



DATES TO REMEMBER  
on Bobby's Calendar

January 1, 2023

\*\*\*\*\* "Happy New Year" \*\*\*\*\*

January 3

\* LBA Minister's Meeting, 11am, LBA

January 9

\* LBA Administrative Committee Mtg, 6:00pm, LBA

January 11

\* Lunch & Learn with Dublin High School Principals, LBA, 11:30am-12:30pm

February 6

\* LBA Minister's Meeting, 11am, LBA

February 17

\* LBA Volunteers Valentine Appreciation Meal & Social, LBA, 6:00pm

Laurens Baptist Association Mission Statement:

*"The Laurens Baptist Association is committed to assisting the churches in fulfilling the Great Commission and serving others through God's grace and love."*

I hope that all of you had a great and Christ-filled Christmas! This Christmas seemed to come and go so fast. It was so cold outside that you could not really get out and do very much. A lot of people have struggled this Christmas because of the blast of cold weather, with the snow and sleet while spending time with strangers at airports and in warming shelters instead of with their families. For Christians, it gave them a time to share Christ and let Christ be seen in them. This reminds me that in all situations, whether good or difficult, we must take the opportunity to share the Gospel and let people see us living out what we proclaim as Christians. That is not always easy, is it? But God allows us to be put in situations in order to use us to minister to those around us. This is something that we all must be reminded of so often. In reality that is what Christmas is all about anyway, isn't it? Christ was born to be our Savior so we as Christians can be more like Him and have the Mind of Christ. We need to allow Christ to lead us at all times so that our lives model Him and bring glory and honor to the Father. Our Father who loved us so much that He sent His Son into our world to save us and change us to be more like Him every day.

Hope that all of you have a great and happy New Year!

In His Service (still),  
Bobby

"YOU CROWN THE  
YEAR WITH YOUR  
GOODNESS, AND  
YOUR PATHS DRIP  
WITH ABUNDANCE."  
PSALMS 65:11

*Praying you have a  
wonderful Jesus-  
filled New Year!*

Praise God for in the good  
and in the bad times of our  
lives, God is right there  
beside us! He is always  
reaching out to you! Are  
reaching out to Him in the  
good and in the bad?!

He leads us on by paths we did not know;  
Upward He leads us, though our steps be slow,  
Though oft we faint and falter on the way,  
Though storms and darkness oft obscure the day;  
Yet when the clouds are gone,  
We know He leads us on.

He leads us on through all the unquiet years;  
Past all our dreamland hopes, and doubts and fears,  
He guides our steps, through all the tangled maze  
Of losses, sorrows, and o'er clouded days;  
We know His will is done;  
And still He leads us on.

—N.L. Zinzendorf

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### Church News

- **Rentz Baptist Church** is seeking a part-time Music/Worship Leader. For more info you can call the church at 478-984-4657 or e-mail at [rentzbaptist@gmail.com](mailto:rentzbaptist@gmail.com)
- **New Bethel Baptist Church** is seeking a Youth Minister. Contact the church office @ 272-5554.
- **Minter Baptist Church** is seeking a Music Director/Leader. The contact person is Kay Graham @ 478-272-6591.
- **Dexter Baptist Church** is seeking a part-time (up to 20 hrs. per week) Student Director. Resumes may be submitted to [dexterbaptist@progressivetel.com](mailto:dexterbaptist@progressivetel.com) or mailed to: PO Box 35, Dexter, GA 31019.
- **Poplar Springs North Baptist Church** is seeking a Part-Time Children's Director/Minister. This is a paid position. Applicants may send a resume to [wespinkley@gmail.com](mailto:wespinkley@gmail.com)
- **Mt Zion Baptist** is seeking a part-time Student Pastor to lead our growing student ministry. Interested candidates should send resumes to [mtzionbaptistrentz@gmail.com](mailto:mtzionbaptistrentz@gmail.com).
- **Rock Springs Baptist Church** is seeking a part-time Student Pastor. Please contact Rickey Graham at 478-984-8580
- Rev Danny Duggar resigned as Pastor of Grace Baptist Church.

Ready For **CFC23?**

## Church Financial Conference 2023 (CFC23)

**Is your church finance team following best practices? Join us at one of our Church Financial Conferences in 2023 (CFC23) to discover creative giving solutions for your church members, budgeting strategies to advance kingdom work, pastor compensation recommendations that demonstrate the value of pastoral ministry, and practical guidance for navigating financial and tax matters above reproach.**

**Representatives available from the Georgia Baptist Foundation**

**Laurens Baptist Association  
Assembly Room  
Thursday, March 2, 2023  
5:00pm**

**Please register on-line at [gbfinancial.org](http://gbfinancial.org) or call 770.452.8338  
<https://gbfoundation.org/seminars/cfc23/?text=contactus%40gbfoundation.org>**

## LAURENS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

### MINISTRIES

All of the J.O.Y. outreaches are ministries of the Laurens Baptist Association



**J.O.Y.**  
**"Jesus first,  
Others  
then You"**

Laurens Baptist Association  
J.O.Y. MEDICAL, DENTAL  
& EYE CLINICS  
Medical & Administrative Office  
410 Academy Ave  
478-272-4071  
Dental Office  
112 Rowe St  
Please note all visits are by  
appointment only!

Rita Green, BSN, RN  
J.O.Y. Clinic Director  
Dr. Robert D Shuman, Jr, MD,  
Medical Director  
Bobby Jones,  
Lead Missions Strategist/  
Director of Missions

Volunteers are needed for administration, counselors, doctors and nurses

**Patients seen for  
the month of  
Nov 2022  
Medical = 14**



J.O.Y. Foods - located at  
501 Bellevue Ave.

Open Tuesday, Wednesday and  
Thursday. 10am-2pm. Call for  
appointments only during these  
hours at 478-279-5727.  
Kim Rowland, Director

J.O.Y. Clothes—located at East  
Dublin DaySpring Worship Center  
204 Hawkins St, E Dublin, Ga.



Open Mondays & Tuesdays from  
9:00am-2:00pm  
Phone # 478-353-9077  
We also help support  
East Dublin Day Spring Worship  
Center ministries for the Homeless  
and their Tiny Houses.

November 2022

J.O.Y. Foods  
Families Served = 291

E Dublin Dayspring Ministry Center & Homeless  
Hot meals served = 1,468

### LBA MISSION TRIPS 2023

April 3-7, 2023 - Bland, Va  
(Spring Break)

June 17-24, 2023 - New Mexico  
(Navajo Native Americans -  
continued 12th year mission  
with Elim Haven Mission Church)

July 9-14, 2023 - Clintwood, Va  
Appalachian Children/Ministry  
"Backpacks of Hope"

***In Sympathy***

**Cadwell Baptist Church**  
Jo Ann Whittle Smith

**Mt Carmel Baptist Church**  
Robert H Bryan

**Living Hope Word Church**  
Darrick Renar O'Neal

**Oak Dale Baptist Church**  
Carlene B Senn

**First Baptist Dublin Church**  
Freddie Lamar Sanders  
Katie Lee T Vestal

**Bethsaida Baptist Church**  
Phyllis Stapleton Crook

**Baker Baptist Church**  
David "Big Dave" Evans

**E Dublin Day Spring Worship**  
Harold Peavy

**Liberty Baptist Church**  
Kenneth Lee Mallory

01/01/2022-11/30/2022

Church or Misc. Donor	Association	Ministry Center	J.O.Y. Clinic	Church Plants, Fam4Fam & Other Missions	Counseling
Antioch		320.00	640.00		
Baker					
Bethesda	600.00		584.00		
Bethlehem	1,573.02	1,352.97			
Bethsaida	3,300.00	100.00	1,208.71	100.00	1,100.00
Blue Springs	853.00	65.00			
Bluewater					
Brewton	5,215.65		1,000.00		
Cadwell	3,000.00				
Centerville			500.00		
Central Drive	520.86				
Charity	1,050.00				
Crosspoint	497.35				
Dexter	550.00	550.00			1,650.00
Dudley	37,594.38			300.00	
E. Dublin Dayspring	2,088.24	2,373.54	2,974.52		
Eastside					
First Baptist	20,152.96		2,161.85	1,161.75	
Grace	6,496.96		500.00		
Image of God					
Jefferson St.	1,000.00				
Liberty	3,300.00				
Living Faith	4,101.72				
Living Hope					
Living Life					
Marie	27,866.57		4,741.70	4,400.00	
Minter					
Montrose	600.00				
Mt. Carmel	600.00	550.00			
Mt. Zion	3,950.00		372.00		
New Bethel	1,100.00	2,200.00	1,620.00	200.00	
New Direction					
Oakdale	195.00				
Oconee	542.00				
Olivet	19,953.21	500.00	1,130.95		
Orianna	967.65				
Pleasant Hill	4,359.47				
Pleasant Springs		1,217.84			
Poplar Springs N.	9,668.18				
Poplar Springs S.					
Rentz	7,332.51		4,869.07		
Rock Springs	3,020.32				
Shady Grove	300.00	600.00	600.00		
Snow Hill					
The Journey Church	5,350.53				
Union	400.00				
Union Springs	1,349.65				
White Springs	1,612.00		562.88		
Wellspring	3,950.19				
GA Baptist Healthcare Grant			50,000.00		
Misc	9,427.60	20,179.63	23,219.39	14,400.00	960.00
Total	194,439.02	30,008.98	96,685.07	20,561.75	3,710.00



***LBA Volunteers Valentine  
Appreciation  
Meal & Social  
Friday, February 17, 2023  
6:00pm***



**GRIEF  
SUPPORT  
GROUP**

**Thursdays at the LBA  
@ 10:00am  
You are welcome to attend!**  
If you need more information or have questions, please call Rev. Pinkley, at 478-353-1461 or Joan Brantley, 478-272-7771.

\*\*\*[www.MissionGeorgia.com](http://www.MissionGeorgia.com)\*\*\*

This Georgia Baptist Mission Board website is a "one stop shop" for linking volunteers with missions and ministry opportunities within Georgia.

BREWTON-PARKER  
COLLEGE



**Spring Semester 2023**  
**CHR 200 Biblical Hermeneutics**

**Dr. Cliff Morris**  
**Tuesday**  
**6:00pm - 8:30pm**

**Class starts Tuesday, January 10, 2023**  
**Please register by January 9, 2023**  
**All classes are SAC accredited**

- \$50 for each ACE (non-credit) class
- **\$100 per class, plus book fees**  
this is an unbelievable price per class for  
30 hours of classes in Biblical Studies

If you are interested or would like to register, please  
contact the LBA office at 478-272-0361

Classes are offered at the Laurens Baptist Association,  
1882 Trinity Hills Dr, Dublin, Ga 31021



*From: Your Friends at the  
Laurens Baptist Association*

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