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March Newsletter

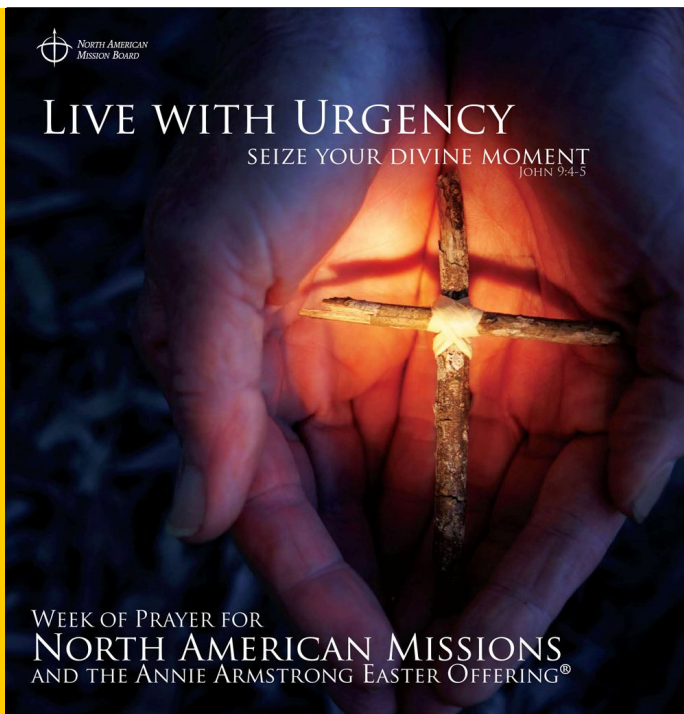
Director of Mission's Report

(1Ti 5:17) Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labor in the word and doctrine. Often, the hard work of the pastor and staff go unnoticed and unappreciated. **Our Bi-Vocational Ministers and Wives retreat (March 28-29), at Paris Landing State Park** provides an excellent opportunity for your church to affirm their love and appreciation for those who are called by God and your church to lead them in fulfilling the Great Commission. The TBC and our associations is covering all the expense except the hotel room. Pray about paying for the room for your pastor and wife.

Vacation Bible School can be a great Evangelistic tools. More people was saved last year in Vacation Bible Schools than all the Revival meeting. We need to use all the means we have available to win the lost to Christ. (Act 1:8) But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. If you need our help during VBS please contact us as soon as possible. The sooner we know the better we can serve you. **Thanks to everyone that attended the State VBS training.** Please make plans to attend the **Joint VBS clinic @ FBC, McEwen on April 26, 9am till 12:30.**

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Each year, we honor the life and work of Annie Walker Armstrong (1850-1938) when we give to the annual offering for North American missions named after her. As a tireless servant of God and a contagious advocate and supporter of mission efforts throughout the world, Annie Armstrong led women to unite in mission endeavors that ultimately led to the formation of Woman's Missionary

Union, for which she served as the first corresponding secretary.

Annie rallied churches to give more, pray more, and do more for reaching people for Christ. As we continue to unite to make her vision a reality in North America today, we can be confident that her legacy will also be ours.



Buffalo, Andy Plank, Pastor: God has been good to us here at Buffalo. We have had 4 new members join our fellowship. We are presently studying "Experiencing God". It truly is a life and church altering study. Andy and Ann attended the bi-vocational pastor's convention in Pigeon Forge this past month. Those who did not attend really missed a blessing. Andy and Ann were asked to serve on the Bi-vocational pastors council. They want to pass along the message that if any of you have any concerns that could be addressed by the council, please let them know and they will carry your concerns to the group. Five of our folks are headed for a "Bible Fun Field Day" at Camp Linden. This is our second year to send them. We are also prayerfully beginning a puppet ministry. Please continue to pray for us as we reach out to our community.

Cedar Grove, Buddy Mullinax, Pastor: On March 1, we attended YEC in Nashville, TN. We will be having an Easter egg hunt and cookout on March 22nd. We will also have Easter sunrise services at Pebble Isle in New Johnsonville on March 23rd. We are planning an Easter play and fellowship meal on March 23. In May we have also planned a campus visit to the Tennessee Baptist Children's home in Brentwood.

FBC, Waverly, Pastor: Things are busy here at FBC. We are gearing up for the annual Easter Egg Hunt this Sunday at the city park from 4-5:30 and following the egg hunt we'll have our evening service there under the pavilion. Our new staff member Bro. Jordan Rouden is directing our Worship Choir and leading our youth group now and is doing a fine job. The choir is practicing for some upcoming Easter music and the youth are gearing up for World Changers. Bro. Dennis is starting a discipleship class on Sharing Your Faith without Fear and in April we'll begin a Divorce Recovery Class. God continues to bless here at FBC Waverly.

Pomona, B. Carter Elmore: Come join us on March 16th to hear our choir sing their musical "Because He Lives". We will have 4 attending the youth conference in Nashville on Friday and about 14 attending on March 1. We have had 5 more to join us here at Pomona. One of them was by baptism. The Church did food baskets for 16 families at Christmas. May God bless each of you.

Sylvia, Clark Brown, Pastor: Spring is almost here! We are excited about what the Lord has in store for us this spring! Our Spring Revival will be April 6—9 with Bro Randy Isbell, Sunday worship times will be at 8:45 am, 11 am and 6:30 pm Mon thru Wed will be at 7 pm. Come join us. Some of our WMU ladies and Acteen girls will be attending the WMU Celebration in Gatlinburg on April 4-6. Our youth are sponsoring a trip to go see Casting Crown in concert on April 29th in Nashville. In April we are kicking off our new visitation program called S.W.A.T (seek, win and teach) we are excited about how God is going to work through this ministry, we've had a lot of interest in our church about joining the "S.W.A.T" team.

Trace Creek, Mark Warren, Pastor: We had 21 youth and leaders to go to the Youth Evangelism Conference. The adult choir will be presenting the Easter cantata, "Amazing Grace - My sins are gone" on Sunday morning, March 16th. Some of our ladies will be attending the Mission Get-Together in Gatlinburg in April. The youth will be going to Ridgecrest on April 20-23 to help with getting the camp ready for the summer camps. A mission team will leave on a trip to the Gulf Coast April 30-May 4. June 2-6 we will be having Sports Camp for children (ages: those entering 3rd grade thru those entering 8th grade.) If your church has chil-



Joint VBS Clinic
FBC, McEwen
9 am - 12:30 pm

TRUETT ASSOCIATION BUDGET REPORT						
Second Quarter Dec.07,Jan.,Feb.08	THIS YEAR'S BUDGET	THIS QUARTER'S EXPENSES	EXPENSES TO DATE	BUDGET AMOUNT REMAINING		TO DATE LAST MONTH
DOM Staff	\$ 40,800.00	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 20,400.00	\$ 20,400.00		10,200.00
DOM Appreciation Bonus	1,000.00	-	-	1,000.00		-
Annual Meeting	200.00	-	200.00	-		200.00
Associational Minutes	150.00	64.82	64.82	85.18		-
Associational Clerk	700.00	100.00	500.00	200.00		400.00
Associational Treasurer	1,000.00	400.00	400.00	600.00		-
Bi-vocational Ministry	200.00	125.00	125.00	75.00		-
Brotherhood	50.00	-	-	50.00		-
Discipleship Training	50.00	-	75.00	(25.00)		75.00
Evangelism	250.00	-	-	250.00		-
Insurance	150.00	-	-	150.00		-
Media Material	75.00	-	-	75.00		-
Miscellaneous	500.00	-	-	500.00		-
Mission Committee	2,400.00	-	-	2,400.00		-
Music	100.00	-	-	100.00		-
Office Supplies & Postage	400.00	-	-	400.00		-
Pastor Fellowship	1,000.00	450.00	450.00	550.00		-
Prayer Ministry	100.00	-	-	100.00		-
Scholarship Fund	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	-		1,000.00
Disaster Relief	1,000.00	56.00	56.00	944.00		-
Sunday School	250.00	-	-	250.00		-
Youth Ministry	150.00	-	-	150.00		-
Vacation Bible School	400.00	167.11	167.11	232.89		-
Woman's Missionary Union	500.00	165.82	165.82	334.18		-
Reimbursed	-	73.00	73.00	(73.00)		-
Counseling	1,000.00	100.00	100.00	900.00		-
Pastor Wives Fellowship	300.00	250.00	250.00	50.00		-
TOTAL	\$ 53,725.00	\$ 12,151.75	\$ 24,026.75	\$ 29,698.25		11,875.00
PTS		THIS QUARTER	TO DATE			
Buffalo Mission		\$ 59.06	\$ 187.79			128.73
Cedar Grove		1,246.00	1,861.00			615.00
Life Point		-	-			-
Immanuel		600.00	1,200.00			600.00
Liberty		1,071.17	1,711.47			640.30
McEwen First		415.36	641.45			226.09
Oak Grove		380.00	561.00			181.00
Pomona		688.31	1,686.51			998.20
Slayden		273.70	467.03			193.33
Sylvia		3,113.71	5,545.65			2,431.94
Tenn Baptist Convention		-	-			-
Trace Creek		2,760.39	5,126.96			2,366.57
United Missionary		104.52	198.44			93.92
Vanleer		-	-			-
Waverly First		4,143.33	6,392.36			2,249.03
Other		-	-			-
Interest		231.36	459.20			227.84
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$ 15,086.91	\$ 26,038.86			10,951.95
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$47,051.14					
ENDING BALANCE	\$49,986.30					

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**"For we are laborers together
with God."**
-1 Cor. 3:9

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[Calendar of Events](#)

March

- Week of Prayer for North America and Annie Armstrong
- 9-15.....Youth Week
- 16.....Substance Abuse Prevention
- 23-29.....Sunday School Emphasis Week
- 28-29.....Bi-Vocational Pastors and Wives Retreat @ Paris Landing

April

- 5.....WMU Annual Mtg Gatlinburg Convention Center
- 6.....Sunday School High Attendance Day
- 13.....Cooperative Program Sunday
- 13-17.....Baptist Doctrine Study
- 14.....SS Conf. @FBC, Waverly
- 19.....Advisory Council Mtg @ Sylvia BC, 10:00 am
- 20.....Life Commitment Sunday
- 26.....Joint VBS Clinic @ FBC, McEwen 9 am-12:30 pm
- 28.....Executive Board Meeting @ FBC McEwen
Meal 6 pm; Meeting 7 pm

May

- 4.....Senior Adult Sunday
- 11.....Day of Prayer and Fasting for World Evangelism
- 19-25.....On Mission in Baptist Association
- 19.....Pastor Fellowship @ TBA, Stewart

Sunday School Emphasis Week (March 23-29)

A Sunday School class plays a critical role in growing healthy families. The class represents both an arena for discovering God's purpose for the family and a place in which we can help all families get involved in the class. Here's how you can strengthen the family through Sunday School.

Start with small classes. Adults and their needs can get lost easily in larger classes. We cannot maintain good personal relationships with people in most cases in larger classes. Smaller classes allow for greater interpersonal relationships among learners.

Get personal. Knowing everyone personally helps identify potential needs among learners. We need to know more than name, phone number and address on adults who attend our classes.

Provide resources. Bible study resources are just part of the resources adults need to face the challenges presented today. Family support resources can provide both helpful information for parents and illustrations of how other parents have faced challenges to family values.

Plan family events. Events that include children can strengthen family relationships. Some teenagers really do want to be with their parents - at least occasionally!

Encourage family worship. Every family should be encouraged to find at least five to ten minutes once or twice a week to get together to talk and pray. Family worship can be very informal. Allow children to take the lead in family worship, too.