

# Goshen News

Goshen Baptist Association

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## ***Goshen Spring Missions Celebration***

*Men, Women, and children are invited to:*

*Human Trafficking Emphasis*

*Goshen's Spring Missions Celebration*

*Sunday, April 7*

*3 p.m.*

*South Anna Baptist Church*

*9071 Cross County Road, Mineral*



## ***Annual Goshen Spring Meeting***

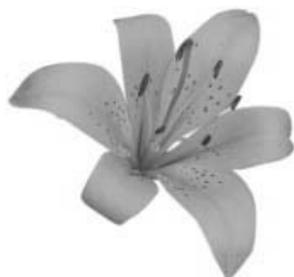
*"Church Communication" Emphasis*

*Blue Ridge Shores Baptist Church*

*1230 Firehouse Drive, Louisa*

*Tuesday, April 23*

*3 p.m.*



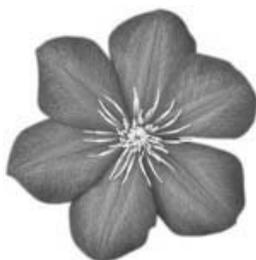
## ***OPERATION INASMUCH***

*Training Session*

*April 27 from 9 a.m. til noon*

*Oakland Baptist Church*

*2965 Oakland Church Road, Gum Spring*



# Baby Bottle Ministry

for Bethany Christian Services

Blue Ridge Shores	\$197.11
Craigs	\$480.31
Louisa	\$28.60
Mine Road	\$101.00
Servants of Christ	\$160.43
<b>Total as of 3/23/13</b>	<b>\$967.45</b>

## Free to a Church

Church clip art on a floppy disc. Contact GMC at 540.894.8440.

## A Little Info Please

Does anyone know of a resource that accepts used Bibles and Sunday School literature? Please let the GMC know at 540.894.8440.

## Thank You WMU

Your special ways and generous heart make a beautiful difference. Thank you so much. Thanks so very much for the delicious and beautiful dinner that you served the pastors and spouses. We look forward to this occasion each year. Bless you for extending your kindness to us. Sincerely, Lowell and Uma Wright, Trinity.

## Leftovers

If you have leftover skeins of yarn, we have a request for them. Bring to the Goshen Ministry Center Monday - Thursday 9-11 or drop by the RuraLove Warehouse on Wednesdays from 9-11.

## Oxygen Request

RuraLove has a request for a small portable oxygen maker. If you have one available that is not in use call the Goshen Ministry Office. All donations are tax deductible. 540.894.8440.

## Quilting Fabric

We are collecting quilting fabric for the Missionary Learning Center in Rockville. If you have some to donate bring to the RuraLove Warehouse on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-12 noon or call the Ministry Center to set up a delivery time. 540.894.8440.

## PAR for the hungry

Plant a Row (PAR) is a national organization that encourages gardeners to grow an extra row of produce for their local food bank. Plant an extra row in your garden and at harvest time... donate to the Louisa Community Cupboard at 147 Resource Lane, Louisa, VA 23093 Questions? Contact darla@southernexposure.com or call 540.967.1510.

# Mission Opportunities

**Projects for April ~ Candy and Gum Bags for Tidewater Transportation Ministries and Coeburn Lunch Project. Deadline for Candy and Gum Bags is April 30.**

**RuraLove - A ministry of Goshen Association to local families in crisis ~ 540.894.8440**

URGENT: small kitchenettes, microwaves, dressers, TWIN, FULL, QUEEN mattresses (separates or sets - we'll match), bed frames, pots and pans, electric stoves, washing machines, dryers, refrigerators, good vehicles, etc. Please make sure all donations work properly and are clean.

Also **NEED VOLUNTEERS** for pick-ups and deliveries, and to help sort Tues. or Wed. mornings or another by appointment. **REMINDER:** Requests should come from the church to help meet the needs in the community in the name of Jesus. Thus our motto "Neighbor Helping Neighbor" - meeting physical needs, developing trust through relationships and ministering spiritually. **PLEASE make sure to FOLLOW UP with families after they have been helped. This is key to making the most of opportunities to minister spiritually to families in crisis.**

## RuraLove Ministry Update

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

- 18 families with financial help
- 6 families with household needs
- 1 family with a project
- 5 families with a medical item
- 3 families with wood



## A Big Thank YOU !!!

to Goshen representatives on a work day:

Willie Emberton  
Kenny Hawley  
Rae Jones  
Deacon Marshall  
John Bevard

for their hard work at Leland Park during the Mission Madness event of teens from around the state hosted by Louisa Baptist Church. Also:

Don Nelson  
Wes Wood  
Barbara Emberton  
Elaine Hammond and her neice and great-neice  
Joy Dickens

who represented Goshen during the Mission Madness Saturday clean-up event. Thank you to all our local churches who participated.

Tammy Wood

# CHURCH NEWS

**Berea** calls Barry Higgins and his wife, Linda, as pastor.

**Hebron** will hold a Women's Conference entitled, "Contentment, Balance, and Joy," because happiness is not enough on Friday, April 19 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 20 from 9-noon (lunch provided). Fee is \$10 per person to cover materials. Early registration is appreciated. For more information call 540.840.4427 or email Ellinger1@aol.com

**Louisa** hosted a Mission Madness weekend in March for 200 youth and their chaperones to work in the Louisa area on projects for the elderly, low income, and local ministries.

**Mineral** Women of Joy Conference on April 20 from 3-7:30 p.m. (dinner provided). *Operation Inasmuch will be held April 27. Sister Churches interested in this project may come to observe.*

**Oakland** is to hold their Spring and Summer Consignment sale for children's clothing will be held Thursday 4/18 from 6:30-9 p.m., Friday 4/19 6:30-9 and Saturday 4/20 9-noon with a half price sale. For directions or how to consign go to [www.Oakland-Baptist.com](http://www.Oakland-Baptist.com).

**Orange** welcomes a new member.

## Standing Rock Meeting

An informational meeting on Standing Rock, North Dakota will be held April 9 at 7:30 p.m. at Oakland Baptist Church. Join them if you have an interest in this ministry. [www.oakland-baptist.com](http://www.oakland-baptist.com)

## Moldova Church Planter Update

Several churches and couples have pledged and begun support for Gheorge Rudie, our Indigenous Church Planter in Moldova. Mineral, Smyrna, Louisa, Mechanicsville, North Pamunkey, Oakland, Trinity, Elk Creek, Zoar VBS, Waldrop, Wallers, Craigs Sr. Men's Sunday School, Kerns, Hart, McGinnis, and Dickens. If you or your church would like to pledge to support our church planter or would like more information, call the Goshen Ministry Center at 540.894.8440. We now have 13 churches or individuals to commit to \$350 a year for the next five years. Although donations still accepted for future travel expenses. **Reminder: Please send in your 2013 support for our church planter.**

## Hurricane Sandy

Thank you for your response to Hurricane Sandy! Through the Virginia Baptist Disaster Relief effort we gave:

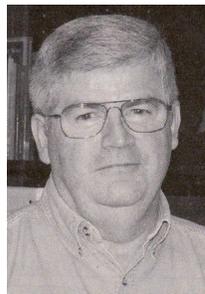
- Over \$100,000 contributed by over 400 churches and people
- Nearly 2,500 volunteer days
- Over 200,000 hot meals prepared
- Over 70 significant ministry contacts
- 671 showers
- 79 loads of laundry
- 38 satellite communication links
- 35 mud out jobs... and growing as our response continues

[www.facebook.com/VB.Disaster](http://www.facebook.com/VB.Disaster)

## "Grist from the Mill"

I returned Monday from my trip to Romania. My time there consisted of a series of meetings followed by lots of food, other meetings, more food and then seeing two castles, and an historic church, followed by more food, beautiful scenery, and more meetings. And more food. I think I sense a pattern here.

The purpose of the trip was to discover if and how Baptists in Virginia could work with the Baptist Union of Romania in a meaningful, Kingdom honoring way. Romania is a poor country economically and there is often the temptation to believe that we must go there with our pockets full of cash to do for them what they cannot afford to do for themselves. But, I am grateful to tell you, that is not what they want from us. No, these people with such warm hearts and deep devotion, not to mention a lot of really good food, want our friendship, respect, and to find ways they can be a blessing to us and we to them. They may not have the material wealth we have even in this economy, but they have a love for Jesus, a desire to plant churches and a willingness to include us in their lives that we here in Virginia can only admire and hope to find in our churches as well.



The there for the Partnership is "Împreună pentru alții," "Together for Others." The Partnership will formally begin in the fall of this year and is planned to last five years. During that time I hope the Lord blesses our Association by calling many of our Goshen people to travel there to see how grand the family of God truly is and to share in the warmth of the Romanian Christian community. And did I mention the food?

John

## Impact VA!

This summer our Association will host Impact VA! during the week of July 14-20. Impact Louisa will be based at the Louisa County Middle School with approximately 12 teams within a 30-40 minute drive from there. We are expecting around 150 young people and their chaperones to take part in this event. Our hope is that your church will be an active participant in this work as well.

There is a variety of ways for a church or individual to be involved and here are a few: young people may participate as workers on the teams (call for requirements); adult site coordinators; crew chiefs; crew youth leaders; road runners; at least two follow up teams to make sure work is completed; and groups to provide lunches for the teams (Shirley Foster is in charge of lunches 540.894.0302).

The teams will be concentrating on the damage to local homes from the earthquake. Our new construction trailer will be used in this effort.

To nominate someone who's home has been damaged contact John Miller at 540.894.8440. This has to be work the teens can handle... roof repair, ramp building, painting, etc. Teens cannot do electrical, plumbing, concrete or block work.

# April Birthdays & Anniversaries

07	Farrow Anniversary	Mine Road
09	Jim Stone	Mineral
10	Melinda Bowers	Dogwood
13	Novella Riggins	Retired
17	Haynes Anniversary	New Hope

# April

1	Office Closed
4	Minister's Breakfast 9 a.m. GMC
6	RuraLove Clothing and Yardsale 8-1
7	Goshen Spring Missions Celebration South Anna 3-5
8	Coordinating Committee 7 p.m. GMC
12-13	Acteen Weekender EE
14	Cooperative Program Day
15	Associational Council Meeting GMC 7 p.m.
16	VBMB Meeting - Richmond
23	Goshen Spring Meeting 3 p.m. Blue Ridge Shores Group #8
24-27	National Association of Southern Baptist Secretaries National Conference - Ridgecrest, NC
26-27	GA Mom and Me I Eagle Eyrie
27	Operation Inasmuch Training Oakland 9 a.m.
27-28	GA Mom and Me II Eagle Eyrie
29	Inasmuch Pastor Meeting - David Crocker GMC = Goshen Ministry Center 587 Mica Rd., Mineral

## Websites for Ministries

**Door of Hope - South Africa** (Christian Orphanages which place abandoned children) [www.holeinthewall.org.za](http://www.holeinthewall.org.za)

**Living Hope Community Centre News - South Africa** (Living Hope makes a difference in the lives of those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS in the deep south of Cape Town in the Name of Jesus Christ.) [www.livinghope.co.za](http://www.livinghope.co.za)

**South India** - Dr. & Mrs. Kunjumon Chacko, P.O. Box 11, Vadavathoor P.O, Kottayam, Kerala, India 686010  
email: [chackos@sancharnet.in](mailto:chackos@sancharnet.in) [www.preciouschildren.org](http://www.preciouschildren.org)

## Goshen Counseling Center

**Dwight Boston, LCSW, M.S.W. 540.894.8814**  
Member: American Association of Christian Counselors. Fees are covered by most insurance plans. Those with no insurance may be seen with an adjusted fee based on finances if funding allows. Counselor is trained to provide counseling to children, adolescents, adults, couples, and families. Dwight is available to provide educational seminars on specific topics of interest. Confidential.

### 2012-2013 Ministry Action Budget

Budget	\$141,496.00
Monthly Needs	11,791.00
Received Feb.	20,296.00
Received Oct.-Feb.	53,906.00
<b>Budget Shortfall</b>	<b>-5,049.00</b>

*Newsletter deadline is the 15th of each month.*

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