



Laurens Baptist Association

## JULY 2017

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### July 3

\* Minister's Meeting, JSBC, 12 noon

### July 4

\* Happy 4th of July  
\* LBA Office will be closed

### July 8-15

\* 2nd New Mexico Mission Trip,  
Navajo Reservation

### July 13

\* Deadline for the Backpacks of Hope  
(formerly called Appalachian B-packs)

### July 17

\* Administrative Committee Meeting,  
LBA, 6:30pm

### July 20

\* Debriefing & Planning Meeting of  
Sports Camp, 6:00pm

### July 22

\* Get Backpacks ready to go, LBA,  
8:00am - 12 noon

### July 26-29

\* Mission Trip to West Virginia  
(we will give out the Backpacks and  
community Block Parties)

### August 3

\* LBA Annual Planning Committee,  
6pm, LBA  
\* J.O.Y. Clinic Board Meeting, LBA,  
6:00pm

### August 7

\* Minister's Prayer Meeting, 12 noon,  
at JSBC  
\* Nominating Committee Meeting,  
LBA, 6:00pm

### August 8

\* Finance/Budget Committee  
Meeting, 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."*

### FROM YOUR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

I sit in wonder about how time flies! We at the LBA stay busy in the Lord's work! As of this September, Margie and I will have been here 10 (yes, ten) years! We praise God for all He has done and we thank Him for using us! We thank Him for the opportunities to serve with such great, Christian people!

I have to just say thank you again to our giving people/churches! It looks like the "Backpacks for Hope" is gonna be a great success this year! We will be doing that mission trip to deliver the b-packs the end of July.

I just came back from Syracuse, New York with a great LBA Mission Team. Bill Barker from NAMB asked me to go and help a church plant there. They are ministering to homeless people, children of addicted parents and others with serious strongholds. A lot of the children don't know where they will spend the night from time to time. Let's just say it was all a bit of a cultural shock! The new church plant that we worked with treats these people there with open arms! They are so acceptable of the people. The people this church serves are the kind that a lot of churches would hesitate to or wouldn't welcome with open arms. I believe God got us all out of our comfort zones and spoke to every one of us because of this mission trip! We saw God work and it was because of this and so many other reasons that we were all blessed!

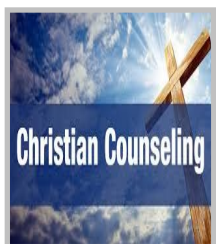
Please pray for our upcoming New Mexico mission trip. This the ninth year that we have been going there. The church we have worked alongside of, Elim Haven has some faithful Native American Navajo people that we have all fallen in love with! Please pray for these people because it is so hard for others to turn from their native beliefs.

In His Service,  
Bobby



As Christians we have another freedom....  
to be thankful for....

**WE ARE FREE FROM  
THE BONDAGE OF SIN!!!  
ONLY BECAUSE OF JESUS!**



The LBA is now offering  
Christian Counseling.  
We have a part-time  
employed certified  
and licensed counselor,  
Rev Lewis Miller,  
478-278-7348