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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."

Goshen's Spring Missions Celebration

Sunday, April 3 from 3-5 p.m.

North Pamunkey Baptist Church
15109 Pamunkey Lane, Orange, VA 22960

Featuring guest speakers:

Pastor Hal Hostetler of the Tidewater Transportation Ministry for seafarers and truckers (*candy & gum bags*)

Susan & Noah Boston who were recently on a Disaster Response team to Kentucky

A special offering collected will be designated for partnership missions

Goshen's Annual Spring Meeting

Tuesday, May 17

2-4 p.m.

Rhoadesville Baptist Church

26042 Lafayette Drive,
Rhoadesville, VA 22542

Featuring guest speakers:

Rev. Steve Collins Executive Director of Southwest Virginia Partnership, Inc.

Dr. Don Campbell will be bringing the Doctrinal Message

Disaster Relief Training For Supply Distribution

If you are interested in training for Supply Distribution at a Disaster Relief site then you should sign up to take this class on **Sunday, March 27** led by Rev. Richard Sandberg.

The hands-on Forklift training session is to be held at

the Louisa Resource Council from 1:30-2:30 p.m. with the classroom portion being held from 3-5 p.m. at Louisa Baptist Church.

The fee is \$25. Everyone interested must pre-register.

Go to www.BGAV.org to register or for more information.

Mission Opportunities

Project for March: Military & Veteran Ministries. Also, annual church planter support due for the 2022 year.

RuraLove 540.894.8440, 587 Mica Road, Mineral, is a ministry of Goshen Association to local families in crisis. Churches are needed to *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.

RuraLove always needs: Chest of drawers, refrigerators, electric stoves, washers/dryers, good vehicles.

RuraLove accepts a wide variety of items. Smaller donations may be left in the green wooden donation shed anytime. Please call ahead for larger donations. Volunteers may also be **scheduled** to pick up **LARGE** items on a Wed. morning.

RuraLove does not accept old style TVs, lg. entertainment centers, sleeper sofas, office desks, appliances which have issues. Also, no torn, damaged, moldy, or dirty items. If you have pets, RuraLove cannot accept upholstered items or mattresses due to allergies. *All items are to be nice enough to give in Jesus' name.*

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.

Hope for Appalachia <http://hfavateam.com> ~ make "Hope Boxes" for students age 4-18 to be given out with salvation message at schools in Kentucky in the spring and fall.

Paul Stefan Home (Pro-Life Maternity Housing & Educational Center) www.paulstefanhome.org ~ 120 Caroline St., Orange. 540.854.2300

Paul Stefan Home's current needs: Kitchen disinfectant spray, twin sheets for adults, diapers size 6, laundry detergent.

"Shine"

March 18-20 ~ For teen girls in grades 6-12
CrossRoads Camp & Conference Center
See WMUV.ORG for more information.

2021-2022 Annual Budget Report

Budget for 2021-2022	179,428.00
Monthly Needs	14,952.00
Received January	9,600.00
Received Oct-Jan	40,483.00
Budget	- 19,325.00

Mission Stitches

All are invited on Sat, March 19 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Bring a lunch or about \$10 for lunch. Bring your machine and tools or fabric scissors to cut out the patterns. For more information on this ministry contact Terry Graham, 540.661.6268 or email mrsjrg@aol.com.

*Pray for our Goshen Churches:

- ~Pray for Gordonsville Baptist & Pastor Wayne Collis
- ~Pray for Louisa Baptist, Pastor Richard Sandberg & also Children & Youth Pastor Rudy Hornberger
- ~Pray for Mechanicsville & Interim Roy Thomas
- ~Pray for Memorial of Columbia & Interim Jim Benson

HELP WANTED ADS

SEEKING Part-Time church **Music Director/Pianist** at **Zoar Baptist Church** (31334 Zoar Road, Locust Grove, VA 22508). Email zoarbc@gmail.com for more information.

Mechanicsville Baptist is searching for a part-time **Ministry Assistant**. Send resumes to: MBC Admin. Assistant, 10200 Louisa Rd., Gordonsville, VA 22942. 540.832.3269



RuraLove Ministry Update

RuraLove is open to the public to purchase clothing and yard sale items. In the past month (through your contributions and donations to RuraLove) you have helped local families in crisis by providing:

- 10 Families with financial needs (**\$3,700.00**)
(Rent, Mortgage, Utilities)
- 4 Families with household needs
- 3 Families with a medical need
- 3 Families with clothing

In the past month the RuraLove Thrift Store sales have:

Served 194 families with clothing
Served 432 families with household items
Total sales from the Thrift Store for clothing and other donated yard sale items for the month: **\$3,456.25**

100% of all sales & donations go to local families in crisis.

CHURCH NEWS

Elk Creek continues to provide numerous volunteers to RuraLove, Louisa's Resource Center, Habitat for Humanity, and Louisa Ruritan. Elk Creek's "Woodchuckers" have now purchased a log splitter to fully commit to a ministry of delivering firewood to needy families. Pastor Mickey Robertson continues as Chaplain for Louisa Sheriff's Office.

Mineral welcomed their new Director of Music in February. Mineral served meals to power outage linemen during the recent snowstorm. A ladies conference will be Saturday, April 2. AWANA collected \$600, passing their goal for their mission project. Prayer sessions are held weekly on Tuesdays at noon. Four Bible studies and Upward Sports are in full swing. www.mineralbaptistchurch.org

Orange welcomes five new members.

Perkins continues their food pantry ministry. Pastor Tim has a drive thru prayer ministry every Monday—Friday afternoon across from the church. www.perkinsbaptistchurch.org

Wallers will have a "Feed the Community" event with First New Hope Baptist on Sat., March 19 from noon-2 p.m. at the Partlow Ruritan Building. Two deacons are being ordained. www.wallersbaptist.com

Please Pray for our Church Planters



Church Planters supported by designated donations: Pastor Svin (left), Pastor Avo (no picture yet) and Pastor Vardan (right).



Please keep Pastor Svin, Pastor Vardan, and Pastor Avo in your prayers as well as their families. Thank you for supporting these dedicated church planters even in the face of severe persecution.

There are still openings for commitments of \$200 per year for three years. Call 540.894.8440 to sign up and join God in His work by planting churches in Armenia.

Seeking volunteers for these 2022 Mission Teams:

Evangelism Team ~ October 3-8, 2022

Panama has requested help with an evangelistic crusade. The Chiricana have wanted to establish an evangelical presence in four of the districts of the Chiriqui Province where currently no work is being done. Teams are needed to preach and do outreach in these districts to begin new churches or mission points. Each site would need an evangelist and others to help with the

daily outreach. We are looking for at least two pastors plus six volunteers. Call Kevin for more info at 804.513.9832.

Ladies Conference Team ~ November 2022

We are looking for four women who would be interested in attending a two-day Ladies Conference in November in Panama as representatives from Goshen. Call Kevin at 804.513.9832.

Have you been on a Goshen Led Mission Team?

We are putting together a notebook of stories, experiences, and pictures of people who have been on Goshen led mission teams and disaster response teams (any year).

If you have been on a Goshen Missions Team or Disaster Relief Team we would like to include your experiences. Share as the Lord leads—the notebook will stay in the Goshen Ministry Center to hopefully inspire others to go on mission trips. The book will also serve as

a record for future generations.

If you have been on a team/teams and would like to share your stories please email to goshenassociation@hughes.net or bring to the Goshen Ministry Center to be included.

UPDATE—We are considering putting a page on the website so people can read the stories at their leisure. If you submit a story and do not want it on the website—please advise us.

"Kevin's Korner"



Time flies when you are having fun they say. Time is certainly flying as I attempt to settle into this new chair and new ministry opportunity. First, I want to thank everyone who has welcomed me to "The Goshen." Joy, Keith, Don, John, the pastors I have met or talked with and all the volunteers and those serving on various committees and teams. We serve together with some wonderful people. I am struck by the wonderful sense of "being on mission for the Lord," that surrounds this place. RuraLove is active and thriving, as well as our ongoing partnerships with Southwest Virginia Partnership, Hope for Appalachia, Panama, Romania and now Armenia.

Don Campbell scheduled a trip for us to go to Panama as we wrap up that partnership this year. With Covid guidelines and my second round with Covid we have rescheduled twice but hope to complete the trip to meet with our partners as they plan an evangelistic crusade in several unreached districts and a women's conference in the fall.

As we are coming out of this covid era, I hope, we need to realize that the questions we ask impact the vision we have for the next season of ministry in our churches. Just as Moses and the Israelites were led each day, one day at a time we too are led by God's Holy spirit each day. Longing for the good old days, pre-pandemic probably won't help us move forward into the future God has for us.

We need to take a deep breath and survey where we are right now and begin anew. Use this time as a reset. What were we doing that needs rebirth? What can be left undone? What new ministries have come to light in this new season that the Lord may be calling us too? Who is here, ready to serve, and how can we use their gifts for ministry to step out in faith and see what God might do? It is a brave new world for the church in many ways but I think His "mercies are new each morning." Let's find the new wineskins to hold the new wine. God is still God and He is good at being God. Let's all seek His guidance as we step out in faith to share the gospel in this season.

Be blessed and a blessing everyday. ~ Kevin

Free Christian Counseling: Email Samantha J. Reynolds, BS, MSW, PA-C for availability: samtheuropa10@hotmail.com

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

Little Dresses for Africa - www.littledressesforafrica.org

Door of Hope—South Africa (Saving unwanted babies) www.doorofhopesa.com or facebook.com/doorofhopeSA

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

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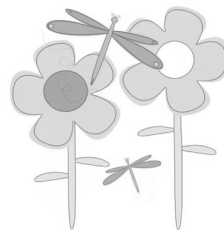
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15	Joy Dickens	Ministry Assistant
16	Susan Wilson	Perkins
17	Ashton Sandberg	Louisa
18	Steve McClary	South Anna
24	Alan Miller	Orange
26	Fran Chancellor	Retired
26	Jan Campbell	Rhoadesville
27	Lydia Hart	Waldrop
27	Pam Robertson	Elk Creek

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3	Minister's Breakfast GMC 8:30 a.m.
6-13	Week of Prayer for North American Missions
19	Mission Stitchers GMC 9 a.m.-2 p.m.



**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

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