

## Note from David.....



There is a sense of urgency in the air. Every day in Washington and across the land, there are people urgently and frantically looking for answers to economic and global problems. To listen to the news is an exercise in futility—everyone looking for answers but nobody finding any. We as the children of God have the answer. The answer is not in the Whitehouse or in Washington. The answer is not in the dollar or in spending. The answer is in **Jesus Christ**. If you will listen to the people around you and on television, you will hear and see the brokenness that Jesus saw that caused Him to weep over Jerusalem. The brokenness caused Jesus to have compassion over people. The lostness of Jesus' day moved him to tears. We must be people who are moved to tears over the condition of the people around us. As we approach our Spring Meeting, please pray that God will help us to hear and see a lostness around us and respond with true brokenness that moves us to tears. I hope you will beg God on a daily basis to give you the ears to hear and the eyes to see lost people and that your eyes will be filled with tears.

David

## Praying On....

### Relentless Prayer Ministry

1. Pray for God-given insight to our churches on how to respond to so many people who are in job transition. This is great opportunity for the church to touch people in a real way.
2. Pray that God would give us tears for the lost in our community.
3. Pray for wisdom on how to follow-up with so many people visiting our churches right now. Most of our churches are seeing people that they have never seen come to church. Pray that we respond appropriately to the activity of God.
4. We have 10 churches that are full each Sunday. Pray that God will show these churches how they can increase the number of seats on Sunday morning.
5. Pray for revival in our area and across our nation. Our nation desperately needs a fresh encounter with God.
6. Pray for our ministers as they go through a piece on revival. Pray for them as they seek God together as leaders.

# MISSIONS

## Jerusalem



**SPLASH 2009**  
**July 14-17**

**We are in need of projects for 2009!**  
**If you know of a potential project, please call the association office at 770-607-0300.**

## Judea

**Hays Prison Update**—The chaplain has ask us to reschedule our ministry at Hays so they can be better prepared. Eight hundred (800) "Experiencing God" daily devotionals have been delivered. Pray as prisoners receive these. We are waiting on the chaplain to provide training so we can go into the prison. If you want to be part of his opportunity, it is not too late. Call or email me at davidbba@bellsouth.net.

## Children's Home Food Drive

*We will be collecting the following this year:*

Laundry Detergent,  
Paper Products, (paper towels,  
bathroom tissue, napkins),  
Breakfast Cereals, Instant Potatoes, Mayonnaise,  
Mustard, Ketchup, Salad Dressings, Gallon-size  
Cans of Veggies and Fruits & Gift Certificates to  
grocery stores or Wal-Mart to purchase perishable  
food items.

**Please bring your items to the association office by 4:30 PM on April 22, 2009.**

**The truck will be loaded and will leave the association office by 11:00 AM on Thursday, April 23, 2009.**

We will need volunteers on Thursday morning to help load, and we will need a driver to drive a U-Haul truck to Palmetto Children's Home. If you are available to drive, please call the Association office at 770-607-0300.

## "To the Edge"

### "How do we Engage the Lost"

#### Monday, April 20, 2009

**Speaker: Dr. Jim Slack**

Meeting will begin at 10:00 AM and go until 2:00 PM

**Lunch will be served: Cost \$10.00**

The Ultimate Conference on Lostness! Christianity is sweeping across the globe, but not in the USA. There have been church planting movements documented through-out the world. Not in USA! The question is why not? Dr Jim Slack, currently the lead researcher and analyst for the IMB, will be presenting answers to your questions.

Location will be announced at a later date.

## Resource Update

**We can better meet your printing needs!**



Our printer/copier has been upgraded!  
We can now offer the following:

- Tri-fold directly from the copier
- Booklet/stapling capability

**NEED BUSINESS CARDS?** We can print and precision cut them for you. Call the association office for more information at 770-607-0300.

**New Resource:**  
"Effective Parenting in a Defective World" by Chip Ingram.

**Die Cuts are in for VBS 2009!**

**Remember to reserve the Evangelistic Trailer for your VBS!**

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CONFERENCE

Monday, May 4, 2009

6:30 PM—8:30 PM

Tabernacle Baptist Church

### Conferences Provided:

Birth—Four	Cindy White
Kindergarten	Lori Lewis
Children (grades 1-2)	Lisa Bandy
Children (grades 3-4)	Tina Plunkett
Preteen	Ann Patrick
General Officers	Kim Harris
Crafts	Dawn Shaeffer

Cost: FREE

LifeWay Bookstore will be set up.

## SENIOR ADULT ENCOUNTER

May 5, 2009

10:30 AM—1:00 PM

Rowland Springs Baptist Church

### Guest Speaker: Ken Ellison

This will be a covered dish event. Each church will be assigned a food category. Charlotte Harden of Cassville Baptist Church will be coordinating lunch. Please contact Ms. Harden at 770-607-7942 after 6:00 PM

This is for all Seniors throughout Bartow Association Churches and their friends and guests.

## Coming this Fall.....

### Sunday School Mentoring Program

Everyone needs to be connected. Sunday School is a primary way to connect relationally everyone to Christ and the church. You have an opportunity to strengthen your Sunday School ministry through the best mentoring process in the nation. This process will help your leadership focus and know their purpose. It will help in reaching the lost and will grow the church. We will have a Pastors and Sunday School Directors meeting on the following dates:

### Grace Baptist Church

Tuesday, May 12 at 6:30 PM

### Bartow Associational Office

Wednesday, May 13 at 11:30 AM

with

**Dr. Tim S. Smith**

Team Coordinator & Consultant  
Sunday School/Open Group Ministries  
Georgia Baptist Convention

Meals will be provided at both conferences.

**We welcome the following ministerial staff members:**

Grace Baptist Church welcomes *Craig McClure* to their staff and Minister of Youth.

# Church News and Other Happenings

- April, 1, 2009 Bible Drill, Association Office 4:30 PM
- April 19, 2009 **Grace Baptist Church** will host a baby shower to benefit the Bartow County Women's Resource Center. Special Guest will be Cindy Smith, Director of BCWRC. Sponsored by Grace for Life Ministry. RSVP by April 12 by calling 770-382-6446 or email [grace.for.life@gbc-cg.org](mailto:grace.for.life@gbc-cg.org).
- April 25-26, 2009 "Global Warning: Is This Earth's Final Hour?" Prophecy Conference –**Tabernacle Baptist Church**. Sessions will be taught by Ed Hindson, Gary Frazier and Tim LaHaye. Schedule: Saturday 8:30 AM—3:30 PM with one hour lunch break. Sunday 9:15, 10:45 AM and 6:00 PM. For more information [www.tabernaclebaptist.org](http://www.tabernaclebaptist.org) or call 770-382-1977.
- April 26, 2009 **Grace Baptist Church** will be having a concert with "New Desire" from Aragon, Georgia. Concert will begin at 6:00 PM. Everyone is invited. Admission is free, love offering to be taken. For more info call 770-382-6446.
- April 27 –28, 2009 **First Northwest Georgia Evangelism Conference** sponsored by: The Floyd County Baptist Association. Special Guests will be Fred Luter, Junior Hill, Bill Stafford and The Specks. For more information visit [www.floydbaptist.net](http://www.floydbaptist.net). Location: Calvary Baptist Church ,101 Brodus Road, Rome, GA. Time: 6:45 PM.
- May 7, 2009 **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**  
**11:00 AM Ministers Prayer Time**  
**12:00 Noon Prayer at the Cartersville Courthouse**



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## Vision

*The vision of Bartow Baptist Association is to initiate new work by encouraging total participation of its churches in stewardship and by providing leadership training for that purpose.*

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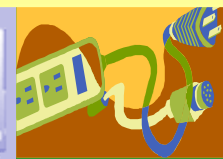
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**Monday through Thursday**  
**9:00 AM—4:30 PM**

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Bartow Baptist Association  
Spring Meeting

# "TEARS"

April 19, 2009

6:00 PM

Tabernacle Baptist Church

Guest Speaker: Jim Slack

Jim is one of your missionaries. He has served overseas in the Philippines, and is now serving in Richmond these last years of ministry. He has been one of the primary catalyst for the present strategy of reaching every unreached people group. Through this strategy, Jim has been responsible for seeing millions of people come to Christ. He is the foremost authority of Southern Baptist life on lostness. We will be challenged to be broken for the lost in our area.