

THE WILLIAM CAREY WITNESS

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February, 2012

WCBA Churches

- Bread of Life
- Brogan Avenue
- Cash Point
- Donaldson Grove
- Fayetteville First
- Flintville First
- Friendship
- Gum Springs
- Hickory Grove
- Howell First
- Howell Hill
- Huntland Missionary
- Kelly's Creek
- Kirkland
- Lexie Cross Roads
- Lincoln
- Macedonia
- Maranatha
- McBurg First
- Molino
- Mulberry First
- New Grove
- New Hope
- Oak Hill
- Parks City
- Petersburg First
- Pleasant Grove
- Pleasant Hill
- Pleasant Ridge
- Prospect
- Stewart's Chapel
- Taft First
- West End

BRO. RANDY MAXWELL, DOM



RANDY'S RAMBLINGS



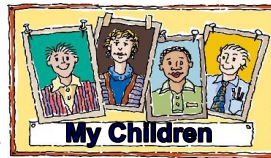
"If God Had a Refrigerator, your picture would be posted on it"

February is the month when many people's thoughts turn to love. Valentine's Day is right in the middle of the month, a time when boys and girls express a "friendship" kind of love for their friends, when teenagers do something special for that girlfriend or boyfriend, and when men better remember to do something special for their wives!

But it is a wonderful time to remember just how much our Heavenly Father loves each one of us, His children. We are so special to Him that He sent His only begotten Son who willingly followed the Father's perfect plan to provide a way for each one of us to have an intimate relationship with the God of Gods, the King of Kings and the Lord of all Lords! He was brutally killed as a criminal by dying on a Roman cross to pay the price for our sin. Of all people we can have the assurance that we can have peace, inner joy, and victory regardless of what Satan may use to destroy us, the world offers to tempt to overcome us or our flesh chooses to condemn us. But God loves you so much that He provided the way, the ONLY way, for us to become children of God. We are now His beloved, His pride and joy, His ultimate creation. He is there to answer our prayers, to meet our needs, to love us when it seems no one else ever cares. He has promised to fill our needs, to never leave us and to prepare a place for us that when this life is over, we will spend eternity with Him. No greater love has ever been demonstrated. We are **so very special to God. He loves us with an everlasting love. Don't ever forget that!** Even when you don't love yourself, He still loves you.

The TBC-sponsored **Church Financial Issues Seminar** will take place Thursday, February 16th at New Duck River Association. This seminar will deal with new ways Obama-care effects pastors and other paid staff members at our churches, new tax laws concerning those in the ministry and retirement issues. Pastors, staff members, treasurers, chairman of deacons, and anyone else who might be involved in the financial matters in the church are urged to attend.

DNOW, an exciting week-end for the youth of all our churches, will take place February 17th and 18th. The cost is \$15 per person and **it is still NOT too late to sign up** youth and adult



sponsors for this 3rd Annual WCBA DNow. Fayetteville FBC will once again host and co-sponsor this event. We would not be able to provide this kind of event for our youth if FBC didn't help us finance and help plan this uplifting week-end. If you have any questions, call the WCBA office or Brian Luna, our WCBA youth leader.

Kenneth Basham and I will be "rambling" up to the Cincinnati/Dayton Ohio area the following week as we join other DOMs and Mission committee or team leaders around the state. This will be a Mission Vision Trip as we will see firsthand various mission needs in that area of 2 million plus people—most of whom do not know the Lord as their personal Savior. We ask you to pray for us for wisdom from above as we seek an area and a specific situation where we feel our association could best minister. We will then come back and begin planning a mission trip later this year, probably sometime this summer. We hope our youth, as well as our adults, can go and allow God to use us to share God's love.

There are a lot of things taking place among churches. Some of our churches will be having revivals in the next few months and you will soon be hearing about this year's GPS plans for 2012 and **MORE LIFE**.

Mark your calendar for our **Evangelism Conference, March 19th at Park City Baptist Church**. There will be informative, educational, and challenging break-out conferences led by leaders of our TBC Evangelism Department beginning at 6:30. This will be followed by an exciting worship service at 7:15 featuring an associational choir made up of singers from our various churches. Bro. Larry Gilmore, Director of the TBC Evangelism Department, will bring the inspirational message. Anyone who enjoys singing can be a part of the choir that evening. News will be sent to all our churches with details about the break-out conferences and details about the choir. Pray that it will be a God-honoring evening as the Holy Spirit penetrates everything that is done that evening.

Please don't hesitate to call on me if you need me to help you or your church.

In Him,
Bro. Randy



Disaster Relief & Rebuild

Hello everyone,
Your new Disaster Relief Director would like to say thanks for giving me the chance to serve our LORD JESUS CHRIST and you. I hope I can count on your support and help, because this is something that takes your help as well as mine and the BLESSINGS are tremendous. We are planning a rebuild trip to Galloway, TN near Memphis around the second week in March. As soon as we finalize all the details and we will get the word out. I am looking forward to working with everyone! If you are interested in going or if there is anything that I can do, just let me know at 931-937-8011 or 256-337-7815.



Thank you and GOD BLESS!

Tim Parker

P.S. The Disaster Relief team works on donations and our funds are running kind of low, so we could use your support there also!

Brotherhood

If you missed the Baptist Men's Stew and Chili Supper at Prospect on Monday, January 23rd, you not only missed a great meal, but you also missed wonderful fellowship and program. Bro. Ronnie Gay of Prospect welcomed everyone and we blessed the food. After the meal, we assembled in the sanctuary; we were blessed with a couple of instrumentalists by Bro. Tim Scott (guitar), Bro. Sonny Campbell (banjo), Bro. Cleo Moon (piano), and Bro. Dennis Allen (guitar). After the music, we recognized the cooks, servers, Bro. Ronnie and Prospect for hosting us. There were 11 pastors and men representing 16 churches. There were around 150 in attendance. Bro. Randy Maxwell, DOM, spoke briefly on upcoming WCBA events. After the Brotherhood announcements, a love offering of \$417.00 was collected for needy families in the community. Bro. Eddie Graves of New Hope led us in prayer. Bro. Tim Scott blessed our hearts with a couple of songs. Bro. Cleo Moon, pastor of New Hope for the last 22 years, spoke on "Men of Vision". His message was well received by everyone there. Bro. Randy Nichols closed us in prayer.

We have some exciting upcoming events planned. **Monday, April 23rd is our Brotherhood/WMU "Family Event"** buffet meal at Maranatha, beginning at 6:30pm. Once again **Bro. Tony Rankin**, Counseling and Family Ministries for TBC, will be leading our meeting. We want to encourage all Mothers and Fathers to not only attend, but please bring your children. There will be something for the entire family. One of our WCBA churches children's and youth ministry will be recognized so **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!**

On Good Friday, April 6th, at 7:00pm, Maranatha WMU will be having a Gospel Singing featuring Apostles II, Glenis Sanders, The Hopkins Family, Kim Nichols, and Bro. Claude Rigsby. A special love offering will be taken for Brentwood Baptist Children's Home and the Freewill Baptist Children's Home of Eldridge, AL.

If your church does not have Brotherhood, or if I can help you in any way, please feel free to call me.

God Bless,

Wayne Jean

WCBA Brotherhood Director

FINANCIAL ISSUES

facing churches & ministers

This seminar will save your church
and minister TIME, MONEY,
and HASSLES!

FEBRUARY 16, 6:30-8:30PM
NEW DUCK RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
902 UNION STREET, SHELBYVILLE
(931) 684-6592

Those encouraged to attend are treasurers, administrative church employees, finance or personnel committees, ministers, church staff, church secretaries, or interested lay leaders. For further information, call (931) 684-6592.

TOPICS:

- **Updated Reported Requirements:**
Due to healthcare Reform
- **Federal Reporting:**
Excess Benefit Transactions
DON'T do this! What to report as income IRS Forms & Publications
When to use W2 and 1099 — Form 944
- **Benefits Programs:** Insurance
Retirement, & Matching Contributions
- **Charitable Contributions:**
Designated Giving — *Is the gift deductible?* Non-cash Gifts — Appraisal Rules
Donation of Vehicles
- **Other Financial Issues:**
Housing Allowance
Expense Reimbursements.

2012 WCBA CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

Brogan Avenue	\$257.62
Cash Point	\$1,569.46
Donaldson Grove	\$800.00
Fayetteville FBC	\$1,250.00
Flintville FBC	\$802.00
Gum Springs	\$200.00
Hickory Grove	\$309.45
Howell FBC	\$192.32
Huntland Missionary	\$50.00
Kelly's Creek	\$109.00
Kirkland	\$227.07
Lincoln	\$173.91
Macedonia	\$200.00
Maranatha	\$500.00
McBurg FBC	\$100.00
Molino	\$100.00
Oak Hill	\$351.00
Parks City	\$1133.33
Petersburg FBC	\$147.92
Pleasant Grove	\$300.00
Pleasant Hill	\$200.00
Pleasant Ridge	\$109.76
Prospect	\$1,859.74
Stewart's Chapel	\$83.32
Taft FBC	\$100.00
West End	\$300.00

January 1st — February 10th, 2012
Budget Contributions Only!
Designated Contributions are NOT Included!



Don't forget that February 12th—18th is WMU Focus Week, with this year's theme "Mission Unhindered".

March is coming and it is an exciting time for WMU. The World Day of Prayer is Friday, March 2nd, followed by the week of prayer March 3rd — 10th for Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. The reason we give this offering is to help our missionary force reach for Christ an estimated 259 million lost people in the United States and Canada, that is 3 out of 4 people! This also helps start new churches, student evangelism on college campuses, helps with spiritual and physical needs in ministry, evangelism, as well as other areas. Please promote Annie Armstrong in your church.

the inner-cities, training and your church.

Missions Get-Together & Connection 2012 is March 23rd—25th and ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! Be sure to mark your calendars and make your reservations! Once again we will be collecting basket items for the Silent Auction. The Ministry Project this year will benefit FamilyFEST by collecting items such as chap stick, toothpaste, lotion, soap, tissues, and deodorant.

If I or any of our Leadership team can help you in any way, please feel free to contact us.

In Him,

Marjorie Davis

WCBA WMU Director



FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS
Whatever It Takes

Missions Get Together & Connection

MARCH 23—25, 2012
GATLINBURG CONVENTION CENTER
GATLINBURG, TENNESSEE

February

February 12—18
 Thursday, February 16, 6:30pm
 Friday—Saturday, Feb. 17—18
 Sunday, February 26, 1:00pm

WMU Focus Week “Missions Unhindered”
 Financial Issues Facing Churches, New Duck River Assn
DNOW at Fayetteville FBC
VBS Director’s Training at WCBA (light lunch)



William Carey Baptist Associational



Evangelism Conference

Monday, March 19th, 6:30pm at Parks City

Choir from various churches

Bro. Larry Gilmore, TBC Evangelism Director

VBS

Sunday, February 26th, 1:00pm
 VBS Director's Meeting
 At WCBA Ministry Center
 (a light lunch will be served!)

Monday, March 25th, 5:30pm
 WCBA VBS Clinic
 at Prospect Baptist Church

MARCH

Friday, March 2
 Sunday, March 4, 2:30pm
 March 3—12

World Day of Prayer
Youth Camp Meeting at WCBA
 WEEK OF PRAYER—NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS
 ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING
 Youth Evangelism Conference (YEC), Nashville
 Daylight Savings Time Begins
 Pastor's Conference

March 9—10
 Sunday, March 11
 Tuesday, March 13
MONDAY, MARCH 19, 6:30pm
 March 23-25
 Monday, March 25, 5:30pm

EVANGELISM CONFERENCE AT PARKS CITY
 WMU Mission Get Together & Connection, Gatlinburg
WCBA VBS Clinic at Prospect



SAVE THE DATE March 9-10, 2012
 Nashville Municipal Auditorium

Guests include.....

CLAYTON KING - President of Crossroads Ministries and amazing communicator of the Gospel.
SEAN MCDOWELL - gifted speaker on apologetics and defending your faith. Yes... his dad is Josh McDowell.
THE SKIT GUYS - All time Tennessee TEC favorite!

NOT Ashamed!

So do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord... (2 Timothy 1:8)

MARCH 23-25, 2012
 GATLINBURG CONVENTION CENTER
 GATLINBURG, TENNESSEE

MORE LIFE

A Lifestyle Evangelism and Relational Discipleship Process

GPS MORE LIFE works in conjunction with GPS to reach Tennessee for Christ. TBC