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February 2020

“Cooperating Together for Kingdom Impact”

February



A Word from Our Lead *Missional* Strategist

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I want you all know about two wonderful resources for your churches. Bill Thompson works closely with our Association to provide professional photography at your special church events. If you need photos for your print media, new pictures for your web page or Facebook posts, Bill is the guy! If you contact Bill at churchphotosbybill@gmail.com, he will arrange with you a time he can come and snap photos of your event or worship service. He will adjust the photos and give a thumb drive to our office where you can pick them up at your convenience. The only cost for his professional expertise and photo adjustments is that you utilize the photos online or in print.

The next person I want to remind you about is David Reed, your Associational mental health partner. Please utilize David for your congregation. He will provide professional Christian mental health and counselling services at a reduced rate for your families and free counselling for each of our ministers. I suggest you lay some money aside at your church in a fund to pay for a few sessions for your congregants. Ministers are woefully lacking in our understanding of the complex issues today within our congregations. Please do not take this burden on yourself.

Did you know we have access to a FREE food wagon (all you pay for is the food; chips, cheese, hotdogs, buns, etc.)? Call us for more details. When you think about spring and summer, remember we have a great evangelism trailer. The trailer is available for a reasonable usage fee. We are adding games to the trailer for you to utilize at your outreach events. Both trailers are first come, first served. Call us at 352-373-5030 to reserve your trailer today.

Blessings All~

Jeffrey

Ministry Update from your Church and Community Ministries Director

Greetings from Steven and Sylvia,

Call me! At the office at 352-373-5030, or my mobile at 352-317-5631. I would love to share ministry ideas with you. Sometimes I have too much to say in this column, and even through email.

We are very appreciative of Vicki Lawrence, who did a great job in this position, before Sylvia and I joined Jeffrey and Donna at NCFBA office. We have been blessed as we minister to many, and share with churches on local mission opportunities. We have gotten to know many people who are passionate about helping others.

For 2020, my heart is being pulled in many directions. I want to share a few with you, and maybe grease the wheels a little, on opportunities we have right here in our own Jerusalem.

Good News Clubs – Check out the Child Evangelism Fellowship website at cefflorida.com. We know there

are several churches that “sponsor” or have workers involved in these clubs. Their mission statement includes the phrase, “...which exists to help you and your church effectively evangelize and disciple un-churched children in Florida and around the world.” With administration approval, these clubs are established in our local schools. Unless you have something similar in place today, shouldn’t every one of us be involved directly or financially? Each week an exciting Bible lesson using colorful materials from CEF Press is presented. This action-packed time also includes songs, Scripture memory, a mission story and review games or other activities focused on the lesson’s theme. The ladies in one Sunday school class were instrumental in starting a new club in Alachua Elementary last year. This year, a new club is starting in Irby Elementary on February 13, hours 2:00 to 3:00pm. Do you have an hour on Thursdays? Call Sylvia at 352-231-6379 if you want to be a part of this opportunity.

MEN? There are “local” Christian camps where you can plan a mission trip. Camp Good News in Hawthorne, Camp Anderson in Old Town, and Lake Swan camp in Melrose. I am sure all of these camps would appreciate you bringing a group to complete service projects. Or plan an outing for your youth, or retreat for your adults.

Also men, how about an opportunity right up the road? At the NCFBA north campus, come out and support our latest church plant, Walk By Faith, with Pastor Cornell Denson. And on the second floor, we have Identify Ministries with Derek Paul. They are on the old Country Cross Roads campus, with a pond and many oak trees. There are ample opportunities for a small group or individual with a chain saw, limb saw, pruners, bucket truck or lift. Or even an electrician.

We recently “discovered” an assisted living facility almost within throwing distance from our church. I believe they house about 15 to 18 veterans. We are working toward providing dinner once a month or so, and maybe a Bible study class on campus. Do you have something similar near your neighborhood?

Evangelism – Yes, I said it! Are you one of the approximately 90% who feel too scared or unequipped to share the Gospel? God has been laying on my heart, the need for some form of training. As a Gideon, we seek opportunities to hand out Scriptures and share with others what Jesus means to us. The Gideons have used a tried and true book titled, *Share Jesus Without Fear*. I have started compiling information for a small-group experience. And the FBC (Florida Baptist Convention) recommends the NAMB program titled, “Who’s Your

One?” Do you have experience or ideas that you can share on how to get started?

In 2020, the NCFBA will continue with and expand local ministries and missions. I pray that you will come along side and be a part of them. There will be many opportunities for us to share His Word!

May God bless you, your family, your church, your pastor, and your church family!

Steven & Sylvia



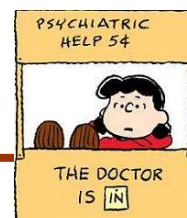
And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. ~ 1 Corinthians 13:13

Falling Upward Counseling... David's Corner...

Hi, this is **David, Mental Health and Marriage and Family Counselor** working out of your Association building. Remember, I'm here to help. And you get a discount. I work with individuals ages 12 and up, couples, and families. If you or someone you know needs some extra support, insight, or guidance, please contact me. dreed@wedrdave.com, phone: 352/284.7718.

Our God is good!

David



Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ~ Ephesians 4:2

Associational Prayer Council

The Prayer Council **is in need of someone(s)** to lead this very important ministry.



Someone with passion as a **Prayer Warrior!!** We will be praying for and lifting up the needs of our churches, pastors, our communities, our country and the

LOST!!! YOU can be a part of this

amazing group. The Prayer Warriors will be **meeting at the Association Office.** Come **WORSHIP** in prayer and be blessed. Join us **Saturday, February 1st from 10 am to noonish.**



Prayer Requests



The **"World Impact Fund"** is available to our churches!!! This fund is for individuals and churches who wish to send a gift to help with mission trips. This money will be used for future Mission Trips where church members of the Association can request help with financial assistance. It could be the first bit needed to get started or even the last few dollars to make a trip happen. Your gift to this fund will allow individuals to seek out the lost who are starving to hear Good News!!



"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ~Acts 1:8

Lifting Up Our Missions...

WE would **love to hear about your mission journeys!!** If you want to send some highlights and pictures, they can be shared with everyone who reads our newsletter. If you are planning a service to **share about a mission trip** we would love to let folks know when and where it will happen. Don't miss this opportunity to share God's amazing work!!!

The Missions Trailer has been rolling....



2020 is here and the **Mission Trailer** is ready to roll!! Tools for fun, food and fellowship can be found in the trailer!! As you prepare for the 2020 year, why not plan an event with the Mission Trailer?? This ministry trailer has so much to offer to our community folks and is a great way to share the gospel to those who aren't about an "official" church setting. The Mission Trailer can help you **share the love of Jesus!!** Call the office for additional information and details on how YOU can use this awesome trailer! **Put it on your calendar for 2020!!! Spring Break will be here before you know it.... Plan an activity!!**

One More Child/ Florida Baptist Children's Home



Dear Friends,

The holidays are over and another year of blessings is about to shower down upon us all.

One More Child would like to thank **First Baptist Church of Trenton and Antioch Baptist Church** (Suwannee) for inviting us to come and speak to their congregation. Thanks also to **Westside Baptist Church** (Gainesville) for inviting One More Child to participate in their "Changed" event on February 1st. Thank you **Glen Baptist Church** for hosting a One More Child **Information Meeting coming up on February 9th** from 5-7 pm.

A big thank you to **First Baptist Cross City** for donating 2100 diapers. (An on-going need).



As always, we cherish every church that opens a door to One More Child and all who bring donations and want to shine a light on the goodness of their hearts. We are sincerely sorry if we overlooked anyone.

One More Child is **always in search of Christian families who have an interest in fostering** but want to know more about the process. Every month, One More Child hosts an Information Meeting at our Gainesville office, usually the **first Tuesday of the month.** (Please see the date/time/location information posted at the bottom of this article).



One More Child would love to hold an **Information Meeting at your church.** During an Information Meeting, we share how FBCH became involved with fostering and discuss the great

need in our community to provide Christian homes. We share what is required for a married couple or single person, to become a licensed foster parent. Please contact Mary Griffis, Licensing Specialist at 352.672.6112 or mary.griffis@onemorechild.org for more information about this opportunity.

Not ready to foster? Would you consider encouraging your church or ministry group to learn about how to provide **Wrap-Around support for foster families.** There are multiple volunteer opportunities available as well. Please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Damaris Arroyo at 352-672-6112 or Damaris.Arroyo@OneMoreChild.org.

February Information Meeting Calendar

Feb 5th Glen Baptist Church 5-7- pm
9846 George Taber Blvd., Glen St Mary 32040

Feb 11th Gainesville Office 6-8 pm

Pride Foster Parent Training Class

April 2-April 30-Tues/Thur classes 6-9 pm
Location TBA

June 20 & 27, July 11 & 18 -Saturday 10am-3pm
Expedited classes Locations TBA

To learn about becoming a foster parent, please contact Jennifer Hewitt, Licensing Specialist at 352-672-6112, Jennifer.Hewitt@OneMoreChild.org or Mary.Griffis@OneMoreChild.org

O: [352.672.6112](tel:352.672.6112) C: [352.281.1052](tel:352.281.1052) F: [352.505.6196](tel:352.505.6196)
3700 NW 91st Street Suite B-300
Gainesville, Florida 32606



www.FBCHomes.org | www.OneMoreChild.org



JESUS Food for thought...
Let the morning

bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life. ~ Psalm 143:8



NCFBA 2018 Event Calendar

February 2020

- 1st Grace Market Place Meal 4:30 - Salt Church
- 13th Helping Hands Meal – Sardis
- 29th Regional VBS Training – Jacksonville 8:30am

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- 3rd Sharper Conference – Westside Baptist, 9-3:30
- 7th Grace Market Place Meal 4:30 – Open
- 3rd – 5th Exponential (Church Revitalization) - Orlando
- 12th Helping Hands Meal – Micanopy
- 20th Reclaim Florida for Christ Rally – Countryside Baptist Church, 6-10pm
- 26th **Mission Celebration with Fred Luter** – 6:00 – 8:00pm at Sardis Baptist Church
- 30th – Apr 3rd **Mobile Dental Bus** - Ridgeview

April 2020

- 4th Grace Market Place Meal 4:30 – Open
- 9th Helping Hands Meal – North Central
- 28th “Revive Christ and His Church”, Hopeful Baptist

February Happenings...



Location: North Jacksonville Baptist Church 8531 N Main St., Jacksonville, 32218

Date: February 29th

Time: 8:30 – 12:15p

Register by going to flbaptist.org/nextgen



Identify Ministries

The Lord is my banner!

Identify Ministries is a 501c3 Christian discipleship, training and support ministry for those impacted by sexual and relational issues.

We would like to invite you to our February training, **Rhetoric vs. Reality**, with guest presentation by Mark Culligan and his team. Mark is the Founder and Executive Director of New Hearts Outreach in Tampa with an international ministry of over 20 years of experience ministering to the sexually and relationally impacted. For more information, please go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rhetoric-vs-reality-plus-testimonies-of-changed-lives-tickets-90838677931> or check out our website at: identifyministries.org

Identify is also in search of a mission's intern and a bookkeeper in Gainesville. For inquiries into these positions please email Derek Paul at: identifyministries@gmail.com

We appreciate your prayers and support!

Feb. 14th- Share the Love Dinner at 6:30pm

Feb. 15th- Rhetoric vs. Reality by Mark

Also happening in March...



Sharper!
Ministry Conference

Right Beside You.

Tuesday – March 3, 9:00am – 3:30pm

Westside Baptist Church, Gainesville

Date: March 3rd, 2020

Time: 9:00AM - 3:30PM

Cost: Free

Location: 10000 W Newberry Rd, Gainesville

<https://www.westsidebaptist.org/sharper> to register



Reclaiming Florida
FOR CHRIST

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Countryside Baptist Church

10926 NW 39th Ave

Gainesville, 32606

Bring your entire church family! Events are open to everyone! Enjoy music, messages and food all for FREE! For more information, call: 321-280-4290

Save this date in March!



**The Association
Mission Celebration
Meeting is Thursday,
March 26th, 6:00pm.**

Our guest speaker will be

Pastor Fred Luter, Jr. of

Franklin Avenue Baptist Church in New Orleans (also president of the Southern Baptist Convention 2012-2014). Pastor Luter will bring a message that will rock your world!!



The **Mobile Dental Unit** from the Florida Baptist Convention will be at Ridgeview Baptist Church, 3508 NW 19th St, Gainesville, 32605, starting Monday, March 30th through Friday, April 3rd. If YOUR dentist is available and willing to volunteer for a shift, please let us know. We also have opportunities for you or your church group in assisting with appointments, screening patients, preparing meals for the volunteers, and evangelism. **This is a church clinic on church grounds. Come help us share the Love of Jesus with every patient.** Give us a call at 352-317-5631, and let's discuss ways that we can serve together!



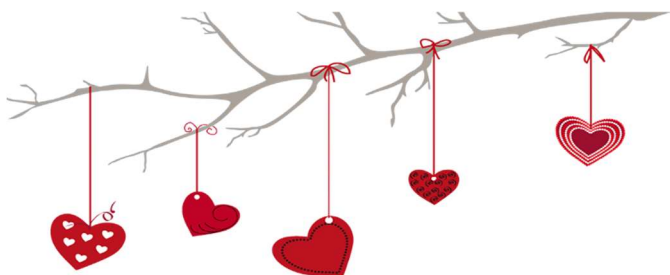
And then there is April...

APRIL 28, 2020
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

"REVIVE CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH"

Hosted by North Florida Baptist Network
at Hopeful Baptist Church
289 SE Hopeful Drive, Lake City, FL 32025

For more information and to register, go to
flbaptist.org/north



"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." ~Mark 10:45



Volunteer Churches are NEEDED!!!

*Our churches in the Association provide a meal (approx. 200) to the folks at **Grace Marketplace** on the **FIRST Saturday** each month.*



*AND, we provide a meal (approx. 30) to a group of women who go to the **Helping Hands Clinic** on the **SECOND Thursday** each month. Both of these opportunities provide a time of fellowship, witnessing and a ton of blessings!!*

Call the Association office if you or your group are interested. You will be BLESSED!!

Do you know someone who would like to improve their English?

The International Learning Center can help.

They are in NEED of STUDENTS!! If you know someone who wants to improve their English... tell them about the ILC. If you have a calling to serve in International missions and not ready to leave home... this is the place for you!!! They

are unable to have a nursery for students' children because of NO WORKERS!!! If you love little kids... CALL US!!

Nursery workers are NEEDED!!



For more information, contact ILC Director, Mary Lynne Moore. Cell – 352.665.8525, email: ml@myilc.org, website: www.myilc.org



There is a spot for you at Sira....

Family Integrity Training (FIT)

FIT classes offer practical, Biblically-based, and relational life skills training for individuals and families in all walks of life. Each class is free will meet weekly for 9 weeks. Sign-up soon to guarantee a spot!

family integrity training

practical, life skills training to equip & support families in all walks of life

PRACTICAL PARENTING
FINANCIAL SUCCESS
GRIEF & LOSS

sira

912 NW 13th St Gainesville, FL info@siragainesville.com 352.377.4947

Practical Parenting: Wednesdays from 6-8pm at Grace at Fort Clarke UMC, begins January 29th

Financial Success and Grief & Loss: TBD! Facilitators ready and participants needed! This is a great opportunity to minister to individuals and families in and outside of your congregation. If you are interested in hosting a class at your church, or joining one, contact Sarah Beth at sarahbeththompson@siragainesville.com.

Hope Restored: Post Abortion Counseling Education (PACE) & Sexual Healing and Restoration Education (SHARE)

S P R I N G 2 0 2 0

hope restored

HEALING FROM

an abortion decision

sexual abuse, trauma, addiction, promiscuity

Contact us today to reserve a spot!

sira

352.377.4947

info@siragainesville.com

Sira Gainesville's Hope Restored classes are offered separately for both women and men who struggle with or have experienced an abortion decision, sexual abuse, trauma, addiction, or promiscuity. For more information and to register, please contact (352) 377-4947 or info@siragainesville.com.

Nurses Needed!



Sira is in need of additional nurses to perform limited obstetric ultrasounds for newly expectant mothers. If you are licensed and experienced in sonography and have a heart for mothers, families, and advocating for life, we'd love

to connect! Contact (352) 377-4947 or info@siragainesville.com today!



CHURCH BULLETIN BOARD

TREASURE'S for those Needing or Wanting!!

URGENT NEEDS – CRITICAL MINISTRY

We believe in prayer. Our Association is only as good as the prayer warriors that stand in the gap for our 50 churches. Would you or someone you know consider being our **Associational Prayer Coordinator?** We are looking for someone passionate and interested in leading this critical ministry for our Association. The prayer team

meets on the first Saturday of every month. As the Coordinator, you will connect with the Lead



Missional Strategist, Jeffrey Haglund, and receive a monthly list of prayer items from around the Association. You will also be invited to go to churches and lead in prayer activity as desired or lead by God.



Ochwilla Baptist is in search of a 12-15 passenger van. They are growing so much; they need some transportation help!!

Praise God!! If you know of some organization or you have a reliable van that is either up for grabs or a price that can be negotiated, please contact the church at 352/316.2789.



Westside Samaritans Clinic

is a faith-based organization providing medical care for low-income, uninsured

residents of our community. The clinic is open on Thursday evenings from 5:30-8:30 at Greater Faith Church, 1029 NE 9th Street, Gainesville.

We have an immediate opportunity in the position of **Office Manager**. Responsibilities include all aspects of managing clinic volunteers, establishing and maintaining office procedures, administrative tasks and maintain statistical logs of volunteer hours, patient services provided, and other statistics as needed for grant reports and accounting. We have a great network of medical professionals, volunteer coordinators, student volunteers, and faith volunteers. Come be a part of this wonderful ministry. Please call Steven at 352-317-5631, stevenatncfba@gmail.com for additional information.



Is seeking a part-time Worship and Music Pastor who desires to lead with a heart aligned with God. This pastor will work alongside the Senior Pastor to design dynamic worship services and a strong



music ministry. Five to seven years of congregational and music leadership is preferred. Interested candidates should contact Tim Wood at woodgtim@gmail.com for additional information and a specific job description.

AND....

**Part-Time
Children's Pastor**

Someone who seeks to lead with a God-aligned heart by providing leadership for ministry to birth-5th grade & their families, while working alongside the Executive Pastor.

**EARLY CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCE
REQUIRED**

INTERESTED? CONTACT EMPLOYMENT@FBCGAINESVILLE.NET

Nation's Family Church is looking for...

a small sound system (Fender Passport) to use for their worship services. IF anyone has a used one that they would love to "move along" or know where to find a reasonably priced system, please contact Bishop Kevin Lewis at 352.682.0429 or bishoplewis669@yahoo.com



Internship

The Oaks Church is looking for a part-time

Ministry Intern. If you know of a young man or woman who has a sense of calling from God to work toward Christian vocational ministry and interested in serving, The Oaks Church is the place for you. Some of the duties will be: lead/develop the sports ministry, participate in a Life Group/Leadership training, coordinate volunteers with the Student Ministry and assist the pastor in outreach/ministry to students and their families. If you know this person or feel led, please contact Pastor Danny Austin at 352.372.2730 or thoadkschurchgainesville@gmail.com

The Oaks Church has an organ looking for a home. The organ will need a technician to make it work properly. It was used up until about 5 years ago. It has been stored inside HVAC controlled space.



The Korean Baptist Church...

Looking for a part-time youth pastor.... Plan and oversee youth 6th - 12th grade for activities during the semester, retreats, mission trips, youth praise team and other special events. Bilingual (English and Korean) is preferred, but not required. Please send resumes to Dr. Joon Sung Lee at joonsunglee@ufl.edu. For additional information, contact Pastor Min-Seok Sohn at minsohn@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church Perry, FL ...

First Baptist Church of Perry, Florida is searching for a part-time worship leader to join their staff. The successful candidate must be a dedicated Christ follower, preferably proficient in leading worship with guitar and or keyboard. The job description and application instructions can be found at our web site, www.fbcperryfl.org.



God's Valentine Gift

God's Valentine gift of love to us
Was not a bunch of flowers;
It wasn't candy, or a book
To while away the hours.

His gift was to become a man,
So He could freely give
His sacrificial love for us,
So you and I could live.

He gave us sweet salvation, and
Instruction, good and true--
To love our friends and enemies
And love our Savior, too.

So as we give our Valentines,
Let's thank our Lord and King;
The reason we have love to give
Is that He gave everything.

By Joanna Fuchs



As we are reminded:

Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. ~Proverbs 3:9-10



Thank you for your church's contribution to your association.

Church	YTD Giving
Alachua	401.13
Aletheia	25.00
Cristiana Misionera	0.00
Eden	0.00
Eliam	180.03
Evangelica	100.00
Faith-Tabernacle	10.00
Fellowship	60.00
First Missionary Baptist	0.00
Forest Grove	698.17
Gainesville	423.00
Gainesville Gospel Chinese	0.00
Grace	414.68
Greater Faith	0.00
Hague	0.00
Hawthorne	94.57
High Springs	1692.53
Hispana Alachua	0.00
Hispana Archer Road	0.00
Hispana Gainesville	0.00
Korean	0.00
Lake Butler	200.00
Living Covenant	166.00
Micanopy	216.00
Mount Carmel	0.00
Nations Family Church	0.00
New Hope	0.00
North Central	1014.02
N. Pleasant Grove	0.00
Northwest	224.81
Oak Park	389.97
Ochwilla	87.68
One Way Filipino	0.00
Parkview	253.00
Pine Grove	0.00
Pleasant Hill	100.00
River Cross, Haile Plantation	50.00
Sardis	200.00
Springhill Missionary Baptist	150.00
Summit	602.22
True Worship Missionary	0.00
Waldo	250.00
Walk By Faith	50.00
Westside	4000.00
Wings of Eagles	0.00

TOTAL YTD Giving for 2019: \$11,902.81

For January 2020: \$11,902.81

2020 Monthly Budget Requirements: \$12,460

2020 Yearly Budget Requirements: \$149,525



For giving grateful praise.

Shout for joy to the LORD,
all the earth. Worship
the LORD with gladness; come before
him with joyful songs.

Know that the LORD is God.
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his
pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the LORD is good and his love
endures forever; his
faithfulness continues through all
generations.

~Psalm 100

The words below are in the puzzle – left, right, up,
down or diagonally. Highlight the words as you find
them. With the letters “left over” ... put them
together to form the “mystery answer”.
It is something that **only God** can give!!!



G	L	A	D	N	E	S	S
G	A	T	E	S	I	T	E
N	J	O	I	N	N	R	L
Y	O	A	G	E	U	U	P
F	R	I	S	T	D	O	O
P	N	E	S	R	G	C	E
G	R	A	O	E	O	U	P
P	P	L	L	E	D	A	M

Courts Gates Gladness God Lord
Made Noise Pasture People Praise
Presents Singing

Valentine Word Search



Each answer word in the puzzle is spelled
using only the letters in **VALENTINE**.
The word list is not included. But here
are some clues: There are 18 words
spelled with 4 letters, 10 words with 5
letters, 2 words with 6 letters, and 1
word with 7 letters.



Enjoy!!

(I do have the answers if interested!)