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# Blessings

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## About the cover

Pastor Ed Sandefur is about to baptize Ayden Godfrey.





## Vinegar or honey

*Mama always said you could catch more flies with honey than vinegar*



I knew what Mama meant, but it wasn't easy to speak in honeyed tones to the rude clerk at the grocery store where I shopped.

The store had a new computer system, and sale items were often rung up at the regular price. It seemed every week I was at the service desk, asking for a refund from the surly lady.

It's going to take a lot of honey to change that woman's attitude, I thought. I decided to try the honey/vinegar test on her. But first, I needed to pray about the best way to approach the situation. After my prayer, an idea popped into my head. Everyone loves my crock pot candy. I would make some for the clerk.

I placed half a dozen pieces in a pretty box with a note that said, "Have a Sweet Day." I told her to let me know if she wanted the recipe. While I was checking out, the clerk came hurrying over. She was smiling! "I definitely want the recipe," she said. "The candy is delicious." From then on, she always gave me a smile and encouraged me to come to her anytime I was overcharged.

Since that experiment worked so well, I wondered how I might brighten other people's lives. Praying brought to mind several people who could use some cheering up.

A teenage girl in our church never smiled. She was smart, but she always hung her head. I baked a huge cookie for her and included a note that said, "You are a Smart Cookie." From then on, she held her head a little higher.

An elderly lady at church often said she didn't feel worth two cents. I gave her a gift box with a roll of mints and a note that said, "When you don't feel worth two cents, just remember you are worth a mint."

On a cold winter day, I splurged on strawberries in the store. I hurried home and made a pie. I was about to try it when the faces of two elderly couples flashed through my mind. Knowing they could not afford strawberries in the winter, I dished out four nice pieces of pie and took them to the couples. They were elated. One of the ladies hugged me and confessed that during her prayer time, she had voiced a wish for a nice dessert.

I am convinced that people are longing for a gesture of love. On the days when I earnestly pray to be a blessing, I nearly always think of someone who needs some TLC, including those who are hard to love. I don't know if honey is better for catching flies, but it sure helps when working with people.

—Wilma Moody



President John Waters and the 2013 Order of Business Committee are challenging Georgia Baptists in 2013 to provide 20,000 backpacks for children in Appalachia. Reaching this monumental goal will allow Bill Barker and Appalachian Regional Ministries to share a gift of love along with the Gospel message, with children living in poverty throughout Appalachia this Christmas.

Visit [www.connectgbc.com/backpacks](http://www.connectgbc.com/backpacks) for guidelines for preparing backpacks. A copy of these guidelines are also posted on both inside church bulletin boards.

Deadline for the backpacks is October 27. Our church goal is 20 backpacks.

Oh, how horrible our sins look when they are committed by someone else.

—Charles Swindoll

# ON MISSION CONNECTION

September 8-11, 2013

*A time to celebrate how God is at work globally through Southern Baptists*

Below is a schedule of the missionaries speaking and the group hosting the meal for each service. Classes will be hosting the meal for the missionary, pastor and wife, and their class.

<u>Date/time</u>	<u>Missionary</u>	<u>Meal</u>
Sunday Sep. 8, 11am	Dave Cone, IMB	Pastor
Sunday Sep. 8, 6pm	John Grady, IMB	Churchwide covered dish at 7pm. Meat provided.
Monday Sep. 9, 7pm	Michael Flowers, GBC	FBIC Class, 6pm
Tuesday Sep. 10, 7pm	Sandra Williams, NAMB	Senior Adult Class, 6pm
Wednesday Sep. 11, 7pm	David Nyakoon, NAMB	CIA Class, 6pm

Please pray specifically for the missionaries listed that God will speak to us through them and we will hear Him and respond according to His will. Pray that God will call at least one career missionary from our church family and remind all of us that we are His missionaries everyday everywhere!

## Associational news

### Go on mission trip to Europe

Mission trips are being planned to conduct eye glass clinics and preach the Gospel for the last week in February to Moldova, mid March to Romania and last week of March to Ukraine. If interested in going, contact the associational office at 229-273-4127 by November 1.

## Two great opportunities for women in our area

### LIVING PROOF LIVE SIMULCAST

with  
**BETH MOORE**  
and worship leader  
**TRAVIS COTTRELL**

**COMING SOON!  
ONE DAY ONLY**  
When: September 14th  
Where: The Vine Church  
504 Marshallville Rd  
Perry, GA  
Time: 9:00am-4:15pm  
Cost: \$20 (includes lunch)  
Please Contact Pat Ellis @  
478-951-0561 or Cindy Collier  
@ 478-396-2068



## Fall In Love With Jesus Ladies Conference

**September 14; 8:30am-3:30pm**  
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church  
133 Emmaus Road (Off Hwy 90), Cordele

Light breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided. Speakers include Nancy Gibbs, Donna Stripling, Victoria Simmons, Helen Barfield and Elizabeth Holmes. Papas Pride and Roy Gibbs will provide music. There is no cost, but a love offering will be accepted. Email Nancy Gibbs at [nancybgibbs@aol.com](mailto:nancybgibbs@aol.com) to register.





## **Inez and Louise have a new great grandson**

Bryce Owens Walls was born August 1 weighing 8 lb. 3 oz. Congratulations to Bryce's parents Susan and Brett Walls, grandparents Myra and Vernon Kirksey and his two great grandmothers Inez Collier and Louise Kirksey.



## **Congratulations Pete and Myrtle**

Perry (Pete) Fountain and Myrtle Helms were married on August 25 at Pinehurst Baptist Church.



## **Church full for baptism**

For the evening worship service on August 11, BBC was full of church members, friends and family to see Gage Roney, Roger Roney, Ayden Godfrey and Carson Godfrey be baptized by Pastor Ed Sandefur.

More pictures from the service below, and you can see lots more on our website. Go to <http://www.byromvillebaptistchurch.com/Photos2013.html>.





September 1-30, 2013  
Offering for State Missions

# MISSIONGEORGIA

Join Him to seek and save the lost  
<http://missiongeorgia.org/mission-georgia-offering/>

church planting

spiritual renewal

kingdom generosity

authentic evangelism

church revitalization

For the Son of man is come to seek and save that which was lost. Luke 19:10

5 smooth give stones  
reaching hearts in Georgia together

I AM WANTED  
ASK me my Story

## 2013 Offering Goal: \$1.75 million

### Our Church Goal: \$500

**PRAY...** for the ministries that are touching lives across Georgia, and how God can use you.



**GIVE...** to the Mission Georgia Offering which supports ministry, missions, and evangelism in Georgia

**GO...** make a difference each day as you share Jesus everywhere you go.

Our offering visual will be a plant with brown thrashers, our state bird. For every \$50 given, a brown thrasher will be placed on the plant.

Prayer guides will be available at the church house beginning September 8.



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 <b>1</b>	<b>2</b> <i>Labor Day</i>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	 <b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <i>Grandparents Day</i> 11:00am & 6pm ON MISSION CONNECTION 7:00pm Church- wide Supper	<b>9</b> 7:00pm ON MISSION CONNECTION (FBIC Class supper 6pm)	<b>10</b> 7:00pm ON MISSION CONNECTION (Senior Adult Class supper 6pm)	<b>11</b> 7:00pm ON MISSION CONNECTION (CIA Class supper 6pm)	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 10:30am Women on Mission 2:00pm Birthday Party at Pinehill 6:30pm GEMS	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 5:00pm Seasoned Saints leaving for Ole Times Buffet, Warner Robins	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> <i>Autumn begins</i>	<b>23</b>	 <b>24</b> See You At The Pole 	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> Special Fifth Sunday Night Service—Details TBA	<b>30</b>	<b>September 2013</b>				



## 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  
 9-20 Hannah Morrow

9-21 Pat Hatcher  
 9-23 Louise Kirksey  
 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 Taylor Bryant  
 Tonya Hunter  
 9-30 Clint Payne

9-30 Chip Woodruff  
 10-1 Brandy Elrod  
 Shani Payne  
 Juston 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

### WEDNESDAY

*I Am A Church Member Study & Prayer*. . . . . 7PM

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	Flowers	Nursery AM	Nursery PM	Children's Church	Deacon of the Week	Offering Bearers
Sep. 8	Brenda Lockerman	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Brenda Lockerman	Clara Sandefur	Jimmy Lockerman	Daniel Thompson George Massey
Sep. 15	Mary Lamberth	Jenn/John-John Averill	Rhonda Youngblood	TBA	Arthur Roney	Mark Smith Quint Smith
Sep. 22	Brenda Lockerman	Katrina/Kylee West	Sue Thompson	TBA	Frank Thompson	Monta Averill William Preston
Sep. 29	Brenda Lockerman	Jill/Sarah Averill Brannen	Laura Lamberth	TBA	Floyd Tucker	Mark Peavy Arthur Roney

## August Sunday School Stats

Senior Adults	9
FBIC	10
CIA	6
VOC	3
Young Adults	1
Youth (ages 12-17)	4
Older Children (ages 8-11)	4
Younger Children (ages 6-7)	1
Older Preschoolers	0
Younger Preschoolers	6
Nursery	1
General Officers	1
TOTAL	45



To the Church Family at BBC,

Thank you so much for all the phone calls, prayers, visits, care and concern for Mama. The past year has been a long and hard year for her. Prayers from her church family and friends helped to get us through the tough times. The meal provided by the church family was a blessing to our family the day of Mama's service. We thank you for the abundance of love and food. Mama loved Byromville Baptist Church and we thank each and every one of you for all you have done for us.

Love,  
Angie, Robin and Families



Dear Byromville Baptist Church,

We would like to thank everyone at Byromville Baptist Church for their phone calls, thoughts and most of all prayers in our time of grief. Also Tammie and I would like to say how truly blessed we are to be a part of such a loving and caring church.

William and Tammie Smith and Family

## Financial Summary

<u>July receipts</u>	
General offerings	\$7,731.00
Interest CD	4.25
Special-Mailbox Club	11.25
Memorials	130.00
TOTAL	7,876.50

<u>July disbursements</u>	
General expenses	6,408.68
VBS	387.10
West Virginia mission trip (VBS)	155.00
Houston Baptist Association	591.20
Cooperative Program	1,537.12
TOTAL	\$ 9,079.10

Vienna First Baptist Church has invited anyone in our church to join their choir in performing their Christmas musical. The first read through will be Saturday, September 7 at 5:00 p.m. Supper will be provided. If you would like to accept this invitation, you need to call 229-268-4386 to let them know you are coming and what part you sing as well as to get directions to the place. Call Jim Bolton at the same number for more information.



*Sharing Jesus With You And The World*  
180 Years C 1833--2013



November 3, 2013  
*Homecoming*  
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