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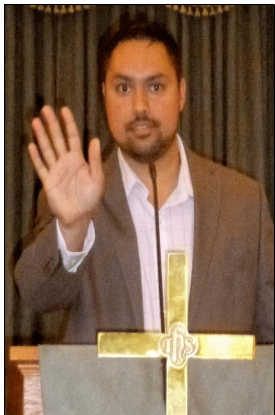
Blessings

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Pastor's column

It's OKAY to be NEW!



Pastor Jacob Brimm

It's a new church year! I cannot believe that we are doing this, AGAIN! It seems like we just did this! It seems like time has just flown past, like a whirlwind. Some things feel like they took all year, and some things seemed to happen in a flash. Lets take a moment to look at some things that have happened over this past church year. We had an amazing Toyland Concert, a homecoming, our candlelight communion, Christmas Eve Service, we brought the New Year in with a series over the Baptist Faith and Message, we welcomed new babies into our families, we had baby dedications, Vacation Bible School, the addition of new members into our church family, a revival, we had a baptism (praise the Lord), and we had a brother answer the call to become a deacon. There have been a lot of good times over the course of this year.

Two things are guaranteed: First, this year will have A LOT of the same events as last year! Second, there will be NEW things happening. New can be scary, it can be awkward, it can be frustrating, but it can also be exciting, wonderful, and well, NEW! We should not be afraid of new, because one day we will all be in heaven singing a NEW song (Rev 14)!

New is a good thing. New means we have not given up. New means we are not settling for the status quo. New means we are willing to try NEW things to reach NEW people! Here is the real beauty of NEW: it rhymes with YOU! Cheesy? Perhaps. Cheesy or not: YOU can help us with NEW! New ideas to try new things to reach new people to go places we have never been before! I think Jesus likes when we do new things.

Everything changes: time, people, cultures, etc. There are new discoveries every day in every realm of research. We should not be afraid of new, we should embrace new; because new means we have realized that Jesus is in the business of people, and as people change we will change the way reach out to them.

Regardless of all the new we try there is one thing that NEVER changes: the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the message of the Cross! Often we are afraid that new means we change the message, but the message CANNOT change, and we will not water it down or wash it out! So in the midst of all the NEW we DO, rest assured that there will be no change in the fact that Jesus is LORD and SAVIOR, He is Alpha and Omega, and we will unapologetically preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ – just, prayerfully, to NEW people!

MISSION GEORGIA

Season of Prayer and Offering
for State Missions

BEYOND:

PROVING THE POWER OF GOD

During September, we will focus on our mission of reaching lost and unchurched people in Georgia. Prayer guides will be available at the church house to help us pray for our state and our Georgia Baptist Mission Board ministries.

This year's theme is "*Beyond: Proving the Power of God.*" which comes from Ephesians 3: 20-21: "*Now to Him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us – to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.*"

Dr. J. Robert White, executive director of the GBMB encourages us to go BEYOND anything we have ever done before in supporting the ministries which are spanning Georgia with the message of healing, hope, and salvation. Every dime of the special offering will be used to make an eternal difference in thousands of lives in our state. Dr. White challenges us to go beyond our comfort zone to make things happen – great things, spiritual things, God-sized things through our involvement.

Let's give the most generous offering ever to Mission Georgia. God is at work in Georgia. Let's join Him in this effort.

OFFERING GOAL: \$1,000

Churchwide lunch to honor Connie on Sept. 11



Long time (a really long time) church member Connie Raper has left our local flock. She has moved to the other side of Vienna and will be going to Smyrna Baptist Church in the future. The FBIC Sunday School class (Connie's SS class) is hosting a churchwide lunch in her honor immediately after morning

worship on September 11. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish. The FBIC Class will furnish ham and chicken.

Movie Night

Sept. 9 @ 7pm

Saliba Hall

featuring



Women's groups starting back meeting in September

The Women On Mission Day group will meet at the church house September 19 at 10:30 a.m. and go out to eat after the meeting. They will also host a birthday party at Pinehill Nursing Center that day at 2:00 p.m. Anyone wanting to come help will be welcomed.

The GEMS's first meeting will be at The Cove. Time and date to be announced.

Deacon ordination Sept. 18

Newly elected deacon Daniel Thompson will be ordained during the 11:00 a.m. worship service on September 18.

Seasoned Saints going to the largest salad bar in Georgia

Cedar Lane Supper Club in McRae boasts having the largest salad bar in Georgia. The Seasoned Saints will leave Byromville on October 1 at 4:00 p.m. to enjoy not only the salad, but great food and fellowship there and on the way. Call Pat Hatcher at 478-952-8793 if you plan to go.

Persecution is an enemy the church has met and mastered many times. Indifference could prove to be a far more dangerous foe.

—Brother Andrew



Worship Conference September 22, 2016

First Baptist Church, 911 Cherry Street, Unadilla
Light supper at 6pm. Conference begins at 7pm.

CA Baptist Mission Board's Worship & Music Ministry state missionaries will lead breakout sessions



Steve Brown
Music ministers & worship leaders



Judy Crumley
Instrumentalists



Jon Duncan
Pastors



Eddy Oliver
Media technicians

This event is also for those who sing in the choir or who would like to sing in the choir if we had one.

September 2016

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State Missions Month

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No evening service

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Labor Day

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7:00pm Movie Night featuring "God's Not Dead 2"

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MissionGeorgia: Week of Prayer for State Missions

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Grandparents Day
12:00pm Churchwide Lunch in Honor of Connie
5-7:00pm Assn'l Annual Meeting, Vienna First

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5:00pm FBIC Class leaving for Shane's Rib Shack in Perry

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Anti-Gambling Sunday
11:00am Deacon Ordination

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10:30am Women on Mission
2:00pm Birthday party at Pinehill

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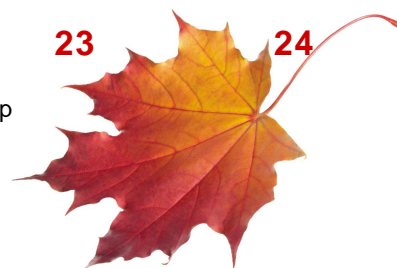
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Autumn begins
6:00pm Worship Conference, Unadilla First

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Birthdays

9-4 Rusty Wilkes
9-5 Ed Sandefur
9-6 Jamie Gauthier
Terri Gregory
9-11 Madison Hunter
9-13 Vernon Kirksey
Nancy Musselwhite
9-14 Keith Lamberth
9-15 Alexandra Braddock
Thomas Braddock
9-17 Denver Massey
Lawson Massey
9-19 Karli Thompson Ray

9-20 Hannah Morrow
9-21 Pat Hatcher
9-24 Amy Langford
Ben Brinson
Christopher Phillips
9-25 Ansley Scarborough
9-26 Kimberly Godfrey
9-27 Cole Gaultney
Steve Peavy
Scott Woodruff
Todd Woods
9-28 Newt Brock
Taylor Bryant

9-28 Tonya Hunter
9-30 Clint Payne
Chip Woodruff
10-1 Brandy Elrod
Shani Payne
Justin Trimback
10-2 Paul Bush
Beverly Carroll
Brandi Miller

Please pray for these folks on their birthday.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY
Sunday School..... 10am
Worship. 11am
Worship. 6pm

TUESDAY
Youth & children..... 7pm

WEDNESDAY
Prayer meeting..... 7:00PM

Nursery for all services.
Children's Church for
Sunday 11AM Worship.

Schedule of Volunteers for September

Please remember it is up to **you** to arrange coverage if **you** are unable to serve on your scheduled day.

Date	Nursery AM	Children's Church	Deacon of the Week	Offering Bearers
Sep. 4	Sharon/Sue Thompson Rhonda Youngblood	Jenn/John-John Averill	Joe Kent	Clinton Brannen Taylor Willingham
Sep. 11	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Alison/Taylor Willingham	Jimmy Lockerman	Joe Kent Daniel Thompson
Sep. 18	Jenn/John-John Averill	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Arthur Roney	Joseph Lamberth Keith Lamberth
Sep. 25	Beth/Arthur Roney	Lea/Jared Averill	Floyd Tucker	Steven Lamberth George Massey

August Sunday School Stats

Senior Adults.....	7
FBIC.....	16
CIA.....	3
Young Adults.....	6
Early Adults.....	3
Youth.....	1
Older Children.....	2
Younger Children.....	1
Older Preschoolers.....	5
Younger Preschoolers.....	8
Nursery.....	2
General Officers/Musicians.....	2
TOTAL.....	60

Financial Summary

July receipts

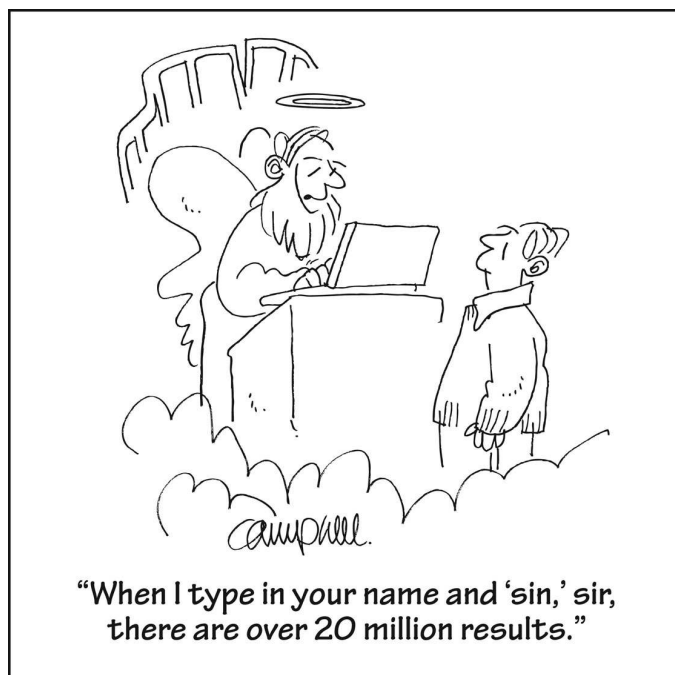
General offerings	\$ 9,466.00
Interest on CD	4.25
Special-Bus Fund	50.52
Special-Building/Floor Fund	165.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	9,665.25

July disbursements

General expenses	9,834.86
Revival expenses	1,261.68
Houston Baptist Association	429.01
Cooperative Program	1,115.43
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$12,640.98

Looking ahead

- October-Pastor Appreciation Month & World Hunger Month
- October 9-Global Hunger Sunday & Pastor Appreciation Sunday
- October 9 or October 23-Church Conference



You are only young once, but you can be immature forever.

-Mikeys Funnies



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Annual Meeting of the
Houston Baptist Association

September 11, 2016
5-7pm

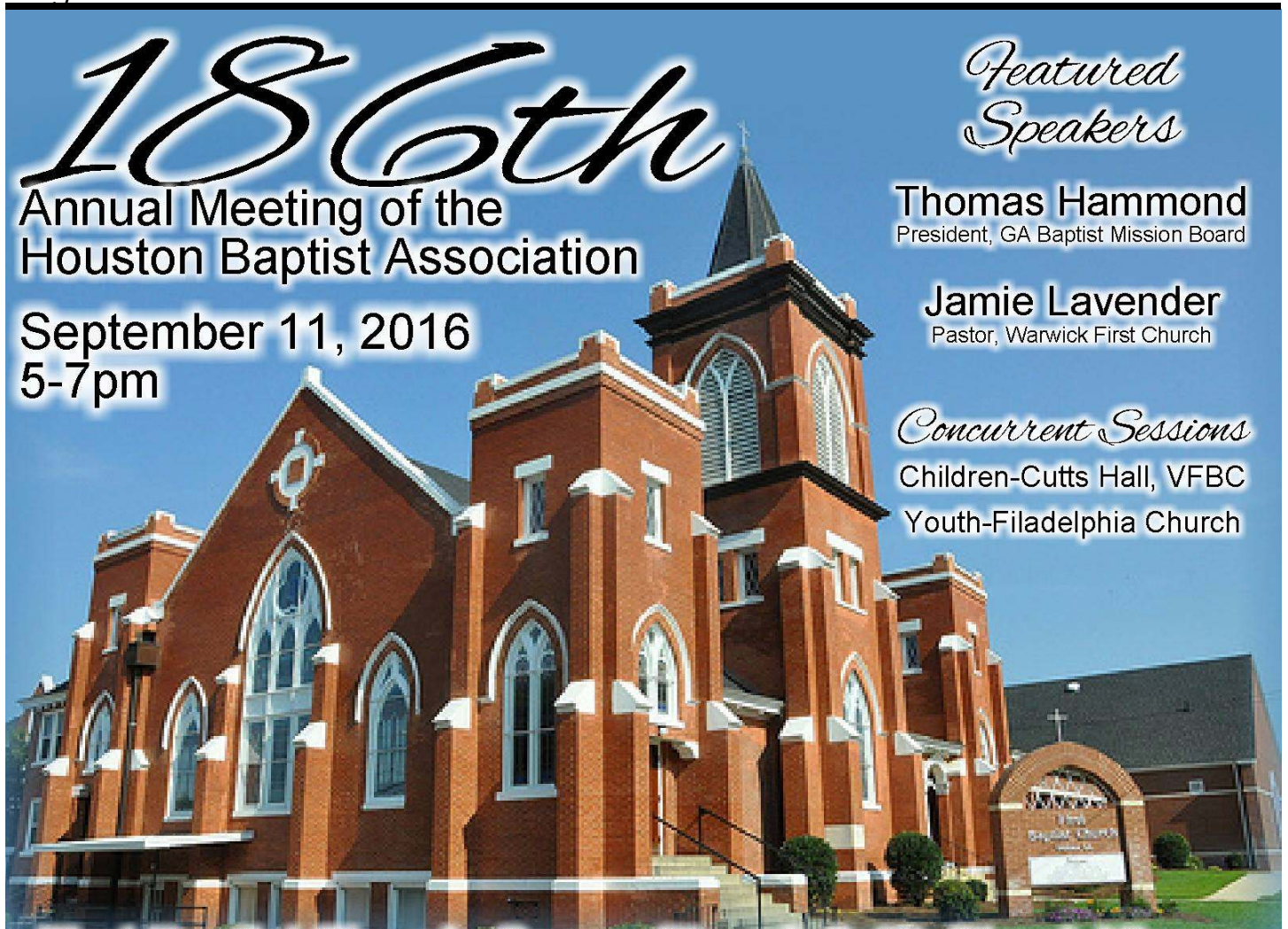
Featured Speakers

Thomas Hammond
President, GA Baptist Mission Board

Jamie Lavender
Pastor, Warwick First Church

Concurrent Sessions

Children-Cutts Hall, VFBC
Youth-Filadelphia Church



First Baptist Church, Corner Church & 4th Street, Vienna

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