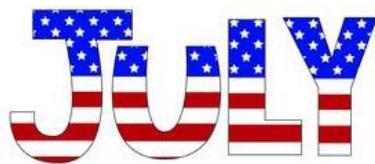


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## WBA's Youth Camp! July 12- 17<sup>th</sup>

Located at the AH Stephens Park in  
Crawfordville, GA

### Men on Mission

Tuesday, July 20, 2021  
7:00 p.m.

**Ridgeland Heights Baptist Church**  
305 Ridgeland Dr., Sandersville, GA  
Dinner will be provided.

Prayer Coordinator  
Kim Cornett

"Behold how good and how pleasant it is for  
brothers to dwell together in unity." Psalm 133  
NASB

Prayer for Awakening and Revival provided the  
impetus for a unique homecoming in our Association.  
Just as the WBA has felt the stir of the Holy Spirit in  
praying, the hand of our Lord has also been at work in  
the lives of four Lower Muscogee Creek  
Nation representatives from Oklahoma. All were praying  
for Awakening and Revival and each one felt led to  
come to Georgia to walk the land their ancestors walked  
and stand in as First Nations People to pray for our  
state.

Thanks to the generosity of several member  
churches, the WBA hosted Pastor Al Pulver, Covenant  
Harvest Ministries, his wife Betty, Loretta Freeman, and  
Mancie Dawson. Pastor Pulver works as a Cristian  
Evangelist for awakening and revival within the Creek  
tribes.

On the evening of May 24<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Pulver  
shared about outreach to the Lower Muskogee  
Creek Indians in OK. His wife, Betty, spoke on the  
impact intercessory prayer was having in their  
communities. Mancie Dawson gave a challenge to  
engage in acts of authentic daily evangelism. Mancie  
has an evangelism ministry and for years has cooked  
for Dr. Negiel BigPond's church, Morning Star  
Church of All Nations, which reaches out through  
schools and missions to reservations. Loretta  
Freeman spoke of a particular need their Baptist  
Association had concerning the refurbishment of  
their campground.

The next day, we met to walk and pray over  
the land. We felt the Holy hush of our Lord's  
presence as Betty Pulver stood on the bank of the  
Oconee River praying in Creek blessings over our  
river and our counties. Recognizing the significance  
of what the Oconee River symbolized to these  
people, some prayer team members provided them  
with a water bottle full of the Oconee River. Mancie  
Dawson exhorted us to continue our care for the  
river as an act of stewardship to our Lord

Prayer for blessing the land is an integral  
aspect of prayer for Awakening and Revival. The  
WBA members have been invited by Pastor Al, his  
team, and Dr. Neigel BigPond to visit OK to bless  
their land just as they have ours. This invitation has  
the potential to be an Association Mission  
opportunity. We know the Lord takes pleasure in  
seeing his children walking together. Thank you to  
the members of the WBA for allowing this  
homecoming walk in Christian unity to take place.

Kim Cornett

Prayer Coordinator for the WBA



Pam Boyd, Chris  
Vaden, and Betty  
Pulver holding a  
bottle of water  
extracted from the  
Oconee.

**Missionary Moment**  
David Self, Director of Missions

**Mission Trip to Oklahoma**

Our Association has been invited by the **Lower Muskogee Creek Nation** to participate in a mission adventure near **Tulsa, Oklahoma** the week of **September 18-25**. Some of the areas of service would include: Prayer Walking, inside work on a new metal dining hall, repairing camp buildings, assisting with a women's banquet, worshiping with two congregations, and visiting a festival. More information will be available soon about the cost and other details. We need to determine how many people are interested in this Mission Trip. Please share this information with other church members and contact the WBA office or David Self (478-251-1497) if you are interested. Kim Cornett is the Trip Facilitator.

Remember to continue to pray for our nation and Leaders as we move forward opening up our nation again.

**Budget Receipts from Churches**  
October 1, 2020 – May 31, 2021

		Hardwick	4,300.00	Olive Hill	500.00
Bethel		Harmony	1,200.00	PI Grove	1,728.45
Bethlehem	1,500.00	Is.Creek	8,000.00	Powelton	-
Black Spr	3,000.00	Jewell	885.48	RidgeHgt	2,152.28
Church Ctl	-	Lakeside	8,888.18	Riverside	150.00
Community	656.11	Lighthouse		S'ville 1 <sup>st</sup>	8,000.00
Culverton		Long Cr	600.00	Sinclair	875.00
Darien	1,000.00	M'vill 1 <sup>st</sup>	5,812.56	Sisters	4,360.36
Davisboro	-	Min Sprgs	2,000.00	Smyrna	2,400.00
Devereux	900.00	Mitchell	200.00	Sparta 1 <sup>st</sup>	600.00
Fairmount	-	Mosleyville	1,000.00	Tennille	1,355.33
FriendshipG	545.00	Mt. Steph.	250.00	Union	550.00
FriendshipW	1,772.00	Northside	9,187.87	Victory	-
Grace	-	Ohoopee	1,506.00	Westview	3,645.62
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**Union Baptist Church Homecoming** July 25, 2021.  
Sunday School; 10:00 A.M.; Morning Services: 11:00 A.M.; Dinner on the Grounds after morning services; Sunday Evening Revival service: 7:00 P.M.

**Vacation Bible Schools' Schedules**

**Westview Baptist Church** Saturday, July 17, 2021  
10:00-2:00 ages 3yr olds-5th grade

**First Baptist Church Sandersville**, June 27-July 1  
(call church for details)

**Woman's Missionary Union**  
Harriett Amerson, Director

Hallelujah!

Gee, did you ever think we could live normal lives again? I think I am becoming more excited each day of trying to get back to some semblance of order. I know everyone is enjoying putting up those fresh vegetables or just eating them. Thank goodness we have had some good rain and sunshine to make things grow.

Our WMU is awake now and getting geared up for some great mission projects.

There are three great opportunities coming up for everyone to participate and enjoy serving the Lord.

1. Backpacks – get your backpacks now from the associational office. Fill them with goodies, clothes, school supplies, hygiene items, and toys. Have them ready by August if you can or you can bring them a little later. The truck will take off some time in November to deliver these precious gifts to these children.
2. We have a surprise project in the works for September 18<sup>th</sup> on Saturday at Northside Baptist Church. Our goal is to pay tribute to our first responders and law enforcement in the Sandersville, Milledgeville, and Sparta areas. Recognition of these wonderful folks is always needed. More information will be coming. Please keep this project in your prayers.
3. Samaritan's Purse project is always ongoing. Many churches prepare these items for shoeboxes a long time in advance. Franklin Graham is faithful to proceed with this project every year. Many children and adults have made decisions for Christ. The good part of this is that you have helped to bring these little ones into the Kingdom.

As always, I am immensely proud of the mission projects that are carried out by our churches in this association. You amaze you sometimes with your stories of faithfulness to God. Thank you for all you do. Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Yours in Christ,  
Harriett

**Sunday School Moment**  
Kathy Self, Director

**So, How Do We Start A New Class?**

**Fun Fact: For each new class your S.S. starts, your attendance over time will rise by 10 people.**

**1. Start with a target group in mind, for example, singles in their 20s. (It's usually recommended to add a young people's class rather than an older adult class, but add one wherever the need is greatest.)**

**2. Pray for God's guidance in finding a teacher with a heart for evangelism and discipleship. Discover what training this person has had or still needs before setting a date for the new class to begin.**

**3. Spread the word that the church will be starting this new class on a specific date. The Sunday School ministry of a church is more successful if supported and promoted by the pastor.**

**4. Contact prospective members with information about the class and ask if you can add their names to the Ministry List (the roll). YES, people can actually join the class prior to attending! Where can you find prospective members?**

**a. Those who attend worship services but are not part of a class**

**b. Family, friends, and neighbors who do not attend any church**

**c. People you meet at the store, restaurant, doctor's office, gym, etc.**

**d. Coworkers, school friends, fellow**

**group/organization members**

**5. Contact the people on the new Ministry List during the week before the new class begins to remind them of the date, time, and location of the class.**

**NEXT MONTH: How to Organize the New Class for Discipleship**

Praying for your Sunday School. Let me know how I can help!

Kathy Self,  
WBA Sunday School Director