

Spring/Summer Calendar and Church News

April 20th

4:30 PM
Associational Bible Drill
Associational Office

April 26th

6:30PM
VBS Conference
Tabernacle Baptist church

May 5th—National Day of Prayer

11:00 AM—Ministers Prayer time at the Annex
12:00 Noon
Court House
6:15 PM
Youth –gather at Cartersville High School football practice field.
7:00 PM—8:30 PM
Sacred Assembly
Cartersville High School Stadium

July 11th—15th

SPLASH BARTOW 2011

July 8– 15—Trip 1 to St. Vincent & the Grenadines

July 16-23—Trip 2 to St. Vincent & the Grenadines

July 22-29—Trip 3 to St. Vincent & the Grenadines

September 9-11—Experiencing God Renewal Weekend—
West Virginia

September 21st

See You At The Pole

December 31st

Community Prayer Service

Cartersville First Baptist Church—Invites everyone to a special **Good Friday Service on April 22, 2011** at 7:00 PM. The message will be “7 Cries from the Cross”.

Taylorville Baptist Church—*Giving thanks for 100 years!* Pastor Tommy Harris invites everyone to this special celebration on **May 15, 2011**. Services will begin at 10:00 AM with many former pastors speaking and Pastor Tommy Harris speaking on what God is doing at Taylorville Baptist Church. There will be special music by the church singers. An old fashioned dinner on the ground will follow the service.

Snow Springs Baptist Church is in REVIVAL May 15-18 nightly. Sunday night service will begin at 6:00 PM. Monday –Wednesday will begin at 7:00 PM. Dr. Joe Ford will be preaching.

Glade Road Baptist Church welcomes **Chuck Smith** as their full-time pastor after serving as interim for several months. Bro. Smith and his wife Wilma live in Cartersville.

Pray for Our Missionaries....

Kelsey Smith—Pray for Kelsey about intentionally translating and memorizing His stories in Russian. Pray that she would be quick to learn and sensitive to His leading of when and where and how to share. Pray for opportunities to share with her students about Him through these stories.

Judy Puckett—Judy is presently serving in Mali, West Africa through the International Mission Board. She is from Grace Baptist Church.

Corey McCombs—Corey has been assigned to the Shuar People in Ecuador. Pray specifically for Corey’s health. He has been receiving treatment for dengue fever about a month. Pray for continued healing and that he will be able to continue and finish strong.

Reid & Kyra Karr—Reid and Kyra serve in Rome, Italy with the International Mission Board. Reid and Kyra serve as church planters. They are from Tabernacle Baptist Church.

Matthew Early— Pray for Matthew as he completes his tour in Africa. Matthew will return to North Carolina to continue his training in aviation for missions.

Ashley Hazel—Ashley is serving in China as a teacher. Ashley is another one of our people who is serving in somewhat of an undercover role. Pray that Ashley has multiple opportunities to share the Gospel one -on- one with students she is teaching.

VBS 2011 Conference

April 26th

6:30 PM—8:00 PM

Tabernacle Baptist Church

Conferences Provided:

Director’s Conference

Pastors and General Officers

Big Apple Adventure Conferences

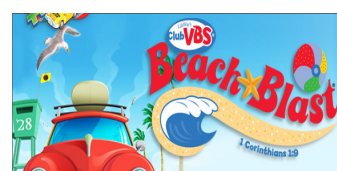
Preschool—Babies thru 4yr Pre K

Preschool—Kindergarten

Younger Children—1st & 2nd Grades

Middle Children—3rd & 4th Grades

Preteen—5th & 6th Grades



Beach Blast Club VBS

Preschool and Children

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SPRING 2011

The National Day of Prayer

May 5, 2011

Calling all Christians to a Day of Prayer in Bartow County

All Christians are urged to gather on May 5th and cry out to God and declare that Jesus Christ is Lord of our lives individually and Lord of this region. This year’s National Day of Prayer will be even more expanded than last year’s. This year’s National Day of Prayer will have a special Sacred Assembly at Cartersville High School stadium.

Below is the schedule and inside are the details:

- **11:00 AM—MINISTERS** are asked to gather at the annex (the old Cartersville First Baptist Church) and cry out to God together.
- **12:00 NOON—EVERYONE—At the courthouse.** The focus will be on uniformed first responders.
- **6:15 PM—YOUTH RALLY—Meet at Cartersville High School football practice field.**
- **7:00 PM—EVERYONE—Cartersville High School Stadium**
This is a special called Sacred Assembly for the Body of Christ. Everyone is asked to come.

The National Day of Prayer

At 11:00 AM, we are calling all ministers to come cry out to God together. This has become a special time for all ministers to pray together.

12:00 Noon at the Courthouse—This year is the 10th anniversary of 9/11. We will be focusing on first responders. We want our region's first responders to know that we are praying for them.

Special Preparation for the National Day of Prayer:

Each Christian is asked to prepare to come together for the evening service on the National Day of Prayer. Claude King, co-author with Henry Blackaby on "Experiencing God: Knowing and Doing the Will of God" has written a special piece called "Consecrate the People". He has written a special insert just for Bartow County and our region. These are available at your church or through the associational office. Each person is asked to go through this and be spiritually prepared to gather together with other believers and declare that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Special Focus on Teenagers:

This year's National Day of Prayer stadium event will highlight what God is doing with our teenagers. Last fall, our teenagers began to say "I Am Second" because "Jesus is First". Our teenagers will meet at the practice field next to Cartersville High School stadium at 6:15 PM. Teenagers will give testimony to being second and Jesus being first.



There will also be some special adults giving testimony. One adult couple giving a testimony will be Josh and Jennifer Turner. **Josh is a Country Music star and has special connections here in Bartow County. Josh will give his testimony and sing.**

Mass Choir:

There will be a mass choir that everyone is encouraged to participate in. Contact Frank Bennett for more information. Email: fbennett@cartersvillefirst.com

Our special prayer focus for this month is praying for The National Day of Prayer and that each person would choose the following:

Personal Declaration

Today, as God enables me by His Holy Spirit power...

1. **I consecrate** myself wholly to Jesus Christ for His divine purposes. I recognize I am no longer my own....
2. **I will** say no to ungodliness and sinful desires that defame the name of Christ, and **I will** live a life of purity and holiness....
3. **I will** make every effort to maintain the unity of God's Holy Spirit in my family, my church, and the larger body of Christ....
4. **I will** follow God's example by forgiving others and loving others with my words and through my actions....
5. **I will** demonstrate the love of Christ by my sacrificial service to those who are yet to believe in Christ....
6. **I will** obey Christ's final command and do my part to be a powerful witness of His and make disciples of all peoples beginning in Bartow County and to the ends of the earth....
7. **I will** deny myself and daily follow Jesus Christ as my only Lord—I will be second and Jesus will be first..... All for the glory of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

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On the Mission Field:

Mission Trip to St. Vincent and the Grenadines:

VINCY SPLASH—This year SPLASH will be going international to St. Vincent Island. We have three incredible opportunities:

Trip 1—July 8th –15th

The first trip will be training all of the churches and their people on how to have Vacation Bible School. This VBS training trip will be led by Steve McCombs, Missions Pastor at Tabernacle Baptist Church. All of the churches have agreed to have VBS the following week. That means that our team has the opportunity to train them on how to have a great VBS.

Trip 2—July 16th-23rd

Multiple teams will be going to each church on the island, helping them do Vacation Bible School. They will have been trained the week before; now they will put that training into place by actually conducting VBS. We will come alongside those churches-not doing it for them, but working with them. Steve McCombs will be the leader of this trip. We will need multiple VBS teams from multiple churches. We need 10-15 people per team.

Trip 3—July 22nd—29th

This team will work with the youth of St. Vincent Island. The team will be made up of college age and people who are starting their senior year in high school. The team will actually do the youth camp for the whole island. We will be teaching them how to do SPLASH. The goal will be to get each teenager to have a passion for lost people and know that they can actually go and serve and share Christ. Just as we did SPLASH Bartow here, we will do SPLASH the Grenadines there with their teenagers. We will need 16 students and 4 adults.

Cost: Will be approximately \$1300 plus miscellaneous money for expenditures. (This fee may vary slightly due to airline costs.)

We will have an information meeting on Thursday, April 21, 2011 at 7:00 PM at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Room A200 for all persons interested in going to St. Vincent on one of these teams.

Mission Trip Opportunities this Fall:

West Virginia - A number of the churches in the WVA Association will be doing simultaneous "Experiencing God" launch weekends. We are asking for all people who have been through "Experiencing God" to prayerfully consider going to WVA the weekend of September 9, 10 and 11. Housing will be provided by the people in WVA. Cost will be your food while traveling to and from West Virginia.

Local Missions:

CHILDREN'S HOME FOOD DRIVE

Items Needed:

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| Canned Fruit | 100% Fruit Juice |
| Cereal-100% Whole Grain | Decaf Tea |
| Sugar | Peanut Butter |
| Jelly | Salad Dressings |
| Mayo | Mustard |
| Ketchup | Hot Sauce |

Bring to the Association Office Monday, April 25th—Thursday, April 28th by 12:00 Noon



SPLASH BARTOW 2011 July 12-15

SPLASH UPDATE:

An amazing thing has happened with SPLASH Bartow. Registration opened on March 1st and in 18 days, 400 students registered. We have 48 on a waiting list. Adults—WE NEED YOUR HELP! We need adults in every facet to volunteer. That includes: team leaders, transportation, projects, etc. One of the greatest needs is for adults who can come and help with ministry projects. These will be a wide range of projects from going to nursing homes to helping supervise car washes. Even if you are not sure what you could do to help, please register as a general volunteer. To register, go to www.splashbartow.org, and click on adults registration.

Please be praying for SPLASH. The response to SPLASH has been incredible. We really need your prayers.

If any of you would like to be a financial partner with SPLASH, you can visit www.splashbartow.org or call the Associational Office at 770-607-0300.

SPLASH Leadership Summit July 11-12, 2011