

DBA Treasurer's Report ~ 2009 YTD Recap			
Month	Offerings	Expenses	Net
Jan. 09	11,646.69	(8,010.91)	3,635.78
Feb. 09	6,294.75	(9,036.97)	(2,742.22)
Mar. 09	12,911.18	(12,177.66)	733.52
Apr. 09	7,987.92	(8,937.68)	(949.76)
May 09	5,735.81	(13,098.44)	(7,362.63)
Jun. 09	15,357.49	(14,985.10)	372.39
Jul. 09	9,981.31	(11,379.91)	(1,398.60)
Aug. 09	13,185.57	(14,682.32)	(1,496.75)
Sept. 09			
Oct. 09			
Nov. 09			
Dec. 09			
Total	\$83,100.72	\$(92,308.99)	\$(9,208.27)

Upcoming Dates to Remember

October 12-13
Minister's Wellness Retreat
GBC @ Norman Park

October 18
DBA Annual Worship Celebration
First Vidalia @ 6 p.m.

October 19
DBA Annual Meeting
Rocky Creek @ 6 p.m.

October 22
Pastor's Fellowship & Finance Seminar
"How to keep your church out of Court"
DBA office @ 10:30 a.m.
Federal & State Payroll Reporting
requirements for churches
DBA office @ 6:30 p.m.

October 27
Volunteer Hospital Chaplain Training
8:30 until 4:30 @ Wellness Center

November 2
WMU World Day of Prayer
DBA office @ 7 p.m.

November 8-10
GBC @ FBC Woodstock

November 20
Ministers Christmas Party, 7 p.m.,
Mt. Vernon First

December 3
Cakes to Baxley Children's Home

January 21, 2010
Super Evangelism Seminar, 7 p.m.

January 22
Pro Life Rally

Spring Hill -October 3rd Outside Movie
Night with Drive-In type setting, October
11th Homecoming with Dr. David Smith
and then REVIVAL October 12-14 at 7
p.m. each evening, October 31st Fall
Festival at Webster cabin.

Church News

Beulah -November 7 Fall Festival from
3-5p.m.

Cornerstone -Oct. 17 Fall Festival from
11-4 with lunch provided

Cross Timbers would like to invite
everyone to their Fall Festival on Sat.
Nov. 7th from 5-8. Come enjoy
BlueGrass/Gospel singing along with
games, food, fun and Hayride!

North Thompson -Oct. 4, Deacon
Ordination for Jon Curl @ 3:00 PM,
Oct. 11, 105th Homecoming, 11-2,
Dress like it's 1956, (52-1/2 yrs ago).

Providence -Oct. 25 Homecoming with
Dr. David Smith from BPC as guest
speaker.

Soperton First -Oct. 15 Young at Heart
Luncheon at noon, Oct. 20 Blood Drive
@ 2

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THE LIGHT

Daniell Baptist Association

Partnering with churches to reach communities for Christ!
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Fall Worship Celebration & Meeting

October 18, Vidalia First Baptist, 6 p.m.

October 19, Rocky Creek Church, 6 p.m.



Missionary Notes

I am so excited about our Fall Joint Worship Celebration at First Vidalia at 6 p.m. on Sunday, October 18th. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Larry Wynn from Hebron Baptist, our music will be provided by our mass DBA Choir (they'll meet for rehearsal at 4 p.m.) and our hearts will be stirred by the drama team of First Baptist Alamo. Also, we will have a ministry for children in "Kids Bay" and all our youth will meet together in the "Historic Sanctuary". God is going to do a wonderful work and I hope you plan to be there.

On Monday, October 19 at 6 p.m. we will have our Annual Business Session at Rocky Creek Baptist beginning with a wonderful meal (provided by Rocky Creek). This will be very inspiring as we discuss what God has been doing in our Association and what He is leading us to do in the future. Also, our own Dannie Williams will be proclaiming Gods Word. This is a service you will not want to miss. If you are planning to eat with us please call our office at 912-583-2713 by October 12 to make reservations.

Missionary Notes continued...

Our DBA Church Leadership Institute is awesome and we would love for you to take part. The next course being offered will be on October 20 and 27 from 6-9 p.m. and is called **Worship: Theology and Practice**. It is designed to help us understand the theology (and practice) of worship. Topics of discussion will include: Personal Definition of Worship, Understanding Trends and Dealing with Change, Practical ideas in Implementing Worship, Biblical Values in Worship, Barriers in Worship, Creative Ideas for Worship-Involving People, and Steps in Building an Effective Worship Service. Our instructor will be Dr. Jon Duncan with the Georgia Baptist Convention.

Statistics tell us 2 out of 3 high school students leave the church after graduation but 77% of Christians come to faith by the age of 21. More than 40% of young people aged 16 to 29 are now outside the Christian faith, up from 27% during the previous generation. The question I have.....so, what? What are we going to do as churches and as an Association? Over the next several months many ideas will be shared under **Finding & Keeping the NEXT GENERATION** that I hope will inspire you and your church to consider in reaching our younger generation for Jesus. If you have any ideas that have worked for you please give me a call.

God is doing some wonderful things among our Churches in the Daniell Association and I'm excited to be part of it as we partner together to reach our communities for Christ. If I can ever be of assistance to you or your church please don't hesitate to call.

Excited in Jesus,
Robby

Finding & Keeping the NEXT GENERATION

(Ideas to help us reach the younger generation for Jesus)

- Never mistake young people as "the future of the church." They are the church and we should integrate them into the life of the church now. With that in mind, consider having at least one young person represented in some form of church leadership.
- Using technology to reach teens is dirt cheap when you compare it to the cost of a building. It takes more time than money and a willingness to apply what you've learned about the tools they are using to communicate. Therefore, engage relationally in online environments where youth hang out. We don't have to compete with Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, but we should use them to connect with teens. Anywhere they are, we should be too.



OUT OF THE BOX

(Ideas to help churches reach people for Jesus)

- Encourage Sunday School Classes or small groups to meet at locations in the community away from the church like McDonald's or other restaurants. Ask permission to post signs about the gatherings and ask folks near your table to join you. If your church uses an open enrollment philosophy regarding Sunday School/Bible Study (and I hope it does) ask those attending if you could enroll them in Sunday School/Bible Study.
- Introduce visitors to your staff and ministries in a relaxed setting by providing a free casual lunch, dinner or fellowship. This could be done at the church, a home, or in a nearby restaurant.

Clergy Appreciation Month October 2009 (1 Thess. 5:12-13)

Consider the following as you make plans to honor the ministers of your church this October:

- Send a card
- Take them and their families out to dinner
- Send flowers to their spouse
- If they have children, offer to baby-sit while the parents go out for a special evening
- Host a fellowship to celebrate your ministry staff
- Give public recognition
- Promote your ministry staff through articles in your newsletter/bulletin
- Consider giving gifts to your ministry staff
- Consider paying for your ministry staff to eat out together
- Form a committee or team to provide leadership for expressions of appreciation

Operation Balm

A Hospital Ministry Training Conference for Ministers and Laypersons

October 27, 2009

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Rev. Ricky Thrasher (Clinician)

Georgia Baptist Convention

Meadows Regional Medical Center

Wellness Center

101 Harris Industrial Blvd

Vidalia, GA 30474

This is a free conference but Pre-registration is required.