

The West Virginia Baptist Newsletter

August-September 2017

MissionQuest Meets at Camp Cowen

"Because two cultures are better than just one," said Daniris Sanchez Principe of Puerto Rico in a comment on her post about *MissionQuest*. *MissionQuest* is a cooperative project of the West Virginia Baptist Convention and Iglesias Bautista de Puerto Rico (Baptist Churches of Puerto Rico). It is a yearlong project for young adults, which focuses on spreading the Good News throughout the world. *MissionQuest* gives an opportunity for participants to learn the theological foundations of mission, the history of mission, how to work cross-culturally, how to improve their cultural intelligence quotient, how to discern and prepare for cross-cultural ministry and it provides a cross-cultural cohort setting.

"This year, the participants have had two face-to-face weekends and have met online every month to study, discuss and pray. We have had lots of fun and I am seeing spiritual growth and missional growth in each student," says Lisa Simmons, Associate in Mission Support/Director of Discipleship Ministries for the West Virginia Baptist Convention. "The group has become 'one' team and is excited to be together and join their gifts and skills to glorify God in mission."

Puerto Rican members were able to visit Comunidad Luz y Vida - Light and Life Community Church (Eastern), a Spanish speaking congregation. Obed Siberon, sent by the Iglesias Bautista de Puerto Rico (IBPR), has been serving as its pastor. The group was also invited to attend and share at the Eastern Association camp. They were warmly received.

The recent *MissionQuest* meeting was held at the West Virginia Baptist Camp at Cowen. A fun day included a tour of the New River Gorge and hiking in the area, and concluded with playing an Epic Escape game in Fayetteville. The team used the weekend to learn about Cultural Intelligence from Juan Aragon, former Hispanic Ministries' Strategist for the West Virginia Baptist Convention and continued exploring and praying about a joint mission trip to a third culture. The mission trip will be December 27 - January 3, 2018 at Deborah's House in Tijuana, Mexico. The group will not only share, pray and teach women and children, who are victims of domestic violence, but also plans to work with Haitian immigrants who have flooded Tijuana.



MissionQuest group hiking and team building at Endless Wall in Lansing.



MissionQuest team members: Angelique Avecedo, Lily Corathers, Daniris Sanchez Principe and Brunilda Gonzalez

"We would love to see this kind of project continue," said Simmons. "It would be great to have a new group of young adults each year to participate. I see it as training for mission, whether in the United States or out of the country. It can fuel a passion for sharing about God and reaching out to those who do not know Him. The program helps to build a foundation for young leaders in our churches to be missional. Working with another culture in a focused and committed way also strengthens our


understanding and ability to minister in the world today." Drew Mullins, *MissionQuest* member, sums it up, "Man, do I love these people. I can't wait to see how the Lord uses this team to reach the nations. Two cultures, one goal, one mighty God."

*Lisa Simmons, Associate in Mission Support/
Director of Discipleship Ministries*

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Farewell



Dr. David Carrico

The calling to be the Executive Minister of the West Virginia Baptist Convention provides a lifelong experience of learning.

- *Learning to manage time - travel time, staff time, personal time*
- *Learning about relationships that are international in scope and culturally diverse in nature*
- *Learning about the strengths and weaknesses of our Baptist family locally, nationally and worldwide*
- *Learning about the multiple organizations that are included in the West Virginia Baptist family structure as well as our American Baptist Churches, USA*
- *Learning about the advances and the limitations of the constitutional structure of our organization*
- *Learning many of our brothers and sisters do not always understand what it means to be a Baptist, but continue to love their mission-minded hearts*
- *Learning many do not understand the calling to the executive position with all its many moving parts while holding to the West Virginia Baptist Convention values that are solid and valued*

As Executive Minister, I have felt the high privilege and massive responsibility of this leadership role. The humble reliance on a holy God has been an ongoing process that has nurtured and sustained me throughout my ministry and has continued to do so the past 12 and a half years.

As my 70th birthday approaches and it becomes necessary to close this

chapter in my ministry, I look forward to a new direction to use my skill set and energy. I have appreciated the many suggestions of job opportunities to pursue. Some of the more provocative suggestions include being a door greeter at a funeral

home, engineering the kids' train at the mall or starting a consulting firm for churches. Just as God has directed my life to this point, I am confident He will provide me with other ministry opportunities.

As I say farewell from the leadership of the West Virginia Baptist Convention, I would simply ask you to take very seriously the Great Commission and the Great Commandment. Love the good Lord and love His people.

Thank you for the privilege of being your Executive Minister. Praise God for the hard working, mission-minded churches and pastors of our Convention.

It has been a joy to work with such a faithful and talented ministerial and support staff of the Convention and I pray a continued blessing on each of them as they serve the Lord so well and share a deep passion for the kingdom.

A special word of appreciation to my family and to my partner in life and ministry, Janey. Thank you for understanding all the missed events and the loss of my sense of humor at times.

The journey of life continues. May you always remember you are blessed to be a blessing.

Farewell and Amen

by **Michael C. Stephens**, Interim Executive Minister

Saying “Yes” to God

In the push to get in my first cutting of hay, I had just purchased a new hydraulic hose at CM&I (Coal Mining and Industrial) Products, when the call from West Virginia Baptist Convention President Mark Wood came on my cell, asking if I would consider serving as Interim Executive Minister. As with most opportunities God has sent my way, friends had already primed the pump by asking me to pray about whether I would consider the possibility. Mark said the Executive Committee had already approved my appointment, pending my acceptance. At the risk of once again “flunking retirement,” I said yes.



Dr. Michael Stephens

Vannoy and George Bradbury), someone looking at the Beacon of Hope logo mentioned Psalm 43:3 and tried to remember what it says. I quickly looked it up and read it from my iPhone, noting that I suspect after August 18 I may need to know it by heart, since it's one of the texts for our annual West Virginia Baptist Convention theme.

I wonder how this scripture may illuminate the transition process? “Oh, send out Your light and Your truth! Let them lead me; Let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your tabernacle.” Psalm 43:3 (NKJV)

First, we can expect God to answer our prayer for light that reveals His truth about our circumstances and especially the things that may need adjustment. We can also expect God to lead us to the changes that may need to be made, and though we may not be fully aware or astute in how to make those changes, the answer may be found simply in moving toward God's holy presence (*Your holy hill and Your tabernacle*). We know from many Biblical examples that revelation and redirection are nearly always found in the intimacy of God's presence.

I was impressed the next generation gets this when my teen Brothers' Keeper 2017 crew unanimously agreed their favorite part of BK 2017 was the worship time each evening, which is, after all, one way of moving into God's presence. James 4:8 says, “Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, you double-minded.” If we do the first part, God will take care of the second part and give us that singleness of purpose that comes with a heart focused on God's will.

Michael Stephens, Interim Executive Minister

Mission Team from Fairmont Baptist Temple Travels to Watonga, Oklahoma

Eight members of Fairmont Baptist Temple (Fairmont) travelled to Watonga, Oklahoma and the surrounding areas on a mission trip from June 10-18, 2017.

The group worked on cleaning out closets; painting benches; conducting a Vacation Bible School for the local children; creating a library for the Native American Baptist Church in Canton, Ohio; and cleaning out an abandoned church in Geary, Indiana.

While in the area, the group was given a tour of Watonga by Lauryn Medicine Bear. The team also was given a tour of the operation of a local grain elevator by the owners, participated in a blessing ceremony conducted by Chief Larry

Roman Nose and John White Eagle, traveled to Roman Nose State park for a picnic and swimming and were permitted to attend a sweat lodge with Chief Larry.

We are also pleased to be hosting one of their high school students, Ethan Brooks, at the West Virginia Baptist Camp at Cowen for Senior High I and for a week of vacation in Fairmont. We are thankful for Pastor Kathy Longhat and Quentin Roman Nose for inviting and hosting us in Watonga.

Members attending were: Joyce and Gene McVicker; Leigh Ann and Kiernan Hood; and Lisa, Shyra, Avonlea and Matthais Freeman.

The Light Shines Brightly on Parchment Valley at Brothers' Keeper 2017

*Send me your light and your faithful care,
let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy mountain,
to the place where you dwell. Psalm 43:3*



A Brothers' Keeper crew from Perrysburg, Ohio, on painting duty at the Jackson County Fairgrounds.

We have just completed a very busy week of **Brothers' Keeper** 2017! Always a challenging mission camp, planning for **BK** takes place a year in advance. This year, our site survey team successfully conducted a detail visit to nearly 50 homes. Each visit was an extraordinary opportunity to listen to people's needs and genuinely respond to their plea for help. Many families are dealing with a terminal illness, loss of loved ones, addiction or quite frankly, hard economic times.

We have now assembled a task force who diligently works together toward each specific goal of **Brothers' Keeper**. One core step we took this year as a leadership task force was to "pray about it." We prayed in our Board of Directors' meetings, we prayed at our church, we prayed on the streets outside of Parkersburg First Baptist Church (Parkersburg), with pastor, Dr. Rich McClure and Rev. John Vannoy and I had believers' texting me throughout the week saying, "We are praying for **Brothers' Keeper**!"

Well, prayer works, and many were answered for **BK** 17. The light of Christ shone in Jackson County. Rays of hope were seen in the work of many people who advanced the kingdom of God. This year, more churches stepped up to be \$500 sponsors, donations began to come in and churches from West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania rallied together, registered their youth, and amongst the 160 willing servants, God showed up.

We completed all the assigned projects and then began on 2018 **BK** projects! Teams worked across Parchment Valley, clearing brush, painting, putting up fence and planting crops of squash for the Farmers Minutemen Cooperative Training program. Other groups went to the county fairgrounds and painted restrooms. The light of hope these volunteers and youth displayed were received with joy. A first-time team leader had this comment: "Thanks so much for everything. It was a great week of blessings - we serve an awesome God."

Every evening at Parchment Valley the **Brothers' Keeper** teams enjoyed food, games and worship with the praise team *Healed By His Stripes*. God's light worked to soften hearts and one of the young men from Emmanuel Baptist Church (Parkersburg), who is a regular **BK** participant, asked me if he could come back next year, even though he was going away to college.

We are thankful to have a place called Parchment Valley Conference Center, where God's presence is made known and He directs His people to become beacons of hope.

An additional note: in the previous week, at a church camp held at Parchment Valley Conference Center, several young people made first-time decisions for Jesus to be their Lord and Savior. That is the effect of the light of Christ shining through us for His glory!



Brothers' Keeper participants gather at the barn at Parchment Valley Conference Center.

by **John Simmons**, Associate Executive Minister
Missions and Administration

The Joy of Sending



On August 6, 2017, Rev. Juan and Denise Aragon will be commissioned as International Ministries' missionaries to Mexico. This marks the fourth missionary couple to go out from West Virginia in the past 12 years (Turley, Reed and Myers).

We should not be surprised so many are going out from West Virginia to the mission fields around the world as that has been a part of our ministry since the very beginning of the Convention. The early Convention debates centered on whether to be a mission sending body or not. After many discussions, the issue was settled once and for all time - the West Virginia Baptist Convention would be a mission-focused people and experience the joy of sending missionaries to the world.

William Hall, commissioned in 1888 to serve in Congo, was the first of the many missionaries that would be sent. We have since sent over 50 missionaries through International Ministries and countless others on short-term mission. The Congo, Burma, India, China, Japan, Zaire, Thailand, Nicaragua, Bolivia, Philippines and Mexico are the places to which we have sent our West Virginia Baptists to serve. Hylbert, Sowards, Randall and Bonar are names of some we have memorialized at

the West Virginia Baptist Camp at Cowen and Parchment Valley Conference Center.

We should feel a great sense of joy and satisfaction when we send one of our own out to another country to do God's work as an International Ministries' missionary. It should also give us joy in knowing we have generously supported their going through our prayers and our financial commitments.

It is imperative we continue to send called and equipped missionaries into the world. And that my friends, requires a lot of money. I know there are many financial pressures - both at home and in the church. However, those pressures must not keep us from our purpose, our mission or our passion to send missionaries whom God has called to the places to where God has called them.

God is currently stirring the hearts of several in our congregations to serve. Some have expressed a sense of call to missions. Some are just exploring, but others have begun the journey by having conversations with International Ministries.

When those who are called to go, go - we who are called to send, must send! The joy of sending is our legacy and must always be.

Committed to Missions

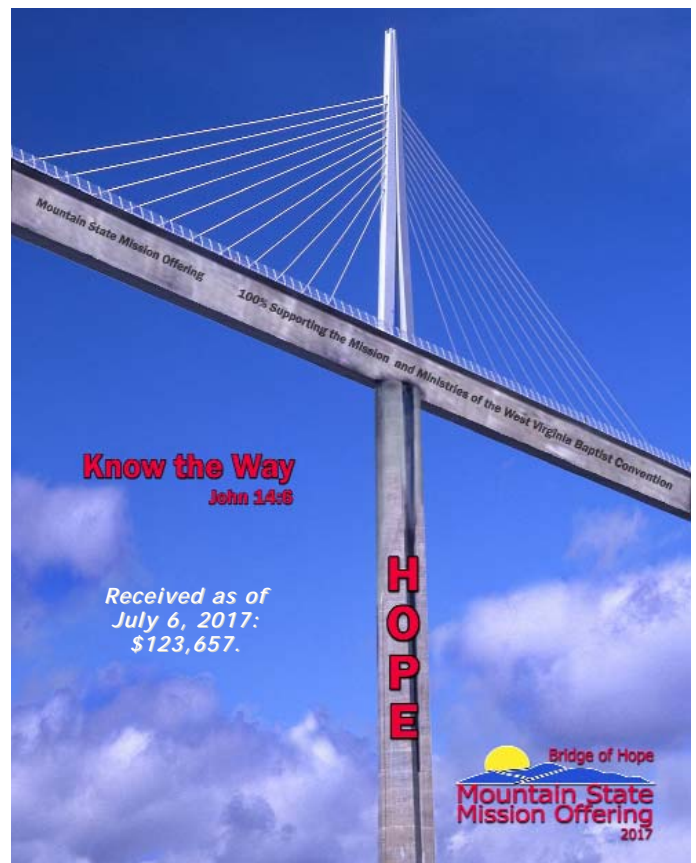
*Invitation to:
International Ministries
Commissioning Service for
Rev. and Mrs. Juan and Denise Aragon
for service in Chiapas, Mexico*



*August 6, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.
Lubeck Community Baptist Church
(154 Homewood Road, Parkersburg, WV 26101)*

*There will be a dinner following the service.
Please R.S.V.P. with the number attending to
survey.lcbc-wv.org or mail to: 156 Casey Lane,
Washington, WV 26181.*

*If you cannot attend, you may watch live:
www.LCBC-wv.org or on
Facebook: Aragon - A Journey with Purpose.*



Camp Cowen News

Take Root: Bear Fruit is the 2017 theme for the West Virginia Baptist Camp at Cowen. **The campers have responded well to the message of the gospel with 23 first-time decisions for Christ as of July 4, 2017.** Those numbers represent the mission of Camp Cowen, which states, *"Where people meet Jesus and grow as His disciples in a community of faith!"* The West Virginia Baptist Convention can celebrate how God has used this



mission station along the Gauley River since 1943 to impact West Virginia, and the world. This year, at one Junior High Camp there were campers from four nations growing as disciples of Christ. Throughout the summer, we have hosted campers from 15 states, from Arizona to Mississippi to Maryland and many points in-between, and

all of them have heard the message of Jesus Christ at Camp Cowen.

Summer 2017 is also a transition time as the West Virginia Baptist Camp at Cowen Board has hired Jill Narraway as the Associate Director of Camping and Youth. She will reside at Cowen year round in order to realize the board's vision of Cowen making an impact every day of the year. I will remain as

the director of Student Ministries and oversee the convention wide ministries of students from 6th grade through college. I will also focus on leadership training through the ministry of the Sunny Day Leadership and Activity Center being constructed at Cowen. The dream is still alive and needs your continued support with prayers and financial backing to make the leadership center a reality. I am excited for the change and having Jill share the ministry.

I have known Jill for several years and know she will do a great job. With her experience in camping and youth, she will bring new ideas. The West Virginia Baptist Convention and Cowen staff are excited to have Jill, her husband Josh and eight children living at Cowen.



West Virginia Baptist Convention Partners with American Baptist Home Mission Societies and Rainelle First Baptist Church for Two Weeks of Service

The greatest outcome of the 1,000 year flood has been the partnership of the body of Christ, both locally and globally. Throughout this year, the town of Rainelle has seen this first hand. As the one-year anniversary of the flood approached, the West Virginia Baptist Convention partnered with American Baptist Home Missions Societies (ABHMS) and Rainelle First Baptist Church (Hopewell) to schedule two intensive weeks of service, leading to June 23, 2017, during which 125 volunteers came to assist in the town through rebuild and beautification efforts. As close as Crab Orchard Baptist Church (Greenbrier-Raleigh) and as far as Indiana, churches came to Rainelle for the purposes of rebuilding, renewing and restoring.

The church was always meant to function as a body, and it is during times like these the word of God in 1 Corinthians 12:26-27 comes to life: "If one part suffers, every part suffers with it." This is what we have seen, not just in the past weeks, but throughout the year. People gave of their time and money to serve those suffering in our town and partnerships have been created. The best news is suffering together is only one side of the story, because "If one part is honored, every part rejoices with it."

One year later on June 23, 2017, we celebrated with other believers God's faithfulness in bringing us through the flood. Brothers and sisters from Belleville Baptist Church (Parkersburg) brought the pork and brothers and sisters from Rainelle First provided the tents and grills.

We thank God that "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." Partnering with ABHMS, the churches and pastors of the West Virginia Baptist Convention, along with the prayers and support of people everywhere has made a world of difference in this town. All of us in Rainelle say a deep, heartfelt thank you for all the love and care God has shown through you.



Youth from Crab Orchard Baptist Church working during week two.

Delegate Registration

Registration Fee:
(Please check the meal reservations you wish to secure and include the cost with your total registration. Registration packet and meal ticket(s) will be available for pickup at the annual meeting registration area.)

Please use a separate form for each person. (Copy as needed.)

Name:
Name on Tag:
Address:
City, State, Zip:
E-mail: Phone:
Church:
Association:

Delegates MUST have this form signed by church clerk or pastor.
Clerk or Pastor signature:

	\$20.00 - Delegate or Visitor Fee Required Fee - Please Circle One Above.
	\$10.00 - Baptist Campus Ministries' Banquet
	\$10.00 - Members Ministers' Council Event (Includes Lunch)
	\$25.00 - Non-Members Ministers' Council Event (Includes Lunch)
	\$12.00 - Ministers' Wives' Fellowship Luncheon Circle one: Pulled Chicken Sandwich or Lunch Salad with Grilled Chicken
	\$10.00 - Palmer Theological Seminary Luncheon
	Total Enclosed Make checks payable to WVBC and mail to: Annual Meeting Registrar, P.O. Box 1019, Parkersburg, WV 26102.

Child Care:
Please check appropriate box(es). List names and ages of children.

Women's Day	WVBC Session 1	WVBC Session 2	WVBC Session 3	WVBC Session 4

PRE-CONVENTION
ACTIVITIES

Thursday, October 19



Women's Day - American
Baptist Women's Ministries of
West Virginia

Theme: Just Do It ... For Jesus
Speaker: Olivia Goodwin
Missionary Speaker:
Debbie Myers
Location: New Baptist Church
Registration: 9:00 a.m. - program
begins at 9:30 a.m.
Lunch: Will be provided for \$8.00.
Nursery provided for
preschool children.
Contact: Mary Ann Wilson
at mawilson@hughes.net,
304.927.3667 or 304.377.1512



Pastors4Pastors:
The Ministers' Council

Location: Fifth Avenue Baptist Church,
1135 5th Ave, Huntington 25701
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.
Speaker: Jeffrey Jones
Topic: Facing Decline - Finding Hope
Cost: Members - \$10.00,
Non-Members - \$25.00,
includes lunch
Contact: Anthony Pratt -
anthony_pratt@hotmail.com or
304.837.7905 or William Thomas -
kb8sn@suddenlink.net or
304.482.0681
Purchase tickets on the Annual
Meeting registration form.
No Shuttle Available.



American Baptist Men
Location: Museum of Radio and
Technology, 1640 Florence Ave,
Huntington 25701
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Depart from the church at 9:30 a.m.
Cost: \$10.00 - HoneyBaked Ham
Contact/R.S.V.P.: Frank Miller at
miller@wvbc.org or 304.372.3675
Shuttle Available.

The West Virginia Baptist Convention
152nd Annual Meeting

"I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6



Keynote
Speaker:
Jeffrey D. Jones



Associate Professor of
Ministerial Leadership and
Director, Ministry Studies
at Andover Newton
Theological School

Annual Sermon
Speaker:
Trent Eastman



Pastor,
New Baptist Church,
Huntington

Thursday,
October 19 - Friday,
October 20, 2017

New Baptist Church,
Huntington

Guest
Speaker:
Lee Spitzer



General Secretary,
American Baptist
Churches USA

Interim Executive
Minister:
Dr. Michael Stephens



West Virginia Baptist
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The mission of the West Virginia Baptist Convention is to empower local churches to be Christ honoring communities of faith and to help them to fulfill their mission by enabling them to do together what they cannot do alone.

SCHEDULE:
Thursday, October 19

9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Pre-Convention Activities

2:45 p.m. Session 1 - Sanctuary
Welcome and Opening Prayer - Mark Wood
Annual Sermon - Trent Eastman
Business Meeting 1 - Mark Wood

5:00 p.m. - Dinner Break

Baptist Campus Ministries' Banquet

6:30 p.m. Session 2 - Sanctuary
Welcome and Opening Prayer - David Hogue
School of Christian Studies' Graduation - Mark McCloy
Ward Hibbs Award - Tim Barry
Keynote Speaker - Jeffrey D. Jones

8:30 p.m.

Celebration of David Carrico's Ministry
Alderson Broaddus University Reception

Friday, October 20

8:30 a.m. Session 3 - Sanctuary
Welcome and Opening Prayer - Doris Toothman
Interim Executive Minister Address - Michael Stephens

9:45 a.m. - Workshop Session I

10:30 a.m. - Break

10:45 a.m. - Workshop Session II

12:00 noon - Lunch Break

Luncheon Opportunities
Ministers' Spouses' Luncheon
Palmer Theological Seminary Luncheon

1:45 p.m. - Workshop Session III

2:45 p.m. Session 4 - Sanctuary
Welcome and Opening Prayer - Mark Wood
Business Meeting 2 - Mark Wood
James Anderson, Sr. Pastoral Ministry Award
Installation of Officers
Guest Speaker - Lee Spitzer
Communion

Dear West Virginia Baptist Family,

In the book of Acts, we read about how Paul and Barnabas traveled to Jerusalem after their first missionary journey. The overarching purposes for this journey to Jerusalem was to share what God is doing in the world, to jointly seek council with others on how to better proclaim the good news and to encourage one another in the ministry of the gospel. The outcome of the Jerusalem council was the strengthening, expanding and encouraging of the local congregations (see Acts 14:24 - 15:35).

It seems to me if the early church felt it necessary to come together to share what God is doing in the world, to seek council from each other and to encourage each other, then we should too. These are the primary purposes of the Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Baptist Convention. We live in a day of many troubling questions, discouraged believers and passion that has grown cold, but also at a time when God is doing remarkable things, changing lives and growing disciples. What a privilege it is to live in such a day and to do His work where God has placed us! This is why we need the annual meeting - to be reminded of God's work, to be encouraged by His work and to grow in wisdom with regards to doing His work.

With these purposes in mind, I invite and welcome you to New Baptist Church of Huntington this fall for the West Virginia Baptist Convention 152nd Annual Meeting. My prayer is we may recognize, rejoice and celebrate what God is doing in your church, that we may listen to the various needs and concerns you shoulder as you carry out the Lord's work where He has placed you, that wisdom will be found to face the challenges of our day and that when you return to your local church they may be encouraged.

To Him is all glory and praise and from Him is all grace and peace!



Pastor Trent Eastman, D. Min.



Speakers:

Annual Sermon:
Trent Eastman

Pastor Trent Eastman has been Lead Pastor of New Baptist Church (Guyandotte) since its inception in 2008. Prior to the creation of New Baptist Church, Trent pastored Beverly Hills Baptist Church for six years, one of the churches merged to form New Baptist Church. Before coming to Huntington, he served with Food for the Hungry International in Kenya and Bangladesh (January of 1991 to December of 1999).

Guest Speaker:
Lee Spitzer

Lee Spitzer was elected to serve as General Secretary of American Baptist Churches on May 8, 2017. His service began on June 1, 2017.

Previously, Dr. Spitzer served as Executive Minister for the American Baptist Churches in New Jersey (ABCNJ). He has served congregations in New Jersey, Nebraska and Rhode Island and has preached the gospel and

Directions:

East on I-64 from Kentucky:

Take Exit 11 and turn left onto Hal Greer Boulevard. Continue to 5th Avenue (US Route 60 East) and turn right. Travel 12 blocks and turn right onto 28th Street. The church is 1/2 block on the left.

West on I-64 from Charleston:

Take Exit 15 (29th Street) and merge right on RR 60 West. Continue on US Route 60 (3.7 miles) to 3rd Avenue and turn left. Travel three blocks and turn left on 28th Street. The church is 2 1/2 blocks on the left.

Lodging
Options:

HUNTINGTON

Holiday Inn and Suites -
800 3rd Avenue, Hungtinton 25701
304.523.8880
2.6 miles from the church, downtown

Pullman Plaza Hotel -
1001 3rd Avenue, Huntington 25701
304.525.1001
2.4 miles from the church, downtown

Fairfield Inn and Suites by Mariott
536 Kinetic Drive, Huntington 25701
304.696.8777
4.9 miles from the church, Exit 11

Hampton Inn
177 Kinetic Drive, Huntington 25701
304.523.8001
4.6 miles from the church, Exit 11

Ramada Limited
3094 16th Street Road, Huntington 25701
304.523.4242
4.4 miles from the church, Exit 11

Super 8 Motel
3090 16th Street Road, Huntington 25701
304.525.1410
4.7 miles from the church, Exit 11

taught on spirituality in the former Soviet Union, Estonia, Japan, Myanmar (Burma), the Philippines, Brazil, Egypt, the Congo, Zambia, Uganda and Haiti.

Keynote Speaker:
Jeffrey Jones

Jeff Jones began serving at Andover Newton in 2002, as an adjunct faculty member and Coordinator of E-Learning. His duties were expanded in 2005 to include the development of the school's distance learning program for continuing education for clergy and courses for laity. In July 2012, he was appointed to the position of Director of Ministry Studies.

Jeff has previously been a pastor in New York and New Jersey and a member of the national staff of the American Baptist Churches, USA. He most recently served as part-time pastor of Plymouth, Massachusetts First Baptist Church October 2005 to October 2012.

He is a frequent speaker at denominational events and consultant with congregations, focusing on issues of discipleship and leadership in a rapidly and radically changing world.

Jeff retired in 2015 and continues to teach at Andover Newton as an adjunct.

TownePlace Suites by Marriott
157 Kinetic Drive, Huntington 25701
304.525.4877
4.5 miles from the church, Exit 11

BARBOURSVILLE
Best Western
3441 US Route 60 E, Barboursville 25504
304.736.9772
10.1 miles from the church, Exit 20

Comfort Inn
249 Mall Road, Barboursville 25504
304.733.2122
10.2 miles from the church, Exit 20

Hampton Inn
1 Cracker Barrel Drive, Barboursville 25504
304.733.5300
10 miles from the church, Exit 20

Holiday Inn and Suites
3551 US 60, Barboursville 25504
304.733.3338
9.7 miles from the church, Exit 20

FELLOWSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES

Thursday, October 19

Baptist Campus Ministries' Banquet
Location: New Baptist Church
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Cost: \$10.00
Purchase tickets on the Annual Meeting registration form.
Contact: Rob Ely - 304.532.3166 or ely@wvbc.org or Kevin Sions - sions@wvbc.org or 304.534.0597

Carrico Ministry Celebration and Alderson Broaddus University Reception
Location: New Baptist Church - Hospitality Area
Time: 8:30 p.m.
(Following the end of the evening session.)
Cost: Free
Refreshments will be served.
Special music by The West Virginians.

Friday, October 20

West Virginia Baptist Education Society
Location: To Be Determined
Time: 7:30 a.m.
Cost: Free
For members only.
Contact: Mary Beth McCloy - marybethmccloy@gmail.com

West Virginia Baptist Historical Society
Location: New Baptist Church
Time: 9:45 a.m.
(Meeting time will be at the beginning of the first workshop and no luncheon will be held.)

Ministers' Wives' Fellowship Luncheon
Location: Heritage Farm Museum and Village, 3300 Harvey Rd, Huntington 25704
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Cost: \$12.00, includes cookies, drink and tip
Option 1: Pulled chicken sandwich, hashbrown casserole, baked beans and cole slaw
Option 2: Lunch salad with grilled chicken
Shuttle provided from the church.
Contact: Nikalee Turner - nikaleefoster@cedarville.edu or 304.237.4430
Purchase tickets on the Annual Meeting registration form. Registrations requested by October 13, 2017.

Palmer Theological Seminary Luncheon
Location: New Baptist Church
Time: 12:00 noon
Cost: \$10.00
Contact Person: Allan Copenhaver - 304.763.8564 or rcopenha@eastern.edu
Purchase tickets on the Annual Meeting registration form.

Southeast Area News

Jim Anderson, Southeast Area Minister

Crab Orchard Wins 11th Annual Golf Scramble for Bolivia House of Hope Missions

On June 10, 2017, eight golfing teams gathered together at Greenbrier Hills Golf Course in Rainelle for the 11th annual



The winners of the 11th Annual Golf Scramble for the Bolivia House of Hope Missions: Crab Orchard Baptist Church (Greenbrier-Raleigh).

Bolivia House of Hope Golf Scramble. The churches participating were Athens Baptist Church (Greenbrier-Raleigh), Crab Orchard Baptist Church (Greenbrier-Raleigh), two teams from Millbrook Baptist Church (Hopewell), Page Baptist Church (Fayette), Send the

Light Fellowship (Greenbrier-Raleigh), Sewell Valley Baptist Church and Summersville Baptist Church (Hopewell). This was the first tournament of the year for the golf course that was devastated in the June flood of 2016.

Terry McClung, course manager, welcomed everyone, and after the opening prayer by Garry Moore, pastor of Scott Street Baptist Church (Greenbrier-Raleigh), a beautiful day of golf was enjoyed by all. Crab Orchard Baptist Church finished in first place, Page Baptist Church came in second and Summersville Baptist Church took third, with the prizes for all teams coming from Bolivia. In addition to the funds raised by the golfers themselves, hole sponsorships included Helen Baptist Church (Greenbrier-Raleigh), Page Baptist Church and Millbrook Baptist Church.

Jim Anderson, Southeast Area Minister, West Virginia Baptist Convention and tournament director, reported \$1,510 was raised to support missions in Bolivia through the House of Hope. Plans are already underway for the 2018 tournament at Greenbrier Hills on June 9.

Fifth Avenue Baptist Honored at ABC Mission Summit

On July 2, 2017, at the Sunday evening session of the ABC-USA Mission Summit in Portland, Oregon, Fifth Avenue Baptist Church (Guyandotte) was recognized by the denomina-



Alicia Porterfield receives a certificate from Rev. Dr. Lee Spitzer.

tion for its giving to United Mission. Rev. Alicia Porterfield, Associate Pastor of Adult Education, Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, received a certificate from newly installed General Secretary, Rev. Dr. Lee Spitzer, for being third in United Mission Giving. The church is among the leading giving churches annually. Rev. Eric Porterfield is the pastor at Fifth Avenue Baptist Church.

15th Annual Rockcastle Baptist Association Choir Festival



On the evening of May 7, 2017, over 250 members of Rockcastle Baptist Association churches gathered together at Guyandotte Baptist Church (Rockcastle) for the 15th annual choir festival. Jim Anderson, Southeast Area Minister, West Virginia Baptist Convention welcomed everyone and opened the evening in song. Churches sharing in song included Oceana First Baptist Church, Saulsville Baptist Church, Crany Baptist Church, Rockcastle Baptist Church, Baileysville Baptist Church, Guyandotte Baptist Church, Lacoma Baptist Church, Tonedá Baptist Church, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Cyclone Baptist Church, Big Cub Baptist Church and Welch First Baptist Church, all of the Rockcastle Association. To finish the evening, all singers gathered together for a mass choir led by Jerry Cook of Oceana First Baptist Church. It was an evening of wonderful praise and worship and a blessing for all who attended.

Southwest Area News

Max Hill, Southwest Area Minister

Coal River Association Spring Sing

Pastor Jim Butcher and Madison Baptist Church (Coal River) hosted the annual Coal River Association Spring Sing on the evening of May 21, 2017. Several of the association churches presented musical selections. A mass association choir also performed. As always, the service was well-attended with members from most of the churches present. The offering taken was given to Juan and Denise Aragon, International Ministries' missionaries to Mexico.

Mothers' Day Celebration

In a well-attended worship service, Racine First Baptist Church (Coal River) celebrated a very traditional Mother's Day on May 14, 2017. The church honored all the mothers present with a flower. In addition, a drawing was held for several lovely planters. West Virginia Baptist Convention Southwest Area Minister, Dr. Max Hill preached the morning message. Rev. Anthony Pratt is the pastor.

Northwest Area News

Mark McCloy, Northwest Area Minister

Using What God Gives You

LifeSpring Community Church (Good Hope) is a church plant in Ravenswood that meets in an old storefront on the main road through town. As a young church, we don't have a lot of money or a lot of members, but we do have a greenhouse behind our church building and we have people who want to reach out to the community. We felt God was calling us to use what we had to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors. But how?

When the idea of aquaponics was brought up in one of our leadership meetings, it seemed like the perfect fit. Aquaponics is a system of agriculture in which the waste produced by farmed fish circulates into a water table where it supplies nutrients for plants grown without soil. The plants, in turn, purify the water before it circulates back to the fish. The church



Setting up the fish tank and the grow bed for the plants.

plans to start by growing tilapia and leafy green vegetables.

While this may not seem like traditional ministry, aquaponics will allow the church to give away free fish and fresh vegetables to our low-income neighbors. Our hope is also to invite some of them to work alongside us to feed the fish or harvest the vegetables. This will allow our church to continue to develop relationships with them that we have begun in our weekly free lunch program and neighborhood cookouts. Relationship is where true discipleship begins. We have already seen people begin to open up about themselves now that they know our church really does care about them.

What skills and resources does your church have that God is calling you to use in a unique and creative way to reach your neighbors with the GREAT news God loves and forgives them?

Northeast Area News

David Hulme, Northeast Area Minister

Eastern Association Holds Church Camp at Camp Echo

The Eastern Association Church Camp was held June 18-20, 2017 at Camp Echo in Grant County. The theme for this year's camp was "Joy for the Journey." Each day of camp featured Bible study, devotions, worship, vespers and a campfire. In addition, there were crafts, games and a day at the pool. Fifty-nine young people attended this year's camp.



Greg Foley leads campers in singing around the campfire.

Rock Grove Vacation Bible School Helps Local Mission

Rock Grove Baptist Church (Broad Run), as part of their Vacation Bible School, collected food and hygiene products and delivered them to the Clarksburg Mission. In response, mission director, Chris Mullett said, "The support we receive from our brothers and sisters in faith inspires." Ben Hall is pastor of Rock Grove Baptist Church.

Clarksburg Hosts 2017 West Virginia Baptist Convention Worship Conference

Pastors, worship leaders, musicians, sound and video technicians and many others involved in worship in churches throughout the West Virginia Baptist Convention, gathered at Clarksburg Baptist Church (Union), June 24, 2017 for the 2017 West Virginia Baptist Convention Worship Conference. The all-day event began with worship and continued, throughout the day, with workshops addressing a variety of topics related to worship in the local church.

Conference planners were pleased with the positive response to the new conference format and plan to offer a similar conference, annually, at different locations throughout the West Virginia Baptist Convention.



Opening worship was led by members of Clarksburg Baptist Church Worship Team and others.

American Baptist Women's Ministries

39th Annual Spiritual Growth Retreat



September 22-24, 2017

Parchment Valley Conference Center

Ephesians 5:2 "and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." (NIV)

Theme: Fragrance of Beauty

Speaker: Rev. David Bush, Pastor, Rainelle First Baptist Church (Hopewell)

Workshops: Leadership Academy workshop led by Debbie Myers, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Mexico; there will be workshops offering Bible Study, Becoming a Sweet Aroma for God, Crafts, Beauty and Choir.

The Sunday service will conclude with communion.

This will be such a joyous time of fellowship and music. Come expecting to be blessed!
Please join us for this inspirational weekend.

A registration form is available at www.wvbc.org and in the August issue of SEASONS.

Fall Golden'eers Conference

Theme:
Harvest Blessings

The conference is
planned for those
who are at least 55
years of age.

September
11-13, 2017

Bible Study,
Cookout/
Campfire,
Game Night

Parchment Valley
Conference Center

The conference will begin
on Monday with registration
at noon in Hill Hall and
end on Wednesday at 11 a.m.

For more information, visit www.wvbc.org.
If you have questions, please contact Valma at
adams@wvbc.org or 304.422.6449.

Retired Ministers & Mates' FALL MEETING

October 3, 2017
Parchment Valley
Conference Center
in Hill Hall at 12:00 noon

A complimentary luncheon will be served.

Sponsored by the Ministers and
Missionaries Benefit Board.

Please reserve your space by contacting
Mrs. Linda Carpenter at 304.863.8890 or
llecgrandma@yahoo.com.

ALFRED B. "AL" BOYD, JR., originally of Burwell, died June 22, 2017. He was the pastor of Handley Baptist Church (Kanawha Valley).

HOWARD W. CLAYTOR, JR., 74, of Institute, died May 4, 2017. He was an active member of Saint Paul Missionary Baptist Church (Kanawha Valley), where he was a deacon from 2007 until present.

MARY LOUISE DELAY, 88, of Victor, died May 23, 2017. She was the oldest member of Hopewell Baptist Church (Hopewell), where she served through the years in such positions as youth leader, choir member, American Baptist Women's Ministries' treasurer and helped with the Christmas program.

EMMA LAVAUGHN ERLEWINE, 97, of Grantsville, died May 28, 2017. She was the oldest living member of Enon Baptist Church (Little Kanawha).

CONNIE LOU FISHER, 84, of Weston, died June 19, 2017. She was a member of Weston First Baptist Church (Broad Run), where she taught Sunday School, helped with baptisms and took care of the crib room. She was active with the Guild Girls of the church and made favors for shut-in dinners.

LILA D. HAHN, 90, of Kingwood, died May 15, 2017. She was a member of Kingwood Baptist Church (Goshen) and the American Baptist Women's Ministries.

ROBERT (BOB) KELLIS HAYNES, 73, died May 12, 2017. He was very active in Prison Fellowship Ministries, serving as chaplain for over 23 years.

VIVIAN V. HICKS, 91, of Vienna, died June 12, 2017. She was a member of Vienna Baptist Church (Parkersburg), where she was a member of the deacon board and had been a Sunday School teacher.

FLOYD M. HODGE, SR., 79, of Harrisville, died May 29, 2017. He was a member of Harrisville Baptist Church (Harrisville).

OTHELLA GRACE LEGG, 82, of Dawson, died May 1, 2017. She was a faithful member of Meadow Grove Baptist Church (Hopewell), where she played the organ and sang alto in the choir and quartet. She also served as the church clerk, Vacation Bible School assistant and had been the president of Meadow Grove Baptist Church American Baptist Women's Ministries for many years.

WALLACE ARDEN MILLS, SR., 93, of Mullens, died May 29, 2017. He was a member of Black Eagle Baptist Church (Rockcastle), where he served as deacon, trustee and Sunday School teacher.

JAMES RUSSELL MOSS, 79, of Birch River, died June 15, 2017. He was a member of Powell's Mountain Baptist Church. He was a former pastor of Holcomb Baptist Church, New Prospect Baptist Church (Hopewell), Birch River Baptist Church (Elk Valley), Richwood First Baptist Church (Hopewell) and Grace Baptist Church at Persinger.

PHYLLIS ANN PIERSON, 69, of Harrisville, died June 22, 2017. She was a member of Harrisville Baptist Church (Harrisville).

LOROUS IVAN ROBERTS, 90, of Glenville, died May 6, 2017. He was an ordained Baptist Minister.

MILDRED L. ROSENBERGER, 89, of Fairmont, died May 16, 2017. She was an active member of Fairmont Baptist Temple (Fairmont) for more than 60 years. During this time she was president of the Carl Cain Class, taught Sunday School, was a longtime member of several women's circles and served on the deacon board.

HELEN E. PERRY SMITH, died May 21, 2017. She was a lifelong member of Milton Baptist Church (Guyandotte) and was involved in American Baptist Women's Ministries.

CURTIS ALAN STATON, died May 20th, 2017. He was a member of Crab Orchard Baptist Church (Greenbrier-Raleigh), where he sang in the choir.

ROGERS CRAIG STEVENS, JR., 76, of Florida, and formerly of Lumberport, died June 21, 2017. He was a faithful member of Lumberport Baptist Church (Judson), where he served as chairman of trustees and chairman of the stewardship team.

AUDRA FAYE LIVENGOD THOMAS, died June 2, 2017. She was a member of Kingwood Baptist Church (Goshen) and was a devoted member of her church choir.

GENE WALKER, 89, of Oceana, died June 14, 2017. He was a member of Cyclone Missionary Baptist Church (Rockcastle), where he served as a trustee for many years.

ELIZABETH DUCKWORTH WOLFORD, 95, died June 1, 2017. She was a member of Romney First Baptist Church (Eastern), the Ray Luttrell Sunday School Class and the American Baptist Women's Ministries.

Leadership Update

REV. RANDY G LANDES to Bethlehem Baptist Church (Judson) as pastor on June 4, 2017

August

AUGUST 1 - Greenbrier-Raleigh Association as they celebrate their annual meeting
AUGUST 2 - Max Hill, Associate Executive Minister of Missions and Ministry, West Virginia Baptist Convention
AUGUST 3 - Little Kanawha Association as they celebrate their annual meeting
AUGUST 4 - Debbie Mulneix, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary
AUGUST 5 - American Baptist Men's Camp this weekend at Camp Cowen
AUGUST 6 - Keith Myers, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Mexico
AUGUST 7 - The ministry of Lansing Baptist Church; Kenneth Hayes, pastor (Hopewell)
AUGUST 8 - Harrisville Association as they celebrate their annual meeting
AUGUST 9 - Michael Mann, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) Global Specialist
AUGUST 10 - The ministry of Mount Union Baptist Church; Terry Blake, pastor (Guyandotte)
AUGUST 11 - Camp Global this weekend at Camp Cowen
AUGUST 12 - The ministry of Comunidad Nueva Esperanza (Good Hope)
AUGUST 13 - The ministry of Hope Baptist Church; Richard Demastus, pastor (Elk Valley)
AUGUST 14 - The ministry of Weirton First Baptist Church; Don Dague, pastor (Panhandle)
AUGUST 15 - The ministry of Marshville Baptist Church; John Mark Camenga, pastor (Judson)
AUGUST 16 - Broad Run Association as they celebrate their annual meeting tomorrow
AUGUST 17 - David Carrico, Executive Minister, West Virginia Baptist Convention
AUGUST 18 - The ministry of Gatewood Baptist Church; Harry Fuller, pastor (Fayette)
AUGUST 19 - Kathy Rice, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to the Democratic Republic of the Congo
AUGUST 20 - Good Hope and Goshen Associations as they celebrate their annual meetings
AUGUST 21 - Deliris Carrion-Joseph, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to the Democratic Republic of the Congo
AUGUST 22 - Scott Coats, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Thailand
AUGUST 23 - The ministry of Murphy's Creek Baptist Church; Wease Day, pastor (Broad Run)
AUGUST 24 - The ministry of Quiet Dell Baptist Church; Edward Carpenter, pastor (Fairmont)
AUGUST 25 - The ministry of Helen Baptist Church; Danny Lusk, pastor (Greenbrier-Raleigh)
AUGUST 26 - Elk Valley Association as they celebrate their annual meeting
AUGUST 27 - Eastern Association as they celebrate their annual meeting
AUGUST 28 - Vinicius Damasceno, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary (youth) to the United Kingdom
AUGUST 29 - The ministry of Genesis Fellowship; Mark Jarrell, pastor (Kanawha Valley)
AUGUST 30 - Jorge Damasceno, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to the United Kingdom
AUGUST 31 - Teays Valley Association as they celebrate their annual meeting

September

SEPTEMBER 1 - Rhonda Reed, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Bolivia
SEPTEMBER 2 - The ministry of Meadow Grove Baptist Church; Vincent Deeds, pastor (Hopewell)
SEPTEMBER 3 - The ministry of Turkey Creek Missionary Baptist Church; Glenn Hatfield, pastor (Rockcastle)
SEPTEMBER 4 - Carrie Smalley, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Hungary
SEPTEMBER 5 - Holale Azondjagni, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Togo
SEPTEMBER 6 - The ministry of Summit Park Baptist Church; Richard Owens, pastor (Union)
SEPTEMBER 7 - Katiana Hoefle, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary (youth) to Thailand
SEPTEMBER 8 - Hopewell Association as they celebrate their annual meeting tomorrow
SEPTEMBER 9 - Mark McCloy, Northwest Area Minister, West Virginia Baptist Convention
SEPTEMBER 10 - Fairmont Association as they celebrate their annual meeting
SEPTEMBER 11 - Bruce Borquist, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Southeast Asia
SEPTEMBER 12 - Fall Golden'eers' Retreat at Parchment Valley Conference Center
SEPTEMBER 13 - Jose Marie Pierre, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary (youth) to the Dominican Republic
SEPTEMBER 14 - The ministry of Vienna Baptist Church; Bill Brown, pastor (Parkersburg)
SEPTEMBER 15 - Fall Youth Rally this weekend at Camp Cowen
SEPTEMBER 16 - Twelve Pole Association as they celebrate their annual meeting
SEPTEMBER 17 - Panhandle Association as they celebrate their annual meeting
SEPTEMBER 18 - The ministry of Old Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church; Scott Riffle, pastor (Twelve Pole)
SEPTEMBER 19 - The ministry of Hampton Baptist Church (Kanawha Valley)
SEPTEMBER 20 - Fayette Association as they celebrate their annual meeting
SEPTEMBER 21 - Guyandotte and Kanawha Valley Associations as they celebrate their annual meetings
SEPTEMBER 22 - The American Baptist Women's Ministries' Spiritual Growth Retreat this weekend at Parchment Valley Conference Center
SEPTEMBER 23 - Mercy Gonzales Barnes, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Mexico
SEPTEMBER 24 - Judson, Logan-Mingo and Union Associations as they celebrate their annual meetings
SEPTEMBER 25 - Dwight Bolick, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Chile
SEPTEMBER 26 - The ministry of Providence Baptist Church; Benjamin Simmons, pastor (Teays Valley)
SEPTEMBER 27 - Juancito Aragon, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary (youth) to Mexico
SEPTEMBER 28 - Mylinda Baits, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to the Caribbean
SEPTEMBER 29 - Dwayne Doyle, American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (ABFMS) missionary to Central Asia
SEPTEMBER 30 - Coal River and Parkersburg Associations as they celebrate their annual meetings

West Virginia Baptist Convention staff and missionaries listed are on the occasion of their birthday.

Coming Events

AUGUST

August 4-6

*American Baptist Men and Boys' Camp
Camp Cowen*

August 11-13

*Camp Global
Camp Cowen*

August 19

*School of Christian Studies
Community Ministry (Mod-5)
One-Day Class with Mike Sisson
Parchment Valley Conference Center*

SEPTEMBER

September 4

*Labor Day Holiday
West Virginia Baptist Convention
Office CLOSED*

September 11-13

*Fall Golden'eers' Retreat
Parchment Valley Conference Center*

September 12

*School of Christian Studies
Caring for People (M-04)
Six-Week Class
Various Locations*

September 15-16

*Fall Youth Rally
Camp Cowen*

September 22-24

*American Baptist Women's Ministries'
Spiritual Growth Retreat
Parchment Valley Conference Center*

September 23

*Road Trippin' for Discipleship
Sabraton Baptist Church*

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CAMP GLOBAL

Family Mission Camp 2017

We Are - Matthew 5:14

August 11-13, 2017 at Camp Cowen

*Cost: \$90 per person, \$350 maximum per household,
\$40 Saturday only*

Programming for children, youth and adults!

*Details and registration available online at www.wvbc.org.
For more information, contact Joan at 304.422.6449 or hall@wvbc.org.*

2017 Association Meetings

August 1	<i>Greenbrier-Raleigh</i>	Shuck Memorial Baptist Church
August 3	<i>Little Kanawha</i>	Rush Run Baptist Church
August 8	<i>Harrisville</i>	Harrisville Baptist Church
August 17	<i>Broad Run</i>	Fisher Baptist Camp
August 20	<i>Good Hope</i>	Spencer First Baptist Church
August 20	<i>Goshen</i>	Kingwood Baptist Church
August 26	<i>Elk Valley</i>	Long Run Baptist Church
August 27	<i>Eastern</i>	Romney First Baptist Church
August 31	<i>Teays Valley</i>	Harmony Baptist Church
September 9	<i>Hopewell</i>	Meadow Grove Baptist Church
September 10	<i>Fairmont</i>	Union Baptist Church
September 16	<i>Twelve Pole</i>	Old Pleasant Baptist Church
September 17	<i>Panhandle</i>	New Martinsville First Baptist Church
September 20	<i>Fayette</i>	Oak Hill Baptist Church
September 21	<i>Guyandotte</i>	Camp Ona
September 21	<i>Kanawha Valley</i>	Starcher Baptist Church
September 24	<i>Judson</i>	Shinnston First Baptist Church
September 24	<i>Logan-Mingo</i>	Matewan Missionary Baptist Church
September 24	<i>Union</i>	Simpson Creek Baptist Church
September 30	<i>Coal River</i>	Yawkey Missionary Baptist Church
September 30	<i>Parkersburg</i>	Parkersburg City Park

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