

# THE NORTHEASTER

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## ---From Our DOM---

**Welcome to 2011!** Can you believe it is here?

### CRUSADE FOR CHRIST

The Nassau County "Crusade for Christ" Tent Revival is scheduled for April 3-6, 2011 at New Life Baptist Church, Highway 200 at the corner of 200/Blackrock Road under the tent. Truman Blankenship Pastor of New Life and Neil Helton Pastor of Amelia are co Crusade Directors. Matt Paisley, Matt Gingery and Gary Tomlison are directing the music for the Crusade and hope to fill up the Choir with people from our Nassau County Churches. The Crusade will kick off Sunday night April 3 at 6 pm with Evangelist Bill Bozeman preaching. We are asking that all Churches participating in the Crusade move their evening services to the event. Monday – Wednesday the services will begin at 7 pm. Please have your prayer teams begin to lift this event up in prayer. I am serving as Publicity Director but can use people to serve on this team with me.

Positions still needed to fill on the following teams:

1. Usher and Greeter director Curtis Cantrell 904-859-1859 / team.
2. Parking director / team.
3. Counseling director David Parker 904-261-9527 / team.
4. Set up and tear down director / team.
5. Prayer director Brian Cranes 904-225-4940 / team.

As you can see we are in need of directors for our Parking and our Set up and tear down teams as well as team members. If you would like to help in any of these areas please contact Truman Blankenship at 904-261-7841 or 261-4818 or Neil Helton at 904-261-9527.

### ASSOCIATION SENIOR ADULT MEETING

Our seniors will be meeting at The First Baptist Church of Fernandina Beach, February, 17, 2011 at 10:30 am. All senior adults across Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia are invited to attend. Of course the program, fellowship and a good meal will be had by all. See you there!

### LEARNING YOUR LEADERSHIP STYLE

On Thursday, February 24, 2011 from 9 am – 12 (noon), Rick Wheeler from The Leadership and Development Division of The Florida Baptist Convention will be with us leading this insightful meeting dealing with "Learning Your Leadership Style". I would bring as much of my church and staff leadership as I could to this meeting. Please RSVP no later than February 22 to our office at 904-225-5941 to let us know who will be attending. Lunch will be served.

In His Service -  
David Drake  
Director of Missions



2011  
Gifts from Our Churches

Church	November	December	YTD
Amelia	834.08	742.82	10151.91
Blackrock	802.69	674.37	9196.38
Boulougne	1667.51	2601.95	17116.61
Brandy Branch	645.98	572.07	6390.06
Callahan First	1500.00	1500.02	22000.00
Cedar Bay	368.65	241.85	3582.67
Celebration	1093.10	772.54	12265.17
Congregacion Bautista	80.00	60.00	895.00
Dunns Creek	quarterly	quaterly	20709.64
Duval Station	549.56	450.46	5454.22
Eastport	255.00	270.00	3521.00
Ephesus	394.89	331.70	4424.65
Fernandina First	1337.00	1064.00	14337.00
FBC West Jacksonville	137.57	0.00	1252.30
Five Points	790.00	549.84	7334.54
Gardenview	536.16	0.00	4312.18
Gray Gables	1035.00	761.00	11004.00
Grover Road	0.00	0.00	411.41
Harper Chapel	0.00	20.00	80.00
Hedges	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hilliard First	0.00	0.00	2985.99
Hollyford	268.29	518.44	3559.32
LaTierra Prometida	0.00	0.00	200.00
Live Oak	615.00	1230.00	7980.00
Matthew's House	0.00	0.00	0.00
North 14th St	305.40	215.84	3278.35
North Hilliard	170.05	225.28	2653.21
Oak Grove	110.00	0.00	479.32
Oasis	0.00	0.00	500.00
Pecan Park	505.00	289.00	4620.50
Providence	53.00	0.00	285.00
River Road	433.00	437.00	5200.60
Springhill	884.40	550.40	6905.09
Thomas Creek	310.08	0.00	2865.07
Victory	189.00	125.01	1856.52
Yulee	554.91	511.20	5274.48
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,425.32</b>	<b>14,714.79</b>	<b>203,082.19</b>

Facility Balance  
\$160,716.92

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Please remember to pray for our churches that are in need of pastors:

- Eastport
- Grover Road
- Gray Gables
- North Hilliard
- North 14th Street



From Our Churches

Hilliard First:

February

- 06 5 pm Prayer Walking Schools
- 06 6 pm Solemn Assembly of Prayer
- 13 No PM Activities due to "Soup & Sandwich Sunday"
- 15 7 pm Deacons Meeting
- 21 Office closed in observance of Presidents Day

March

- 15 Deacons Meeting
- 17 11:30 am Young at Heart Senior Adult Luncheon
- 21-25 Nassau County Schools - SPRING BREAK
- 23 No Activities

Pecan Park: Pecan Park Baptist Church will be having Trevor Thomas, Christian Dramatist on Saturday February 26th at 6 pm.. In March we will be having a Revival with Evangelist Ronnie Owens of Tazwell, Tennessee beginning Sunday, March 6th at 6 pm and Monday-Wednesday March 7-9 at 7 pm.

River Road:

February

- 01 Senior Adult Luncheon, 10:30 am
- 04-06 Youth Snow Tubing at Wolf Laurel in Asheville, NC
- 11 Valentine Banquet, 6 pm
- 05, 12, 19, 26 Upwards Basketball 9 am - 2 pm in the FAB

March

- 05 Upwards Basketball, 9 am-2 pm in the FAB
- 06 Upwards Awards Night. 6:30 pm with guest speaker, Matt Fore

Yulee: Your Deacons are invited to a training event at Yulee Baptist Church on Saturday, February 19, 2011. The subject will be "Deacons Making Disciples". Breakfast will be served at 9:30 am. The conference will be led by Roy Lee Saint of the Leadership and Development Department of The Florida Baptist Convention. Roy Lee says you'll be headed home before Noon. Please RSVP to the church office 904-225-5128 by Feb. 16.

Association  
Senior Adult Luncheon

February 17, 2011  
10:30 am  
FBC Fernandina  
1600 S. 8th Street  
Fernandina Beach, FL  
(904) 261-3617



Please remember to call the church office with approximate number attending. This helps with food preparation.

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- Mark Your Calendar -

“CRUSADE FOR CHRIST”

Tent Meeting  
Sunday - Wednesday  
Nightly Services  
April 3-6, 2011



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UP-COMING EVENTS

- Mark Your Calendar -

APRIL

- 14 Semi-Annual Celebration, Live Oak, 36178 Congregation Lane, Callahan, 5:30 pm
- 17 Palm Sunday
- 22 Good Friday
- 24 EASTER
- 27 Secretary’s Day

MAY

- 08 Mother’s Day
- 19 Senior Adult Luncheon, FBC Callahan, 45090 Green Ave., Callahan, 10:30 am
- 30 Memorial Day



CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
FEBRUARY

- 14 Valentine’s Day
- 16 Semi-Annual Program Planning, 10:30 am, NEFBA Office
- 17 Senior Adult Luncheon, 10:30 am, FBC Fernandina
- 24 “Learning Your Leadership Style”, 9 am - 12 (noon), w/lunch, NEFBA Office



Service Anniversaries

- 11 yrs Michelle Springer, ministry assistant, Yulee
- 6 yrs Mike Kwiatkowski, pastor, Celebration
- 2 yrs Zane Owens, minister music/youth, Victory
- 2 yrs Ashley Collins, financial secretary, Gardenview

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Vacation Bible School  
Training Clinic  
Madison Street Baptist Church  
900 W. Madison Street  
Starke, FL 32091

Saturday, February 26, 2011  
8:30 am to 2 pm  
Pre-Registration Required  
Cost is \$15.00/Person

Contact Tommy Johnson, 904-403-9696 or email tdjagfan@comcast.net if you are interested in attending by Thursday, February 10th.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MARCH

- 10 Administrative Committee, 10:30 am, NEFBA Office
- 13 Move clocks **AHEAD** one hour
- 17 Nominating Committee, 10 am, NEFBA Office
- 20 First Day of Spring
- 24 Executive Committee, 10:30 am, NEFBA Office
- 28 Articles for April/May "The Northeaster" due in NEFBA Office



### Service Anniversaries

- 17 yrs Dr. Robert Tibbs, pastor, FBC Boulougne
- 10 yrs LeRoy Elliott, minister music, Duval Station
- 9 yrs Kevin Burnette, minister music, FBC Hilliard
- 6 yrs Dr. Tim Hicks, pastor, Providence
- 3 yrs Matt Gingery, minister music, Blackrock

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*ANNIE ARMSTRONG*



### EASTER OFFERING

**National Goal: \$70 Million**

Week of Prayer for  
North American Missions  
March 6-13, 2011

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 believed in Christ with all her heart, but it was her hands that expressed that belief in tangible ways. She spent a great amount of time typing and handwriting letters in support of missions. Many of these letters were quite lengthy and all were filled with conviction that more could and should be done in our mission efforts. In 1893 alone, she wrote almost 18,000 letters! Annie also never hesitated to use her hands to reach out to hug a child or distribute food and clothing and the Word of God to those in need. Her hands held her own Bible as she studied to know how best to share Gods love with others. And, most important, Annie was a woman of prayer, folding her hands in prayer to intercede for the missionaries and for those they were helping discover Christ.

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.

## Media Center Study Series Available



- "Experiencing God" (Revised And Expanded) By Henry Blackaby, Richard Blackaby, & Claude King. Five DVDs about 45 minutes, one CD-ROM, a member book, a leader guide, and the book "Experiencing God". Knowing and doing the will of God. This is the revised & expanded version.
- "Loved By God" by Liz Curtis Higgs. A study based on Genesis 25 and 27-29 explores the lives of Jacob and Esau, Leah, and Rachel who are perfect examples of God blessing the undeserving and loving the unlovable. Seven sessions.
- "Daniel" by Beth Moore. Boldly live in our modern day Babylon without falling prey to its allure. Six (6) DVDs featuring twelve sessions, one leader guide, one member book and an audio CD collection of the teaching and the listening guides in PDF format.

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Information for the April/May 2011 newsletter should be into the Association Office no later than **Monday, March 28, 2011**. If you are receiving this newsletter in error or would like to be removed from our mailing list, please let us know.

Also, if you know anyone who would like to receive "The Northeaster", please call 904.225.5941 or email the Association Office at [nefba@bellsouth.net](mailto:nefba@bellsouth.net).

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