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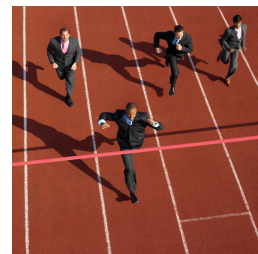
JANUARY 2012



VBS Early Bird Clinic
January 16
6:00 PM
DBA Office

All VBS Directors are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Leadership Greatness
January 26
6:30 PM
DBA Office



This will be a leadership workshop that focuses on five key biblically based principles that every 'great' leader in God's kingdom consistently practices. These principles are calling, contentment, character, crafting and coaching. All current church leaders are invited to attend.

Please call or email to register to attend this conference by January 19.

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News From Around Dale Baptist Association

Ariton...

To God be the Glory! The new fellowship hall is complete and has been used for school, community and church activities. The Retired Citizens of Ariton (RSVP) use the facility each week for their meetings. Beginning in January the old fellowship area (fondly known as the Richardson House) will be used for a clothes closet and food pantry for the community. The ABC Choir presented the cantata "Mary Did You Know" on Sunday evening 12/11/11. A Christmas Eve service was held on 12/24 as well as a Christmas Day service on 12/25/11. God has richly blessed the church this year as they have ministered in their community. Plans for the New Year include even more ministry and outreach as Ariton utilizes the facilities that God has entrusted to them.

Peniel...

Peniel Baptist Church is happy to report that the addition to the Fellowship Hall, Sunday School and Storage Rooms, and the additional Stained Glass Windows have been completed and are being enjoyed by everyone. Come and Worship!

Pleasant Ridge...

Craig Bailey, pastor of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, serves as a chaplain in the Army Reserves. 240 of the soldiers within his unit are deploying to Afghanistan in the summer of 2012. He is asking for churches, groups or individuals to support these troops and provide ministry to them and their families. This could include care packages, ministry material, and support to them and their families during the deployment. Anyone interested in helping in this endeavor can contact Bro. Craig at 334-692-4041.



Adopt a Soldier

Post Oak...

What is the role of a Deacon? What qualifies one as a Deacon? Why should we want Deacons in the church? Find your answers in a seminar conducted by Rev. & Mrs. Terry Rainwater at Post Oak Baptist Church on Saturday, January 14. To participate, please call the church office at 774-5823 for the details. **Post Oak** held its annual Lottie Moon Ornament Auction for International Missions on Wednesday, December 14. They raised \$1,070.00 to help the IMB. Rev. Ron Hendrickson was the auctioneer and many ornaments, knives, hunting supplies, cakes, & cookies were donated for the cause. The highest bid was for a turkey call at \$60 and several items were offered to the children for bids as low as \$2 for ornaments & cookies.

Ridgecrest...

Ridgecrest Baptist Church Youth will host Youth Day on January 8. The youth will teach all Sunday School classes and lead Sunday morning worship. They will lead worship and share in testimony time in the evening service. The January Bible Study is in the book of Ecclesiastes and will be led by Rev. Terry Rainwater on January 15 in the 9:15 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; and 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. services. The 5th Sunday night sing is January 29 at 6 p.m. All are welcome. Call the church office at 774-5610 for more information.

Rocky Head...

Rocky Head Baptist Church will be holding the Bible study "Made to Crave" in the months of January and February. "Made to Crave" is a book and Bible study to help you find the "want to" in how to make healthy lifestyle changes. This also approaches anything that we put before God and how to change that. Those attending the study can come weekly on Sundays from 5:00 to 5:50 p.m. beginning January 8, or Tuesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m., beginning January 10. This is a 6 week study and is not limited to RHBC members. If you are interested in attending the study, please contact Susan Lavender at 432-0129 or Beverly Carnahan at 498-3910.

WMU NEWS...

Don't forget to write on your calendar to come to the Association Office on January 21, for our BIBLE TRIVIA. We had such a great time last year and took up lots of money to help Sav-A-Life, that we decided to make this an annual event. Some of you did not come last year, because you were afraid that you would not know all the answers to the questions. **(Continued on next page)**

(WMU Continued) Well, neither did all of us, but, it helps us to learn more about the Bible, and we all had fun just being with each other. Bring your youth, and your older children also they will love it and at the same time we will be helping, Sav-A-Life. Have a blessed 2012 and thanks for all you do. Let's work hard to make this year much better than 2011 for JESUS.

Wilma Hart
 Associational WMU Director



Volunteers Needed:

We are in the planning and training phase of kicking off the newest ministry of Dale Baptist Association. If you haven't heard, we will be preparing income taxes, through the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program beginning January 24th and continuing until April 12th. This will be done between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and will be free of charge to those individuals coming in. An appointment is not required and clients will be taken on a first come first serve basis. We will not be preparing any business tax forms. Even though a few have volunteered, we are still in need of help. We need greeters to meet clients and welcome them in to the center. The only training to become a greeter is the Volunteer Standard of Conduct. It can be completed in less than 30 minutes. Training for tax preparer can be done online or in a hands on training session. Total time for the hands-on training is about 12 hours. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Lynn Andrews at 714-6088, Bro. Jim Hill at 774-5610, or the Association office at 774-2713.

Swamp Cookout 2012

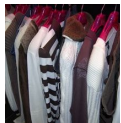
Plans are being made for the cookout that is scheduled for March 3, 2012. All Pastors and Men's Ministry Directors should be receiving information in the mail soon.

The Ladies Retreat is also scheduled for March 3. More information on this event will be coming soon.



Look who helped last month!

Church Name	Hours Served*	Church Name	Hours Served*
Camp Ground	11	Mt. Pisgah	19
Logan Road	21.5	Pleasant Ridge	6
Pleasant Grove	22	Center Ridge	8
Southside	31	Providence	3
Ozark	16		



Assistance Given for December 2011:

Food	247.10 lbs*
Clothing	6 individuals*

Food received this month from our churches:



Hillcrest WMU	49 lb
Midland City	182.8 lb
Mt. Enon	157.9 lb
Newton	80.3 lb
Pinckard	19.10 lb
Sav-A-Life	53.4 lb

Total received December 2011*	542.50 lbs
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Upcoming Events

- January 1New Year's Day
- January 2Office Closed
- January 910:30 AM Minister's Conference; 6:30 PM Executive Committee Mtg-Camp Ground
- January 1610:30 AM Minister's conference; 6:00 PM Early Bird VBS Clinic-DBA
- January 219 AM WMU Bible Trivia-DBA
- January 22Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
- January 2310:30 AM Minister's Conference
- January 266:30 PM Leadership Greatness-DBA
- January 3010:30 AM Minister's Conference

Upcoming February Events

**Senior Adult Valentine
 Banquet**
 February 7
 Post Oak Baptist

RA Race
 February 18
 9:00 AM

*Please note that the above information was based on print date.