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AUSTIN GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
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To our Church Family and Friends,

Max Lucado has put forth 8 steps to help us with the emotion of worry. Let me share these with you .

Eight Worry Stoppers

1. Pray first (ask God to help)
2. Easy, now....slow down. Assess the problem, take it to Jesus
3. Act on it. Become a worry slapper....the moment a concern surfaces, deal with it. Don't dwell on it. Head off worries before they get the best of you.
4. Compile a worry list. What troubles you? Write them down. Then review them.
5. Evaluate your worry categories. Identify if there are common ones that recur over and over and then pray about them specifically.
6. Focus on today. Remember God meets daily needs daily. Not weekly or annually. He will give you what you need when it is needed. Not before and not too late, at just the right time.
7. Unleash a worry army. Share your feelings with a few loved ones that you can talk with. Ask them to pray with you about your concerns.
8. Let God be enough. Seek first the kingdom of God and soon you will find that it is enough and on Him you can depend and you do not have to worry.

P-E-A-C-E-F-U-L *"Cast all your cares upon the Him, for He cares for you."* 1 Peter 5:7

Thanks for all the missions (local and in other states) that you have done and given funds to help with. Thanks for caring. God has blessed our church and He continues to bless us every day. Keep telling the Good News to any and all who will listen. Jesus and only Jesus saves. Without Him hope is lost. Please continue to pray for all those in recovery situations of hurricanes, floods, earthquakes and the families that have lost loved ones to these catastrophic events. Please remember to pray for fellow believers in Tennessee who are injured and the one's family who was killed by an armed intruder who came upon their church grounds last Sunday.

Thank to each of you for your prayers, faithfulness and love that you have each other.
May God lead us as we walk this road of life and service to Him together.

Leon & Cindy

October Fellowship Hall Clean-Up:

Prophecy Class



1st: Ray & Heather Smith
8th: Janel G. & Kelcey
15th: Josh F. & Sandy P.
22nd: Michael & Alicia
29th: Craig & Amanda G.



1st: Cindy W. & Emily O.
8th: Amanda G & Dawn M.
15th: Debbie J. & Amanda V.
22nd: Bill & Carol Fowler
29th: Roger H. & Janel G.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

DATE: Tuesday, October 10th
PLACE: Piedmont Flooring
TIME: 12:30 PM to 5:00 PM

October 2017 Youth & Student Ministry Newsletter

Isaiah 58:7 says "Share your food with the hungry, and give shelter to the homeless. Give clothes to those who need them."

Many times I am asked about our church, Austin Grove. I am told that so many great things are being done through our congregation. And then I come across a verse like this as I am reading my bible. This is what makes Austin Grove such a great church. These things are why I am confident that we are a church striving after God's will in our lives. As a deacon, Youth Director, and member I have seen our church do everything listed in this verse.

This past weekend we had a chance to serve with *Feed the Children* ministries. We prepared 5,000 meals in one hour. During that day, there were 20,000 meals prepared by 19 of the churches of the Union Baptist Association. These meals will be used to feed the hungry when they cannot afford to purchase food. These meals will provide for families when it means buying food or critical medicines, or even having heat during this winter. I am so thankful that I get to serve in a church that has a heart for missions and the great commission. God Bless, Michael & Alicia Jordan.



ONLINE GIVING

Our church offers online designated giving for anyone that would like to make donations in this manner.

Please go to: www.austingrovebaptist.com

Looking ahead...mark your calendars for the **Donna Pittman Toy Store** for Saturday, December 9th. They faithfully depend on churches for toys for much need families. If you wish to make a referral, please contact the church office or Pastor Leon for a form to complete. All referrals must be turned in by **October 18th**. Thank you.

Please e-mail your photos as soon as possible so we can add to our pictorial directory. . **If you need your picture taken, please see Cindy Whitley.** Thank you.

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SUNDAY

Sunday School: 9:45 AM

Morning Worship Service: 10:45 AM

Violin Practice: 5:00 PM

Evening Worship Service: 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bell Practice: 5:30 PM

Girls on Mission/Ambassadors for Christ: 6:30 PM

Youth: 6:30 PM; Prayer Service: 6:45 PM

Adult Choir: 7:30 PM

Good News Club

Tentative Start Date: Thursday, October 5th from 2:00 to 3:30 PM and ending near November 16th or November 30 for the Fall Semester. Dates for Spring are still being finalized.

Annual Session at Lee Park Baptist Church

DATE: Tuesday October 24th



Mountain Trip

Tuesday, October 17th

We will be leaving at 8:00 AM

More details to come. If you are interested in going with us, please sign up on the bulletin board. Thank you.

37th Annual

"Christmas Made in the South"

The Cabarrus Arena & Events Center

Friday, October 20, 2017



We will be leaving the church at 8:30 AM and will stop for breakfast. We will also stop for a late lunch at Cracker Barrel.

Cost \$7.00 (Children 12 and under FREE)

Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to go.



Wednesday, October 25th

6:00 PM-Trunk or Treat

6:30 PM-Hot Dog Supper

7:00-8:00 PM-Costume Contest and Cake Walk.

We will not have any other services. We need cakes for cake walk and desserts for our meal. Please see Michael Jordan if you can help.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 3 Ava Morris
- 5 Jackson Phillips
- 6 Griffin Brazell, Janice James, Carli Jones Herring
- 7 Jeremy Tarleton
- 9 Jessie Smith Jeffries, Tammy Smith
- 10 Joe Little II, Jaron Long, Kelly Preslar
- 12 Doris Edwards
- 16 Gary Frankenberg, Avery Little, Tyler Stewart
- 17 Ritchie Mills, Tim Simpson
- 20 Kimberly Rivers
- 21 Michael Ivey, Tara Throckmorton, Beverly Stewart
- 23 Janet Haigler, Brenda Lee, Nancy Riggins, David Wyatt Mullis, Justin Starnes, Gayle Throckmorton
- 24 Sarah Traywick
- 25 Jim Burnette, Pat Haigler, Kerstyn Helms
- 28 Brenda Moore, Tony Phillips
- 29 Grayson Lynn
- 30 Autumn Thompson
- 31 Kim E Griffin, Adam Moore

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 1 Mr. & Mrs. Carter Dermid
- 2 Mr. & Mrs. Jason Vann
- 4 Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Collins
- 6 Mr. & Mrs. James Smith
- 7 Mr. & Mrs. Hampton Autry
- 23 Mr. & Mrs. Ritchie Mills



Piedmont Community Breast Cancer Walk

DATE: Saturday, October 21st

PLACE: Piedmont High School Stadium.

TIME/INFORMATION:

Gates open at 8:00 AM; Walk begins at 9:00 AM

Adults \$15; Children \$10

Free T-shirts while supplies last.

Widow's & Widower's Breakfast

DATE: Tuesday, October 24th • **TIME:** 8:00 AM

PLACE: The Pier in Marshville (Meet us at The Pier);



Pink Sunday-Wear Pink on Sunday, October 15th

Remembering Losses

Celebrating Healings

Praying for a Cure

HURRICANE UPDATES...

Caribbean Disaster Response

From: Paul Langston <plangston@ncbaptist.org>

Date: Mon, September 25, 2017 9:30 am

Well, we have had a change to our location in the Caribbean. Rather than Puerto Rico, we are being sent to St. Croix. At least that is what they are asking us to do at this moment in time!

Gaylon Moss repeatedly underscores in Disaster Relief Training that flexibility is critical in disaster response. There are many factors at work in a disaster response and coordination of a large response like Harvey and Irma involves multiple state agencies. It is entirely possible that we will end up somewhere rather than St. Croix, but we will be sent somewhere in the Caribbean.

As always, we ask you and your churches to do three things: **Pray, Give, and Go.**

Please let your folks know that we can use volunteers in Florida, Texas, and the Caribbean. Prepare them for the weather to be hot, humid, and for days to be very long and hard. We can use volunteers in all three locations for weeks and months to come. Volunteers can register for Texas or Florida at www.baptistsonmission.org. We do not have a date yet for deployment to St. Croix and I will send the link for registration soon. For volunteers willing to serve in the Caribbean please underscore that the location is possibly St. Croix, but could change. They will need to be willing to volunteer for a Caribbean island in general and not particularly St. Croix.

In response to a call I just received from a NC pastor I want to pass along his plea. This pastor has been in NC for several years and just realized last month that Baptists on Mission/ NCBM does not receive Cooperative Program support for our regular budget or Disaster Relief. He was disappointed to realize that his church had never supported Baptists on Mission/ NCBM. He led his church to give to the NC Missions Offering (NCMO) this month for the first time and then spoke about it with a group of pastors in his town, all of which he felt had not realized the impact the NCMO makes. PLEASE do not take this as a suggestion that churches support Cooperative Program less!!!! I pray that 2017 is the best year ever and that 2018 is even better for CP. However, please remind your churches that this month (September) is NCMO month and our entire Baptists on Mission/ NCBM operating budget comes from NCMO.

In His service, Paul Langston, **Mission Mobilization Consultant, North Carolina Baptist Men/ Baptists on Mission**
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Thank you for your generous support of the North Carolina Missions Offering which supports the ministries of North Carolina Baptist Men/ Baptists on Mission.

Dear Pastor,

For weeks, we have been using the word "unprecedented" to describe this hurricane season. We never imagined a third storm would require the attention that it has. We know you have questions, so we want to provide some insight.

When Maria made landfall in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands last week, we did what we had done during Harvey and Irma. Our teams moved quickly into action to begin communication with government leaders, mobilizing equipment and people and acquiring the resources to meet the needs of those communities. It didn't take long to realize Maria was not like the rest.

Since we first began communicating with FEMA and coordinating with the Red Cross and Salvation Army regarding a collaborative response,

much has changed. However, it is our hope to have clear direction regarding our response this week.

The widespread devastation of the islands is unheard of. Government leaders have never experienced this before, and clarifying the exact needs is difficult. We are respectful of the government's leadership; however, we are also pushing through to equip our churches in the island communities with essential resources like generators, chainsaws and water filtration systems.

Here's how you can help:

- **Pray.** Ask the Lord for doors to be opened so we may respond to our neighbors in Puerto Rico. Pray that we may be able to access our churches so they can assist their communities.
- **Consider giving.** Information is available at SendRelief.net if your church would like to consider contributing to the costs related to responding.

A special note regarding volunteers:

At this time, supporting volunteers on the islands is challenging due to limited resources. This slows the recovery effort. This situation will change very soon, however, and we want to make sure the local residents are cared for first. If you would like to receive information when opportunities arise, let us know at sendrelief.net.

We are thankful for your prayers.

In Christ, David Melber, Vice President, Send Relief
North American Mission Board

OCTOBER EVENTS

Operation Christmas Child-Samaritan's Purse; Date: TBA
If you would like to volunteer, please sign up on bulletin board.

ADULT VBS DATES & SPEAKERS

October 4th: Donald Griffin

October 8th: Teddy Griffin

October 11th: Cindy Whitley

October 8th: Roger James

Sunday, October 1st: Walter Haigler will be speaking at our 6:00 PM Service. Please make your plans to attend this special service.

Wednesday, October 4th: Second Harvest at Peachland UMC at 8 AM

Sunday, October 8th: Michael Jordan will be speaking at our Morning Worship Service; FHHS Ag Department BBQ is in need of cakes for their BBQ on Monday, October 9th. Cakes need to be icing free and delivered to our church on Sunday, October 8th. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, see or call Beverly Stewart at 704-320-8232. Thanks.

Tuesday, October 10th: Fruitland Baptist Bible College UBA Road Trip sponsored by the UBA. If you would like to go, contact UBA at: 704-283-8383.

Tuesday, October 10th: **Flu Shot Clinic** at UBA Missions Resource Center from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Red Box Collection Week: October 6-17.
Need deodorant 2.0-3.5 oz. size.