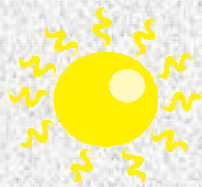


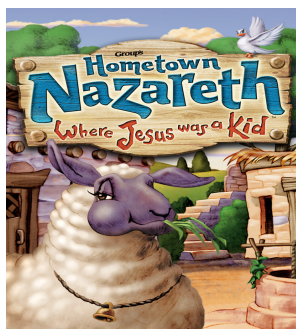
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# I ♥ VBS

June 2011

“Where there is no vision, the people perish.” - Proverbs 29:18



Have you ever heard of a cochineal bug?

It is a bug that eats cactus and is used in making a **red** dye.

This dye makes our lives more colorful. Our little children do the same for us.

The Bible says in Matthew 19:14 **“Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not for such is the Kingdom of Heaven”**. Children, in order to make a difference, will need to experience a change in their lives.

The ABC's of VBS will help bring about that change.

We are praying for the churches in our association this year to see **500** children changed by the power of Jesus for all eternity. Then they will color our whole world with the **Love of Jesus**. **500** changed for the Glory of God!

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## From Your DOM



VBS Training was great! Thank you to all who participated, especially to the crew that met in the RV. We learned what it takes to make a successful VBS and also learned where some of our Cooperative Program dollars go to help reach people in New York. Yes, we got to meet a real, live missionary “dog”. No, she didn’t *look* like a dog; oh, I guess she did, because she is a dog. Our missionary in the Bronx, New York, Andrew Mann, serves the Lord through a church and community center. His sidekick is a five year old Golden Retriever whose name is Proof, and she helps with the ministry. Andrew has a powerful story of how God is using him there. Thanks for your support of the Cooperative Program so that people in New York can hear about Jesus. Your offering each Sunday at your church supports Andrew and 5,000 others.

Thank you for your support of the St. Johns River Baptist Association, too. We are able to share the gospel in Palatka, Florida though coaching Upward Basketball. Yes, the season is almost over and I have had a great time sharing Jesus each Monday afternoon at practice and then at the Saturday morning games. God has blessed so much as we form and mold these young men in the image of Christ.

Thank you that you allow me the opportunity to work with a local church as I work in transition with San Mateo First Baptist Church in their pastor search task. We have seen God do some great things there, too.

I want to thank you for the opportunity to be out there serving Pastors in their tasks of leading their churches. The meetings and luncheons we have are very productive in sharing of resources. The counseling times are so needed and I rejoice in the opportunities to serve you in this way.

One great task before us in the next 3 months is the work in Crescent City. We have before us an open door to reach the community. Please pray for God’s wisdom and His people to step up to use their talents to reach the many children and youth there. Please pray often and fervently.

We are looking for a full-time Missions Assistant at the office. This person is going to be a catalyst to help the churches without youth programs and the Baptist College of Florida program. He will be working in other areas of the association as well.

I want to personally encourage you to invite the Russian Choir to your church. They are singing so they can go on their mission trip to Karelia, Russia this summer. This will be the 4th year for them to go conduct camps, witness in schools, and nursing homes, and work with the new church plant there. You can have a great part by going with them and by having them come to sing in your service. Wow! They sound like angels singing so I know you will be blessed. Call the office for details. They have 7 weeks before they leave so please call soon.

Jesus says in Luke 10:2, “The harvest truly *is* great, but the labourers *are* few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.”

Continue to pray for our house to sell in Atlanta. We want to be relieved of this financial burden and I know God can take care of these things. Thank you again for the privilege of serving as your Director of Missions.

- ASA



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Please put the following Pastors and Churches in your bulletin and pray for them during June:

Date	Church	Pastor
01	Epic Ministries	Trent Schake
05	Flagler Estates Baptist	Kurt Hasselman
05	Flagler West Community	(Vacant)
08	Francis Baptist	Buddy Lynch
12	Freedom Baptist	Jeff Gatlin
12	Grace Community	Mark Pope
15	Gracepointe Baptist	John Mark Hutcheson
19	Hastings First Baptist	Lucas Cunningham
19	Hillcrest Baptist	Willie McKinnon
22	Interlachen First Baptist	Tony Clubb
26	McDowell Baptist	Clarence Blalock
26	Midway Baptist	John Cameron
29	Moultrie Baptist	Sandy Colley



WOODLAWN Baptist Church (Hawthorne) is seeking a Music Minister. For more information, please contact the church office at 352-481-3652.

First Baptist Church HASTINGS is currently seeking Music Minister. For more information, please contact Pastor Lucas Cunningham at (904) 692-1563.

MIDWAY Baptist Church (Bardin Road, west of Palatka) On Sunday, June 5, Midway will celebrate its 69th homecoming. Rev. Asa Greear will bring the morning message and a fellowship meal will follow the morning service. Pastor John Cameron and the church family extend an open invitation to former members and the community.

# June Birthdays & Anniversaries

## Birthdays:

- 03— Rev. Eric Botley, Providence Baptist Church
- 03— Jill (Mrs. Rusty) Hoke, Community Baptist Church
- 05— Helen (Mrs. Buddy) Lynch, Francis Baptist Church
- 06— Rev. Mason Reigger, Anastasia Baptist Church
- 07— Donna (Mrs. Dan) Ott, Anastasia Baptist Church
- 09— Rev. Trent Schake, Epic Ministries
- 13— Rev. Charlie Rabun, First Baptist Palatka
- 15— Beth (Mrs. Barry) Beauchamp, College Park Baptist Church
- 16— Elaine (Mrs. Don) Burnett, St. Johns Avenue Baptist Church
- 16— Dr. LD Osteen, Woodlawn Baptist Church
- 17— Rev. Asa Greear, SJRBA Director of Missions
- 23— Rev. Lester Jenkins, Peniel Baptist Church
- 23— Christine (Mrs. Ben) Rodda, College Park Baptist Church
- 23— Jane (Mrs. David) Wheat, Amazing Grace Baptist Church
- 27— Alisha (Mrs. Kelly) Kemp, Moultrie Baptist Church



## Wedding Anniversaries:

- 03— David & Faith Dixon, Dunns Creek, 16 years
- 12— David & Donna Vannoy, Community, 35 years
- 13— Benny & Cara Reynolds, Peniel, 31 years
- 14— Karl & Terri Flagg, Mt. Tabor, 25 years
- 17— Tom & Marilyn Harris, Woodlawn, 56 years
- 19— Clarence & Doris Blalock, McDowell, 51 years
- 25— Barry & Kay Spence, San Mateo FBC, 18 years
- 29— Terry & Renee Wright, Dunns Creek, 18 years



## Ministry Anniversaries:

- 01— Rev. Sam Schlegel, Pastor, Church at Vilano, 8 years
- 08— Dr. David Beauchamp, Pastor, Crescent Beach, 8 years
- 15— Rev. Bobby Crum, Worship Leader, Anastasia, 16 years



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**WHAT? DINNER & EVENT PLANNING**  
**WHO? CHURCH YOUTH LEADERS & SPOUSE**  
**WHEN? 7:00 PM, TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2011**  
**WHERE? CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, PALATKA**  
**WHY? TO PLAN BIG ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH EVENT**  
**RSVP: (386) 328-5575 OR SJRBA@BELLSOUTH.NET**

## Happy Father's Day Sunday, June 19, 2011

A Father's eyes can see the things that others cannot see.  
 A Father's heart can reason beyond vain philosophy.  
 A Father's love can reach his child in ways beyond compare.  
 A Father's hand can touch a life with strong and loving care.

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*"The steps of a good man  
are ordered by the Lord."  
- Psalm 37:23*



## Undesignated Gifts From Our Churches for Associational Missions

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>Y-T-D</u>
Amazing Grace	1,273.27
Anastasia	17,288.46
Ancient City	3,333.38
Berean	414.68
Bethel of Palm Coast	65.80
Beulah	2,667.77
Bostwick	400.00
Bunnell	2,500.00
Calvary	1,524.78
Circle J	154.72
College Park	2,128.35
Community	1,729.58
Crescent Beach	6,358.90
Crescent City	1,250.00
Cross Road Comm.	1,901.22
Dunham Woods	318.80
Dunns Creek	1,300.00
Epic Church	1,316.34
Flagler Estates	489.70
Flagler West	274.03
Francis	2,596.69
Freedom	0
Grace Community	468.56
Gracepointe	518.43
Hastings	1,518.95
Hillcrest	419.00
Interlachen First	4,546.78
McDowell	2,082.40
Midway	2,152.05
Moultrie	683.87
Mt. Olive	0
Mt. Tabor	400.00
New Cross Creek	483.04
Oak Avenue	1,200.00
Palatka First	3,250.00
Palm Coast Comm.	250.00
Paran	209.74
Peniel	3,257.79
Petra	300.00
Pomona Park	1,572.58
Providence	1,921.77
River Road	1,533.08
San Mateo First	100.00
Satsuma	201.89
Slavic Baptist	250.00
South Putnam	400.00
Southside	1,519.40
St. Johns Avenue	382.99
St. Johns Baptist	0
Tabernacle	2,264.11
The Church at Vilano	226.44
Trinity	960.20
Turning Point	3,762.04
Welaka First	1,413.00
Woodlawn	1,862.61

\*Deposits made thru 05/25/11

# Pastor Spotlight



Dr. & Mrs. Jim Obrecht, Jr.

Dr. James A. Obrecht, Jr. came to serve as Senior Pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Palatka, in October 2010. Jim grew up in Ames, Iowa and came to know Jesus as his Lord and Savior while studying at the University of Alabama. It was there that God called Jim into the gospel ministry. He received his Master of Divinity degree

at Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary in Memphis, TN in May 1990. Just recently, May 13, 2011, Jim earned his Doctorate of Ministry degree from Luther Rice University in Lithonia, Georgia.

Jim and his wife, Sandra, were married in 1991 and served as home missionaries in northern Michigan, later serving churches in Pennsylvania and Ohio before serving in Florida. Jim enjoys partnering with Sandra in teaching God's Word and growing God's people. On July 6, 2011, they will share twenty years of marriage and twenty years of faithful service (2 Tim. 2:2) in ministering to God's people in the pastorate.



GospelGifts

## June 2011 VBS Dates

June 12—17	Pomona Park FBC	386-649-4265
June 13—17	Bostwick Baptist	386-328-3869
June 13—17	River Road Baptist	386-328-1035
June 14—17	Providence Baptist	386-325-4962
June 19—24	Hastings First Baptist	904-692-1563
June 20—24	Anastasia Baptist	904-471-2166
June 20—24	College Park Baptist	386-325-7991
June 20—24	Community Baptist	386-437-1010
June 20—24	Crescent Beach Baptist	904-794-7777
June 20—24	Hillcrest Baptist	386-328-6514
June 20—24	Interlachen FBC	386-684-4573
June 20—24	Moultrie Baptist	904-797-9005
June 20—24	Mount Olive Baptist	904-692-1995
June 20—24	Mt. Tabor First Baptist	386-328-6898
June 20—24	Peniel Baptist	386-328-3548
June 20—24	Southside Baptist	386-328-0764
June 20—24	Turning Pt @ Calvary	904-829-9795
June 20—24	Woodlawn Baptist	352-481-3652
June 27—01	Crescent City FBC	386-698-1578
June 27—01	Francis Baptist	386-325-1717
June 27—01	Palatka First Baptist	386-328-1531

## Associational Calendar



<u>June</u>		
4	8 am	Assoc. Men's Breakfast/Tabernacle
14-15		Southern Baptist Convention
18	9 am	DR Training/Region 4—Lakeland
19		Happy Father's Day
23	11:30	Ministers Monthly Fellowship Luncheon
25	12 pm	Bi-Vocational Pastors Dinner
28	7 pm	Associational Meeting for YOUTH Leaders/Calvary Baptist Church

<u>July</u>		
2	8 am	Assoc. Men's Breakfast/Tabernacle
4		Independence Day/Office Closed
4	4 pm	Outreach Extravaganza/St. Augustine
15	7 pm	Executive Committee Meeting/ Cross Road Community Church
28	11:30	Ministers Monthly Fellowship Luncheon

## THIRST

### College & Career Ministry of First Baptist Palatka

This summer is going to be a great time for the **College & Career Ministry** in Palatka. There are several events and Bible studies planned for the summer. More information is available by joining their Facebook page or by calling FBC Palatka at (386) 328-1531.

### Day of Prayer for Hurricane Season



**Sunday, June 5,** is called Day of Prayer for a calm season and careful preparations for Florida Baptists and our disaster relief teams across the state. For more information, please visit [www.flbaptist.org](http://www.flbaptist.org).

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