**The Prayer Guide** highlights a different network mission emphasis for each day of the week with a photo of the RCFN staff member and specific prayer requests relating to that ministry. The use of the prayer guides for a week is an excellent way for a congregation, Sunday School class or missions group to get to know the staff and ministries of the River City Faith Network. The Guide is formatted so that it can be used for any seven-day period during the year, not just during the official Week of Prayer for Associational/Network Missions which is May 12—19, 2019.

**GOAL: $161,000.00**

### MATERIALS AVAILABLE FOR THE
2019 Camp Alkulana Offering and
Week of Prayer for Associational/Network Missions (May 12-19, 2019)

**Offering Goal: $161,000.00**

The promotional materials for the 2019 Camp Alkulana Offering and Week of Prayer for Associational/Network Missions will be available the last week of April at the RCFN Office. We will have available: Offering Envelopes, an 8 1/2 x 11 Flier for the Camp Offering, and the Prayer Guide for the Week of Prayer. Other promo items that will be available for the Camp Offering are: bulletin inserts (5½ x 8½), posters (11x17), and the Camp Alkulana brochure. These promotional items are not dated so that your church can use them any time during the year when you emphasize Associational Missions. To download the order form, visit the Camp Offering section of the RCFN/RBA website at [www.richmondbaptist.org](http://www.richmondbaptist.org). To place an order contact Danette Moen at 804-329-1701 ext. 101, FAX TO 804-774-7337 or office@rbaonline.org.
Musings from Mike:

Allow me to thank in advance each church and individual who will take seriously the call to pray and to contribute to the work of the River City Faith Network of the Richmond Baptist Association during the Week of Prayer for Network Missions scheduled for May 12 through 19, 2019! For our work these may be the most important days of the year as hearts and voices are lifted heavenward to call upon the Creator of the Universe and the One Who calls us all to engage in missions and in the Great Commission found in Matthew 28:18-20 and lived out through the Great Commandment embodied in John 13:34-35!

Whether your church participates in the Week of Prayer during the "official" week or during another week of your choosing, know that your involvement is both genuinely appreciated and deeply coveted. Of all that you do your prayers are most important for out of your prayers will come your and our greatest work guided and strengthened by the matchless power and wisdom of the Holy Spirit.

Please avail yourselves of the promotional materials highlighted on the front page of this month's "Transformed!" by contacting the RCFN office at 329-1701 or by emailing office@rbaonline.org. The Prayer Guides are undated and can be used during any week that you select. The guides include specific points of gratitude and prayer requests that will help you and your prayer partners to pray concisely and effectively.

The Offering Goal for the 2019 Week of Prayer is $161,000! This amount is the operating budget for Camp Alkulana for 2019, so it is the Camp Alkulana Week of Prayer Offering Goal! Since the boys' and girls' camping sessions begin in mid-June, let's promote and receive contributions as early as possible so that we can stay ahead of camp operating expenses rather than playing "catch-up" throughout the summer when operating expenses are the heaviest! Last summer we hosted all camper sessions at full capacity and it is exciting to know that we are on track to do the same this year! 215 campers attended Camp Alkulana last summer. This was a total of 30 more campers than attended in 2017. 73% of those campers were eligible for free or reduced school lunches. The camp employed 45 summer camp counselors in 2018, 60% of whom were former campers at Camp Alkulana. One camp staffer said, "I have never before found a community that wants me as much as I want to be a part of it, that makes me feel like my actions matter and my ideas and skills are useful and even needed. In this place and with these people, I made a difference, I mattered, I belonged." Your prayers and generosity make testimonies like this possible!

If you have not had Jennifer Turner, Community Missionary at the Oregon Hill Baptist Center, at your church recently to tell the story of how two iniquitous women and a duffle bag made a life and death difference, have her come soon! You will be blessed beyond your wildest imagination! And you will understand from a fresh perspective why the work of our Baptist centers is so vital!

Glinda Ford, Community Missionary at the Church Hill Christian Wellness Center, is quick to let you know that the Bible study hosted for community residents at her center on Friday mornings is among the best in the city. Actually those are my words! SHE would say that it is THE BEST and would probably use a much larger geographic descriptor than "city!" She is rightfully proud of that ministry but she is also doing great work with the Richmond City Police Department to stem the tide of violent behavior and its devastating effects on our city. She would love to tell you more.

At the South Richmond Baptist Center Satellite where Wesley Garrett, Community Missionary, does his work, he would love to bring you up to speed on what is happening with students after school and on the weekends! The Satellite between Germain Road and Bryce Lane is offering new opportunities for ministry that are truly exciting!

The 2019 Center Ministries Budget is currently set at $187,238! While this portion of the RCFN 2019 Budget is not featured during the 2019 Week of Prayer Offering, prayers for all three of our centers are included and you can make contributions directly to the Centers’ portion of the budget at any time throughout the year, either as part of your General Program giving or specifically to one, any or all of the centers! As with Camp Alkulana, all contributions given specifically to the centers will be used exclusively for center expenses.

Danette Moen and I love our roles providing ministry support for your centers and camp! Much of what Danette does goes on behind the scenes and quietly but is essential for the smooth operation of each of these significant ministry efforts. All of the Camp Alkulana summer staff, for instance, must be processed with police background checks before they can work at camp. Just this detail along with ensuring that they get paid on time for each session is tremendously time consuming! But these tasks must all be done on time to provide safety for campers and finances to the counselors and staff. Vendors must be paid in a timely fashion, paper trails must provide transparency and accuracy, and proper accounts must be charged with the correct expenses. In addition, publications and the website must be kept up-to-date and useful, everyday communication and correspondence must flow, and email and telephone messages must receive a response. I love the fact that Danette works steadily and never complains! And I know that she prays a lot!

I hope you will join her, me and the rest of your excellent staff featured in the Week of Prayer Guide in praying for all that God will do through the River City Faith Network in the coming months and years! It is a blessing to have you join us as we all pray to the One Who always answers!

Expectantly and joyfully,

Mike
Men’s disposable Razors and travel size shaving cream

MEN’S SPRING AND SUMMER CLOTHES NEEDED

Please, NO CHILDREN’S or WOMEN’S Clothes at this time.

T-shirts, Tennis Shoes

NEW! Men’s Underwear (Boxers preferred)

Desperate Need for:

Jeans, Khakis, Shorts (Especially sizes 32—34)

SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE Appreciated

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.

Grocery Store Gift Cards are needed:

Any Denomination

Faith Night at the Diamond
Saturday, May 18, 2019

Community Missionary - Rev. Jennifer Turner
400 South Pine Street Richmond, VA 23220 (Located in Pine Street Baptist Church)
jennifer.turner@rbaonline.org (804-648-1353)

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Missed the Tax Seminar? We’ve got you covered!

Sorry you missed the recent tax seminar, but you can still register to receive the video recording!

The seminar video offers great tips for proper structuring of church staff compensation to meet requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, proper handling of minister’s taxes, and church federal reporting requirements.

Cost of the video is $15. Register to receive your copy today.

More Information

Jeff Cranford
BGAV Compensation Planning Specialist
804.921.3945

Angela House
Administrative Assistant for BGAV Compensation Planning
800.255.2428, ext. 5293

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Virginia Church Library Association
Spring 2019 Conference
Friday, May 3 & Saturday, May 4, 2019 at Chester Baptist Church
4317 School Street, Chester, VA 23831
**Bible Study** – This Bible Study is growing! Friday morning from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Lunch provided.

If you, your mission group or church would like to provide lunch it would be greatly appreciated. You may want to provide the lunch one week a month or so. Please contact Glinda. To let her know when you can help. Thank you so much!

**BACK TO SCHOOL CELEBRATION** – Listed below are the items that should be included in the toiletries bags. Suggested sizes are given. Fill the Gallon size Ziplock Bag or put as many of these items in the bag as you can. (For extra items use sizes below for a guide.)

- **Deodorant** (1.4 oz to 2.6 oz.)
- **Soap**
- **Wash Cloth**
- **Toothbrush**
- **Toothpaste** (2.9 oz.)
- **Floss**
- **Mouthwash** (12.5 oz. to 13.5 oz.)

**Blessing Bags** – Create Blessing Bags for Birthdays, Birth of a new baby, Hospital visits, Special Occasions, or someone that may need a lift. If you can add a devotional like the Daily Bread Devotionals, it would be greatly appreciated.

**AAFVA Preaching Camp XVI**

- **May 17—18, 2019**
- **Mt. Zion First African Baptist Church**
- **105 Lankford Ave.**
- **Charlottesville, VA 22903**
Dr. Roberta Damon
Reviews Her Book
“T theirs Is The Kingdom” Tuesday, May 14, 2019 (noon)

The book review will be held at the South Richmond Baptist Center’s Satellite location at 5500 Germain Road, 23224. Everyone is welcomed! The book review is open to the public. Enter the Satellite’s parking lot from Bryce Lane via Hull Street Road. The parking lot is located on the right in the same block with The Life Church.

Dr. Roberta Damon holds a doctorate in marriage and family counseling from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Her career includes missionary service in South Brazil, thirty years of counseling at First Baptist Church in Richmond, Virginia, and a time of serving on staff at the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. During these years she has written for various denominational publications both in English and Portuguese. She is the author of Relationship Skills, A Measure of Success, A Voice Beyond Weeping, and Theirs is the Kingdom. She is the wife of one, the mother of two and the grandmother of three.

For additional information regarding these book reviews, please contact Mrs. Ruth Guill at 745-1655.
MOTHER’S DAY is on its way. We could use 30 plus Mother’s Day cards. We will help our youth and children celebrate their mothers with a special note written in each card.

FATHER’S DAY is not that far behind. Please also send us 30 plus Father’s Day cards. What a better way to bridge the gap between fathers and child?

Like a MOTHER to me, Like a FATHER to me, or Mentor cards are also needed.

Thank you so much!

Wesley

SOUTH RICHMOND
BAPTIST CENTER

Virginia Baptist Senior Adult Festival of Praise
May 13-14, 2019
Derbyshire Baptist Church
The festival will run from 3:15 - 9:00 p.m. on Monday (dinner included), with registration opening at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday’s festival will take place from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

More Information
Tom Ingram
Traditional Worship and Church Music
804.921.4112

Karen Rackett
Administrative Assistant
800.255.2428, ext. 2243

Stewardship Assistance for Churches
Crown Financial Ministries regional representative, Randy Rowekamp, is offering to assist churches in the River City Faith Network of the Richmond Baptist Association in your work to develop faithful stewards in your congregations. Faithful stewards of all ages are necessary in every congregation to fulfill at least one of the roles of the local church, namely, the work of the Great Commission carried out locally and globally!

Crown Financial Ministries is uniquely positioned to assist in this work through the biblically based resources it offers. Many of the resources also contain practical applications to help people get their own financial house in order. The assistance provided to a church can fall into one of two options.

The first option is a one-time complementary, customized consultation. The consultation would review Crown resources utilized by many churches to determine which ones would be the most effective for your church.

The second option provides ongoing guidance for offering stewardship discipleship and improving congregants’ personal finances for a period of one year. There is a cost for this option. The ongoing guidance includes:

- development of a ministry action plan
- budget coaching for one ministerial staff person/couple
- budget coach training for a number of people/couples
- training for a number of people who will facilitate the church’s stewardship effort

For more information about this offering, please contact Crown Financial Ministries regional representative Randy Rowekamp at 804-683-1595.
RIVER ROAD CHURCH  Sunday, May 5, 2019  2:30 PM, Sanctuary. Vocal Recital—Victoria Jackson, Soprano

GRACE BAPTIST  Assistant for Youth Ministry
Part-time: 10 - 15 hours per week
(hours will fluctuate seasonally)

WOODLAND HEIGHTS_July 22—26, 2019
In the Wild _ VBS

PINE STREET/ OHBC  May—October,
Outdoor Community Movie Night at Sunset
2nd and 4th Fridays (Weather Permitting)

Happy Easter
Check your local church’s schedule for Easter cantatas, egg hunts, etc.

VBS IS COMING SOON!!!
Please send your church’s VBS Theme and Schedule to Danette at office@rbaonline.org

CAMP ALKULANA ‘S SUMMER SCHEDULE
June 5—15 Staff Training; June 19—30 1st Session: Older Boys; July 4—11 2nd Session: Younger Boys; July 16—17 Staff In Service Training; July 18—29 3rd Session: Older Girls; August 2—9 4th Session: Younger Girls; August 10 Staff Wrap Up
Camp Alkulana is still seeking counselors for their summer staff! Applicants (18 years and older) can apply on the camp website: http://alkulana.org/counselor.php

April 16, 2019   10:30 AM
WMU ANNUAL CELEBRATION AND LUNCH
3111 Moss Side Ave, Richmond VA 23222 (LCR)

April 19, 2019
GOOD FRIDAY

April 21, 2019
EASTER

April 22, 2019
EASTER MONDAY
RCFN Offices are CLOSED

April 23, 2019
RCFN Task Force
3111 Moss Side Ave, Richmond VA 23222 (SCR)

April 27, 2019
6:30 PM
Camp Alkulana Silent Auction
Huguenot Road Baptist Church, 10525 W. Huguenot Rd
N. Chesterfield, VA 23235

April 26 –27, 2019
WMU Mom & Me I
Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center
1 Eagle Eyrie Drive, Lynchburg, VA

April 27 –28, 2019
WMU Mom & Me II
Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center
1 Eagle Eyrie Drive, Lynchburg, VA

May 6, 2019  9:30 AM
RCFN Staff Meeting
3111 Moss Side Ave, Richmond VA 23222 (SCR)

May 12—19, 2019
RCFN WEEK OF PRAYER
3111 Moss Side Ave, Richmond VA 23222 (SCR)

May 21, 2019  10:00 AM
WMU Leadership Meeting
3111 Moss Side Ave, Richmond VA 23222 (SCR)

May 27, 2019
MEMORIAL DAY
RCFN Offices are CLOSED

River Road Church: Sunday, May 5, 2019 2:30 PM, Sanctuary. Vocal Recital—Victoria Jackson, Soprano

Grace Baptist: Assistant for Youth Ministry. Part-time: 10-15 hours per week (hours will fluctuate seasonally)

Woodland Heights: July 22-26, 2019. In the Wild _ VBS

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- August 10: Staff Wrap Up

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April 16, 2019: 10:30 AM
WMU Annual Celebration and Lunch
3111 Moss Side Ave, Richmond VA 23222 (LCR)

April 19, 2019
Good Friday

April 21, 2019
Easter

April 22, 2019
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May 27, 2019
Memorial Day
RCFN Offices are CLOSED
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- To submit an article: it must be received by the 4th of each month.
- To be added to or deleted from the mailing list, or
- To submit a change of address: in a timely manner so that the Network will not incur postage due costs for undeliverable newsletters.

Pray for the RCFN Churches seeking a PASTOR

Derbyshire Cambodian
Hatcher Memorial
The Mount Carmel
Woodland Heights

Pray for the RCFN Church of the Week

MAY 5.................................First Union
MAY 12............................Friendship Memorial
MAY 19.................................Gayton
MAY 28.................................Ginter Park

She extends her hand to the poor, and she stretches out her hands to the needy. (Proverbs 31:20) NASB

RCFN Board of Directors’ Meeting
MAY 28, 2019
7:00 PM
3111 Moss Side Ave. Richmond, VA 23222

2019 March RCFN Budget Report

RCFN Monthly Budget Amount: $45,050.00
March Budget Receipts: $ 41,857.00
March Budget Expenses: $ 48,973.00

RCFN YTD Budget Amount: $ 135,150.00
RCFN YTD Budget Receipts: $ 89,441.75
RCFN YTD Budget Expenses: $ 143,559.86

Camp Alkulana Offering $161,000.00
YTD Budget Amount: $ 40,250.01
YTD Receipts: $ 14,686.99
YTD Expenses: $ 29,746.19

Writers’ Block is a new periodic feature in the “TRANSFORMED!”

It is designed to give exposure to Christian authors related to the RCFN whose work sometimes goes virtually unknown. Inclusion in this column is in no way an endorsement of the viewpoints or opinions expressed by the author. Authors are encouraged to submit their information.
(See the RCFN website: www.richmondbaptist.org)