

Goshen News

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Mission Celebration

Sunday, April 3

3-5 p.m.

Mine Road Baptist
11111 Post Oak Road
Spotsylvania, VA 22551

- Recognizing Mental Health Issues
by Michelle Hottinger
(caseworker with Region 10)
- PTSD by Robin Jackson
(outreach counselor for
Shelter for Help in Emergency
Charlottesville)



Goshen Spring Meeting

Tuesday, April 26

3-6 p.m.

Mount Gilead Baptist
4768 Shannon Hill Road
Columbia, VA 23038

- Hands of Christ Ministering in
South Africa
(Don and Cheryl Allen founders
of Door of Hope & Arise)
- Hands of Christ in Israel
(Rev. Bader Mansuar)



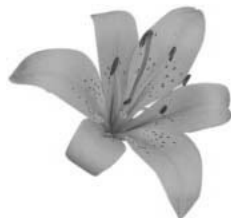
Pre-Conferences

before the Goshen Spring Meeting

1:30-2:30 p.m.

Pre-register at 540.894.8440

- Don & Cheryl Allen talk about their new ministry in South Africa
- Rev. Bader Mansuar will talk about being a Baptist in Israel



Thank You Notes

Dear Friends,

Thank you for the beautiful and delicious dinner that you served the pastors and wives. It is wonderful to be remembered in a sweet, special way. The food was delicious and the entertainment was extra special. Thank you!!

Lowell and Una Wright

Thank you for the great meal. We enjoyed the evening.

Susan and Dwight Boston

Baptist Ministry Assistants of Virginia

2016 Spring One-Day Retreat

Friday, April 29

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

Chancellor Baptist Church

11324 Gordon Road

Fredericksburg, VA 22407

Register by April 15

For more info go to BMAV.org

Spring Ladies Conference

A Spring Ladies Conference will be held Saturday, April 9 from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Hebron Baptist Church, 11000 Hebron Baptist Church Road, Spotsylvania, VA 22551.

The women of Hebron Baptist Church invite you to join them for a time of Bible study, reflection, praise, prayer, food, fun, skits, music, and enriching the lives of one another. The cost for the day is \$10 to cover materials payable to: Hebron Baptist Church and mail to 6855 Courthouse Road, Spotsylvania, VA 22551.

Conference topic God's grace and Mercy Revealed Through: The names of God, the power of prayer, God's will for us.

Early registration is appreciated to insure there are enough materials and food. Phone 540.840.4427 and leave a message or email Ellinger1@aol.com for more info.

2015-2016 Ministry Action Budget

Budget	\$149,703.00
Monthly Needs	12,475.00
Received Feb.	6,665.00
Received Oct.-Jan.	60,052.00
Budget	-2,323.00

Mission Opportunities

Project for April: Candy and Gum Bags for Tidewater Transport Ministries ~ deadline 4/28 at 1 p.m.

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

Refrigerators, can openers, mops and brooms, small kitchenettes, TWIN, FULL, or queen mattresses (separates or sets - we'll match), bed frames, pots and pans, electric stoves, washing machines, dryers, good vehicles, sofas, etc. Please make sure all donations work properly and are clean with no holes.

Also NEED VOLUNTEERS for pick-ups and deliveries, and to help sort Mon. 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.**

Bethany Christian Services

Christ-Centered Crisis Pregnancy Center & Adoption Services
5610 Southpoint Centre Blvd., Fredericksburg 22407
540.743.5165

Fredericksburg Pregnancy Center

Empowering those facing unplanned pregnancy with hope and life-affirming choices. www.FredericksburgPregnancyCenter.org

RuraLove Ministry Update

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

- 10 families with financial needs
- 5 families with household needs
- 1 family with a whole house
- 2 families with medical
- 1 family with clothes
- 1 family with a baby item



RuraLove News

RuraLove is in need of a regular sized pick up or a small gas box truck for deliveries and pick ups. We have a larger box truck for bigger deliveries. If you have something to donate or sell, call the Goshen Ministry Center at 540.894.8440. We appreciate your support. We also have two RuraLove requests for vehicles for needy families.

RuraLove would like to purchase some children's Bibles for ages 5-10. If you would like to donate please memo check "RuraLove Children's Bibles." We would also like people to donate younger books and Bibles for children under five.

Notice to Churches

Please include Goshenba@nexet.net to your church's email list for prayer concerns and event news blasts.

CHURCH NEWS

Blue Ridge Shores recently had one person come forward for baptism and two others join the church. Homecoming will be May 1 with Revival services May 2-4 at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Bill and Linda Lewis of Midlothian. Love offerings will be collected each evening for Bill and Linda.

Church of the Comforter is starting a Wednesday night series, "Finding the Joy of Reading the Bible," at 7 p.m. This series is about how to read, study, understand, and grow in your personal relationship with God. Questions, call Boyd Miller at 540.748.1625

Hebron WMU - corner of 208 and Hebron Church Road, Spotsylvania will hold a Silent Auction on April 2. Starts with food at 5 p.m. and the Auction at 6 p.m.

Louisa plans a Lay Renewal Weekend April 15-17.

Mount Gilead is sending hard boiled eggs with a message attached to the homeless in Richmond on Easter Sunday. Vacation Bible School will take place June 20-24 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. with the theme "Surf Shack...Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love." Mount Gilead has added a new member. The preschool is accepting applications for the 2016-2017 school year. The annual yard sale will take place April 15-16 in Goochland on River Road. They are holding their 6th annual fundraiser Golf Tournament on May 7th at the Royal Virginian Golf Course in Hadensville. For more information go to Mountgileadbc.net

Oakland consignment sale for children's clothes will be Thursday 4/14 and Friday 4/15 6:30-8:30 p.m. and Saturday 4/16 & 23 9 a.m. - noon

Is art one of your talents?

There is a new group forming that hopes to become an outreach to the community from Louisa Baptist Church. If you are in high school or an adult artist who would like to get together with other artists to work in a supportive environment, please contact one of the following for more information or for questions: Kim Hopkins kosmohop@gmail.com or call 540.223.1009 or Gail Massie at massiege@gmail.com

Grief Support

This group is for people grieving the death of a family member or friend. The time will include a time for sharing why you came to the group (not mandatory), will watch a video that is packed with practical information about the journey you have been forced to travel (faith-based videos), connect with others who are grieving, and invite God into the grief. You are welcome to join in during any group of the session. Each is "self-contained" so you do not have to attend in sequence. Find encouragement and help whenever you begin. This group will meet on the fourth Sunday of each month at 5 p.m. beginning June 28 and be held in the Faith Builders Sunday school class at Oakland Baptist Church. If you have questions contact Sherry Alston at 804.855.7446.

"Grist from the Mill"

After my father retired, he, along with his brothers and cousins, began looking at the history of our family. This task proved to be more difficult that they had expected as our name, Miller, is far from rare. This is compounded by the fact that our branch does not seem to be overly creative in our names. Every generation has a William in it and every other generation has a John. As time passed we began to hope for an Aloysius or a Lancelot just to break up the monotony.

Their findings have revealed that we are not descendants of kings or emperors. We come more from those who cleaned the royal stalls and laundry than from any blue bloodline, but, as one said, if we are not related to the famous, for the most part we have missed the infamous as well.

People search their ancestry for different reasons. Some are simply curious. Some seek to know health history so to be aware of disease or other conditions that are found within this group or that. Others seek to find a root, something that gives them stability, or again, history. They seek to know their place in this world, and how they fit into the scheme of things, perhaps even why they were born.

The Psalmist wrote, *"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, your eyes saw my unformed body."*

Most of us are not related to royalty or to the powerful and well-known. But to God, each of us is His special creation made according to His desire and purpose.

John



Stop Hunger Now

Start saving your change and dollars for Stop Hunger Now. We will be packing meals again in 2016 on World Hunger Day. Our goal is to purchase and pack 60,000 meals. To meet this goal we will need to collect \$15,000. You've all proven you can do it with the Sleep Away Camp donations so let's get geared up for Stop Hunger Now ~ our 2016 project.

Bibles

Goshen is collecting \$800 for Bibles in memory of Dr. Don Reid to be given to each seminary graduate. This year there are 32. Funds for Bibles are also being collected for Panama. They are \$75 per case. Deadline July 1.

Impact VA!

We need volunteers to sign up for Impact VA! in Orange area for July 10-16. We will need volunteers to lead construction teams, drivers, churches to provide lunches at job sites and more. If interested contact John Miller at 540.894.8440. We also need funds to pay for construction materials.

Ministry to Roma People at Ruth School - Romania
www.project-ruth.org or contact Brittany Garton:
email: Garton.Brittany@gmail.com

South India - Dr. & Mrs. Kunjumon Chacko, P.O. Box 11,
Vadavathoor P.O, Kottayam, Kerala, India 686010
email: chackos@sancharnet.in www.preciouschildren.org

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

Door of Hope - South Africa (Christian Orphanages which place abandoned children) www.holeinthewall.org.za

Newsletter deadline is the 15th of each month.

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

2 Clothing & Yardsale RuraLove Warehouse 8-1
3 Missions Celebration Mine Road 3 p.m.
4 Board of Directors GMC 7 p.m.
7 Minister's Breakfast GMC 8:30 a.m.
8-9 SONSHINE ~ Eagle Eyrie
18 Advisory Council GMC 7 p.m.
22-23 Mom & Me I - Eagle Eyrie
23-24 Mom & Me II - Eagle Eyrie
26 Goshen Spring Meeting Mount Gilead Group 6 3 p.m.
29 BMAV Chancellor BC Fredericksburg 10-2

07	Kathryn Buchanan	Zoar
09	Jim Stone	Mineral
10	Melinda Bowers	Dogwood
12	Shelley Henson	New Hope
13	Novella Riggins	Retired

GMC= Goshen Ministry Center, 587 Mica Road, Mineral

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.