first meeting on Tuesday, July 15, at 7:00 p.m. at the RBA office building. The members of the committee are:

- **Camp Support Team**
  - Beth Kaiser
  - Jackson Hall
  - James Merifield

- **Personnel Sub-Group**
  - Jerry Hicks
  - Kirby Smith

- **Budget Sub-Group**
  - Gerald Bowers
  - Howard Germany

Please pray for these committee members as they begin the challenging process of finding a new Director to guide the Camp Alkulana ministry beginning March 1, 2009. We are in the process of revising the job descriptions for the Camp Director and the Site Director so we can present the new description to any potential candidates for the position. The committee members very much need your encouragement as they seek to find that person the Lord has prepared to take Gracie’s place as Director of Camp Alkulana.

By the way, as of the end of May, we have received $30,000.56 toward our 2008 Camp Alkulana Offering Goal of $95,000.00. Your support of this Associational Missions Offering is vital to the continued growth and development of our Camp Alkulana ministry. Our churches exceeded our offering goal last year of $90,000.00 and provided some excess funds that allowed us to take care of our well/water issues that are critical to the ongoing operation of the Camp. This Emergency Reserve Fund has also provided for some other matters that have arisen that were not included in the operating budget line items for Camp. We thank God for His timely provision of financial resources to care for the unexpected needs of our beloved Camp.

Let me also remind you that Camp Alkulana is available to our churches as a beautiful site on the river in the mountains for a retreat during the months of September to May. We have our summer camping sessions in June, July and August each year.

We loaded the travel bus with “little girls” on June 19 to take them to Bath County for our first session of 2008 summer camping. This will be Gracie’s last summer session with our inner-city children. I know Gracie would appreciate your prayers for all the campers in the four different sessions this summer. But I also know Gracie needs your prayers for her as she says goodbye to the kids and to all her faithful Camp staff members. She loves them all and will greatly miss them as she transitions into her retirement years.

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**WANT TO BE A PART OF 670?**

In Luke 15:7, Jesus says, “…there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.” 670 is a five-year statewide evangelism strategy that will help Virginia Baptists reach the lost for Christ, thereby “Causing Heaven to Celebrate.”

In 2006, the population of Virginia was estimated at 7.5 million people. Did you know that only 3.1 million of those people indicated that they had a religious affiliation? This means that approximately 4.4 million people could potentially be lost.

The 2005 Annual Church Profile (ACP) indicated that there were 443,239 Virginia Baptists. This means that Virginia Baptists make up 14% of the 3.1 million who indicated that they had a religious affiliation. Since Virginia Baptists make up 14% of the religious population, shouldn’t we be responsible for reaching at least 14% of the estimated 4.4 million people in Virginia that could potentially be lost? That’s approximately 622,239 people.

What if God, through the Virginia Baptist Family, brought 623,100 people to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ over the next five years? Did you know that it would take only 670 Virginia Baptists with a passion for lost people to make this happen? Jesus’ invitation to follow Him is an invitation to make His purpose our ambition.

An orientation gathering led by Rev. Dennis Pethers has been planned to prepare leaders and laity for the launching of 670 in the Central and Capital regions of Virginia. The meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 12, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. (lunch included) at the Patterson Avenue Baptist Church (4301 Patterson Avenue). To RSVP, please contact Gwen Payne by July 7 at the VBMB (804-915-5000 or gwen.payne@vbmb.org).

The Richmond Baptist Association is in the heart of the Capital region. RBA churches should be well represented at this meeting. Prayerfully consider becoming part of the 670!

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**MAY 2008 BUDGET REPORT**

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NEED A PLACE OF SERVICE?

The Leadership Development Team (aka Nominating Committee) will be working this summer to enlist volunteers to serve on various RBA teams and groups for the 2008-2009 Associational year beginning on October 19, 2008. There are a variety of places to serve the Lord through the work of the Richmond Baptist Association. Please send your name and/or the names of individuals whom you would like to recommend to our Director of Missions, Pete du Plessis, at Pete.duplessis@rbaonline.org or call him at 329-1701.

Pastors, it would be most helpful if you could refer some of your folks to the RBA ministries. The service opportunity would be a real blessing to the Association, to the volunteer as well, and ultimately to the church. Don’t be bashful, just pick up the phone and call. You’ll be glad you did!

WHAT’S AN ENDOWMENT FUND?

The Administrative Council of the Richmond Baptist Association is conscientiously working to develop the Endowment Fund of the Association. Why? Because of what the Endowment Fund can do for the Association and the churches that make up the Association. Actually, every member church should also be developing an endowment fund. Why?

The endowment fund provides a channel through which Christians can be good stewards of their possessions and continue to be a blessing beyond their lifetime. An endowment fund is one in which funds are received and invested for income as well as security. Endowments are moneys given to your church or our Association that are invested with only the interest earned from the moneys being spent.

Here’s how they work! Contributions received into an endowment fund are permanently held as principal, only the interest earned by the fund will be spent. Unless the endowment fund is established for a designated purpose, your church decides how the interest earned will be spent. The RBA has established our Endowment Fund for the specific purpose of funding the administrative portion of the annual RBA budget.

In order for that decision to be effective, the Endowment Fund must be built up to the point that the earnings will be able to support the administrative costs of the Association. Thus, we encourage churches and individuals to consider making a contribution to the RBA Endowment Fund. But please note that the Association is not seeking to compete with our member churches in developing your congregational endowment fund. The Association wants to help each church establish and develop its own endowment fund even as we ask for your help in building up the Associational Endowment Fund.

The information in this article is taken from a brochure published by The Virginia Baptist Foundation, Inc. entitled “Turning a Tiny Acorn…into a Mighty Oak!” We will say more in the future about endowment funds with material taken from this informative brochure. You may obtain the brochure directly from the Foundation by calling 804-672-8862.

CROWN FINANCIAL MINISTRIES OPPORTUNITY FOR RBA PASTORS

Nita May, Regional Coordinator for the Central Virginia Baptist Ministries, has been working with Randy Rowekamp of Crown Financial Ministries (www.crown.org) to provide an opportunity for our pastors to learn more about this wonderful financial ministry in the local church. Randy anticipates leading a small group of interested pastors through this special training. Crown Financial will be providing a free luncheon meeting on Tuesday, July 29, 2008, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Vinny’s Italian Grill, 1070 Virginia Center Common’s Parkway (261-7600). There is no obligation for your church to participate in the small group by attending the luncheon. The goal is to introduce pastors to some of the advantages of this ministry. If you would like to hear about Crown’s “Vision” for the local church, please plan to attend on July 29. Advanced reservations are not required for lunch, but a call to let them know you plan to attend would be helpful. For additional information, contact Nita May at 598-6350 or nita.may@cvbm.org.
Around the Association

Church News

BON AIR hosted the International Mission Board’s “Missionary Appointment Service” on June 25 and will host their free July Concert Series featuring Larry Bland and the Volunteer Choir on July 6, Exaltation and One Accord on July 13, Linda McKechnie on July 20 and Marty Goetz on July 27. BROADUS MEMORIAL began the Women’s Group Bible Study “Slightly Bad Girls of the Bible” in June. CAMBRIDGE’s Children’s Ministry hosted a cooking class for kids to bake and decorate their own cake. CARLISLE AVENUE will help Mechanicsville Methodist Church host CARITAS July 26-August 2. DERBYSHIRE’s Student Music Ministry performed their “Three Rivers Tour” at home before departing for Pittsburgh, PA. FAIRMOUNT MEMORIAL offered their parents and college bound students a College Financial Aid Seminar. FIRST dedicated a new pulpit in honor of Dr. Jim Somerville’s first Sunday and they are offering a Summer Music Camp on July 14-18 for children who have completed grades 1-5. GAYTON approved a new master plan with Phase I featuring an Outreach Center which will have a commercial kitchen, a high-school regulation size basketball court, locker rooms, multiple classrooms and a stage for performing and worship arts. GROVE AVENUE is offering a Children’s Music/Day Camp Combo July 14-18 from 8:45am-3:30pm. HATCHER MEMORIAL’s Youth Drama Team offered “Murder, Mayhem and Marshmallow Salad” for three performances of a Mystery Dinner Theater Comedy in June. HUGUENOT ROAD continued its long-standing tradition of sending a team to the Bland County Dental Clinic in June and in July will offer “The Music Man” Dinner Theatre performances the 24-27. LAKESIDE provided transportation to the Ashland YMCA for the CARITAS clients being housed at Our Lady of Lourdes. LEIGH STREET will host the Northeast Region Women on Mission Dinner on July 22 at 6:15 p.m. MOUNT CARMEL is partnering with a local Baptist Church in Nassau, Bahamas for their summer mission trip to include Vacation Bible School July 11-19. NORTHMINSTER began Beth Moore’s Bible Study “Stepping Up: A Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent” in June and continuing through August 7. They have a mission trip scheduled for August 3-8 in Barbour County, West Virginia to participate in day camps, landscaping, construction and hospice care. OAK FOREST is hosting the gospel trio “Living Praise” on Sunday, August 17. PATTERSON AVENUE held a “Single-Sunday Re-vival” in July featuring noted evangelist and author from the United Kingdom, Rev. Dennis Pethers, founder and General Director of Viz-A-Viz Ministries. RIVER ROAD is offering a “Summer Celebration” (Music and Recreation) on July 28-August 1 for children who have completed grades 1-5. SAINT PAUL’S is sponsoring the 2008 “Life Empowerment Super Conference” on July 9-11 with featured main speakers: Bishop Joseph Walker III, Elaine Flake and Bishop Liston Page II. This event is free, but registration is required. SANDSTON’s Brotherhood hosted dinner on June 20 for the CARITAS program at Sandston Presbyterian Church. SECOND has a mission trip to Danville planned for July 11-16 to help this community suffering from economic hard times with several events during their stay: hosting a Back Yard Bible Club for kids, inviting the community to a Party in the Park, singing the National Anthem at the local Braves game, working with the local homeless shelter and more. TABERNACLE has a mission trip to Brazil scheduled for July 18-30. WEBBER MEMORIAL offered a Women’s Seminar “Basking in the Son When the World’s Gone Wild!” with Special Guest Speaker, Dr. Becky Gunter in June. WESTHAMPTON had “Hooray for Summer”, an Ice Cream Social and Lock-in for Children and had an Ordinations Service for Claire George in June.

Staff News

BETHANY PLACE welcomes Brittany Gordon as the new Interim Children’s Ministry Coordinator. BON AIR has called Rev. Marty Coleman to serve as Interim Student Minister. DERBYSHIRE has called Drew Collier to serve as their new Youth Minister. FIRST celebrated 10 years of faithful service by Rev. Steve Blanchard. HUGUENOT ROAD has extended a call to Jon Greenhill as Associate Pastor for Youth and College/Career Ministries. NEW BRIDGE has called Tim Miller as new Minister of Worship & Arts. NORTHMINSTER welcomes Abby Schreiner to the position of Youth Coordinator. WEBBER MEMORIAL has called Loi Le to serve as Associate Pastor/Minister.

Irs Increases Mileage Rates Through December 2008

On June 23 the IRS announced an eight (8) cent increase in the optional standard mileage rates for the final six months of 2008. This special adjustment is due to the increases in gasoline prices.

**Mileage Rate Changes**

1/1 - 6/30/08 -- 50.5
7/1 - 12/31/08 -- 58.5

For a copy of the IRS announcement, go to: (http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0, id=184163,00.html)

Mark Your Calendars

RBA Executive Council Meeting

August 21, 2008
12:00 noon

River Road Church, Baptist
8000 River Road
Greetings;

Most of you know by now that my family and I returned to Mexico for immigration reasons. We arrived safely by June 1. We are living in a small town about 20 minutes outside of Mexico City with my mother in law. Rebeca, my wife, is very happy with this arrangement and so am I.

My family has always believed that the Lord is in control of our lives, but we have struggled to understand His purpose for our return to Mexico. Little by little we are beginning to see the wonderful plan He has for us and how we are an answer to our own prayer.

During the five years in Amelia we met and ministered to many Mexicans. Many were baptized and became believers and continued to live in Amelia or Richmond, but a few returned to Mexico. At a Bible study in Richmond one day, the group prayed for God to send someone to present the Gospel to their relatives, family and friends living in Mexico. At that time, we had no idea that my family and I would be the ones chosen to be the answer to that prayer and go as “missionaries” from Monte Calvario. We now realize we are just the right persons to do this work, because many of the people we are trying to reach will recognize who we are from letters and testimonies of their family members in the U.S. or those from Amelia that have moved back to Mexico. We are also familiar with the dialect of this area so we can share the Gospel in a language they will understand.

We are able to continue our radio program broadcast Richmond in the same format with the big difference being we are in Mexico. We are interviewing new believers and presenting powerful testimonies to let the Latino Community in Richmond know how our wonderful God is touching and transforming lives, families and communities in Mexico.

The same technology that has made it possible to continue the radio program makes it possible for me to record sermons and email them to Monte Calvario so they will be able to continue hearing Pastor Orsatti’s preaching. I want them to know that their shepherd still cares about his flock.

Please, please pray for the spiritual well-being of the congregation of Monte Calvario during our absence. Pray that we will be able to fulfill our missionary purpose to reach out in Christ’s name and minister to the family and friends in Mexico of the Latino Christians in Virginia. Pray that the U.S. Immigration Service will process our documents to return to Virginia in a speedy manner so we can return to Virginia and continue our ministry. Especially pray for Francine and Stephanie, our daughters, who remained in Richmond.

Blessings in the name of our Lord.
Louis Orsatti
SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR PASTORS

Pete du Plessis, RBA Director of Missions, will be facilitating a special study group for pastors beginning in September. This is a program of study that pastors can then lead their congregations through. The purpose of the Life Management Study (LMS) is to equip people to discern and appropriate more and more of God’s plan and to experience the increasing freedom from anxiety and the peace that passes understanding; to conquer over commitment, procrastination and chronic tardiness.

The study consists of 13 two-hour sessions and will meet in location(s) and at time(s) suitable to the participants. Regular weekly attendance and completion of daily homework is required. There will also be two planned social events.

Materials include a student manual, workbook, leader’s guide and a copy of Ken Smith’s book, It’s About Time. These materials are available only to LMS participants. The major portion of the cost of the program will be cared for by the RBA. Pastors are asked to pay $25.00 for their participation in this study. The first group will consist of eight pastors. If you would like to be a part of the Life Management Study or would like more information, please contact Pete du Plessis at 329-1701 or Pete.duplessis@rbaonline.org.

SAFE TRAVEL SOLUTIONS
AND
TRAVEL SAFE
VIDEO TRAINING COURSES

SAFE TRAVEL SOLUTIONS is the only video security-training course that provides proven strategies to help you implement simple protective measures to improve the safety of your group. It is an excellent companion to any other training you are providing your short-term team members—much needed in our ever-changing world.

TRAVEL SAFE contains step-by-step instructions and specific scenarios on travel safety for all ages. Between keeping track of the kids and getting to the airport on time, traveling with your family can be a stressful and unpredictable experience. In today’s fast-paced world, travelers can experience a variety of challenges during their journey. Let this educational tool guide you and your family on how to enjoy your trip, while keeping your family more prepared and safe.

The RBA recently purchased copies of both videos and they are available now for churches to borrow. Contact the RBA Office at 329-1701 if you would like to check them out.

What’s New on the RBA Website
www.rbaonline.org

We hope everyone has had the opportunity to check out the updated RBA website! For those of you who have not had a chance to visit the site, here are some of the things you will find:

LIST OF RBA CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: A current list of member churches and missions including general contact information; address, phone, email, website and pastor’s name. If corrections are needed, please contact Frances Jones at frances.jones@rbaonline.org.

NEWSLETTER: An 8½ x 11 version of the monthly RBA newsletter, “TRANSFORMED!” is available to conveniently print to a home printer. For those who currently receive a hard-copy of the newsletter by mail and would prefer to just download your copy from the website each month (which will save the RBA some postage), just contact Frances Jones and let her know to remove your name from the mailing list and put your email address on the list to receive email notifications once each issue is available on-line.

RBA “CHURCH OF THE WEEK” FLIERS: In an effort to help our 73 diverse churches feel more like members of a family, the RBA staff distributes a “Church of the Week” flier each Tuesday to our Pastors and Secretaries. Each flier has a picture and prayer requests for the focus church for the next week. Many of our churches reference the fliers during their Wednesday night prayer services or include them as inserts in their Sunday bulletins. The flier for the coming week and for the previous three or four weeks can be found on the website for individuals or small group leaders can download the fliers so they can also pray each week for an RBA church.

E-GIVING: The RBA website was recently updated to include an E-giving (electronic giving) option which allows individuals to make credit card donations on-line to our community missions programs (three Centers and Camp), RBA general operating budget or endowment fund. The RBA is solely funded by the generous gifts of our churches, so additional support from individuals is greatly appreciated.

NEWS OF UPCOMING EVENTS/RBA CALENDAR: Information and fliers for upcoming associational events. An up-to-date copy of the RBA Calendar can also be downloaded. The on-line calendar is in the process of being updated.

We are striving to maintain the most up-to-date information on our website. If you cannot find something or have a suggestion on how we can improve our site, please contact the RBA Webmaster, Frances Jones at 329-1701 or frances.jones@rbaonline.org.
Southside Baptist Church at 6000 Ironbridge Road is looking for a **VERY GOOD CHURCH PIANIST.** Play for Sunday morning and Wednesday evening worship and Wednesday choir practice. Compensation in line with experience. Call church office at 271-9257 (M-F, 9-2) or contact dennisT100@hotmail.com.

**MINISTER OF STUDENTS.** Second Baptist Church is looking for a vibrant minister to lead 6th through 12th grade students on a full-time basis. SBC is a growing moderate church affiliated with the BGAV and CBF. Seminary degree required. Interested parties, please send résumé to betsybeamer@comcast.net or Second Baptist Church, 9614 River Road, Richmond, VA 23229. Attn: Betsy Beamer, Chair, Search Committee.

**ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES** needed by Northminster Baptist Church, a Purpose Drive Church with a diverse congregation located in Richmond’s northside. We are seeking a full-time leader to help us expand our ministry with children, birth through fifth grade, and their families as we equip them to grow in faith together. Experience in a similar position required, seminary degree strongly preferred. Resumes may be sent to Northminster Baptist Church, Attn: Personnel, 3121 Moss Side Ave., Richmond, VA 23222. Questions, please call our church office at 321-2511.

“The **CHAMBERLAYNE BAPTIST CHURCH** Preschool is seeking a **PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR** to direct a half day NAEYC accredited preschool program. A degree in early childhood education or graduate work in early childhood education is required with supervisory experience. To apply, submit resumes to: Chamberlayne Baptist Church, ATTN: CBC Preschool Committee, 215 Wilkinson Road, Richmond, VA 23227.”

**New Covenant Baptist Church** is seeking a **QUARTER-TIME MUSIC DIRECTOR.** The candidate will direct an adult choir and lead in music worship. Applicants should be proficient in piano and/or organ, and music direction. For consideration please call the church for more info at 804-282-9308, fax resume to 804-282-9356 or email NewCovenabC@aol.com or you can mail a resume to: New Covenant Baptist Church, Attn: Personnel Committee, 7250 Patterson Ave, Richmond VA 23229

**AN ADDED BONUS**

Half of American households live on less than $48,200 a year, the median household income figure for 2006, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

Since living expenses have increased due to our sluggish economy, have you thought about ways to earn more on your household income?

Entrust Federal Credit Union has introduced a dividend-earning checking account called Bonus Checking. The money earned from this new account could allow you to continue or start a savings plan or give more to your church. Don’t let your income and increase in prices for everyday needs prohibit you from being a better steward with your finances. For more information about our Bonus Checking account, please contact us at 353-8012 or visit www.BonusChecking.coop.

Entrust Federal Credit Union is available as a resource as well as to serve the financial needs of Dover, Middle District and Richmond Baptist Associations’ churches, staff, elected leaders and volunteers.

**July Calendar**

- **June 30-July 3**
  - **JAMAICAN SOCCER CLINICS**
  - 10 AM—12:30 PM: Baptist Centers
  - 6:00-8:30 PM: Pine Camp Rec Center

- **June 30-July 11**
  - **OLDER GIRLS SESSION, CAMP ALKULANA**

- **July 1 @ 9:00 A.M.**
  - **RACEWAY MINISTRIES CORE TEAM, RBA**

- **July 4**
  - **INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY**
  - **RBA OFFICE CLOSED**

- **July 10 @ 11:00 A.M.**
  - **CVBM STATE FAIR MEETING, RBA**

- **July 12 @ 10:00 A.M.**
  - **670 ORIENTATION GATHERING, PATTERSON AVENUE**

- **July 13 @ 11:00 A.M.**
  - **REV. DENNIS PETERS PREACHING, PATTERSON AVENUE**

- **July 15 @ 10:00 AM.**
  - **RBA WMU LEADERSHIP TEAM, RBA**

- **July 15 @ 7:00 P.M.**
  - **CAMP DIRECTOR SEARCH TEAM, RBA**

- **July 17 @ 7:00 P.M.**
  - **RBA ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL, RBA**

- **July 17—24**
  - **YOUNG BOYS SESSION, CAMP ALKULANA**

- **July 18 @ 12 NOON**
  - **DEADLINE FOR TRANSFORMED NEWSLETTER MATERIAL**

- **July 21 @ 10:30 A.M.**
  - **SENIOR ADULT PLANNING TEAM, RBA**

- **July 22**
  - **6:15 P.M.—N.E. WOM MEETING, LEIGH STREET**
  - **6:30 P.M.—S.W. WOM MEETING, GAYTON**

- **July 28—August 8**
  - **OLDER BOYS SESSION, CAMP ALKULANA**

- **July 29 @ 11:30 A.M.**
  - **CVBM CROWN FINANCIAL LUNCH MEETING, VINNY’S ITALIAN GRILL, VA CENTER COMMON’S PARKWAY**
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Contact Frances Jones via email or snail mail at the addresses listed below:
- To submit an article—must be received by the 20th 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 newsletter that cannot be forwarded.

**Support Camp This Summer with Your Prayers**

We cannot all be volunteers helping out at Camp Alkulana this summer, but we can pray for Miss Grazier, the camp staff, counselors and campers during the three remaining summer sessions:

- June 30-July 11 — Older Girls (ages 12-14)
- July 15-16—Camp Staff In-Service Training
- July 17-24 — Young Boys (ages 10-11 and CITs)
- July 28-August 8 — Older Boys (ages 12-14)

**Request for Those Making Deliveries to the RBA Office**

The RBA Office is pleased to collect items for the Baptist Centers, Camp Alkulana or any of the other missions projects. We ask that anyone making deliveries to the RBA to please call the office in advance to make sure someone will be in the office when you plan to stop by. Someone is usually in the office between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, but during the summer with vacations and other meetings, there may be times when everyone is out of the office. So to save gas and your valuable time, please give us a call at 329-1701 in advance of your delivery.

You may also note, that you can drop items off at our back door which is accessible from Montrose Avenue up the gravel driveway. This saves you from having to walk up that long sidewalk and puts you right at the door into our store room. You will need to let us know you are arriving by cell phone or come to the front glass doors to alert us that you are at the back door since we don't have a video camera at that back door. We'll come open the door and help you unload your car.

We appreciate your cooperation when dropping items off at the RBA.

**Help the RBA Save Money 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 $0.42 “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.

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Dated material — do not delay

**Richmond Baptist Association**

3111 Moss Side Avenue

Richmond, VA 23222

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Fax: 804-321-7121

E-mail: office@rbaonline.org

Website: www.rbaonline.org

**Return service requested**