



Ogeechee Missions Visionary



A Word From Our Missionary

As we enter the Thanksgiving season, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for the warm welcome you have given to Sandra and me. We are truly enjoying this new role and season of our lives, and we look forward to many years of serving alongside the churches of the Ogeechee River Baptist Association.

As you plan your schedule for the rest of 2024 and start looking ahead to 2025, take a moment to check out the upcoming fellowship and ministry opportunities within the association:

Love Your Neighbor Day Saturday, November 9, 8 AM

There are over 100 clean-up and recovery projects across our association still in need of support after Hurricane Helene. At 8 AM on November 9, we will meet at Southbridge Community Church in Statesboro, where projects will be assigned to teams. From there, we'll spread out across the community to love and serve our neighbors. Most of these projects involve debris removal, tree and limb cutting, and similar tasks, so please bring any necessary tools for this type of work.

Whether your team can serve for two hours, four hours, or longer, we look forward to seeing you on November 9. To register your team or for more information, give me a call.

Georgia Baptist Convention November 10–12

Hosted by First Baptist Statesboro. For a complete schedule, visit www.gabaptist.org. There will also be several ministry opportunities during the convention. See page 2 for times and contact information.

Pastors and Wives Christmas Banquet

Monday, December 2, 7 PM

Hosted by Trinity Baptist Church. More details will be shared soon about this special night of fellowship. Mark your calendar!

Third Thursday Minister Roundtables, starting January 2025

According to Lifeway Research, 64% of pastors feel a need to strengthen their relationships with other pastors, and many are open to guidance from those who have faced or are facing similar challenges. Our first Third Thursday Minister Roundtable will be on January 16 at 10 AM. This time is set aside for prayer, fellowship, and peer learning among the ministers of ORBA.

Wishing you and your family a joyful Thanksgiving season!

Blessings,
Jeff

PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Churches Without Pastors: Pine Grove, Pulaski & Union
- Our pastors as they seek the Lord in serving us
- The upcoming election and our nation, our world!
- Those affected by Hurricanes Debby, Helene & Milton
- Our upcoming Georgia Baptist Convention, Nov. 10-12 at FBC Statesboro
- Our W.W. Mann Center Ministry
- A new director for our WMU
- Our Missionary, Jeff Parmer, and his wife Sandra

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God" (Philippians 4:6)



November Anniversaries

Will & Margie Griffith 20
Tim & Helen Hufingham 20

PASTORS' LUNCHEES Schedule for 2024

An opportunity for ORBA pastors to get together for prayer, food & fellowship. Meetings at 11:45 a.m. Dates & locations:

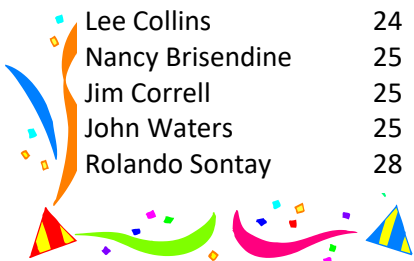
- 11/4 - Bevericks
(1055 Fortner Rd., Metter)
- 11/18 - Bites
(1302 Statesboro Place Cir., Statesboro)

Pastors & Wives Christmas Party

December 2nd at 7 p.m. at
Trinity Baptist, Nevils, GA
(RSVP Debbie by 11/22/24)

November Birthdays

Jody Nasworthy 5
Emily Fowler 12
Wrenn Fulginiti 12
Nicky McCreary 14
Emmalee Boyett 18
Thena Redding 19
Raymond Harbuck 21
Lee Collins 24
Nancy Brisendine 25
Jim Correll 25
John Waters 25
Rolando Sontay 28



The GA BAPTIST CONVENTION Comes to Statesboro



Volunteers Needed ...

As you know, the Georgia Baptist Annual Convention will be in Statesboro from Sunday, November 10th until Tuesday, November 12th. There is a great need for volunteers during the convention. Would you please share the following list of service opportunities with your church? Volunteers can register by contacting Mitzi Fountain, mfountain@gabaptist.org or Lisa Ponder, Lisa.Ponder@fbcboro.church

If you have other questions, or need more information, give Jeff Parmer a call (229-425-9726). Let's do all we can to make this the best annual convention ever.

Minimum Needs:

Sunday:	1 person- Breakroom 12-2
Monday:	Break Room- We are lacking in early and late.
	4 people- 7:30-10 am
	2 people 7:30 am- 2 pm
	2 people 7:30 am- 8:45 pm with breaks
	Kitchen:
	2 people 5:30-10 pm
	Service/FOH (front office hospitality):
	3 people- 9am- 1pm
	7 people- 9:45 am- 3:30 pm
	7 people- 7pm- 11 pm
Tuesday:	Break Room:
	4 people- 6:30 am- 9:30 am
	3 people- 9 am- 5 pm
	2 Choir Hospitality?
	Kitchen:
	2 people- 8:30-12:30- Kitchen/FOH
	Service/FOH:
	4 people- 6am- 9:30 am
	5 people- People 2pm- 4pm
Total Needs:	Break Room- 18 shifts
	Kitchen- 4 shifts
	Service/FOH- 26 shifts
	Total- 48 shifts

MOVE Conference is the largest winter evangelism conference for teenagers in Georgia, and the absolute best place to bring your youth group for their retreat this winter!

For more info, go to <https://brushfire.com/gabaptist/nextgen/573163>





The mission of OCC is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE brings ... OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

For packing instructions ...

(*See last month's Visionary or go online to <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>)

ORBA has 2 COLLECTION CENTERS for OCC!

BULLOCH COUNTY:

Emit Grove Baptist Church

(1567 Emit Grove Rd., Statesboro 30458)

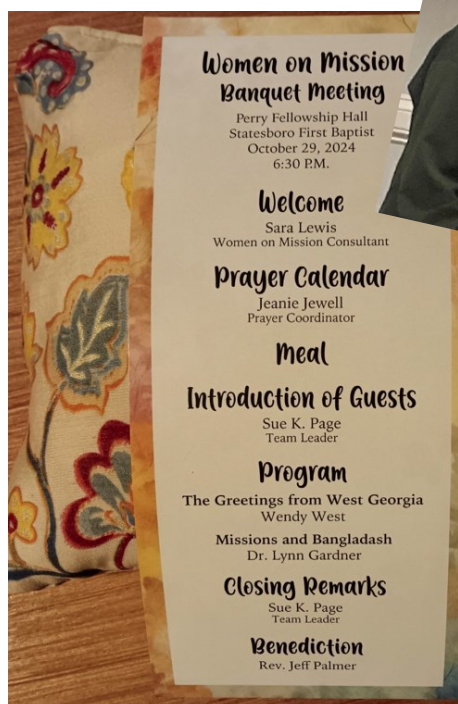
(11/18) 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
(11/19) 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
(11/20) 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
(11/21) 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
(11/22) 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
(11/23) 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
(11/24) 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
(11/25) 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

CANDLER COUNTY:

New Life Baptist Church

(29854 Hwy. 121 S., Metter 30439)

(11/18) 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(11/19) 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(11/20) 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
(11/21) 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(11/22) 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(11/23) 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
(11/24) 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(11/25) 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



THANK YOU to Mrs. Sue Page for serving as our WMU Director for 25 years and Assistant Director for 6 years. Though you deserve the rest, you will be greatly missed by so many of us. We love you!

Our many thanks to Cedar Street Baptist Church for their generous hospitality hosting the Annual meeting. The music was a blessing to all, and the food was absolutely delicious!

News from the Churches

FRIENDSHIP—GBCH ANGEL TREE! (*See flyer). If you would like to help out, contact **Martha Brown** at 912-865-4165 or email friendshipbaptiststatesboro@gmail.com or marthajbrown1642@gmail.com

LEEFIELD—Sat., 11/9; 3-5pm: Fall In Love with Jesus: Fall Festival! (*See flyer.)

METTER FBC—Wednesdays; at 6pm: Lighthouse Kids! Message, music, crafts & snacks.

STATESBORO FBC—(1)Sun., 11/10 - Tues., 11/12; **see gabaptist.org for Schedule: GA Baptist Convention! To register or for more info go to <https://gbcannualmeeting.com/>

Member Churches

and Missions

Agape
Bethel
Blitchton FBC
Brooklet FBC
Cedar Street
Christ
Clito
Eastern Heights
Eldora
Elmer
Emit Grove
Excelsior
Fletcher Memorial
Friendship
Iglesia Cristiana Hispana
Lawrence
Leefield
Lighthouse
Macedonia
Metter FBC
New Life
Oak Grove
Old Fellowship
Olive Branch
Pine Grove
Portal FBC
Pulaski
Register
Salem
SonLight Community
Southbridge Community
Statesboro FBC
S'boro Mision Bautista Bethel
Statesboro Korean Mission
Temple Hill
Trinity
Union





Pack the
GINGERBREAD
HOUSE

SHOPPING . MUSIC . COFFEE

TUESDAY | 3 | DECEMBER

DROP IN 4:30-7 PM
Foundations Resource Center
418 S Main St Statesboro

It takes a village!

Ogeechee River Baptist Association

17 North College Street
Statesboro, GA 30458
Phone: 912-764-3620
Fax: 912-489-4566

Website: www.orbalife.org
Moderator: Tony Pagliarullo
Assn. Missionary: Jeff Parmer
Email: orbamissionary@orbalife.org
Admin. Assistant: Debbie Marotte
Email: orbaooffice@orbalife.org

W.W. Mann Retreat Center

2171 Prather Road
Statesboro, GA 30461
Phone: 912-842-2460
Fax: 912-842-2464
Website: www.mann-center.org
Director: Mike Sparks
Email: bradwellalum69@yahoo.com

Christian Social Ministries (CSM)

"Helping others in need... In the name of Jesus!"

Director: John Long (912) 512-0107
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2416, Statesboro, GA 30459

Statesboro Stores: 122 E. Parrish St. (Thrift Store) / 307 N. Zetterower Ave. (Used Furniture)

Ministry Office & Food Pantry Warehouse: 31 N. Zetterower Ave., Statesboro

Assistance by appointment. Call 912-489-2407

Food Pantry (8 a.m. - 12 p.m.) Only 2 Mondays in November: the 11th & 25th.

C A L E N D A R

NOVEMBER (Focus on Christian Compassion)

- 3 Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 3 Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church
- 4 Baptist Women's Day of Prayer
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 10 Orphans and Widows Sunday
- 10-12 GBC Annual Meeting, **Statesboro FBC**
- 21 **Associational Executive Council Meeting, ORBA Office, 9:00 a.m.**
- 27-29 Thanksgiving Holiday, Office Closed

DECEMBER (Focus on International Missions)

- 1-8 Week of Prayer & Mission Study for IMB/Lottie Moon Offering
- 2 **Pastors and Wives Christmas Banquet**
- 23-31 Christmas Holiday, Office Closed
- 25 Christmas Day

JANUARY (Focus on Christian Discipleship)

- 1 New Year's Day Holiday
- 2 **ORBA Office re-opens for new year**
- 7 **Associational WMU Team Meeting; Location TBD, 6:30 p.m.**
- 9-11 [GBMB] Women in Ministry Retreat; Legacy@Lanier
- 14 **Camp "I AM" Planning Meeting; ORBA Office, 7:00 p.m.**
- 19 [SBC] Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
- 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; **ORBA Office Closed**
- 23-25 [GBMB] CONCLAVE (training for Youth leaders); Chattanooga Convention Center
- 23-25 [GBMB] Ministry Wives Retreat; Legacy@Lanier
- 23 **Associational Executive Council Meeting; ORBA Office, 9:00 a.m.**
- 24-25 [GBMB] REELfest Student Worship Weekend; FBC Jonesboro
- 24-26 [GBMB] BCM Discovery Weekend
- 27-29 [GBMB] AMS Retreat