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Many West Virginia Southern Baptists will travel to Nashville, Tennessee for the annual Southern Baptist Convention this June. They will need to make various arrangements. This edition of your newspaper contains related information on pages 3 & 4 and readers can expect to find additional help in the May edition.

One of the more convenient sources for information regarding registration, housing, childcare, and programs going on in relationship to the SBC festivities, is the website for the Southern Baptist Executive Committee found at sbc.net.

To use this resource type the address www.sbc.net into your computer's web browser, hit your enter key and you will find yourself on the home page from which you can launch your search for Convention details.

Look to the right side of the home page to a four-color image in which you should see the words, "2005 SBC Annual Meeting." In smaller print you will see "click here for details." Do so and you will go to a page that has a half dozen or more categories of information related to the upcoming meetings in Nashville.

For example, would you like to save yourself some time at the registration desk? No problem. Just go to the pre-registration page. However, note this and a few other helpful hints. Only pastors, church staff members, or church members granted authority by their church may pre-register messengers to attend the SBC. Before you or your church's designated registrar go online to pre-register, be sure you have the following information handy.

You will need to know: the name of your state convention

(The West Virginia Convention of Southern Baptists); the name of the association with which your church cooperates; how much you gave to the SBC during September 1, 2003 through August 31, 2004 (what your church reported on its Annual Church Profile); your total number of church members; the names of the messengers you plan to pre-register; and the name of the person authorized to make such entries on behalf of your church.

Does that sound like more trouble than standing in line? Fine. Secure the signature of your church clerk on an official messenger card available from Kay Boyd at the state offices and carry it with you to the registration booth. Chances are good that your wait in line will not be too long because SBC events are well-organized.

Other information available at the SBC.NET website covers: pre-registration and programming details for your preschoolers or children; how to become an official messenger; lodging and transportation in the Nashville area; how and when to submit resolutions and motions; Southern Baptist beliefs; various position statements messengers have taken in previous meetings; solid information to share with your friends and neighbors about the history of the Southern Baptist Convention.

An amazing amount of information about Southern Baptists is available at the SBC.NET website. If you have not visited there before, you are in for a nice surprise. If you have not visited there recently, check it out. It changes every few days

While there, hit the Baptist Press button and sign up to receive the daily press releases to stay informed all year long!





**Terry Harper's
Recent and Upcoming
Speaking Engagements:**

- 2/20 East Williamson
- 3/6 Westview, Martinsburg
- 3/13 Riverwood, St. Albans
- 3/20 Community, Grantsville
- 3/27 Riverwood, St. Albans
- 4/3 Cross Point, Huntington
- 4/10 Faith, West Union
- 4/17 Riverwood, St. Albans
- 4/24 Covenant, Romney
- 5/8 Brenton Baptist
- 5/15 Temple, Moundsville

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Letter From Our Executive Director/Treasurer

Survey Had An Overwhelming Response

I want to thank those of you who responded to the survey mailed out recently. We had an 8% return, which is a great response according to the folks who do this sort of thing on a regular basis. Of those who responded, 17% were up to age 40 years. Of those ages 40 to 60, we had a 36% response. And from people age 60 and up we had a 46% response to the questionnaire. I want you to know that each questionnaire was looked at carefully and the material was fed into the pool of information that will be used in making decisions.

Already the Administrative Committee is taking into account your responses as they are seeking to fill the open staff positions. The Futuring Group met on April 1 and began to work with the data. We assigned a sub-group to write up the responses and bring their report back to the larger group at our next meeting. One of the main things that the survey does is point out to state staff and leadership what the constituency feels is very important. Several things have already caught our attention. For instance, many respondents indicated that more training for church leadership is needed. We must make church leadership a priority. Also, many of those who responded to the survey indicated a need for more help with their youth ministry. We are planning to have someone available to go into the churches when requested, especially those without youth pastors to assist the churches with training their youth workers. We also saw strong support for our college ministry in the survey and a desire by many churches to have resources for mission education. Again, we plan to respond to each of these expressed needs. These are just a few of the issues presented in the survey. We will be saying more about this as time goes on. The Futuring Group will give their preliminary report to the Executive Board in September and then a full report to the convention at our Annual Meeting at First, Fairlea near Lewisburg. This will be our 35th anniversary celebration, so the report of the Futuring Group and the celebration will be the focal point at the state convention. But, once again, thank

you for taking time to fill out a survey and mail it back to the state office, as I want to assure you that your information will be considered.

Prayer Ministry

One of the things I have done since coming to the position of Executive Director is to appoint Maxine Bumgarner as our Prayer Coordinator for the State Convention. She has from time to time led out in this matter, but she is now officially our Statewide Prayer Coordinator. She is developing a statewide prayer strategy. This is so important for a church, an association or the state convention. We will not go far or get much accomplished unless it is bathed in prayer. Dr. R.G. Lee once said, "Satan despises prayer. ...He does all he can to keep us from praying. When we pray we are fighting against the rulers of darkness. But Satan dreads prayer. ...Though Satan laughs at prayerless toil and mocks at human wisdom, he trembles when Christians pray." Oh, how we need prayer in West Virginia.

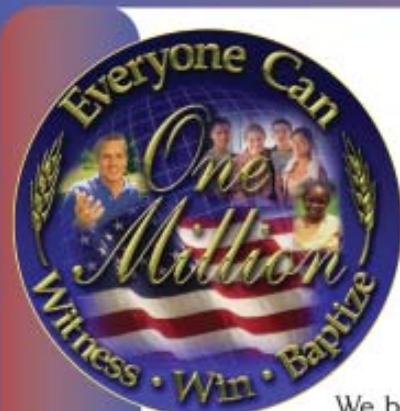
Some churches have expressed a desire to have a solemn assembly or a day of prayer. Maxine would be happy to help you in preparation of such an event. Have your Pastor give her a call, as she would love to help your church establish a prayer ministry, if you do not already have one.

I want to thank each of our churches for your support through the Cooperative Program. Your gifts to date are listed elsewhere in this edition of the paper. Without your gifts, we would not be able to be here and we would not be able to do what we do for the churches.

The Cooperative Program is the lifeline for state, national and international missions. We are partners together for the cause of Christ and we rejoice in it. If any of us on the state staff can be of assistance to you or your church at any time, please call upon us.

It is such a blessing to serve you as your Executive Director of this state convention. Please note in the left column a list of my recent and upcoming engagements.

Sincerely,
Terry Harper



Saturday, June 18, 2005

2005 Crossover Nashville Door-to-Door Rally

**Gaylord Entertainment Center
Saturday, June 18, 2005
Nashville, Tennessee**

We believe that history is in the making. You are a vital part of writing it. On June 18, 2005, an army of 10,000 plus Southern Baptists from all across America will assemble at the Gaylord Entertainment Center. The reason for which they come, however, is not entertainment. They come for **one** reason: to take the gospel of Jesus Christ to individuals across the greater Nashville area. Collectively, local host churches and out-of-town participants will knock on multiplied tens of thousands of doors! Imagine what will happen on this day when Southern Baptists work together for the cause of the gospel and for the sake of souls. This evangelism effort is a part of our Convention's challenge to **Witness, Win, and Baptize...ONE MILLION** individuals from across America.

Mobilizing a door-to-door visitation of 10,000+ Southern Baptists for the purpose of launching Witness, Win, and Baptize...ONE MILLION!

June 18 Overview

- 8:00 a.m. Doors open at the Gaylord Entertainment Center
- 9:00 a.m. Praise & Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Kick-Off Rally
- 11:00 a.m. Travel to Host Church
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch and Orientation
- 1:00 p.m. Door-to-Door Visitation
- 3:30 p.m. Host Church Celebration
- 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Free Time/Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. 2005 Crossover Nashville Door-to-Door Celebration Service



Encourage all the pastors and churches in your state(s) to join in this grand opportunity! Let's see busloads of people from every city in every state in the USA in Tennessee on June 18!

Witness, Win, and Baptize...ONE MILLION!

The Southern Baptist Convention "Everyone Can" Kingdom Challenge!

Check out the "Everyone Can" Web site at www.everyonecan.net.

Free CD resource, "Everyone Can" Road Map, available at the SBC...pick yours up at the "Everyone Can" Bus!

To register, call 1.877.324.8498 or e-mail everyonecan@lifeway.com.

WMU and Wives of Ministers

March 18-19 WV WMU Missions Celebration

Freedom Baptist Church in Nutter Fort, WV was the host church for the 2005 WV WMU Missions Celebration, March 18-19. Over a hundred conferees plus singing groups and guests gathered for the two day meeting. Focusing on the theme, Christ Followers: Faithful Servants, conference attendees heard messages, music and reports from leaders in and outside of WV. Worship leadership by Loretta Jones from Washington, DC, and, at the piano, Larry Lee from Birmingham, Alabama, enabled those present to lift their voices and hearts to God in worshipful praise.



Joyce Harper, left, and Jerilyn Smith were among the Nutter Fort members who hosted the Celebration. (photo above) Darlene Vaughan and Cheryl Adams fellowship during an evening afterglow (below).

Maxine Bumgarner reads from a book of humorous facts about life in Alabama. She presented the book and other gifts to Leon and Sarah White on the occasion of his retirement from WV.



Below, Lynn and Russel Talley relaxed during the Friday night reception in honor of Leon and Sarah White.



2005 SBC Nashville, TN Wives of Ministers Luncheon

To purchase tickets in advance, send \$10 per ticket to Barbara Fox, % Immanuel Baptist Church, 1415 South Topeka, Wichita, KS 67211 or phone LifeWay Event Registration at 1-800-254-2022.

If purchasing by mail, please make checks payable to: SBC Minister's Wives' Conference and include a self-addressed and stamped envelope.

Tickets will be \$12 at the door, if any remain for sale.



Southern Baptist Convention
2005
Minister's Wives' Luncheon
Fiftieth Annual
Minister's Wives' Conference
of the
Southern Baptist Convention

Tuesday, June 21, 2005 ~ 11:45 a.m.
Nashville, Tennessee
Renaissance Hotel

Featured Speaker
Kay Warren



Jan. 1- April 1, 2005 Gifts From WV Churches

Organization	CP	Annie Armstrong	Lottie Moon	Ola Cox	World Hunger	Total
<i>Allegheny</i>						
Beaver Creek	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
Calvary, Meadow Bridge	468.26	0.00	644.50	0.00	0.00	1,112.76
Calvary, Webster Springs	131.88	0.00	275.00	0.00	0.00	406.88
Emmanuel, Lewisburg	1,960.00	159.00	159.00	0.00	0.00	2,278.00
Evangel, Hico	382.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	382.60
Faith, Rupert	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
First, Craigsville	1,526.61	0.00	1,254.00	0.00	0.00	2,780.61
First, Fairlea	22,313.66	0.00	7,354.33	0.00	3,965.01	33,633.00
First, Huntersville	2,035.76	0.00	55.00	0.00	0.00	2,090.76
First, Sutton	741.94	302.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,043.94
Grace, Rainelle	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Graydon	785.00	128.00	176.00	0.00	0.00	1,089.00
Hope	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Jeanette	209.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	209.10
Little Birch	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Nettie	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
New Life, Cowen	190.55	170.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	360.55
New River, Fayetteville	207.79	0.00	240.00	0.00	0.00	447.79
Restoration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
So Baptist, Summersville	2,234.15	0.00	643.40	0.00	0.00	2,877.55
Trinity, Buckeye	1,218.54	0.00	374.69	0.00	0.00	1,593.23
West View	90.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	90.00
White Sulphur Springs	1,557.52	0.00	659.23	0.00	0.00	2,216.75
Totals	36,353.36	909.00	11,835.15	0.00	3,965.01	53,062.52
<i>Greater Huntington</i>						
Altizer	675.00	0.00	600.00	0.00	0.00	1,275.00
Calvary, Chapmanville	600.00	0.00	1,901.00	0.00	0.00	2,501.00
Chinese Mission	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00
Crosspoint Community	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Eastwood	75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
First, Ceredo	10,028.00	1,316.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,344.00
Hamlin	1,125.00	2,300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,425.00
Highlawn	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lincoln	240.62	0.00	120.00	0.00	0.00	360.62
New Beginnings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Shining Light	0.00	0.00	355.00	0.00	0.00	355.00
Spring Valley Freedom	114.58	0.00	225.00	25.00	0.00	364.58
Twentieth Street	750.00	0.00	1,700.00	0.00	0.00	2,450.00
Westmoreland	6,513.79	0.00	1,545.00	0.00	0.00	8,058.79
Totals	20,371.99	3,616.00	6,446.00	25.00	0.00	30,458.99
<i>Immanuel</i>						
Brooksville	1,784.47	0.00	849.00	0.00	0.00	2,633.47
Camden Flats Chapel	532.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	532.50
Community, Grantsville	349.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	349.00
Fairlawn, Parkersburg	5,197.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,197.10
Faith, Mason	0.00	737.26	344.74	0.00	0.00	1,082.00
Faith, West Union	347.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	347.91
Grace, Parkersburg	11,989.08	0.00	4,417.62	0.00	14.25	16,420.95
Hillcrest	848.46	0.00	598.77	0.00	0.00	1,447.23
Jackson Avenue	354.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	354.00
Mineral Wells	1,800.23	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	2,300.23
New Beginnings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Life Fellowship	142.64	0.00	131.32	0.00	0.00	273.96
So. Baptist Fellowship	1,356.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,356.53
Southside	735.10	0.00	311.00	0.00	0.00	1,046.10
Victory	180.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	180.02
West Ripley	1,160.93	0.00	1,097.00	0.00	223.29	2,481.22
Williams Creek	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	26,777.97	737.26	8,249.45	0.00	237.54	36,002.22

Music Leaders Workshop

May 13-14

6:45 Friday to
Noon, Saturday

Wayside Baptist
Buckhannon, WV

Emphasis:
Contemporary
Worship

Register by calling
Tom Young @
800-411-5758
Extension 116

by May 2
Registration Fee \$5

Lodging may be
available at the
nearby Hampton Inn
at 304-473-0900.
Reservations are the
responsibility of the
individual conferee.

Conferences:

A conference will be offered
for pastors, worship leaders, and
choir directors led by Rev. David
Earnest, Winter Haven, Florida.

Another conference will be
offered for instrumentalists in-
cluding keyboards, guitars,
drums, etc. led by Rev. Tim
Wright, Fort Walton Beach,
Florida.

Attention: Ministers' Wives

If your husband is any type of fulltime or part-time minister, you are invited to attend an annual retreat designed with you in mind. It will be an out-of-this-world experience as we dig into God's Word, praise Him through music, and relax with lots of great food and fun-filled fellowship. Take some time away from your busy schedules and refuel your heart and mind.

When:

Friday, May 13
3:00 Registration
6:00 Dinner
through Saturday,
May 14 lunch

Where:

Rippling Waters
Campground,
Middle Fork Road,
Romance, WV
304-988-2607

Cost: \$10

Contact: Libbie @
800-411-5758
Extension 100
to pre-register or
for information.

Bring your
favorite snacks
and drinks!

Organization	CP	Annie Armstrong	Lottie Moon	Ola Cox	World Hunger	TOTAL
Monongahela Baptist Association						
Berean Baptist Church	234.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	234.05
Calvary, Belington	571.58	0.00	592.00	0.00	0.00	1,163.58
Calvary, Grafton	1,502.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,502.02
Calvary, Morgantown	2,474.68	50.00	186.00	0.00	0.00	2,710.68
Canaan	213.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	213.24
Central, Elkins	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Charity, Wyatt	1,138.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,138.80
Church of the Good Shepherd	0.00	226.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	226.00
Evangel, Bridgeport	512.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	512.00
Evergreen	11.35	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	31.35
Faith, Dailey	1,981.78	0.00	297.50	0.00	0.00	2,279.28
Faith, Weston	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
First Southern, Fairmont	187.44	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	237.44
Freedom	6,233.54	0.00	72.29	1,650.05	0.00	7,955.88
Grace Fellowship, Wana	555.12	0.00	305.00	0.00	0.00	860.12
Kingwood	1,544.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,544.17
New Found	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Hope Community	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Life, Bridgeport	194.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	194.51
New Life, Weston	148.38	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	168.38
Rowlesburg	0.00	0.00	85.00	0.00	0.00	85.00
Southern, Philippi	843.33	453.75	513.57	0.00	0.00	1,810.65
Twin Lakes	156.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	156.00
Wayside, Buckhannon	936.39	0.00	280.00	0.00	0.00	1,216.39
Totals	19,438.38	729.75	2,421.36	1,650.05	0.00	24,239.54
Mountain State						
Blackwolf	633.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	633.60
Bluewell	225.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	375.00
Brenton	845.40	872.15	0.00	338.16	0.00	2,055.71
Brushfork	4,156.19	0.00	1,037.01	0.00	0.00	5,193.20
Burke Memorial	2,456.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,456.37
Calvary, Bluefield	483.37	0.00	140.81	0.00	0.00	624.18
Calvary, War	229.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	229.74
Central	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ceres	864.40	0.00	327.85	0.00	0.00	1,192.25
Covenant	663.20	0.00	265.52	0.00	0.00	928.72
Cumberland Heights	2,173.41	0.00	1,863.00	0.00	0.00	4,036.41
East End	3,706.32	4,511.00	60.00	0.00	0.00	8,277.32
Edgemont	3,600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,600.00
Faith	437.11	0.00	463.08	0.00	20.00	920.19
Fellowship	1,879.05	445.00	627.00	0.00	0.00	2,951.05
First, Bluewell	252.25	0.00	1,120.00	0.00	0.00	1,372.25
First, Hinton	442.76	0.00	990.00	0.00	0.00	1,432.76
First, Princeton	7,610.77	82.50	7,054.25	0.00	37.99	14,785.51
First So., Nemours	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
First So., Grandview	783.64	0.00	317.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.64
Grace, Oak Hill	1,967.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,967.42
Immanuel	11,622.65	1,967.00	2,282.33	0.00	0.00	15,871.98
Isaban	661.52	145.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	831.52
Lilly Grove	1,011.96	0.00	645.67	0.00	0.00	1,657.63
Lorton Lick	1,524.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,524.00
Memorial	9,527.72	503.50	639.50	0.00	0.00	10,670.72
Mt. Calvary	290.00	0.00	104.00	0.00	0.00	394.00
Mt. Hermon	368.33	0.00	150.00	132.00	0.00	650.33
Nehemiah	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Hope, Mullens	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Hope, Union	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Northgate	361.05	180.53	531.05	0.00	180.53	1,253.16
Oak Creek	310.21	0.00	203.00	0.00	0.00	513.21
Pineville	1,106.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,106.43
Riverside	179.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	279.00
Shawnee	375.00	0.00	323.00	0.00	0.00	698.00
Silver Springs	1,954.68	675.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,629.68
The Bridge	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Willowbrook	598.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	598.00
Totals	63,450.55	9,481.68	19,319.07	470.16	238.52	92,959.98

Organization	CP	Annie Armstrong	Lottie Moon	Ola Cox	World Hunger	Total
Non-Association						
Berkeley	6,593.67	0.00	1,747.83	0.00	0.00	8,341.50
Freedom Fellowship	66.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	66.50
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	179.36	0.00	179.36
Riverview Chapel	400.00	0.00	200.28	0.00	0.00	600.28
Totals	7,060.17	0.00	1,948.11	179.36	0.00	9,187.64
Pioneer						
Cathedral of Prayer	1,649.74	0.00	785.00	0.00	0.00	2,434.74
Cross Lanes	14,278.19	0.00	9,592.55	0.00	0.00	23,870.74
Fairlawn, Dunbar	1,409.06	405.00	185.00	0.00	0.00	1,999.06
Faith, Winfield	66.80	0.00	150.00	366.88	0.00	583.68
Foothills	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Foundations Comm.	750.80	0.00	81.00	0.00	0.00	831.80
Good Shepherd	11,508.13	1,877.00	1,031.00	0.00	0.00	14,416.13
Heritage	1,332.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,332.12
Lighthouse	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Living Hope	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Malden	300.00	378.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	678.00
North Charleston	2,233.87	0.00	3,594.23	0.00	0.00	5,828.10
Riverwood	690.80	0.00	576.00	0.00	0.00	1,266.80
Shrewsbury	90.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	90.20
Trinity, St. Albans	625.50	563.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,188.50
West Charleston	685.91	65.50	65.50	0.00	0.00	816.91
Witcher	3,928.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,928.29
Totals	39,549.41	3,288.50	16,060.28	366.88	0.00	59,265.07
Potomac Highland						
Amazing Grace	97.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	97.48
Canaan Valley	335.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	685.00
Carpendale	271.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	271.20
Christian Family	819.49	0.00	380.00	0.00	0.00	1,199.49
Covenant, Romney	1,294.69	0.00	78.00	0.00	0.00	1,372.69
First, Burlington	1,360.93	0.00	383.00	0.00	0.00	1,743.93
First, Brandywine	744.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	744.00
First, Ft. Ashby	1,008.57	500.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	1,558.57
Foxes Hollow	207.76	0.00	15.00	0.00	0.00	222.76
Knobley Road	348.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	348.44
Lost City	192.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	65.00	257.40
New Creek	310.96	0.00	192.10	0.00	0.00	503.06
New Day	346.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	346.05
New Hope, Peters.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
North Fork	1,954.00	0.00	1,264.00	100.00	1,326.13	4,644.13
Old Fields	1,152.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,152.04
Petersburg So.	242.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	242.66
P.H. Baptist Assoc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	225.00	225.00
Second, Keyser	1,006.00	0.00	295.00	0.00	0.00	1,301.00
Wayside, Franklin	923.68	0.00	0.00	10.00	20.00	953.68
Zoar	756.62	0.00	257.00	170.00	112.00	1,295.62
Totals	13,371.97	500.00	3,264.10	280.00	1,748.13	19,164.20
Tri-County						
Baker Heights	1,953.74	0.00	1,260.00	0.00	0.00	3,213.74
Beacon	519.89	0.00	1,154.96	0.00	0.00	1,674.85
Emmanuel	607.00	242.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	949.00
Hedgesville	1,404.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,404.71
Lighthouse	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
South Berkeley	1,319.88	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,344.88
Westview	5,750.01	0.00	6,618.45	0.00	115.62	12,484.08
Totals	11,555.23	267.00	9,133.41	0.00	115.62	21,071.26



**Disaster Relief
Retreat
April 29-30
Camp Caesar
Cowen, WV**

**Guest Speaker:
Micky Caison
NAMB**

**Everyone is
Invited!**

**Testimonies
Music
Worship
Fellowship**

**For reservations:
Call Joy Shumate
at
800-411-5758
Extension 101**

YouthFest Music Celebration

May 21
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Westmoreland
Baptist Church
Huntington, WV

For youth grades
7-12 and their
adult leaders
(There must be an
adult over the age
of 21 to
accompany every
five youth in your
group.)

Cost: \$5
per person

What you can
expect:
Fellowship
Singing
Worship
Fun
Free T-shirt
Lunch

Organization	CP	Annie Armstrong	Lottie Moon	Ola Cox	World Hunger	Total
<i>Coalfields Association</i>						
Borderland	2,499.10	1,133.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,632.10
Bradshaw Mountain	100.00	115.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	215.00
Chattaroy	921.62	55.00	329.00	0.00	0.00	1,305.62
East Williamson	7,903.00	1,868.00	133.00	0.00	0.00	9,904.00
Gateway	41.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	41.80
Gilbert Creek	163.24	0.00	1,417.49	0.00	0.00	1,580.73
Harborlight	61.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	61.62
Horsepen	1,842.02	0.00	937.00	0.00	0.00	2,779.02
Living Stone	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Covenant	297.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	297.42
New Life	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Peytona	361.61	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	611.61
Wharton	330.81	190.00	0.00	0.00	132.32	653.13
Totals	14,522.24	3,361.00	3,066.49	0.00	132.32	21,082.05
<i>Upper Ohio Valley</i>						
Abundant Life	1,580.03	132.50	1,170.00	0.00	0.00	2,882.53
Avondale	91.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	91.68
Calvary	968.67	0.00	232.48	0.00	0.00	1,201.15
Cameron	1,235.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,235.00
Emmanuel	794.52	0.00	126.00	0.00	0.00	920.52
Evangel	509.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	509.95
First, Chester	470.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	470.00
Freedom	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Immanuel	2,258.00	227.00	900.00	0.00	0.00	3,385.00
Indian Creek	235.40	0.00	67.00	0.00	0.00	302.40
Marland Heights	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
Open Door	2,100.46	2,457.00	650.00	0.00	0.00	5,207.46
Rehobeth	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ryerson	360.00	0.00	233.00	0.00	0.00	593.00
Solid Rock	250.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.50
South Wheeling	145.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	145.10
Temple	798.31	0.00	913.64	0.00	0.00	1,711.95
Tyler	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
U.O.V. Assoc.	959.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	959.97
Totals	13,007.59	2,816.50	4,292.12	0.00	0.00	20,116.21
Grand Totals	265,458.86	25,706.69	86,035.54	2,971.45	6,437.14	386,609.68

YOUTHFEST MUSIC CELEBRATION

To Register:

Call 1-800-411-5758, extension 116, or email tomyoung@wvcsb.org to indicate how many youth and adults will be registering. NOTE: Your group must bring a minimum of one adult over the age of 21 for each five youth included in your group.

Registration forms have been mailed to each church and chapel cooperating with the West Virginia Convention of Southern Baptists. Completing the form and mailing in the registration is the preferred method because it helps the meeting coordinators to do better planning.

Mail the registration form along with a check made payable to WVCSB, One Mission Way, Scott Depot, WV 25560 to arrive by May 2, 2005.

Directions:

Take I-64 West to Huntington, exit number 6 and follow ramp to Madison Ave.

Turn left on Madison and follow it until it becomes Piedmont Road.

Continue on Piedmont through 2 traffic lights, approximately 1 mile to Court St.

Turn left on Court Street and go 2 blocks.

The church will be on your right at 3401 Hughes Street.

The church phone number is 304-429-1328.

Prayer Resources

From the Northern Panhandle by Rev. Ron McCoy

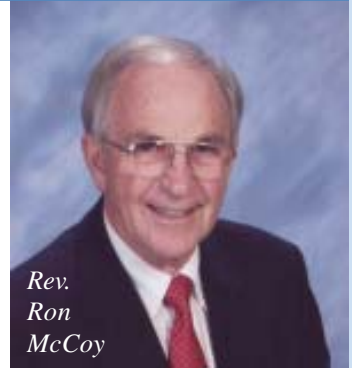
I sense a moving of the Spirit of God across the mountains and valleys of our state. The more I read Acts 1:8, the more I am challenged to be a soul winner “on mission with God.” Many of our churches are committing to be Acts 1:8 congregations and I pray that all of us will make that commitment. I pray that the state evangelism conference will serve to motivate all of us to become Acts 1:8 Christians.

Paul states in Romans 10:15, “How beauti-

ful are the feet of those who bring good news of good things!” (NASV) In the Message it reads as follows: “A sight to take your breath away! Grand processions of people telling the good things of God!”

Let’s go Mountaineers! With 7 out of 10 of our neighbors unchurched, we are still a long way from being “Almost Heaven.” We have received the Holy Spirit so let’s get the job done.

Go, Witness, Win, and Baptize 1 million!



Rev.
Ron
McCoy

West Virginia Prayer Focus

New Work: Clarksburg is the ninth largest community in the state with a population of 17,000. Currently there are no Southern Baptist congregations inside the city limits. James Smith, the Monongahela associational missionary, is seeking to plant a new work in the city. Pray: for God’s guidance in the process; that God will reveal a “person of peace,” (one who will open his/her home for Bible study) within the specific target community; that God will send a church planter to lead in this effort; that God will bring together a core group of believers for this new work.

Ministry Focus: Volunteer Mobilization.

Pray for our churches and the volunteer teams they will host to adequately prepare. Pray for mission teams from WV churches as they prepare to go on mission trips. Pray also for the churches who will host them.

Prayer Resources:

www.oneinamillionprayer.com

www.imb.org/compassionnet

1-800-395-PRAY (IMB)

www.wmu.com/getinvolved/prayerrequests

Scripture: Then those who feared the Lord spoke to one another, and the Lord listened

and heard them; So a book of remembrance was written before Him for those who feared the Lord and who meditated on His name. “They will be mine,” says the Lord of hosts, “On the day that I make them my jewels and I will spare them as a man spares his own son who serves him.” (Malachi 3:16-17, NKJV)

Your state convention staff meets each working day for a brief time of prayer. We pray for missionaries, campuses, associations, churches, and chapels by name each day. We invite our readers to pray as well.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Association</u>	<u>Campus</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Chapel</u>
May 2	Mountain State	Bluefield State	New Covenant, Logan	Chinese Mission
May 3	Tri-County	Concord Univ.	New Creek	Christian Family, Baker
May 4	Upper Ohio Valley	Marshall Univ.	New Day, Ft. Ashby	Faith, Weston
May 5	Allegheny	Mt. State Univ.	New Found, Diana	Faith, Winfield
May 6	Coalfields	WVU Morgan.	New Hope, Rock Cave	Faith, Athens
May 9	Greater Huntington	Bluefield State	New Hope, Union	Gateway, Julian
May 10	Immanuel	Concord Univ.	New Life, Bridgeport	Harborlight, Oceana
May 11	Pioneer	Marshall Univ.	New Life, Cowen	Hope, Richwood
May 12	Potomac Highland	Mt. State Univ.	New Life, Weston	Lighthouse, Chas.
May 13	Monongahela	WVU Morgan.	New River, Fayetteville	Living Hope, St. Albans
May 16	Mountain State	Bluefield State	North Charleston	Marland Heights, Weirton
May 17	Tri-County	Concord Univ.	North Fork, Riverton	New Beginnings, Pt. Pleasant
May 18	Upper Ohio Valley	Marshall Univ.	Northgate, Beckley	New Hope, Mullins
May 19	Allegheny	Mt. State Univ.	Old Fields	New Hope, Petersburg
May 20	Coalfields	WVU Morgan.	Open Door, Colliers	New Life, Arnoldsburg
May 23	Greater Huntington	Bluefield State	Petersburg Southern	New Life, Man
May 24	Immanuel	Concord Univ.	Peytona	Oak Creek, Peterstown
May 25	Pioneer	Marshall Univ.	Pineville	Rehoboth, Moundsville
May 26	Potomac Highland	Mt. State Univ.	Restoration, Rosedale	Shining Light, Barboursville
May 27	Monongahela	WVU Morgan.	Riverside, Bluefield	Solid Rock, Hundred

Churches and People

Calvary, Chapmanville, **John Freeman** pastor, felt blessed in February to accept six new members by letter.

Cross Point Community, **Greg Lucas** pastor, recently finished a sermon series and study on the book of Nehemiah. Their kids raised over \$600 for tsunami relief earning them the right to shave the pastor's head.

Pastor **Jerry Rose, Hamlin Baptist** reported that recently they baptized 9 out the preceding 13 weeks!

Westmoreland, C.J. Adkins pastor, reported 5037 hours of missions service in the year beginning March 1, 2004! They request the prayers of WV Southern Baptists for their pastor who is undergoing chemotherapy for cancer.

Twentieth Street in Kenova, **Clifford Curry** pastor, recently honored their senior adults. Their youth served them spaghetti!

Revolution Ministries (Baptist Campus Ministry at Marshall Univ.), **Dan Byrd** director, is preparing to host a semester missionary next fall, Kerry Williams. She was a summer missionary in WV in the past. She will help with ministry to the female student body. Their current ratio of male students to female students involved in Revolution Ministries is approximately 38/7 so Dan Byrd sees Kerry's assistance as a priority project for the fall.

Andy Kohari and the Borderland congregation recently celebrated the church's 25th anniversary. They are preparing to expand their fellowship hall and education space this summer with assistance from N.C. and S.C. churches.

Bob and Oakie Blevens, Bradshaw Mountain, recently celebrated their 50th wedding

anniversary with a visit to Grenada, West Indies where they served as missionaries in 1985-86.

Lucy Bostic, wife of pastor **W.L. Bostic** of **Chattaroy**, recently accompanied **Carolyn York** at WMU training in Alabama. Chattaroy ordained **Mose Pinson** as a deacon March 6.

East Williamson celebrated Easter with a crowd of over 200 worshipers. They are thankful for the good pulpit supply ministry of **Mike York, Mike Kohari, and Fred Dillon**. Former pastor **Larry Brown** will be preaching at their April 24-29 revival services.

Gilbert Creek, John Thompson pastor, rejoiced to see one saved and 3 rededications on Easter Sunday. They have recently distributed 187 Easter baskets in their area and are regularly serving over 40 families per month through their food pantry.

Mission Service Corps volunteers, **Willard and Margaret Wilson** are giving fine leadership to the **HarborLight** chapel at **Oceana**.

Michael Hatfield of Delbarton is the new pastor at **Horsepen Baptist**. His ordination was April 10.

New Covenant, Bob Underwood pastor, is sponsoring a new chapel in **Madison**. Services were launched Easter Sunday.

Darrell Searls is the new pastor at **Wharton**. They recently started a new youth class.

Temple, Moundsville, Mark Plaughter pastor, is pleased with their new website. Our readers can check it out at www.tbcwv.org.



Carol Taylor (above, left) and **Linda Farley** point at the visual aid **Community Baptist** in Grantsville has used this Spring to raise over

\$1,000 for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. The new congregation constituted in February, 2004, is led by Bob Shannon of Arnoldsburg and averages around 8-10 people in attendance. They began with a goal of \$300 and a map of the United States to visualize the field for which they were praying and raising funds. Each \$5 raised represented a state "purchased" and, in the photograph above, a paper "flag" indicates their progress toward the goal. In a phone conversation April 4, lay leader Mary Webb chuckled as she noted that with \$1,000 raised by Easter Sunday, the tiny congregation had "flagged" every state several times!



Westview, Martinsburg, Johnny Kelly pastor, broke ground March 6 for the sanctuary project pictured above. They hope to complete the project by the end of the year or earlier. The worship facility is slated to seat over 500. Ground breaking ceremonies included a special challenge from **Terry Harper**, Executive Director of the West Virginia Convention.

Bruce Rector director of student ministry at **WVU, Morgantown**, recently led a group of six students on a spring break mission trip to Charleston, WV where for three days they ministered to homeless people and to children in after school ministries.

The **Berean Baptist** youth were featured singers at the recent Missions Celebration in Nutter Fort. **Lindell Smith** is their pastor.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Sonny Palmer pastor, has been involved in ministries to raise funds and provide other resources for outreach in Russia. The children have raised over \$80 in their "Pennies for Russia" project. The Women's Joy Fellowship made salvation bracelets.

First Southern, Fairmont, David Mellquist pastor, added interpreters for their deaf ministry and rejoiced to reach some new families who have moved into the area recently. The end result has been a nice increase in attendance!

Churches and People



Eleven of the twelve members of the **Concord Baptist Student Union** who served in the March, 2005, BeachReach ministry at Panama City Beach in Florida, ham it up for the camera in the **photo above**. BeachReach occurs annually during spring break at various beaches around the country. It targets college students and others visiting the resort centers where the ministries take place. Campus ministry teams from all over the country come to share their faith and minister to the needs of persons on vacation. Student ministry director, **Bobbie Cox** reported that the team provided transportation for over 130 individuals, witnessed to over 100 persons, served in two pancake breakfasts, involved themselves in a variety of intercessory prayer efforts, and otherwise planted and watered many seeds of faith. The campus ministry at Concord and the other campuses listed on the prayer list on page 9 of this newspaper are made possible largely through mission gifts channeled through the Cooperative Program.

The Easter weekend outreach efforts of **Freedom, Nutter Fort, Jim Sanders** pastor, included a 6:00 p.m. Good Friday viewing of Mel Gibson's, *The Passion*, for adults, and *The Jesus Video* for children. On Easter Sunday they followed a sunrise service with breakfast then led worshipers in an Easter celebration using the drama, *One Had to Rise*.

Brushfork, Barry Fleming pastor, has baptized 40 in the past few months bringing their new member total to 60. They broke ground for a new section to be added to their worship center and purchased 2 acres of land to accommodate the growth and future needs.

Central, Bluefield, George Brown pastor, had 3 additions in March.

Covenant, Princeton, Kevin Howerton pas-

tor, sponsored a homeschool information workshop April 7.

Grace, Oak Hill, Delbert Walker, pastor, is preparing to purchase land and to constitute as a new church.

Lilly Grove, Princeton, celebrated Easter in their new auditorium.

Mt. Calvary, Beckley, Wayne Nutter, pastor, baptized two in December.

Northgate, Beckley, Craig Stevens pastor, took a team of 11 on a mission trip to Nicaragua April 15-22.

Christian Family, Baker, David May pastor, recently started 2 new Bible study cell groups which are doing well.

First, Brandywine, Mark McDowell pastor, started a Monday visitation ministry and 2 family Bible studies with good participation. They have people awaiting baptism and are looking forward to revival and homecoming services in May.

Fox's Hollow, Dan Biser pastor, nearly doubled their previous floor space with recent additions.

Knobley Road, Dan Walker pastor, added 4 new members recently, 2 by baptism.

North Fork celebrated Easter with three presentations of its Easter pageant. **Mark McCallister** is pastor.

Old Fields, Dan Howard pastor, is preparing to host six mission teams this summer who plan to bring over 100 volunteers to help with Bible Clubs, prayer walking, surveys, construction, cleaning and other ministries.

Wayside, Franklin, Bruce Gray, interim pastor, recently conducted a mission emphasis called, *A Buck, A Bag, and A Bible*. The bucks assisted victims of the tsunami, the bags were for the Franklin Food Ministry, and the Bibles are for this summer's VBS.

Zoar, Dan Biser pastor, took time January 30 to express special appreciation for **Georgie**, the pastor's wife. They have started publishing a church newsletter February 6.

Many of the churches in **Potomac Highland Association, Don Ertel** missionary, are planning to participate in simultaneous revivals during April.

Isaban, Mason Perry pastor, hosted a group from South Carolina in December who brought food and gifts for local families. One person has joined the church recently. The TeamKids ministry continues to grow.

West Ripley, Jack Miller, pastor, ordained **Darrell Riffe** as a deacon February 27.

Fairlawn, Parkersburg, Bill Reid pastor, recently called **Jason Johnson** as fulltime Minister of Music.

The **Williams Creek** congregation honored their pastor, **Mike Horner**, with a recent 39th birthday celebration.

Camden Flats, Glenville, Tony Conrad pastor, enjoys new space for education, a new restroom, and a new screen to use in their worship center.

Pastor **Stergil Vincent** and his associate, **Paul Drake** are rejoicing to see continued growth at **Southside** in Parkersburg in both numbers and in ministries.

Immanuel Association, Dick Howie missionary, will be involved in four construction projects in 2005: Addition to Borderland Baptist in Coalfields Association; Further additions to the Son Valley Church Camp near Elizabeth; Parsonage for New Beginnings in Pt. Pleasant; Parsonage for New Life, Arnoldsburg.

First, Fairlea plans to celebrate its Heritage Day on Sunday, May 15th. The Senior Adult ministry group will sponsor the event. Tom Lang, first pastor of the church, will be the speaker at the 11:00 a.m. service. Charter members will be recognized and a covered dish dinner will follow the service. They cordially invite all former members and friends to attend.

The ministry known as *Adopt An Annuitant* could help supplement the retirement income of someone you know who is a retired Southern Baptist minister but whose retirement income is not adequate to meet their financial obligations. Call 1-800-262-0511 to discuss who qualifies and how to apply.

Coming Attractions

6th Annual Men/Boys Golf Tournament

Sponsored by the WVCBSB

Date: June 10, 2005

Place: Sandy Brae Golf Course (exit 25 on I-79)

Cost: \$30.00 per participant (includes cart, snacks, lunch)

Tee Time: 8:00 A.M. (please arrive by 7:30)



This event is open to both men and boys/fathers and sons. Prizes will be awarded to the winners in various categories. A fairness/handicap formula will be applied to give everyone, experienced or not, a fair chance

All participants must register and pay the \$30.00 green fee by June 1.

**Reservations limited to 120 participants.
First come first served**

WVCBSB Calendar

May 7
WVCBSB Children's
Bible Drill

May 13-14
WVCBSB Music Leaders
Skill Workshop

May 13-14
Ministers' Wives Retreat

May 15-21
Associational Missions
Emphasis

May 21
WVCBSB Youth Choir Festival

May 30
WVCBSB Offices Closed
for Memorial Day Holiday

June 4
WV Baptist Foundation
Board of Directors Mtg.

June 10
Men/Boys Golf Tournament

June 10-11
Youth Evangelism Conference