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News of Richmond Area Churches...Together...Changing Lives — JUNE 2017

Church WMU Leaders
Sunday School Leaders and Class Members
Baptist Men’s Groups
Youth Groups
GA’s
Acteens
Prayer Partners
Pastors
Missions Volunteers...

....PLAN TO ATTEND....
The 8th Annual
River City Faith Network
WMU MISSIONS EXTRAVAGANZA!
at the
RBA Building
3111 Moss Side Avenue, 23222
OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, July 22, 2017
from 9:30 am — 11:30 am
Participate in hands-on missions activities assembling back packs with school supplies, filling hospitality and food bags, working on mats and totes, making warm fuzzies. Pick up your church’s Missions Involvement Assignments for 2017-2018!
Enjoy a continental breakfast with other Missions Enthusiasts!
Musings from Mike:

On April 18th, Skipwith Baptist did an excellent job of hosting the River City Faith Network WMU Spring Celebration. The Rev. Dr. Valerie Carter, Executive Director and Treasurer of the Woman’s Missionary Union of Virginia, was the keynote speaker, challenging attendees to be creative and innovative in involving others in the vital work of Kingdom building and missions education and involvement. Pictured to the right is the pastor of Skipwith, the Rev. Dr. Cecil Chambers welcoming the group to his church. In addition to the excellent message as well as recognitions of former officers and the election of new ones, gifts were given to each of the Community Missionaries, an offering was taken to benefit WMUVa and Skipwith served a delicious meal for the evening. RCFN WMU “gets it done!”

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Virginia’s “Missions Madness Group” on Saturday, April 22nd brought nearly 20 youngsters and adults to the Church Hill Christian Wellness Center at Mt. Tabor Baptist Church and to the Satellite location of the South Richmond Baptist Center located at 5500 Germain Road just off of Hull Street Road near Bryce Lane. At the South Richmond Baptist Center Satellite, cleaning and painting took place in the shed portion of the facility. The space is becoming increasingly usable as each week passes. The large Vulcan gas range was removed from the kitchen of the main building and the kitchen received a fresh coat of paint.

The meeting room of the main building has been blessed with some gently used furniture and a new Bible study will begin on Saturday, May 6. A white board has been installed and 35 folding chairs were recently donated by Lakeside Baptist. Eleven steel posts were recently installed to add to the security of the HVAC system. The Missions Madness Group filled the posts with concrete to add to their strength and the quality of protection they will provide for the heat pump and air conditioning units generously donated and installed by Bradley Mechanical Corporation.

The exterior of both of the South Richmond Baptist Center Satellite buildings need trim paint and a better exterior surface for the shed building which is an eyesore to the community. Whether to simply paint the exterior or to cover it with painted wooden panels or vinyl siding is one of our future challenges. If your church has a building or construction team experienced in or wanting to gain experience in painting, wood working, or applying vinyl siding, please contact Community Missionary Wesley Garrett. His work number is 232-0174 and his cell number is 386-8124. You may also email Wesley at wesley.garrett@rbaonline.org or text him on his cell phone. All that is being accomplished during these months at the Satellite is about far more than the buildings and the site. It is about the opportunities God is opening for us to touch the lives of the people in the surrounding community with the love and hope of God. It is about adding to the family of Christ new brothers and sisters for the only-begotten Son. Thank you for your part in these efforts to build His Kingdom and to strengthen His work in this part of the vineyard.

The picture below depicts why Central Virginia Baptist Ministries, a combined endeavor of the Dover and Middle District Baptist Associations and the River City Faith Network, engages at Richmond International Raceway for the races held there in the spring and fall annually. No, current attendance does not come close to the 112,000 fans that represented sellout crowds year after year prior to the 2007 economic meltdown. But the crowds of 40,000 to 50,000 represent people who have God’s full attention and who need His love, grace and power in their lives. We go to be good ambassadors of the track and our city, but more importantly, we go to be His ambassadors as we serve as Kid’s Corner volunteers, food servers, cookie sharers, information sources, chaplains and cart drivers in the Name of Christ. Friendships have been forged, weddings performed, memorial services held and hearts have been touched with the love of God. If during April you baked cookies, delivered them or helped in some other way, “Thank you!”

Ever grateful for your heart for people and missions!

Mike
Live a “Legacy” at MC2!
July 24-28, 2017
Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center

“...let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles...let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. LET US FIX OUR EYES ON JESUS...” (HEBREWS 12:1-2)

Join us at Eagle Eyrie for this year’s Missions Connection Celebration (MC2) featuring keynote speaker Randy Cooksey. We will explore the life of Joseph and learn how to “live a life that lasts” through Jesus.

MC2: Missions Connection Celebration 2017

Faith & Family Nights 2017
At the Diamond:
SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, August 10
Gates open @ 5:00pm
Game Time @ 6:35pm

For more details go to https://www.richmondbaptist.org/news-events/

Join the Flying Squirrels in a celebration of faith and family. These two nights include special pre-game concerts by national recording artist as well as player testimonials. Special group rates are available!

South Richmond Baptist Center
SATELITTE BUILDING WISH LIST

- Bookcases, shelves and new or gently used children’s books
- Curtains
- IceMaker (Small)

Bathroom Items: Tissues, Toilet Paper, paper towels and air fresheners

Landscaping Items: Flowers, Low-growing plants, perennials, etc. Trimming the hedges.

Electrical help setting up the new stove
Repair to the door
Repair to the attic stair
Hanging cabinets
Cleaning the tile floor (borrowing a commercial buffer)

The second building at the Satellite location needs siding for the outside along with insulation and sheetrock.

We need a better way to secure the building.

We are trying to get the new location ready to use for the Back Pack giveaway in late August.

From SOUTH RICHMOND BAPTIST CENTER _ A BIG THANK YOU! Thanks to the Mission Madness youth (headed by Huguenot Road Baptist church). Both the indoor painting projects were completed, by the youth. Dry erase boards were hung as well. Also thanks to a couple from Huguenot who donated the couches and furniture for the youth room. Westover donated furniture as well. Bob Jones donated some metal chairs. Mr. Townsend at Pine Street Baptist has agreed to make signs for the Satellite Ministry building. And another Big Thank you to all the others that have had a hand at getting the SRBC Satellite up and running.
Listed below are the items that should be included in the toiletries bags for our Back-To-School Celebration. Please send regular sizes for these bags. Fill the bags or put as many of these items in the bag as you can.

- Shampoo
- Comb and Brush
- Deodorant
- Soap
- Wash cloth
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Mouthwash
- Floss
- Lotion

Don’t forget to collect **underwear & socks** for boys and girls of all ages.

August will be here before we know

Please place a sticker on each bag that gives your church’s information and a Bible Verse or place an inspirational bookmark inside.

Deliver Supplies to Bethlehem Baptist Church, 1920 Fairmount Ave on August 23 & 24 from 10 am to 12 pm and 1 to 3 pm. Set-up will be August 25 from 10 am until finished.

Toiletry Bag distribution will be Saturday, August 26th, 10 am to 1 pm

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**COMMUNITY MISSIONARY - REV. GLINDA F. FORD**

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**SOUTH RICHMOND BAPTIST CENTER**

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!**

We are in need of volunteers for our food ministry.

The Food Pantry ministry distributes emergency food every 3rd Thursday throughout the SUMMER at 1:00 PM.

We need 10 –12 dependable volunteers to help in this ministry.

**FEED THE HUNGRY**

- Hosts and greeters for the arriving participants
- Hosts to register participants for food
- Hosts to listen and pray for participants
- Hosts to set up and take down chairs for the distribution period
- Volunteer Help is also needed on the Wednesday before to bag the food. (10 am to 12pm is the best time). We usually pack 40 to 50 bags of groceries.
MEN’S SPRING AND SUMMER CLOTHES NEEDED

T-shirts, Jeans, Khakis, Shorts, Tennis Shoes &
NEW! Men’s Underwear

Please,
NO CHILDREN’S Clothes at this time.

You can help others by providing:

ONE DAY (unlimited) GRTC Bus Passes (One or more -- $3.50 each)
these can be purchased at Kroger Customer Service counters.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE

Sponsor or partially sponsor a Teenager to attend FUSION Camp with the Oregon Hill Baptist Center. 5 days on the campus of Ferrum College. You will be providing Bible Study, Discipleship and Worship in a fun and understandable way. Cost per person is $285.00.

COMMUNITY MISSIONARY - REV. JENNIFER TURNER
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"A Night for Alkulana"
Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the "A Night for Alkulana" silent auction & dinner by donating and purchasing items and attending the dinner. We raised over $6,000 through this event!

Thank you also to Susan Kier- son and her crew for providing a delicious meal and to the Camp Alkulana Support Team for all of their efforts in planning this wonderful event.

Camp Alkulana Work Days
May 20 & June 3, 10 am - 4 pm

Help us get ready for the summer! Jobs for every skill level:
Yard work ● Light carpentry ● Spring Cleaning ● General repair

To sign up as an individual or group, email Beth Wright at campalkulana@gmail.com
The Mabry-Blake & Westhampton

Scholarships

2017 Recipients

Rebecca Fergusson

“I learned that if you try hard enough and lean on your fellow co-counselors you are always able to connect with your campers no matter the predisposed obstacles in your way.”

Maddy Farrow

“Becoming a scientist has always been a dream of mine ... discovery is exciting to me. I want to contribute to society and help understand our earth.”

Dorcas Afolayan

“What I can do right now is get an education because when God does send me I’ll be ready to communicate with the world in a sophisticated and open way that I think education will give me.”

Stephen Holtz

“As a mechanical engineer, I will have the resources and a material platform to inspire and create real change while working on STEM-related projects that help me give back to my community.”

Meaghan Thacker

“The ultimate test is trust. It took a little time, but ... I learned an important life lesson. I trusted the people around me with my life, and the payoff was an unforgettable memory.”

Elise Barker

“There are so many relationships I’ve made over the years through Camp Alkulana. I have a second family that will always be there for me if I need any kind of help.”

The Mabry-Blake and Westhampton Scholarship Funds seek to support former Camp Alkulana campers in attending college or vocational training. This year’s awards totaled $8,870.76. Interested in contributing to one of our scholarship funds? Contact campalkulana@gmail.com.
VBS SCHEDULES FOR 2017

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH (Penick)
June 19—23, 2017 “Maker Fun Factory”

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
June 26—30, 2017 “Maker Fun Factory”

GAYTON BAPTIST CHURCH
June 26—30, 2017 “Maker Fun Factory”

HUGUENOT ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH
July 10—14, 2017 “Digging for Treasure”

RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST
July 10—14, 2017 “Have U Seen”

PINE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
July 10—13, 2017 “LEGOLAND”

SWIFT CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
June 26—29, 2017 “Galactic Starveyors”

WOODLAND HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH
July 24—28, 2017 “Galactic Starveyors”

DERBYSHIRE BAPTIST CHURCH
July 31—Aug 4, 2017 “Have U Herd”

HATCHER MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
Youth Ministry Mission Trip, June 18-24 Wheelwright, KY

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH (Penick) is having a Monthly Time of Music through September. The June concert is on Sunday, June 25th, at 4:00 p.m. The concert will feature local singer, Ronnie Harris. A Love Offering will be collected.

SKIPWITH BAPTIST CHURCH IS Hiring: PT Children’s and Student Director
www.skipwithbaptistchurch.org

Pray for our GRADUATES as they enter into a new chapter in their lives.
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· To be added to or deleted from the mailing list, or
· To submit a change of address: in a timely manner so that the Net-
work will not incur postage due costs for undeliverable newsletters.

Pray for the RCFN of the RBA Churches
seeking a PASTOR

Deaf Mission Chapel - FBC
Derbyshire Cambodian
Jahnke Road       Woodland Heights

Pray for the RCFN Church of the Week

June 4 ...............Gravel Hill
June 11 ..............Hatcher Memorial
June 18...............Huguenot Road
June 25 .................International Community

The effective, fervent prayer of a 
righteous person avails much! 
(James 5:16)

Making a Delivery to the RCFN/RBA Office?
Please call before you plan to arrive to make sure that someone will be at the 
office. There are times during the day when everyone may be away, so it will 
save time and gas to call ahead. The RCFN Office is open from 8:30 am to 4:30 
pm, Monday through Thursday.

THANK YOU for your continued support of RCFN

2017 RCFN Budget Report

APRIL Budget Amount: $ 43,747.00
APRIL Budget Receipts: $ 34,073.00
APRIL Budget Expenses: $ 38,671.00

YTD Budget Amount: $ 174,988.00
YTD Budget Receipts: $ 86,425.00

Camp Alkulana Offering

Offering Goal: $ 156,000.00
YTD Receipts: $ 23,191.00
YTD Expenses: $ 37,924.00

Visit www.richmondbaptist.org for* Employment Opportunities,
*RCFN Remittance forms, *Information on our Associational 
Churches (church websites are linked to the individual churches),
etc.

We are working hard to update the website. Let us know if you 
would like anything updated or added. It is 
our goal to make the website user friendly 
as your “go to” place for information about 
the RCFN and it’s Affiliates.