

# THE BANNER

*“New Visions - New Frontiers”*

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**THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER | MAY 2, 2019**

★ PRAY FOR AMERICA ★

**LOVE ONE ANOTHER**

LOVE ONE ANOTHER. JUST AS I HAVE LOVED YOU JOHN 13:34



## ANNUAL TRUCKLOADING

benefiting

Georgia Baptist Children's Homes  
and Family Ministries



The Fairburn Baptist Association is collecting:  
bottled water, cereal, pancake mix, syrup,  
granola bars, grits, and oatmeal.  
Gift Cards are always appreciated!



Collection Information:

May 6, 2019

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Fairburn Baptist Association Office  
6950 Rivertown Road  
Fairburn, GA 30213



Questions? Please contact the Association/Church office or Charlie Koehl at 770-463-3800 or [ckoehl@gbchfm.org](mailto:ckoehl@gbchfm.org)

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## LINE CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

1488 BOB SMITH ROAD  
SHARPSBURG, GA 30277

INVITES YOU TO JOIN FOR A MORNING OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

MAY 22, 2019

10:30 AM - 1:00 PM

SIGN IN AND RECEIVE YOUR DOOR PRIZE TICKETS AT 10:30 AM  
COFFEE AND DONUTS WILL BE SERVED



MESSAGE BY DR. BENNY TATE, PASTOR OF ROCK SPRINGS CHURCH

- ♦ CONGREGATION SIGNING
- ♦ SPECIAL MUSIC
- ♦ DOOR PRIZES
- ♦ "A SPECIAL SWAMP PONDERING" BY RON WILDES

LUNCH SERVED AFTERWARDS, \$5 EACH  
PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY MAY 15 TO:  
LINE CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH - 678-423-0390; or,  
CONNIE ADAMS - 770-251-0588



### FBA SENIOR ADULT PICNIC

Tuesday, June 18

10 AM - LUNCH

We will gather at the FBA pavilion, located at 6950 Rivertown Rd., Fairburn, for fellowship, fun, and games. FBA will provide hot dogs and hamburgers, and we ask everyone to bring a side dish or dessert of your choice. Tea, lemonade and bottled water are also welcome additions!

Volunteers to help prepare and clean the pavilion area in the days before the picnic would be greatly appreciated. This will consist of cleaning outside tables and chairs, sweeping, etc., no heavy lifting. If you are willing to help, please contact us at the office.

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## Children's Home Day

Each year on Mother's Day, Georgia Baptist Children's Home and Family Ministries celebrate their annual Children's Home Day campaign to raise awareness and support for the hurting children and families across Georgia. Materials have been mailed to the churches. If you need any additional materials, you can submit an online order form at:

[www.georgiachildren.org](http://www.georgiachildren.org); or, give the GBCHFM a call at 770-463-3800. We know Mother's Day can be a busy day in our churches so please know that you can celebrate any-time of the year.

### NEWS & NEEDS

**First Baptist Church of Cliftondale** is seeking a Pianist. Interested parties should contact the church office at 770-964-9891, between the hours of 9 AM - 2 PM Monday, Tuesday or Thursday. Applications may be requested by phone and returned by mail to First Baptist Church of Cliftondale, 4005 Stonewall Tell Road, College Park, Georgia, 30349.

**Heatherwood Baptist Church**, 2195 Hwy. 138, Riverdale, is in search for a Pianist. The mid-week service is on Thursday, beginning with a meal at 5 PM, service at 6 PM. Sunday services begin at 11 AM. For additional information, contact the church office at 770-996-1893, or Rev. Doug Johnson at 404-539-7593.

**Line Creek Baptist Church** has several openings for our Spring Mystery Trip, April 29-May 3rd. It's going to be a great trip! For more information e-mail Connie Adams at: [ccadams1947@yahoo.com](mailto:ccadams1947@yahoo.com)

**Ramah Baptist Church** is now accepting resumes for either a full-time position as Minister of Worship and Students or two part-time positions in those areas. You can send your resume to Jeff Merritt, Pastor, at: [jeffpsalm1@gmail.com](mailto:jeffpsalm1@gmail.com)

**Shadnor First Baptist Church** is currently searching for a Minister of Music for Sunday morning services. A 30 minute choir practice is conducted at 10:30 AM before the 11 AM service. If interested, contact Joann Johnston at 770-964-3473, or the church office at 770-964-6105.

**The Rock Baptist Church**, 1392 Sandy Creek Rd., Fayetteville, is seeking a:

Worship Leader - Part-Time Position  
Responsibilities:

- Direct, lead, and assist the church in planning, conducting, and evaluating a total comprehensive music ministry.
- Attend all regularly scheduled church services.

Qualifications:

- Must be a Christian, very dependable, and trustworthy. Must also be in good standing with current church and have a special love for worship music.
- Must be able to read music and be a talented musician.
- Must have at least one year experience working with adult and children choirs.
- A High school diploma or equivalent is required. Two years of college with a focus on music preferred.

Resumes can be sent to:

Attn: Phil Herrington  
[rockbaptist@att.net](mailto:rockbaptist@att.net)

To submit an upcoming church event or news for publication in the next monthly newsletter, email to: [associationfairb@bellsouth.net](mailto:associationfairb@bellsouth.net)

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**April Receipts**

Church	Budget	YTD
Bethlehem	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00
Blessings of Life		
Campbellton	\$ 341.80	\$ 1,437.45
Cliftondale FBC	\$ 473.68	\$ 1,615.24
Connally Drive		
Crossroads SF		
Dogwood	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
FBC Fairburn		\$ 1,472.34
FBC Fayetteville	\$ 666.67	\$ 2,000.01
FBC Fay. Korean		
FBC Peachtree City	\$ 200.00	\$ 800.00
FBC Tyrone	\$ 372.15	\$ 1,405.27
First Victory		
Flat Creek	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Friendship	\$ 119.57	\$ 417.09
Genesis		\$ 500.00
Heatherwood		\$ 686.82
Hisp. Fairburn		
Hisp. Palmetto		\$ 57.75
Hisp. Peachtree City		\$ 348.05
Line Creek	\$ 718.14	\$ 3,556.66
McDonough Road	\$ 676.58	\$ 2,644.29
Mt. Olive	\$ 147.96	\$ 828.36
Mt. Vernon	\$ 551.35	\$ 2,065.55
New Hope	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,200.00
Oliver Grove	\$ 121.00	\$ 424.00
Palmetto		\$ 5,175.58
Pinetree Park		
Providence	\$ 1,150.60	\$ 3,484.74
Ramah FBC	\$ 220.00	\$ 816.00
Red Oak FBC		
Sandy Creek	\$ 861.03	\$ 3,004.47
Sardis	\$ 405.00	\$ 1,422.00
SFCCC		
Shadnor		
Southside		\$ 150.00
The Greater Solid Rock	\$ 150.00	\$ 600.00
The Rock	\$ 200.00	\$ 800.00

- 5/4 Marie Hogg, Cleaning Consultant - FBA  
 5/15 Sherry Forester, Ministry Asst. - Sandy Creek  
 5/17 Teresa Moss, Minister of Music - Campbellton

**UPCOMING EVENTS****May:**

- 2 National Day of Prayer  
 2 GriefShare at FBA - 10 AM, led by Dr. Steve Batts  
 6 Truck Loading at FBA - 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM  
 7 Minister's Luncheon at 12 PM - FBA Fellowship Hall  
 9 GriefShare at FBA - 10 AM, led by Dr. Steve Batts  
 11 State Youth/High School Bible Drill at Flat Creek  
 12 Happy Mother's Day!  
 13 Safest Space Conference at Eastside BC, Marietta  
 13-14 Renovate Conference at Morningside BC, Columbus  
 16 GriefShare at FBA - 10 AM, led by Dr. Steve Batts  
 18 Armed Forces Day  
 21 Minister's Luncheon at 12 PM - Frank's at the Old Mill  
 22 Benny Tate at Line Creek - 10:30 - RSVP by 5/15  
 23 FBA Spring Golf Classic  
 23 GriefShare at FBA - 10 AM, led by Dr. Steve Batts  
 27 Memorial Day - FBA Office Closed

**"And they found the stone  
 rolled away from the tomb,  
 but when they went in they  
 did not find the body of the  
 Lord Jesus."**

- Luke 24:2-3



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## **SWAMP PONDERINGS**

### ***"A Mother's Sage Sayings and Advice"***

Back when I was in elementary school, the principal, Mr. Tillery, and I became good friends. Well, we saw each other often enough to be good friends! I could always count on Mr. Tillery to offer sound advice meant to help keep me out of trouble.

Mr. Tillery always had an awesome respect for parents, especially mothers - and especially his mother. He said his mother taught all kinds of good and important things. He often commended his mother for always knowing just the right words to say to challenge and encourage him.

He said one time his mother came in to wake him, saying, "OK. Get up! It's time for school."

He said, "But why, Mom? I don't want to go to school."

"Alright. Give me two good reasons why you don't want to go to school."

"Well, for one the kids don't like me. And, another, the teachers hate me."

"Oh, that's not good enough reasons for not going to school. So, come on. Get up and get ready."

"Mom, give me two good reasons why I should go to school."

"Well, for one, you are 50 years old. For another, you are the principal!"

His words come to me now, and make me think of the sage sayings and advice my mother has given me over the years.

#### **Things on subjects like:**

**Logic:** "Because I said so, that's why!"

**Sound Brotherly Advice:** "If you are going to kill each other, do it outside. I've just finished cleaning in here."

**Foresight:** "Make sure you have on clean underwear, in case you are in an accident."

**Religion:** "You better pray that stain will come out of your shirt."

**Irony:** "Keep crying and I'll give you something to cry about!"

**Oppressive Osmosis:** "Shut your mouth and eat your supper!"

**Self Contortionism:** "Will you just look at the dirt on the back of your neck."

**Fortitude:** "You are going to sit there until all that liver is finished."

**Hypocrisy:** "If I've told you once, I've told you a million times - Don't Exaggerate!"

**Envy:** "There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do."

**Reasoning:** "If you fall out of that swing and break your neck, you can't go to the store with me."

**Physiology:** "If you don't stop crossing your eyes like that, they will freeze crossed that way!"

**Daring Disclosure:** "If you step on a crack, you will break your mother's back!"

**Rising to a Challenge:** "What are you doing? What were you thinking? Answer me when I talk to you...And, don't talk back to me!"

**Brutal Humor:** "When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me!"

**Genetic Roots:** "Do you think you were born in a barn?"

**Anticipation:** "Just wait until your father gets home!"

**Patience:** "You are going to get it when we get home."

**Ultimate Justice:** "One day you will have kids, and I hope they all turn out just like you! Then, we'll see."

Ahhh! A mother's wisdom is much to be appreciated. Instruction may seem so mundane at the time; but, later gains perspective. My mother is no longer here to give me wisdom and guidance; yet, much of what she told me still resonates in my head. I can still glean from what she said to me.

*("A Mother's Sage Sayings and Advice," continued)*

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## ..."A Mother's Sage Sayings and Advice," cont...

The Lord's instruction should resonate with us, as well. **"Whoever is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the Lord" (Psalms 107:43).**

The Lord gave us mothers to guide us and to demonstrate His lovingkindness. **"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: A good understanding have all they that do His commandments. His praise endures forever" (Psalms 111:10).**

**"A reproof is more effective for a wise man than a hundred lashes on a fool" (Proverbs 17:10).**

My mother helped me in instruction, warnings, corrections and reproofing, (and some lashing); but, she did it all because she loved me - that I never doubted.

Happy Mother's Day to you all!

Bro. Ron

\$50.00 per layperson \$40.00 per ordained minister	
<b>Includes:</b> 18 holes of golf, cart, range balls, meal and chance for prizes.	
<b>The Deadline is May 20.</b> After May 20, the entry fee will increase by \$10.00. Please turn in registration form as early as possible.	
4) _____	1) _____
3) _____	2) _____
2) _____	3) _____
1) _____	4) _____
Player's Name	Address
Phone	Handicap

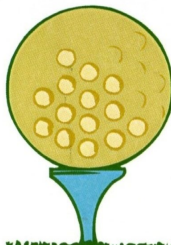
**Directions:** Take Hwy. 92 South towards Griffin. Turn right onto Henry Jackson Rd. In .57 miles, turn right onto West Ellis Rd. In .13 miles, take the 1st left onto North Pine Hill Rd. In .84 miles, take the 3rd right onto Club Drive. Turn right to stay on Club Drive. The Club at Shoal Creek is on the left.

**Please make checks payable to:**  
Fairburn Baptist Association

**Please send checks and form to:**  
Fairburn Baptist Association  
P.O. Box 365  
Fairburn, GA 30213

**For Information Call:**  
770-964-9830

**Sign In and Driving Range  
opens at 8:00 A.M.**



# GOLF

## Fairburn Baptist Association

# Spring GOLF Classic

**Thursday, May 23  
9 A.M.**



**The Club at Shoal Creek  
430 Country Club Drive  
Griffin, Georgia  
Phone: 770-228-4744**

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# All In

## *SPORTS CAMP*

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## THE ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH

**When: Monday-Friday, June 3-7, 2019**

**Time: 8:00 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.**

**GRADES: K-5<sup>th</sup>\***

\*Grade completed this year

**Cost: \$50 (Max \$150 per family)**

Includes: tshirt (if reg. By 4/24),

2 snacks/drinks per day; hotdog lunch on Friday

**BRING A SACK LUNCH!!**

### **SPORTS**

Softball/Baseball

Soccer

Football

Volleyball

Basketball

Karate/Self-defense

Join us for a week this summer as we explore and strengthen skills in various sports.

We will have experienced players/coaches to help your student strengthen skills in their current sport or learn a new sport. We will start and end each day with an exciting PEP RALLY. At the end of the week, we will have a "concession stand" lunch of hotdogs & nachos. This will be an exciting week your child will never forget.

For more information, call 770-964-4908 or email [rockbaptist@att.net](mailto:rockbaptist@att.net)

Deadline to sign up: April 24, 2019

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# RENOVATE

Register online at [RenovateMyChurch.org](http://RenovateMyChurch.org)  
or at the door (8:00 AM - 8:30 AM)

**\$29.99**  
(includes lunch)

## One Day Renovate Training Conference

**TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019**

First session will begin at 8:30 AM

Featuring: Fred Luter, Jr. (AM)  
and Karl Vaters (AM & PM)

4 breakout sessions by experienced Renovators

## Renovate Rally

**MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019 @7:00 PM**

Fred Luter, Jr. and the Renovate Band

Sponsored by The Columbus Baptist Association  
**Venue for both days at Morningside Baptist Church**  
6065 Morningside Drive - Columbus, GA 31909  
[Info@RenovateMyChurch.org](mailto:Info@RenovateMyChurch.org) - 706.322.7757



Fred Luter, Jr.

Mark Merrill

Sandy Adams

**RENOVATE CONFERENCE**  
**MAY 14, 2019**

4  
Dynamic Breakout  
Sessions Will Be  
Offered!

Matt O'Reilly

Karl Vaters

- Understanding the Risk
- Implementing Preventive Measures
- Providing Help and Care for Victims
- Preparing for and Responding to an Allegation
- Complying with Abuse Reporting Requirements
- Searching Criminal Records Effectively
- Applying Changes in the Law
- Training Church Security Teams
- Active Shooter Response

On May 14 Noonday Baptist Association will have a "Safest Space" Conference at Eastside Baptist Church in Marietta. It will feature information on topics designed to help create awareness and processes that will create safe spaces within our churches. Training will be provided by noted experts in the area on topics that are applicable to the church setting.

# SAFEST SPACE

## 2019 CONFERENCE

MAKING YOUR CHURCH THE  
SAFEST PLACE ON EARTH

**Tues. May 14th**  
**9AM - 1PM**  
**Eastside Baptist Church**  
**Marietta, GA**     **\$20/per person**

There will be displays from vendors, two breakout sessions, lunch and a Question and Answer time at the end. John Hull, pastor at Eastside Baptist Church, will be the keynote speaker. Cost for this is \$20 and includes lunch. Registration can be made at the door, or online at: <https://noonday.elvanto.net/form/11094f73-24a2-48df-9aa7-c08f12e3e31a/>





## BLUEBERRY-ALMOND TART

1 1/2 cup butter

8 large eggs

3 cups Splenda or sugar

2 teaspoons almond extract

2 1/2 cups all purpose flour

Preheat oven to 325°

Grease and lightly flour a 12 inch pan. Melt butter in bowl and let cool. Beat eggs at medium speed (30 seconds or so). Gradually add sugar. Beat until light/fluffy. Add almond and vanilla extracts. Gradually add flour, almonds, baking powder and salt. Beat in well. Add butter. Beat in well. Spread batter on prepared pan surface. Toss blueberries in 1 tablespoon flour, then sprinkle them onto batter surface. Slightly press blueberries even with surface.

Bake 42-45 minutes. Check with toothpick.

Cool 25-30 minutes.

Dust with powdered sugar and/or serve with whipped cream.

2 teaspoons baking powder

1 teaspoon salt

1 tablespoon vanilla extract

1 1/2 cups blueberries

1/3 cup almond slivers