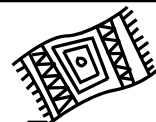


Greater Things Are Yet To Be Done

Mid-State Baptist Association

Thanksgiving Coat & Blanket Drive



This year we are joining
Macedonia Church in collecting gently
used or new coats and blankets for our
ministry/outreach partner Loaves & Fishes.
Bring them by the MBA and we will deliver.

Donations due by Nov 19th

Community Involvement Opportunity

POINSETTIAS FOR SALE!



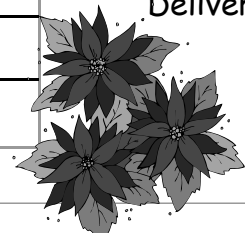
Howard Middle School Chorus won National Honors last year competing in Orlando Florida. These kids are raising the funds to go back to compete this year with no help from the county education budget. These kids have worked hard, been very disciplined, well behaved, and continue to work to be leaders in their school and their community.

If you or your church is planning to purchase poinsettias, please consider the impact that we can make on the lives of these children.

6½" pots are \$12 (\$5 goes to Chorus) 8½" pots are \$20 (\$6.50 to Chorus)

Delivery will be November 29th @ Martha Bowman from 3-6pm

Call Gail or Renee at the office to purchase.



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Your MBA Staff

Bob Franklin
Director of Missions

Otis Andrews
Christian Family Counselor

Pat Schaible
Finance Secretary

Renee Grant
Church Health & Unity/
Publications

Sydney Colvin
Receptionist and Ministry
Assistant

Gail Hamrick
Storehouse Ministries

Special points of interest:

*Vineville Baptist's Fall
Bazaar
November 13th
8am- 2pm*

**Office Closed
November 24-26th**

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An Association is geographical churches working together for the Kingdom causes. Have you reviewed the Kingdom work of Mid-State Association recently?

As an Association...

- We are doing ministry through our Storehouse more effectively to a larger number of people and through more partnering churches than ever before.
- We have studied and learned in excellent leadership classes and seminars.
- We have enjoyed good fellowship at our meetings.
- We have international missionaries living in our new "Howard Haven" house.
- We have more mission teams from more churches on more mission fields in more states and nations than ever.
- We have excellent student works being done at Mercer, Wesleyan and Macon State.

We are cooperating beautifully but have we enlarged the Kingdom?

Tuesday, November 9, meetings will be held that are important to Kingdom work. This meeting is so important for Pastors to attend that it will be held twice, once at 12 noon and again at 6:00 p.m. I have requested that all Pastors attend this critical meeting to discuss how we can be more effective in sharing Christ in our communities. Every church and every pastor in MBA wants to see the lost saved and disciplined. The information given at this meeting is designed to assist our Association with this scriptural mandate. It is our desire that all pastors participate in this meeting for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

Bob Franklin

Church Staff Openings and Church Needs

The MBA needs Bibles to give out to people at the Storehouse Ministry!

The Link Baptist Church is in need of baby high-chairs. Please call the MBA office if you have some to donate.

Wanted: Insurance Customer Service Rep. with current Ga. P&C insurance license to service commercial church accounts. **Agency specializes in church insurance.** Call John Lord, Church Insurers South, 478-477-5590.

Portable Baptistery -Lakeview Baptist Church has donated to the MBA a portable baptistery. The baptistery is available for use. Please call the MBA office-750.9114.

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Storehouse Ministry Schedule for November 2010

Please call Gail Hamrick
if you have any questions
750-9114 or email
ghamrick@mid-
statebaptist.org

1st Tuesday	Nov 2	Northway
2nd Tuesday	Nov 9	The Link
3rd Tuesday	Nov 16	Ingleside BC
4th Tuesday	Nov 23	Pine Forest
5th Tuesday	Nov 30	CLOSED



Storehouse Ministry Schedule for December 2010



1st Tuesday	Dec 7	Northway
2nd Tuesday	Dec 14	The Link
3rd Tuesday	Dec 21	CLOSED
4th Tuesday	Dec 28	CLOSED



Additional FREE Trainings Offered by the MBA

Free Audio Conference

Transforming Churches in Rural America

With Pastor Shannon O'Dell

Tuesday, Nov. 16th

11:30am

At the MBA Conference Room

Bring a sack lunch

Please RSVP so we can have materials for you

750-9114

In the Estes Training Room at the MBA Office

Nov 4th — *Leveraging Your Leadership Style* -
Discover practical keys for dealing with four person-
ality types and the most effective ways to motivate
and connect with your team.

Nov. 18th—*Ultimate Leadership—Being a
Leader Whom People Want to Follow—Cultivate
your ability to be the kind of leader who con-
nects with and inspires others.*

Trainings start at **NOON** and are 1 hour long.
We will begin on-time to protect your busy
schedule. These trainings are open to all
church staff and leadership.

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MBA Strategic Planning

Purpose: The purpose of Mid-State Baptist Association is to Magnify Christ by working together to effectively reach and disciple our community, state, nation and the world.

Vision: The vision of Mid-State Baptist is to assist every member to be a missionary.

Motto: MEMBERS ON MISSIONS

Priorities:

1. CREATE A UNIFIED PASSION FOR LOSTNESS.

Goals:

- Prayer for pastors and leadership
- Provide a place and time for prayer
- Coordinators to ignite passion.
- Schedule prayer times during events that yield the coordinator's opportunities to do evangelism.
- Education

2. DEVELOP MISSIONAL MINDSETS.

- Build pastors' awareness and ability to change members' mindsets to missions.
- Seeing pastors involved and involving their members in the mission.
- Create an atmosphere of urgency with pastors

3. DEVELOP A MOBILIZATION PROCESS

- Identify Leaders
- Identify and assess individual giftedness across the association
- Develop a written plan implementing a giftedness assessment to include funding
- Create and maintain a data base of giftedness.

4. PROVIDE VARIED MISSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES (ACTS 1:8)

Home:

Storehouse	Splash
Builders for Christ	Tutoring church & school
Clinics – Dental, health screening, hygiene	
Money	Addiction Counseling
Budgeting	VBS

Nation

Builders for Christ	Disaster	VBS
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World

Builders for Christ	Adopt a People Group	Medical health care
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Assist every Christian to get a passport – (pastor, leaders, and members)

5. INCREASE PRAYER IN ALL AREAS AND ALL MEMBERS

6. TRAIN UP THE CHILDREN (YOUNG IN CHRIST)

7. IMPROVE COMMUNICATION

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

Values for Mid-State Baptist Association:

Integrity

⁶Similarly, encourage the young men to be self-controlled. ⁷In everything set them an example by doing what is good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness ⁸and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned, so that those who oppose you may be ashamed because they have nothing bad to say about us. Titus 2:6-8

Diversity

⁴ Now there are different gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵ There are different ministries, but the same Lord. ⁶ And there are different activities, but the same God is active in everyone and everything. 1Corinthians 12:4

Excellence

⁸ Finally brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable—if there is any moral excellence and if there is any praise—dwell on these things. Phillip 4:8

Servanthood

⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life—a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45

Innovation

¹⁷ Therefore if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; old things have passed away, and look, new things have come. 2 Corinthians 5:17

Relevance

¹⁹ Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” Matthew 28:19-20

Empowerment

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8

A Copy of the Book of Reports from the Annual meeting can be picked up at the MBA office. It contains reports from our Local, State, National and International Missions and Ministry teams. Included are WMU, RA, GA, AWANA, Disaster Relief and other training dates. Please stop by and get a copy so you can be informed!



“The Great Pumpkin Prank” by Otis L. Andrews (Reprinted because its great!)

The idea came to me suddenly and with such great mental force I could easily have assumed it originated from a higher level of intellect. However, in looking back, I realize I must take full responsibility.

It was the middle of the afternoon. Halloween was only a few short hours away when I envisioned a large number of pumpkins. I not only envisioned them, I envisioned them in the front yard of my son and his family’s home. Immediately I began to focus on where and how I could acquire a great quantity at an affordable price. Suddenly my friend Jeffery, the produce manager at Kroger where I walk every morning, came to my mind. After checking with my wife to be sure my brilliant Halloween prank idea was within the “acceptable behavior zone” I headed for Kroger.

I was excited to see a “Reduced for Quick Sale” sign on a large display of pumpkins in front of the store. When I explained my pumpkin plan to Jeffery he was more than happy to sell me “as many as you want” for \$20.00. With Halloween night fast approaching I pulled my pick up in front of Kroger and quickly loaded it with 30 pumpkins. I love it when a plan comes together.

Deigie and I had agreed to house sit

for Kit and his family while they went trick-or-treating. Shortly after dark we showed up at their house. As soon as they left I rushed the half mile back to our house and drove my pumpkin loaded pick-up back over to their place. With great delight and glee, Deigie and I placed the pumpkins all over their front yard. In the faint glow from their front porch light the 30 orange objects made their yard look like the Great Pumpkin had been exceedingly generous. Deigie and I hid in the bushes until Kit, Joy, Sarah and Christopher came walking back up the street. Six year old Sarah was the first to see them. With a note of surprise and joy she said “What in the world are those things in our front yard...They’re pumpkins!” She ran from one to the other trying to count them. Her little brother, age fourteen months, even tried to help her. Our son commented, “It looks like we live in the pumpkin patch!” Our daughter-in-law as I recall said nothing. After watching them, silently from the bushes we jumped out and yelled “Trick or Treat!”

Afterwards we all went out to dinner. As we sat around the table we laughed about my great pumpkin prank. We also discussed what they were going to do with all those pumpkins. I sug-

gested they take them and put them in somebody else’s yard. That was Thursday evening. Saturday morning just about sunrise I got up to go to the bathroom. As I walked by our bedroom window out of the corner of my eye I spotted several large orange objects in our back yard. When I looked out of the window I saw pumpkins all over the patio, on the deck, on top of the birdfeeder, on the swing set and all over the back yard. There were 28 in all. Joy had graciously kept two to make pumpkin pies. They had taken my advice. They put them in somebody else’s yard – mine!

The Great Pumpkin Prank was not only a great idea, it “blessed” more than one family – my son’s mine and a lot of other folks to whom I gave all but four of the pumpkins.

Just call me the “Pumpkin Man”.

MBA Counseling Schedule

To make an appointment or to talk with Dr. Otis Andrews, please call 750.9114 ext. 107 on Tuesday or Thursday.

**Do you need a Missions or Ministry Speaker at your church or Sunday School?
Here is a small list to get you started!**

Haiti - Chris Fuller

Peru - Lisa Call

Builders for Christ - Al Andrews

Honduras - Jane Campbell

Central Asia - Visiting Missionary

Storehouse Ministries - Gail Hamrick

Christian and Leadership Trainings - Renee Grant

Mid-State Baptist Association - Bob Franklin

If you are interested in a speaker from an area not listed, please call and we will search our database for the perfect speaker for you!

To reserve at speaker

please call 750-9114

and speak with Sydney Colvin.

Storehouse Ministry / Life Training Center

Thanksgiving box packing will run a bit differently this year than it has in the past.

This year churches can let the Storehouse staff know how many boxes that you will need for Thanksgiving. We will give you a time when your group can come and pack the boxes that you need. Please let us know how many boxes that you will need by November 9, 2010.

This year Storehouse Ministry Center will distribute the standard boxes that are distributed weekly through the ministry. Each church can then take their boxes back to the church and supplement the boxes with items that your church prefers to include in the boxes.

Standard items that are placed in boxes are:

Cereal	Non-fat Dry Milk	Peanut Butter	2 cans of Apple Sauce
2 cans of Peaches	at least two cans of meat	Green Beans	Corn
Juice	Peas	Items in the boxes may vary.	

Other vegetables will be included depending on what is available.

Please call Gail Hamrick at 750-9114 ext 109 if you have questions.



Storehouse Ministries

We continue to reach out to our community through our Food Bank. Guests are able to receive food every three months, but in recent months we have not seen as many people returning as we have seen new people receiving food. Several guests have told me that they have not received help in years, but now they have gotten to the place that they cannot make it without assistance. If you are unable to assist physically with this ministry of our churches we would greatly appreciate your prayers. The following is a list of prayer requests for the ministry:

- Pray for our guests to come to know the hope that Jesus offers, and that those who don't know Him will become fully devoted followers of Christ.
- Pray for volunteers to have wisdom as they meet and pray with our guests.
- Thank God for the volunteers who are willing to work in Storehouse ministry.
- Pray for those who can pack and move boxes.
- Pray for God to provide enough food to meet the needs of guests who come to the Storehouse Ministry for help.

This Thanksgiving, Storehouse will be distributing boxes to churches upon request. These boxes will be filled with our regular staples. Individual churches can supplement the boxes as they wish. Please notify Storehouse staff of the number of boxes needed by November 9th.

The Middle Georgia Food Bank is still low on food. If your church would like to have a food drive it would be greatly appreciated. We can always use canned vegetables (other than corn and green beans) or canned meat.

Thanks for all that you do to "feed the need" in Middle Georgia.

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Alethia	0.00
Avondale	3,140.00
Bellevue	2,375.89
Bethel	1,134.95
Calvary	450.00
Church of the Harvest	0.00
Cornerstone	0.00
Countryside	550.00
East Boulevard	623.00
Faith	823.73
First	2,394.10
Glenwood Hills	2,170.00
Greenwood	998.51
High Point	525.46
Highland Hills	4,154.84
Hilltop	961.97
Houston Heights	1,811.78
Immanuel	1,811.78
Ingleside	25,679.56
Lakeview	4,301.42
Lawrence Drive	11,426.93
Mabel White	10,000.00
Macedonia	1,750.00
Macon Korean	4,543.17

Morningside	1,772.92
Mount Pleasant	200.00
Mt. Zion	8,421.00
New City	0.00
New Elim	0.00
New Heights	738.62
New Hope Baptist	\$0.00
New Hope Christian Fellowship	1,360.45
New Life Bible Fellowship	198.00
The New Piney Grove	200.00
New Providence	2,657.50
Northridge	7,547.83
Northway Church	4,000.00
Parkway	450.00
Pine Forest	7,090.00
Plentitude	6,150.00
Porterfield	2,019.69
Roundway	\$0.00
Tabernacle	2,333.34
Tattnall Square	1,352.68
The Link	300.00
Unity Baptist Church	4,149.40
Vineville	28,072.62
Wesleyan Drive	5,500.00
West Highland	1,012.50

Wheeler Heights	1,409.00
Individuals	9,952.16
Executive Comm-GBC	350.00
Cross Keys Legacy Fund	1,793.38
Total	\$181,264.61
As of 10/26/2010	
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MBA Financial Secretary	

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