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"The purpose of this Association shall be to proclaim Christ as Lord, to expand the Kingdom of God, and to assist our affiliate churches to carry out their mission before God."



A Parkinson's Support Group will meet the first Monday of each month at Louisa Baptist Church at 1 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

This support group is for current or former caregivers, family members and friends to gain and share information relative

to Parkinson's disease.

For more information on the support group, contact Cathy Collins at 540.894.3973.

www.Parkinson.org.

You are invited to a
Retirement Party
for John Miller

Sunday, December 1 at 3 p.m.

Mineral Family Life Center

Reservations are required. Please call 540.894.8440

or email goshenassociation@hughes.net

and give names to reserve your place at the table



Email address: GoshenAssociation@hughes.net

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Project for November: Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes; Chaplain Willett Financial Support ~ Chaplain Support Goal is \$4,000.

RuraLove 540.894.8440 A ministry of Goshen Association to local families in crisis. We need churches who will **follow up** with families in crisis to build a relationship with the goal of meeting spiritual needs.

The Thrift Store is open year-round on Wednesdays 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and the first Saturday of the month April-Nov. Needs (to go to local families in crisis): Refrigerators, electric stoves, washers, dish rags, dish towels, electric can openers, crib sheets, blankets, sofas, recliners, lift recliners, brooms, twin & full mattresses, good vehicles.

We accept a wide variety of items not listed such as building supplies, household goods, decorations, and much more. To find out if your items are needed, call 540.894.8440. Donations may be brought to the warehouse on Wednesdays 7 a.m. until noon or by appointment. Volunteers may also be **scheduled** to pick up items on a Wednesday morning.

RuraLove does not accept TVs, entertainment centers, sleeper sofas, desks, appliances which have issues (we do not have funds for repairing and neither do our clients) also, no torn, damaged, moldy, or dirty items. If you have pets, we cannot accept upholstered items or mattresses due to allergies. All items are to be nice enough to give in Jesus' name.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer to work in the Thrift Store on Wednesdays and/or the first Saturday of the month from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. (to help set up and put away) or to pick up or deliver furniture please call.

Bethany Christian Services 540.373.5165 Christ-Centered Crisis Pregnancy Center and Adoption Services. www.bethany.org/Fredericksburg 5610 Southpoint Centre Blvd. #107, Fredericksburg 22407

Fred. Pregnancy Center 540.370.1800 1616 Stafford Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401 www.FredericksburgPregnancyCenter.org

Hope House 540.371.0831 Battered women's shelter for abused women and their children, 902 Lafayette Blvd., Fredericksburg

Shelter for HELP in Emergency 434.963.4676 Working to end domestic violence. Charlottesville

2018-2019 Ministry Action Budget

Budget	167,029.00
Monthly Needs	13,919.00
Received Sept.	8,083.00
Received Oct.-Sept.	154,905.00
Budget	- 12,124.00

Sewing Ministry At Goshen

A sewing day for the Mission Stitchers is planned at The Goshen Ministry Center for Saturday, **November 16** from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. for anyone interested in learning to make sani-pads, dresses, or shorts. Even if you don't sew you can help. Bring about \$10 to get lunch or bring your lunch.

The Mission Stitchers will meet in December on the 14th instead of the third Saturday. They will not meet in January or February and ask that you sew at home. They will start back on March 21. (Terry Graham 540.661.6268)

All Praises To Our Lord

Praise to our Lord Almighty! Ms. Joyce (a RuraLove client) was dancing a jig when I stopped by Epworth Manor to bring her a portable potty chair. Her apartment was perfect. The furniture we had given her matched perfectly to the decorations her sons had hung up for her earlier that day. And the best thing of all... she has been coming to church again since we helped her and showed her the love of Christ. This is RuraLove's purpose! What an awesome blessing....thank you everyone who donates items, money, time, and prayers for the RuraLove ministry. Let's keep up the Lord's work!

RuraLove's Monthly Ministry Update

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

8	Families with financial needs (\$2,861.04) (Rent, Mortgage, Utilities)
10	Families with household needs
2	Families with a whole house
2	Families with clothing
2	Families with a medical need
2	Families with baby needs

Thrift Store:

Served 287 families with clothing

Served 729 families with household items

Total sales from the Thrift Store for clothing and other donated yard sale items for the month: **\$5,237.50**

One hundred percent of all sales and donations go to local families in crisis.



CHURCH NEWS

Craigs, located at 14123 West Catharpin Road in Spotsylvania, has a ladies Bible study every Sunday evening from 6-8 p.m. www.craigsbaptistchurch.org

Gordonsville's Fall Festival will be held Saturday, Nov. 9. There will be Brunswick stew, homemade crafts, jewelry, ornaments, baked goods, canned pickles, jellies and jams.

Louisa will have their first live nativity December 14 from 7-9 p.m.

Mechanicsville's Double Duty Missions organization is sponsoring "Souper" Karaoke in Pavilion on "Chili" Nite! On Saturday, Nov. 9 at 5 p.m. at the Mechanicsville Pavilion. www.mechbaptist.com

Mineral "Journey of Faith" Christmas Cantata has been planned for Dec. 7 at 3 p.m. and Dec. 8 at 11 a.m. Mineral will be participating in the Shoebox Walk on Nov. 17. Also, 17 ladies attended the Extraordinary Women's Conference at Eagle Eyrie in October.

Orange welcomes a new member by baptism. The Singing Christmas Tree has begun practices. A Christmas Bazaar is scheduled to be held Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9-2 in the Pine Room. If you would like to reserve a space or table to sell your crafts contact Brenda Morris at 540.672.5705 or email bcmorris012@gmail.com. The youth will also hold a yard-sale during this time.

Wallers celebrated their 250th Homecoming in Sept. They report a spirit-filled event with exciting speakers and guests sharing the history of Wallers and the impact it has had on the area.

January VBS Mission Trip

A Vacation Bible School Mission Trip to Panama is seeking volunteers to work in teams and do simultaneous VBS around in village during January when the Panamanian children are out of school for their summer break. If you love children and Jesus—He will equip you to do His work. Time is short, so it is important to make preparations soon. Please contact John Miller for more information at the Goshen Ministry Center, 540.894.8440. The mission team is scheduled for January 24-Feb. 1. Deadline to sign up is December 1. A passport is required.

October Mission Trip Report

A team of three were in Panama in October training the Panamanian leadership speaking on the topics of Drugs and Gangs. The team also was privileged to go into local schools and churches and preach the word. God absolutely orchestrated their visit as a gang member/drug dealer was amongst those saved during their time in Panama. God is alive and well in Panama!

Congratulations

Congratulations to Ben and Mary Beth Boyd (Mount Gilead) on the birth of their first child, Abigail, on September 4.

Grist from the "Mill"

It was way before sunrise during that time of night I believe even the Lord prefers to sleep through. My eyes popped open, I sat up and said, "I forgot...". So much for sleeping late on a day with nothing scheduled.



This particular awakening came as my subconscious (unconscious?) mind was running through last minute details about the visit from our partners in Panama. Months of planning, numerous texts, emails, calls and more and I am awake because one detail was left undone. People comment about how organized my desk is. My desk is the visible result of many sleep deprived nights. Order keeps chaos, and those early morning awakenings, at bay.

For the past eight years the Goshen has worked in Panama. We built churches, preached, created plans for education and training and made many good friends. It has not been easy for our Brothers in Panama to work with us. We simply are different in the ways we approach preparation, worship and relationships. And that may be the best proof of why we need each other.

Goshen churches and leaders know how to do the Christian life. We have done it well and still receive compliments about how well we serve, worship and live out the Great Commandment. So, what happens when we meet others, equally gifted by God, equally dedicated, equally called and find our two systems are nothing alike? Apparently, early morning awakenings amidst periods of chaos.

That is a very good thing. Christians need to be challenged not only in what they do, but in why they do it. Without challenge, all that remains is rut. Ruts are comfortable and, for a while, even productive. But ruts never give glory to God. Ruts only glorify those within the rut. That is not the Lord's will. ~ John

Preemie Layettes Needed

Two tiny 3 pound baby girls were delivered two months early and we had no girl preemie layettes on the shelf. We had 2 boy preemies... but, no girls. Please help RuraLove as we minister together to local families in crisis and have your church group make a girl preemie layette. RuraLove would also like some preemie diapers if you can find them.

Free Padded Arm Chairs

Servants of Christ Baptist Church at Zion's Crossroads, has 80 chairs they have used in their worship center to give to any church that needs them. They will be available the middle of December. If you are interested, contact Pastor Mike Nickle at 540.538.7468.

Goshen Counseling Center: 587 Mica Road, Mineral, VA 23117
 Samantha J. Reynolds, BS, MSW, PA-C phone: 540.894.8440
 email: samtheuropa10@hotmail.com

Ministry to Roma People at Ruth School—Romania contact
 Brittany Garton: Garton.Brittany@gmail.com or check out Ruth
 School's website at : www.project-ruth.org

Living Hope Community Centre News—South Africa
 (Ministering to those living with HIV/AIDS).
 Www.livinghope.co.za

Door of Hope—South Africa (Saving many unwanted babies)
 www.holeinthewall.org.za

Arise Ministry Group—South Africa www.arisemg.org.za

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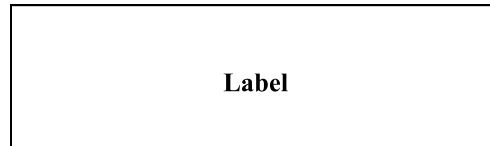
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| 1 | Toni Miller | wife of DoM | 1-2 | Women's Get-Away I—Eagle Eyrie |
| 4 | Moore Anniversary | Shady Grove | 2 | RuraLove Benefit Yardsale 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. |
| 11 | Lisa Wollenberg | Mine Road | 2 | WMU Annual Meeting—Eagle Eyrie |
| 15 | Jessica Gourley | Rhoadesville | 2-3 | Women's Get-Away II—Eagle Eyrie |
| 16 | Tina Collis | Gordonsville | 4 | Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer |
| 17 | Hubert Hart | Waldrops | 9 | RuraLove Volunteer Appreciation Day GMC 11 a.m. |
| 18 | Shirley Ellinger | Retired | 11 | Minister's Breakfast GMC 8:30 a.m. |
| 21 | Graham Anniversary | Retired | 12-13 | BGAV Annual Meeting |
| 22 | John Miller | DoM | 16 | Mission Stitchers GMC 9 a.m.-2 p.m. |
| 22 | Collis Anniversary | Gordonsville | 28 | Thanksgiving Day—Office Closed |

To donate and help people effected by disasters go to www.bgav.org or call 1.800.255.2428

100% of money donated goes to help people in crisis