

**PORTSMOUTH BAPTIST  
ASSOCIATION**

**Helping Churches  
Lift Up JESUS!**



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*A family of churches cooperating in the spirit of the Great Commandment to carry out the Great Commission.*

**GOLF AND MISSIONS???????**

*You can be involved in international missions as you help raise funds to provide Bibles, tracts and other materials for seafarers coming to our port in Portsmouth!*



**8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
SEAFARER'S CUP  
GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**Friday, March 19, 9:00am**  
**Bide-A-Wee Golf Course, Ports.**

**\$60 per player (includes lunch)**

**Registration deadline: March 12**

Churches have received Registration Forms.  
Send registration fee in care of Glenn Crawford  
Tidewater Transportation Ministries  
606 Virginia Avenue  
Portsmouth, VA 23707

**Teams consist of 4 players. Captain's Choice.**

This is an opportunity to raise funds to assist with the ministry either by playing, sponsoring a player, or sponsoring a hole. Sunday School classes, men's groups, WMU groups, etc. can have an opportunity to come together and help in this fundraiser, enabling Tidewater Transportation Ministries to share the gospel in our port and abroad as seafarers who've encountered Jesus here return to their countries.

Contact: Glenn Crawford, 469-1628



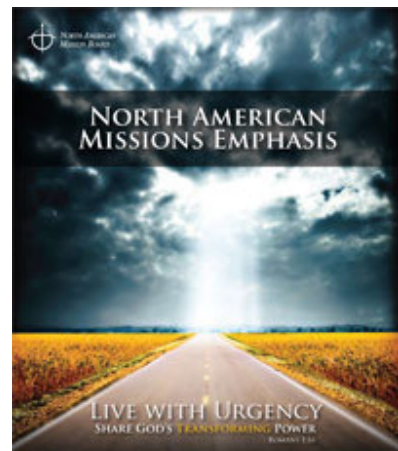
Contact:  
Rev. John Croston  
537-0971  
jcroston@charter.net  
NAMB Website:  
www.gps2020.net

**"Across North America" Media Campaign  
March 20 – April 11**

**Praying    Engaging    Sowing    Harvesting    Assimilating**

March 1-19	March 20	March 27	April 4	Apr 11-May 2
Pray	Praying Across North America	<b>Find It Here</b>	Easter Sunday	Five week follow-up plan
Promotion	Prayerwalking	Gospel distribution Door-to-Door	Every Church	Visit, Enroll, Lessons
Get Ready		www.findithere.com		
		Sharing the Gospel		

**LIVE WITH URGENCY  
SHARE GOD'S  
TRANSFORMING POWER**



**Prayer Breakfast for  
North American  
Missions**

**Saturday, March 6, 8:00 AM**  
**Port Norfolk Baptist Church**  
**Speaker: Steve Byrum**

*"homegrown" missionary, growing up in Deep Creek Baptist having served on staff of FBC, Norfolk and Deep Creek Baptist, before he and his wife were appointed as North American missionaries*

**Reservations Due March 1, 393-1041**  
**Those without reservations are welcome to attend the prayer time following breakfast**

**REMINDER: BRING ITEMS FOR SOUTHEAST ASIA TRIP**



**MARCH 7-14, 2010**  
**Week of Prayer for  
North American Missions**  
**Goal: \$70,000,000**

## TRANSITION MANAGEMENT TEAM: PERSONNEL COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Personnel Committee is preparing a questionnaire seeking input from each church on the associational missionary person and position. Your input into this process is vital as we move forward in shaping the future of the PBA in *Helping Churches Lift Up Jesus*. Pray about what God would like to see in our associational missionary and be prepared to share thoughts on how that person can best serve the churches.

## BUILDING FACILITIES COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Building Facilities Committee is actively investigating potential new locations to relocate the PBA office. Deadline for relocating is July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Pray for these committees and for all the churches in the PBA as we seek the will of God in these processes.

Bruce Johnson, TMT Chair



## EMILY GREEN SHORES

**HELP WANTED:** Emily Green Shores is actively seeking to hire a new administrator to oversee the operations of the facility. Interested individuals that have a nursing background and/or have

administrative experience with nursing homes/assisted living/long-term care facilities are encouraged to contact Grant Goldman at 757/399-3442.

Spring is almost here and it is again time to fix-up, clean-up and paint-up from the harsh winter season. Emily Green Shores' Capital Improvement Program (CIP) this year is focusing on replacing leaking and worn-out doors and windows, improve drainage away from the building, and replace some of the worn-out carpet. Individuals, S.S. classes, and churches are encouraged to *Give-A-Gift to the CIP*. Gift cards are always welcome from your favorite hardware/building supply store (Lowe's and Home Depot, etc.). Help keep EGS *Bright and Beautiful!* Contact Interim Administrator Grant Goldman at 757/399-3442 on just how you can get involved in helping EGS.

**NOTE: Ministers breakfast, prayer & fellowship time has been discontinued until the fall.**

## WMU LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING

Thursday, March 25, 6:30pm  
Grove Park Baptist Church  
1400 Rodman Ave, Portsmouth

For all PBA WMU officers, church WMU directors/missions leaders. Please send representatives from your church to be a part of this planning and information time.

## MISSION CRAFTS

"Witnessing Dolls" can be used in South Dakota or anywhere that a mission team is going! For pattern, contact Brenda Smith, 488-1464, or the PBA office. For examples and explanations of how these can be used, check out the February Missions Mosaic front cover inside article.

Jumpers for little girls & shorts for little boys are needed for South Dakota. Contact Brenda Smith for patterns & directions.



**Churches, do you have TCC students interested in starting a campus ministry? Contact Rev. Robert Lee at 397-8911 (o) or 488-1461 (h).**



## JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> MUSIC

Many of you will remember the wonderful July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration our PBA churches experienced last year with the Music Presentation at Bethany Baptist Church. This was done in conjunction with Calvary's music ministry, along with many of our other PBA church choir and orchestra members.

Serious consideration is being given to holding another July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration. **If you are interested in participating through drama, choir, orchestra, set-up, etc., please contact Dr. Philip Parker at Calvary Church, 399-1050.** This proved to be a great success last year in providing a wonderful witness to the community. It is hoped we can reach out to more of the community this year!

## SE ASIA MISSION TRIP

Seven members from three of our PBA churches (Deep Creek, Pinecrest and Western Branch) will be going to SE Asia to work with our adopted missionary (L.G.) March 15-25, 2010. The team's work will include helping in the clinic with our missionary, prayer walking, health education, working with children, going to the river villages, etc.

Items needed by the clinic and to reach the children include: Terazocin (1 mg or 2mg), Tums, Calcium with Vitamin D, children's vitamins, toothbrushes, toothpaste, children's Bible pictures (not requiring English), children's coloring books, pencils, Crayola crayons (good crayons that don't break easily), scissors, colored pencils, glue and especially funds to purchase clinic supplies there and fund the new clinic being built. Donations can be sent directly to IMB for the medical clinic: Make check payable to "IMB" & send to: Development Office, IMB, 3806 Monument Ave., Richmond, VA 23230-0767. Designate: CSI Mercy Medical Ctr. (Cambodia) Project # 77202.535.256.07. Donated items can brought to Western Branch Church, 4710 High St. W, Portsmouth by Friday, March 5 or to the Prayer Breakfast Mar 6.

Many of you have been praying for L.G. this past year since she left to serve in SEA and have been receiving her updates. Please continue to pray that funds will be available so that she will be able to remain in country for her third year of service. Pray for the team going to join her in the work Mar 15-25.

## EASTERN SHORE MISSION TRIP

JULY 11-17

(Leave for Shore Sun, July 12; return noon Sat, July 18)

**SADDLE UP & HIT THE TRAIL!**

**Skills needed:** Willing hands and hearts to serve where Christ leads; workers for various age groups; leaders & helpers in Bible study, crafts, music, snacks, recreation; persons to share testimonies with men & women; persons to share Jesus' love & forgiveness of sin. **Ministry Activities:** VBS in mornings at 3 sites; working at migrant camps with men, women, children in evenings; other morning work depending on size & skills of team.

**Cost:** \$275; extra \$25 for 2-person room

**Applications:** See your WMU or Missions Leader; due **May 1<sup>st</sup> with \$75 deposit**. Make check payable to: **PBA WMU** and mail to Brenda/Mike Smith, 2716 N Elizabeth Harbor Dr., Chesapeake, VA 23321.

If you can't go for the whole week, go for a day or two! Just let Brenda & Mike know by contacting them at 488-1464!



**Grab the Reins & Join Us as We Take the "Jesus" Brand to the LOST!**



**JULY 19-23, 2010**  
**Working on homes in**  
**Cradock and Truxton**

**WHAT:** City of Portsmouth will host a housings rehabilitation effort known as World Changers. About 250 teens and adults coming to the area through our North American Mission Board. They'll be divided into crews of approximately 15 people (13 teens, 2 adults) per crew.

**20 churches needed - YOUR CHURCH** has an opportunity to be directly involved in missions!

**HOW:** Churches will "adopt" a crew for that week.

- o Prepare and deliver lunches to crews at their work sites Tuesday through Friday
- o Serve as a "runner," picking up/delivering materials or
- o Serve dinner at Cradock Middle School (Mon-Fri; 6 persons each night, 5:30-6:30pm, no cooking or cleanup) **Food Handlers Card required** – Training offered through Portsmouth Health Dept.

**SIGN UP:** If YOU will join God on mission in Portsmouth through World Changers 2010!

**CONTACT:** Robert Lee, 397-8911 (ch); 465-3517 (h); email: Agap3luv@aol.com

### BAPTIST COUNCIL GRANT

On or about June 30 of each year, The Baptist Council Board of Trustees reviews its financial circumstances; if funds are deemed available, a grant may be made toward funding ministries approved by the Association. If your church has a ministry and would like to request needed funding through this grant, please submit a letter of request detailing the ministry and need to the PBA office by noon on Monday, April 12. This request will then be presented to the Executive Council for forwarding to The Baptist Council, which meets in August.

### OFFICE NEWS

The office manager will be on mission Mar 15-25. During these times, someone will be checking messages and mail. You may leave a phone message or contact the moderator, Dr. Jack Stallings, at 488-4939 (ch).

Please check our website for updates on the calendar and church directory: [www.portsmouthbaptists.net](http://www.portsmouthbaptists.net)



### WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

**Kay DeKalb Smith**  
**Laughter and Inspiration!**

**May 14, 7:00pm**

**May 15, 8:30pm**

**Pinecrest Baptist Church**

**209 Felton Rd., Portsmouth**

**Tickets: \$25 p/p prior to May 1; \$30**

**p/p after May 1. Call 757/488-3745 or 757-488-5771**

**For ALL women!!!**

**NEW IN PBA!** *The Deacon I Want to Be*, by Johnny Hunt. Complete kit available for checkout by PBA churches. Manuals: \$7.50

**A CELEBRATION TIME IS COMING!**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 27**

**TRUE WORD CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
**FRANKLIN**

PBA churches will come together for warm fellowship, delicious food, great preaching and awesome worship - all under the theme of

**HELPING CHURCHES LIFT UP JESUS**

**5:00pm**-vans leave central meeting place for True Word

**6:00pm**-snack supper; **6:45pm**-pre-service music begins

If your church is willing to use its van for transportation, please call Fairwood-Agape Church, 757/397-8911.

Contact: Rev. Robert Lee, 757/397-8911

### Lifting Up Jesus Through

### Associational Missions!

PBA Churches have the opportunity to **Lift Up Jesus** to migrants on the Eastern Shore, truckers and seafarers at our Port, students at our local colleges and unbelievers found locally, state-wide, nationally and internationally. YOU and YOUR CHURCH can participate in ALL these missions endeavors as you PRAY and GIVE!

### ASSOCIATION MISSIONS WEEK

**MAY 16-23, 2010**

**OFFERING GOAL: \$7,000**

\$2,500	migrant ministry
\$2,250	truckers and seafarers ministry
\$1,000	local student ministry
\$1,250	mission endeavors

### CHURCH NEWS

**East End: Men's Conference, Mar 6-7** with Eric C. Redmond. Contact Church for info: 757/539-3324.

**Fairview Heights: Welcome Linda Hoda**, church secretary.

**Jackson Memorial: Apologetics Conference:** The Answers!

**Sat, Mar 13, 9am-5:30pm**-Conference; 700-9:30pm-Debate/Panel Discussion. Cost: \$59. **Josh Hunt Conference** for Life Group teachers, workers, class members: **Sat, Mar 27.** Register for both of these: 757/484-5568.

**River Shore: Rev. Kevin Kelly** has been called as permanent pastor! A welcoming reception will be held **Sun Mar 14, 3-5pm** at the church. **Everyone is invited to attend!**

**Sunrise Community:** Officially merged with Lee Memorial Baptist Church on Feb 1 and is now **Horizon Community.**

**Westhaven:** Will host **Tapestry**, Tidewater bell ringing ensemble, **Thurs, Mar 11, 10:30-11:15am.** They share good music & the stories behind the music. Lunch following.

**Reservations required for lunch only: \$3.** Call 397-0332.

*Christian Sympathy is expressed to the family of Dr. & Mrs. Kitty Kersey in the home going of her brother in Denver CO.*

## CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

### MARCH

- 2 11:30AM-BUILDING FACILITIES COMMITTEE MTG, PBA
- 6 8:00AM-N AMERICAN MISSIONS PRAYER BREAKFAST,  
PORT NORFOLK BC
- 7-14 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR N. AMERICAN MISSIONS/ANNIE  
ARSTRONG EASTER OFFERING
- 9 3:00PM-TRANSITION MANAGEMENT TEAM MTG, PBA
- 11 2:00PM-JOYFUL SOUNDS SR CHOIR-PARSONS CARE
- 15-25 SE ASIA MISSION TRIP
- 19 9:00AM-TIDEWATER TRANSPORTATION MIN. GOLF  
TOURNAMENT, BIDE-A-WEE
- 22 7:00PM-EMILY GREEN SHORES BOARD MTG, EGS
- 25 2:00PM-JOYFUL SOUNDS SR CHOIR-NANSEMOND PT  
6:30PM-WMU LEADERSHIP TEAM MTG, GROVE PARK
- 28 PALM SUNDAY

### APRIL

- 1 2:00PM-DISCIPLESHP/EVANGELISM TEAMS MTG, PBA
- 4 EASTER
- 6 3:00PM-TRANSITION MANAGEMENT TEAM MTG, PBA
- 8 2:00PM-JOYFUL SOUNDS SR CHOIR-MENOWOOD
- 13 7:00PM-PBA LEADERSHIP TEAM, PBA OFFICE
- 16-18 WEEKENDER FOR YOUTH GIRLS
- 19 6:45PM-HRRJ FUNDRAISING BANQUET, ST. MARK  
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
- 20 7:00PM-EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MTG, COLLINSWOOD BC
- 22 2:00PM-JOYFUL SOUNDS SR CHOIR-CHESAPEAKE HOME
- 23-24 MOM & ME I, EAGLE EYRIE (GR. 1-6 & MOMS)
- 24-25 MOM & ME II, EAGLE EYRIE (GR 1-6 & MOMS)
- 24 2:00-4:00PM-EGS GIFT DAY/VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION
- 27 PBA SPRING CELEBRATION, TRUE WORD CHRISTIAN  
FRANKLIN



