

Baptist Clarion

April 2018

A Note from Your DOM:

Brothers and Sisters,

It was around a year ago that God began to do a new work in my life. About twelve months ago I received a phone call from one of our pastors asking me if I was still interested in the DOM job here in Rockingham County. As I began to pray and seek God about this opportunity it became clear to me and my wife that we were being SENT to North Carolina to do God's work. I want to remind us that God has work for all of us to be doing. I want to remind us that God SENDS His people out into the world to spread the Gospel and advance the Kingdom of God. Last Sunday was Easter, and I hope your church was full, but the truth is, we need to celebrate Easter every Sunday. We need to be excited about worship and bringing friends and family to church every Sunday. We have Kingdom work that God has called all of us to, and this requires us to be excited about the Kingdom of God.

The Apostle Paul tells us in Galatians 2:20 that we are crucified with Christ. "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." We know that the grace of God is free, that salvation is made available to all who will believe. But, I want to remind us that Grace is free, but once you are a Christian your life belongs to King Jesus. Just as God SENT me and my family to North Carolina to advance the Kingdom, he has placed you and your family here as well. Will you commit to serving Christ in Rockingham County this year?

Pastor Ryan McMillian

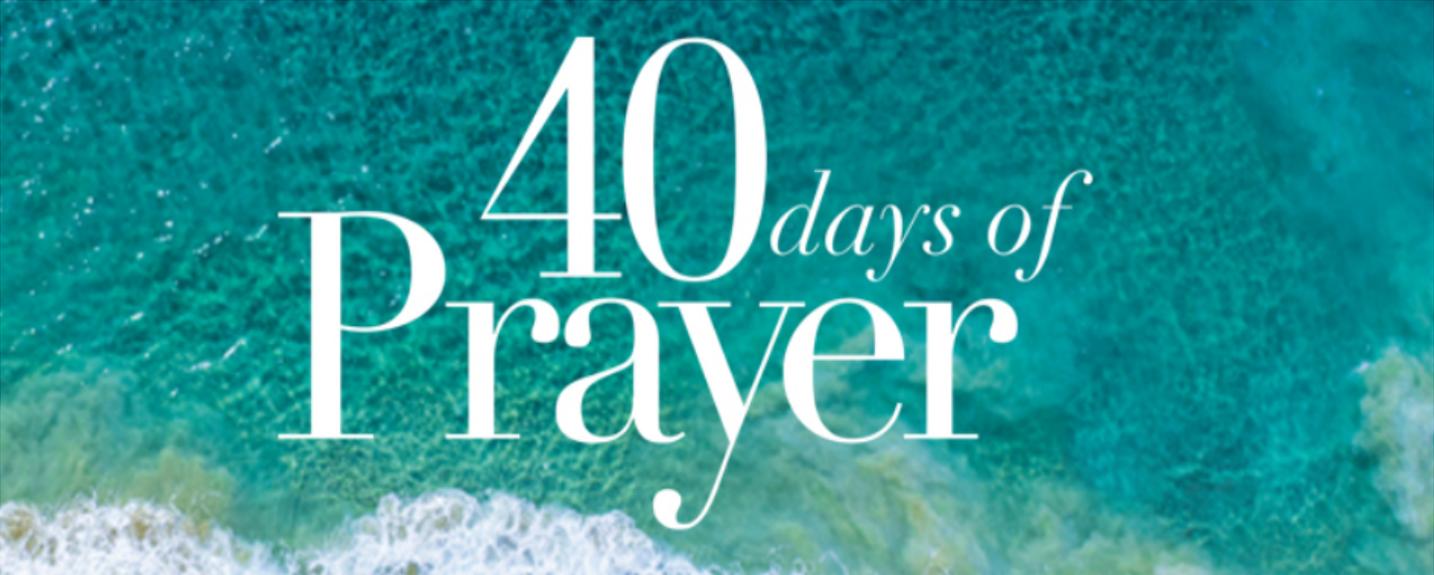
Revelation 1:18- I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.



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Upcoming Events



40 *days of*
Prayer

Starts Sunday April 15! We will be praying as an Association that God would unleash the Holy Spirit here in Rockingham County.

The 40 Days of Prayer Guides are available for you on our webpage. We will pray for each church, pastor, deacon body, and pray for the lost!

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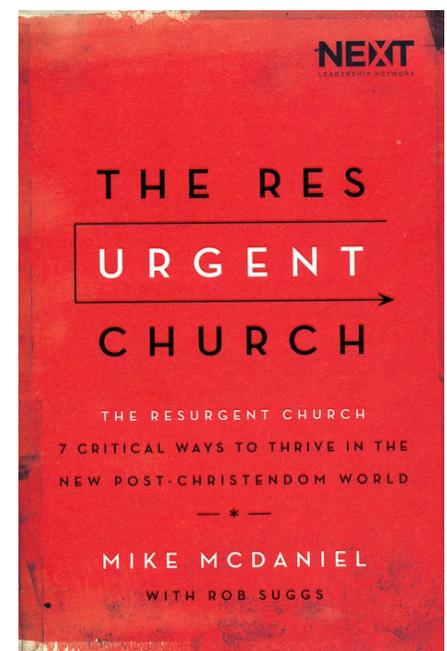
Dan Valley Leadership Cohort

Dan Valley Baptist Association is launching a new ministry focused on Pastors! As an association we want to invest in our pastors, whom God has anointed to lead our local churches. Leadership is important in any organization and is important in the life of our churches. I want to invite all of our pastors to participate in a leadership cohort, which will meet throughout the year.

Dates: March 15-April 19

Thursdays @NOON

We will discuss the topics found in the book Resurgent Church written by Mike McDaniel.



Association Information:

I would like to invite the association to pray for these men and women as they help me guide the Dan Valley Baptist Association.

Executive Team

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Association Finances YTD:

Church Contributions: \$42,828.23

Total Expenses: \$38,928.53

Difference YTD: \$3,899.70

DVBA TOTAL FUNDS: \$236,825.43

Thank you, Dan Valley churches, for being faithful to support the work of the Association.

Association News:

TOY STORE

The Association has formed a TOY STORE ministry team. This new ministry team has met and is in the process of planning for this year's Toy Store. I want to give you an update on some important aspects of this year's Toy Store that the ministry team has decided upon.

Date: December 3-7, 2018

Locations: Growing Oaks Reidsville, FBC Mayodan, Hampton Heights Eden

There are already two fundraisers planned for the Toy Store.

#1– Golf Tournament on April 21st @Deep Springs Country Club

#2– Toy Store Banquet @FBC Mayodan in November

Dan Valley Baptist Association will be partnering with Rockingham Rescue Mission this year to make the Toy Store happen. Rockingham Rescue Mission will be handling all of the sign-ups for this year's Toy Store.

I want to encourage you to be in prayer about this ministry that God will use the Toy Store to impact Rockingham County with the Gospel.

**The next Toy Store meeting is Monday April 16
at Comers Chapel. 6:30pm**

Association News:

There are three ways your church can benefit from our partnership with Rockingham Rescue Mission.

1. We now have access to the mobile food pantry and feeding trailer. Our churches can use this tool to reach their neighborhoods.
2. Your church can choose one day a month to serve at the food kitchen that Rockingham Rescue Mission runs. This is a great opportunity for local missions.
3. We are in the process of establishing a benevolence system through RRM. Your church can contribute to the DVBA benevolence account at RRM and then you can refer people who are in financial need to RRM.



Rockingham
Rescue
Mission

Making a Difference Jude 1:22

Association News:

Association Picnic!

Coming to Rockingham County this FALL!

The association will be forming a ministry team to plan and execute a yearly association picnic. If you are interested in this new ministry opportunity, please sign up at the association meeting. I am planning on having our first picnic this fall. (September/October)

You will be asked to serve alongside one of our Executive Team members to plan this new event.

Will you serve?



Association News:

21 Days in the WORD

This fall the Association will be providing a 21-day bible Study for any association church that wants to participate. I want us as the church at Rockingham County to read the Word of God together.

We will finish this 21 Day Journey through the Word of God with an Association wide Sunday evening Worship Service.



WMU News:

BY ALL MEANS

Dan Valley Baptist

Woman's Missionary Union

Spring Celebration

April 14, 2018

10:00 A.M.

Woodbine Baptist Church, Mayodan

"I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings (1 Cor. 9:22b-23 NIV).

"Everyone is too busy".

"We don't need another meeting."

"Only the older ladies in our church meet anymore."

"We just do the same thing each year."

If this is what you're hearing, this is the meeting for you. WMU offers new ideas and new resources for missions of all flavors. Plan to join the ladies of the Dan Valley Association for the **71st annual Spring Celebration April 14th 10:00 am at Woodbine Baptist Church.** This year, **Amy Boone, the Executive Director of WMU NC** will discuss **"What's New in WMU"**

WMU News:

Missions Extravaganza

2018 Missions Extravaganza & 127th Meeting

April 27-28

Ardmore Baptist Church

Winston-Salem, NC

Our annual conference where the sisters (and yes, brothers) of WMU NC join together to: meet missionaries, choose from a wide variety of break-out sessions that are sure to encourage, challenge, and equip you for the mission field God has placed before you. Learn new ways to be more focused on missions and spiritual development. Enjoy music of worship and renewal and of course, fellowship with other women (and men) on mission from across the state. Whether you are 18 or 108 there is a place for you at Missions Extravaganza!

2018 Featured Speakers

Taylor & Susan Field

Community Prayer Meeting Schedule

***12:15 pm – 1pm**

1st Tuesdays - Baptist Temple Church, 729 Wentworth Street

2nd Tuesdays - Elm Grove Baptist Church, 1302 US Business 29

3rd Tuesdays - Living Faith Communities Church 513 S Main St

4th Tuesdays - Salvation Army Worship Center, 704 Barnes St.

On the 5th Tuesdays - First Baptist Church, 409 S Main St.

**Come help us pray for Revival and Awakening
in Rockingham County and in America**

We are getting together to cry out to God to send that revival and awakening to our community and our land and to let it begin in us.

We are blessed to have people from all denominations as well as all races coming to pray. We hope you will join us.