

# Goshen News

Goshen Baptist Association

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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)  
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)*
- *Hands of Christ in Israel  
(Rev. Bader Mansuar)*

## Pre-Conferences

*before the Goshen Spring Meeting*

*1-2:30 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 Note

Dear Goshen,

Thank You so much for your recent gift to the mission and ministry of GraceInside for chaplaincy at the Virginia Correctional Center for Women! Your support and partnership are what makes this work possible. You are helping to save lives from the inside out! Because of you, lives will be changed forever. Thank You! If I can answer any questions or be of any help, please do not hesitate to contact me. I am eager to serve and love sharing the good news of what you are doing through GraceInside!

Again, Thank You!  
Lynn Litchfield  
804.358.7650  
mail@graceinside.org

## CrossRoads Camp & Conference Center

www.crossroadsgcc.com

### Summer Camp Dates

June 13-18	CoEd Week
June 20-25	Girls GA/Acteens Week
June 27-July 2	Girls Week
July 4-9	CoEd Week
July 11-16	CoEd Week

### Spring Volunteer Event

Cabin and Landscape Maintenance plus cleanup and more. May 13-25, 2016. Register at www.crossroadsgcc.com

### General Volunteers, Nurses, and Missionaries needed!

Contact the office for available dates and more information. 434.277.8465 or crossroads@crossroadsgcc.com

### Mom & Me Camps

Mom & Me is designed for 1st-6th graders and their moms. Mark your calendars and plan to be at Mom & Me in 2016. The dates are April 22-23 or April 23-24. Registration is open now. www.crossroadsgcc.com

### 2015-2016 Ministry Action Budget

Budget	\$149,703.00
Monthly Needs	12,475.00
Received Jan.	14,101.00
Received Oct.-Jan.	53,386.00
<b>Budget</b>	<b>3,486.00</b>

## Mission Opportunities

### Project for March: Military and Veteran Ministries

### 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  
1616 Stafford Ave. Fredericksburg, VA 22401 540.370.1800.

### RuraLove Ministry Update

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

- 11 families with financial needs
- 5 families with household needs
- 1 family with a whole house
- 2 families with medical
- 1 family with a vehicle



### 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/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

**Craigs** kicked off a new outreach ministry on February 4th called CenterShot. There are approximately 40 participants ranging from children to adults for the first eight week course. CenterShot is a Christian archery program designed to develop friendships with those of a mutual interest and to exhibit the love of Jesus to the community through instructional archery classes. The program is held on Thursdays from 6:30-8:00 p.m. for eight weeks. Follow CBC Archery on Facebook for updates or call the church office for more information 540.854.5284. The AWANA Children's Ministry is going strong. The kids gather every Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m. from September - May. In January, an extra special AWANA night was held where five young people were baptized! Craigs also announces a new Mid-Week Worship Service on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. in the church sanctuary.

**Louisa** welcomes three new members. An Easter Drama will be presented on Thursday, March 24 and Friday, March 25 at 7 p.m. Louisa also plans a Lay Renewal Weekend in April.

**Mineral** called Rev. Tom Everett to be their Senior Pastor.

**Mount Gilead** youth went to Gayton Baptist in Richmond to help with "Feed My Starving Children Organization." The Preschool took gifts, sang songs, and made crafts with the residents of The Meadows. The church is accepting bids for the church janitorial services. All bids are due by March 15th. For more information call the church 804.457.2938 or send bids to: 4768 Shannon Hill Road, Columbia, VA 23038.

**New Hope** youth hosted a spaghetti dinner on Feb. 13 to raise funds for summer camp. The Sunday School is planning the annual Easter Egg Hunt to be held March 26 at 2 p.m. The choir will be performing the Easter Cantata at worship service on March 20. The Sunrise Service and fellowship breakfast will be at 7 a.m. on Easter Sunday.

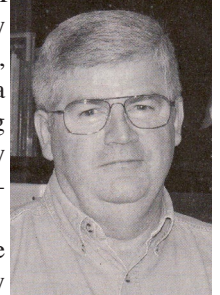
**Waller** has welcomed three new members, and will ordain three new deacons March 6. On Sat., March 26 from 10 a.m. until noon there will be a free Community Resurrection Egg Hunt. Everyone is welcome. The new Drive thru Prayer Ministry sponsored by the Men on Mission has proven to be a God filled way to reach the community. The group of volunteers are in the parking lot every Wed. from 5-6 p.m. to offer prayer to those who stop by.

## ***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"

While watching the Super Bowl a phrase kept running through my mind. "I right, wing right, split right. 32 dive." I thought about sharing the phrase with my wife, but she already has some serious concerns about my mental capacity and I saw no real good reason to confirm her suspicions. That phrase relates to a play used by my high school football team when I was their "cannon fodder" quarterback. My duties were to run the opposing teams offense, replace our better players when they needed a rest in practice and to stand in for the tackling dummy when it was tired. I questioned my coach about that one but he insisted I was providing a valuable contribution.



Football has changed dramatically over the years. Take for example this play from Andy Reid's playbook: "shift to halfback twin right open, swap 72 all-go special halfback shallow cross wide open." Every job has its own jargon, understood by the people involved with that work. But it is a long way from a standard halfback run to whatever that other play is about.

Many things have changed but the essentials of the game are there whether you watch Red Grange, "Mean Joe" Green, or the Legion of Boom. Football is a contest between two groups, one dedicated to putting a ball across a predetermined goal and the other, equally determined to prevent that from happening.

In church we have only one goal, determined by our God: get as many people into His arms as possible. So let us remember this: techniques, styles, architecture, and all the trappings are simply means to reach God's end. We have opponents. So let us hold to that which moves us down the field, and reject anything that threatens to stop us short. Ready. Set. Hut!

*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 for India***

Goshen is collecting \$800 for Bibles in memory of Dr. Don Reid to be given to each seminary graduate.

## ***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](http://www.livinghope.co.za)

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

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# March

3 Minister's Breakfast GMC 8:30 a.m.  
6-13 Week of Prayer for North American Missions  
27 Easter  
28 Office Closed

*GMC = Goshen Ministry Center, 587 Mica Road, Mineral*

# March Birthdays & Anniversaries

07	Nancy Swain	Craigs
08	Eleanor Green	Antioch
11	Swain Anniversary	Craigs
15	Joy Dickens	Ministry Assistant
16	Susan Wilson	Perkins
18	Steve McClary	South Anna
20	Bill Bess	Memorial of Columbia
24	Bill Catlett	Trinity
26	Fran Chancellor	Retired
26	Patti Walters	Smyrna
27	Lydia Hart	Waldrop
27	Rebecca Harris	North Pamunkey

## **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.