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✠ COVINGTON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION NEWS ✠

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CORBITT'S COMMENTS

Corbitt's Comments for January 2022

Happy New Year from Covington Baptist Association! While it is true that the calendar we follow is arbitrary (it would make more sense to me if January 1st was the actual first day of winter), the New Year is a time for fresh starts. My prayer for 2022 is that we all will renew our devotion to our Lord and rededicate ourselves to serving Him through His church regardless of the external circumstances. As we look forward to God working among us in 2022, let me update you on some ministry plans here at the CBA.

Christian Book and Gift Shop: Our newest ministry enterprise has gotten off to a strong start and it has been fully operational for almost three months now. We have had a strong Christmas season and in the New Year we will begin to focus on Easter and Vacation Bible School. Look for an announcement soon about VBS material review events here at the CBA offices. We will carry all major brands of VBS materials, and we'll be glad to help all churches with their VBS curriculum needs. **If you have questions, call the Book and Gift Shop at 222-3711.**

Praying for churches: For the past three years we have been asking you to pray for a different church each week. We have organized that effort alphabetically, but in 2022 we are going to change things up. We'll be organizing our prayer list geographically, starting from the northwest corner of our county. The churches we will be praying for in 2022 are listed elsewhere in the newsletter and I will be publishing a year-long list soon. Thanks so much for praying for our churches in 2022!

Collegiate ministry: One ministry area we have struggled in recent years is in establishing a consistent and enduring ministry to the students of Lurleen B Wallace Community College. Several of our churches minister to the LBW students in various ways, but we have no Baptist Campus Ministry that actually serves at the two locations of the school. Some of our church college ministry leaders have approached the Association about establishing a BCM at LBW, and so we have invited State Missionary Mike Nuss to join us at 6:00pm on January 10th to guide us in establishing an enduring ministry on the LBW Campus. All church leaders who are interested in campus ministry are invited and the CBA will serve a meal. **There is no charge for the meal, but reservations are required by close of business on January 6th; for reservations, please call the CBA Office at 222-3009 or email me at ocorbitt@covingtonbaptist.org.**

Senior Adult Revival: Please pray with us about the Senior Adult Revival. We have missed two years of this event because of COVID-19, and while we would love to schedule it again for 2022, we are not really sure if the time is right. We are earnestly seeking God's wisdom for this ministry which has been one of the biggest meetings of the year in our Association. Let us know what you think!

Finally, let me say that we at the CBA pray that God will richly bless you and your church in 2022!

Every blessing, Director of Missions Otis Corbitt

ASSOCIATION ANNUALS

Association Annuals will be ready for pickup at the Association Office after January 5, 2022. They can also be picked up at the Executive Committee Meeting which is scheduled for Monday, January 31, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. Each church is authorized 2 copies. (1 copy for church office and 1 copy for the Church Clerk). Thank you for furnishing information to make these possible.

ASSOCIATIONAL NEWS

Praying for Each Other in 2022

In Paul's teaching about the gifts of the Holy Spirit in Ephesians 6, he told us we should be "praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints, . . ." In 2022, join us in praying for a different member church each week.

January

January 2: Brooks
January 9: Pigeon Creek
January 16: Oak Grove
January 23: Buck Creek
January 30: Fairmount

JANUARY FOOD BANK DONORS

Damascus, Southside-Opp, Westside, Babbie, Beulah, Cedar Grove, Rawls, Pleasant Home, Southside-Andy, Sanford, New Song

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following churches who are without pastors:

Brooks Baptist Church	Oakey Ridge
Millcreek	Mobley Creek
Victory	Floral FBC
Southside Andy	Adellum
Lockhart Baptist Ch.	

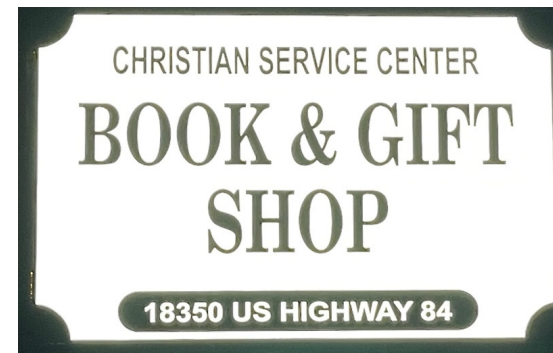
Christian Service Center

The Christian Service Centers need canned food items related to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays such as cream of chicken, cream of celery, cream of mushroom, stuffing, cranberry sauce, etc....

THANK YOU!



If you are interested in collegiate ministry at LBW Community College State Missionary Mike Nuss will be with us at 6pm on January 10, 2022 to guide us in how to establish a Baptist Campus Ministry at LBW. All church leaders who are interested in campus ministry are invited and the CBA will serve a meal. There is no charge for the meal, but reservations are required by close of business on January 6th; for reservations, please call the CBA Office at 222-3009 or email ocorbitt@covingtonbaptist.org.



Come and see us for all your Bible, curriculum, and church supply needs.

Open:

10am to 6pm Monday-Friday and
10am to 2pm on Saturday
Call us at: 334-222-3711.



Kentucky Tornado Response

We were all saddened by the destruction and loss of life caused by the recent tornadoes in Kentucky and the surrounding area. One of the best ways to help is by sending a designated offering through the Alabama Baptist Convention. Write "For Disaster Relief" on your check. Look here for more info: https://alsbom.org/alabama-stands-ready-to-assist-kentucky-baptists-and-other-state-conventions/?mc_cid=34fb55dbf9&mc_eid=7a706812d9