



# Goshen News

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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."*

## Seeking RuraLove Coordinator

Part-time Paid Position. Approximately 20 hours a week—with some Saturday and Sunday work. Seeking someone with leadership skills, an active member of a Goshen Church who feels the call to minister in local missions, organizational skills, must be available by 6:30 a.m. on yardsale days, and more. For a list of requirements or to send a resume: [goshenassociation@hughes.net](mailto:goshenassociation@hughes.net) by March 1.

## More Than Nets Goal Reached!

100,000 nets have been distributed in Ghana. 500 churches started! Thousands have come to know Jesus as their Savior because you gave, prayed, and sent volunteers to distribute the nets!

## Crocheted Animals Went To Kentucky-Thanks!



*Email address: [GoshenAssociation@hughes.net](mailto:GoshenAssociation@hughes.net)*

## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

**Project for February: Baby Layettes** ~ Please mark your layette: boy or girl, summer or winter. If you need directions, email [goshenassociation@hughes.net](mailto:goshenassociation@hughes.net)

**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/dryers, electric can openers, crib sheets, blankets, recliners, 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 **LARGE** items on a Wednesday morning.

**RuraLove does not accept** old style TVs, lg. entertainment centers, sleeper sofas, office 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](http://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](http://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

### 2019-2020 Ministry Action Budget

Budget	170,833.00
Monthly Needs	14,236.00
Received Dec.	9,050.00
Received Oct.-Dec.	35,174.00
<b>Budget</b>	<b>- 7,534.00</b>

## Mission Stitchers

The Mission Stitchers welcomed two new ladies at the last gathering of talented ladies. There has been a request for more crocheted animals to go to Kentucky, so if you crochet and would like patterns contact Terry ([mrsjrg@aol.com](mailto:mrsjrg@aol.com)) or Jackie ([jacknskip@gmail.com](mailto:jacknskip@gmail.com))

There will be no meeting in February so please sew at home this month. The next meeting will be the third Saturday in March.

## Church & Clergy Tax Seminar

This seminar is to help church staff and lay leaders understand and comply with the tax laws. The seminar will be held Thursday, Feb. 20 from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Virginia Baptist Resource Center. Refreshments will be provided.

The cost is \$15 for BGAV church members and \$30 for non-members. Space is limited so register early at [www.BGAV.org](http://www.BGAV.org). Jeff Cranford is leading the seminar. The Virginia Baptist Resource Center is located at 2828 Emerywood Parkway, Henrico. For more info email [jeff.cranford@bgav.org](mailto:jeff.cranford@bgav.org) or call 804.921.3945

## RuraLove's Monthly Ministry Update

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

- 8 Families with financial needs (\$4,365.34) (Rent, Mortgage, Utilities)
- 4 Families with household needs
- 1 Family with a whole house
- 2 Families with a medical need
- 1 Family with a project

### Thrift Store:

Served 83 families with clothing

Served 213 families with household items

Total sales from the Thrift Store for clothing and other donated yard sale items for the month: **\$1,132.75**

*(The numbers this month were low because we were closed for the holidays and snow one week.)*

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



# CHURCH NEWS

**Craigs** is located at 14123 West Catharpin Road in Spotsylvania. Craigs welcomes J.C. Mason as music minister ([www.psalms108.org](http://www.psalms108.org)). TEAMKids is meeting on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Centershot begins Feb. 6 and is accepting registrations at [Www.craigsbaptistchurch.org](http://Www.craigsbaptistchurch.org).

**Mechanicsville's** Precept Bible Study is studying II Peter on Tuesdays, if interested contact Charlene 540.223.1443. The youth are having a bake sale to benefit missions on Jan. 25. Tuesday nights at 6 p.m. Mission Friends, Children in Action, and the youth meet. The Men's Breakfast is every second Saturday in the fellowship hall. Men of every age are welcome!

**Mineral** has a new sewing group for mission projects. A book discussion to review "Hearts of Fire" by Gracia Burnham will be held Feb. 23 at 12:30 beginning with lunch. The women are making all occasion cards. The Lottie Moon offering goal was surpassed. "Armor of God" Bible study is to begin Feb. 6 from 6:30-8 p.m. A "Minute to Win it" game night for students 6-12th grades will be Jan. 25 from 5-7 p.m.

**Oakland** recently called Dennis Barton as pastor. He and his wife Janey are retired IMB missionaries. [Www.Oakland-Baptist.com](http://Www.Oakland-Baptist.com)

**Shady Grove Baptist Church's** Academy is now enrolling students for pre-K through 4th grade. Email Sylvia for more information [shadygroveacademy.edu@gmail.com](mailto:shadygroveacademy.edu@gmail.com)

**Walters** celebrated as nine people professed their faith in Jesus by baptism, and eight were added to the church membership. In January Pastor Jojuan and Collins Beasley went to Panama for a children's VBS mission trip. Homemade soup was served to the shut-ins recently. In Feb., one Wed. evening, homemade soup will be offered to anyone who participates in their Drive-Thru-Prayer ministry.

**Zoar** received the resignation of Pastor Wes Young.

**A Parkinson's Support Group** is held the first Monday of each month in the fellowship hall of Louisa Baptist Church at 1 p.m. The group is for caregivers, family, and friends. Call Cathy for more info, 540.894.3973. [Www.Parkinson.org](http://Www.Parkinson.org)

## Louisa Cares 2020

**What is it?** Louisa Cares is a one day ministry event designed to show the love of Christ as we meet people's needs in the Louisa community. Projects are designed to meet a tangible need that can be completed in one day and would require little to no experience for volunteers.

**When is it?** Service Projects Sept. 12 (all day); Celebration Service Sun. evening Sept. 13 (time TBD); Rain date- Sept. 19 if needed.

**Who is eligible to benefit?** Anyone in Louisa County who meets one of the following: annual household income below \$30,000, single parent, handicap, spouse of deployed military, elderly, etc.

**How can my church get involved?**

1. Projects: Churches can distribute project application

## "Campbell's Comments"

I am blessed to have some of the writings of Francis of Assisi in my library. In one particular book he was urging followers of Christ to do everything possible to everyone possible at every time possible to reflect the love of the Savior. He capped off his advice with this phrase, "and if necessary use words."



In I Corinthians 16:10 Paul writes, "Do everything in love." God's greatest gift is man's greatest need. If God so loved that He gave us His Son what does the Father anticipate receiving from those gifted by grace?

If I choose who I am going to love I place myself in a position higher than God who loves every created being. If I choose who I will love I begin to place individuals in categories and then I have to justify why I've done so. The commandment to love doesn't come with a default clause.

The mission mandate was given to disciples along with the command to meet for prayer until "clothed with power." The scriptures recorded just what happened when the waiting disciples were clothed or empowered. Out they went and the world has never been the same.

When we look at the map of Goshen Association we see churches dotting the map in a 3600 square mile area. Preaching the Gospel, teaching the scriptures, singing the hymns and gathering for warm fellowship. All churches exist because of the Wonder of Calvary, the Provision of Saving Faith and the Amazing Grace of our Loving God.

May we take all that unites us, all that inspires us, all that commands us and go out to do everything for everybody in every way possible and oh! "where necessary-use words."

Blessings to you from "The Goshen" ~ Don

forms and turn into Louisa Baptist Church office or email to [PastorRichardSandberg@gmail.com](mailto:PastorRichardSandberg@gmail.com) or refer interested individuals for wheelchair ramps, gutter cleaning and yardwork, house cleaning, step or hand-rail repair, etc.

2. Leadership Team: Project managers needed
3. Volunteers needed for light construction or yardwork, house cleaning, chaplains, hospitality, supply delivery, etc.
4. Funding: Churches can help offset the cost of materials for approved projects.

For more information or forms, contact Rev. Richard Sandberg, Louisa Baptist Church office 540.967.1364, cell 540.223.5840 or email [PastorRichardSandberg@gmail.com](mailto:PastorRichardSandberg@gmail.com)

**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 unwanted babies)  
www.doorofhopesa.com or facebook.com/doorofhopeSA

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

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# FEBRUARY

1	Riggins Anniversary	Retired
5	Linda Terry	Retired
9	Terry Green	Antioch
11	Tom Everett	Mineral
13	Dickens Anniversary	Ministry Assist.
14	Amy Lester	Vertical Life
19	Barbara Ellington	Goldmine
19	Kris Hutchinson	Mineral

# FEBRUARY

6	Minister's Breakfast GMC 8:30 a.m.
9-16	Focus on WMU Week

**Interested in Camps/Programs? Check out:**

**CampPiankatank.org/winter-blast**  
February 14-16, 2020

**ImpactMissionCamps.org**  
(Chesterfield, Bluefield, Danville, Eastern Shore)

**Music & Worship Arts Camp**  
Www.EagleEyrie.org

**Adventure Camps for boys or girls**  
CampPiankatank.org

**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**