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Our Mission: Churches Partnering in the
Work of God's Kingdom

Our Vision: To Equip Our Churches to
Make Disciples in Our Communities and the
World by the Power of the Holy Spirit!



**2008 On Mission Celebration Commitments
April 19-23, 2008**

1. Antioch Baptist Church
2. Arkana Baptist Church
3. Big Flat Baptist Church
4. Bruno Baptist Church
5. Bull Shoals First Baptist Church
6. Cotter First Baptist Church
7. Clarkridge Baptist Church
8. East Oakland Baptist Church
9. East Side Baptist Church, Mountain Home
10. Flippin First Baptist Church
11. First Baptist Church Mountain Home
12. Gamaliel Baptist Church
13. Gassville Baptist Church
14. Hilltop Baptist Church
15. Hopewell Baptist Church
16. Jordan First Baptist Church
17. Lone Rock Baptist Church
18. Midway Baptist Church
19. Mountain Home Baptist Church
20. New Hope Baptist Church
21. Pilgrims Rest Baptist Church
22. Pyatt Baptist Church
23. Rea Valley Baptist Church
24. Tomahawk Baptist Church
25. Whiteville Baptist Church
26. Yellville First Baptist Church



—And—

27. Baptist Collegiate Ministry, ASU MH

Please send your commitment form to WRBA, P.O. Box 358, Flippin, AR 72634. We are 2 churches short of having every WRBA church committed to participate.

Disaster Relief News

1. Disaster Relief Tractor

The Executive Board of White River Baptist Association meeting at Bruno Baptist Church on May 10, 2007 authorized the purchase of a tractor to use with our Disaster Relief ministries and authorized the raising of funds toward the purchase. We anticipate the cost to be between \$25, 000 and \$30, 000. We now have \$12,431 in our tractor fund.

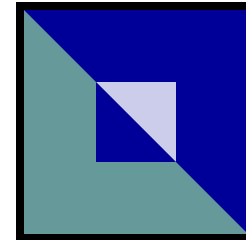


2. Basic Disaster Training Opportunity

Our next Basic DR training will be September 27, 2008 at Harrison. As the schedule of other training opportunities is available, we will post them in the White River News and on the website. This Basic Training is necessary to be recognized as a Disaster Relief volunteer. **And we need more volunteers!**

Disaster Relief Notes:

- A. Call WRBA office for more info about Disaster Relief.
- B. Pilgrims Rest Baptist Church has offered a challenge to all WRBA churches: to match their \$1000 contribution toward the purchase of the DR tractor.



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Message from Your Missionary

There are some significant events in the works as this newsletter is being produced during December 2007. By the time you have received this issue of White River News, some of our prayer and preparation may have come to fruition.

First, the On Mission Celebration is scheduled for April 19-23, 2008. Our OMC Team is working to get each activity in place that each of the 26 participating churches are ready to receive their missionaries, and that many will hear the messages and testimonies of these choice servants of God who serve through the International Mission Board, North American Mission Board, and the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Second, we are still looking for partnering churches to underwrite the beginnings of an Hispanic Ministry in our area. The Hispanic population is growing and we need to engage them with ministry and worship opportunities. If a church needs more information, I will be glad to help the best I can.

Third, there is an effort underway to start a Cowboy Church in our area. We are hoping to have an interest meeting soon to find out if there are individuals and families who would consider being a part of such an effort. More information will be given as it is developed.

Fourth, there are efforts in the making to prepare for VBS this summer. The Arkansas Baptist State Convention is partnering with us on Saturday, May 3, to conduct a VBS Expo for our association and for other associations in our region. This will be a more general approach to VBS preparation than the traditional VBS clinic.

Fifth, there will be several mission trips this year sponsored by churches, and some that are connected to the efforts in Udmurtia, Russia. Several will travel in January to conduct leadership training for pastors and church planters, and follow up training will be offered there in March and May. Your missionary will be involved with the training in January.

Sixth, March 2-9, 2008 is the Week of Prayer for North American Missions. This year's theme is "Live With Urgency—Seize Your Divine Moment". Be on the lookout for promotional materials in order to inform your congregation of the needs and to encourage them to give to the Annie Armstrong Missions Offering generally received in conjunction with the Week of Prayer.

Maurice L. Hitt



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Quick Notes:

**2008
WRBA Executive Board**

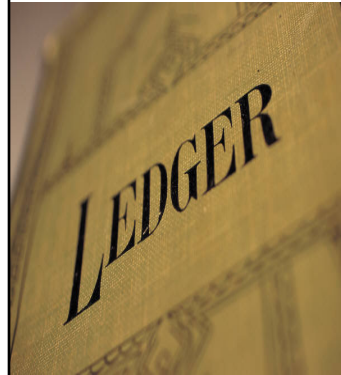
January 10, 2008
Cotter First Baptist Church
Meal 6:00 PM
Meeting 6:30 PM

March 13, 2008
Flippin First Baptist Church
Meal 6:00 PM
Meeting 6:30 PM
Special Guest: David Perry
Ark. Baptist Children
Homes

May 8, 2008
Whiteville Baptist Church
Meal 6:00 PM
Meeting 6:30 PM
Special Guest: Brett Cooper
Williams Baptist College

White River Baptist Association Treasurer's Report January—December 2007

		January—December 2007	
Antioch	\$ 3,261.07	Jordan	805.00
Arkana	2,534.05	Lone Rock	6,748.36
Big Flat	376.65	Midway	3,387.00
Bruno	2,687.23	Mountain Home	2,038.72
Bull Shoals	6,848.17	New Hope	4,010.59
Clarkridge	707.32	Norfolk	2,298.00
Cotter	613.64	Pilgrims Rest	1,200.00
East Oakland	497.17	Pyatt	3,572.39
East Side	39,191.84	Rea Valley	3,002.75
FBCMh	36,600.00	Tomahawk	2,708.71
Flippin	15,247.60	Whiteville	982.43
Gamaliel	333.02	Yellville	<u>4,650.12</u>
Gassville	7,778.33	Church Totals	\$155,446.19
Henderson	1,881.02	Average to date	12,953.85
Hilltop	325.00	Proj. for year	\$155,446.19
Hopewell	1,160.01	Church Totals	\$155,446.19
		Accounts Rec.	6,000.00
		Other Income	16.62
		Bank Interest	4,881.11
		Peel Property	<u>24,671.25</u>
		Total Income	\$191,015.20
		Disbursements	<u>163,480.33</u>
		Net Income	27,534.87
		Balances as of December 31, 2007	
		TLCB	\$ 49,921.41
		Arvest	74,275.76
		Church Planting CDS	<u>36,970.12</u>
		Total	\$161,167.29



White River Baptist Association Upcoming Events

January 2008

- 1 New Year's Day
- 10 Missions Ministry Team meeting @ 10 AM — WRBA
- 11 Executive Board Meeting @ Cotter FBC
Meal at 6:00 PM
Meeting at 6:30 PM
- 20-31 Mission Trip to Russia

February 2008

- 4 VSC Team (Udmurtia), WRBA Office @ 3:30 PM
- 8-10 Hitt teaches Romans as Winter Bible Study at Pleasant Grove BC near Harrisburg

- 11 Senior Adult Task Force, East Side BC @ 11AM
- 21 Administrative Team, WRBA office @ 6:30 PM
- 25-28 Associational Missionary Retreat, DeGray Lake State Park.

March 2008

- 13 Executive Board Meeting @ Flippin FBC
Meal—6:00 PM
Meeting—6:30 PM
David Perry, Guest Speaker

Future Events

Apr 19-23—On Mission Celebration

May 3 - VBS Expo

More information will be shared with the churches related to the 2 above events.

Pregnancy Resource Center

505 South Main
Mountain Home

Marcia Yearwood, Director
870-424-HOPE.

PRAYER NEWS & REQUESTS

- Pray for the teams involved with El Salvador and Russia as they travel and serve there during January.
- Pray for the team planning the On Mission Celebration for April 2008. Pray for the churches as they participate in the OMC. Pray for the missionaries who will be speaking in all the participating churches.
- Pray for our pastors who serve the churches of WRBA, that they may care, lead, and proclaim as men of God with servant's hearts.

Senior Adult Ministry News

Mark your calendars for September 6, 2008 for our regional Senior adult conference that will be held at East Side Baptist Church. This is a follow up to the event in September 2007. This year, Charles Arn of the Fuller Seminary, will be our key speaker.

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

State Conference on Evangelism and Church Growth

January 28-29, 2008

First Baptist Church, Sherwood, AR

Theme

“...The Harvest is Plentiful ...”
Matthew 9:37

Conference Schedule

Monday Afternoon 1:00

Roy Fish
John Franklin
Robert Smith

Monday Evening 6:30

David Uth
Concert by Testify
Junior Hill

Tuesday Morning 8:30

Roy Fish
Charif Haddad
Ken Sande
David Uth

Conference Music by Testify and Carlos Ichter

Baptist Collegiate Ministry
ASU MH
December 10, 2007

Fellow Servants of Christ,

This letter is to inform you that I have resigned the position of campus minister of ASUMH effective the end of this semester. My husband and I attended a Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University (FPU) class and felt God calling us to live on a debt free basis. Therefore I need to pursue a full-time job to help achieve this goal. Romans 13:8, NIV states, “Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law.” I covet your prayers in this new endeavor. (You may check out the January 2008 issue of HomeLife Magazine to find out more about FPU. Dave Ramsey is featured in that issue.)

I have enjoyed getting to know and love all who represent White River Baptist Association. The support from churches and the Matrix Team has been great. We never hurt for a meal or speakers and were continually prayed for. I appreciate all of you so much. I am so thankful that God allowed me the opportunity to finish out this semester. It has truly been a great! We have some awesome student leaders who are fired up. They stepped in excited about getting to lead Bible studies & reaching friends for Christ. Their hearts are compassionate. Two have been hired as Youth Interns at a local church. One student's family joined a local church as the result of the BCM. I am thankful for the opportunities God gave me to minister and sit down and share the gospel with students.

God has great plans for the Baptist Collegiate Ministry at ASUMH. Please continue to pray and give as God leads. Please pray for the state office as they seek to find a replacement.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve.

Sincerely,

Pam Rosinbaum

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Scholarship Applications Available

Ouachita Baptist University and Williams Baptist College scholarships for 2008 are available through a WRBA application process.

One scholarship to each school will be granted to high school seniors from our association. Please contact the associational office for more details.

Go to **Info Center** on www.whiteriverba.com to find and print a copy of either Scholarship Application, or contact WRBA office: 870-453-2575.