

# April 1, 2021

#### LOOKING TOWARD A BRIGHT FUTURE

All of our lives have been affected by the plague of Covid. However, we are looking toward the future with a bright hope and optimism, along with a great deal of prayer that we will enter a new normal with many God given opportunities.

Some of the things that we will be focused on as an association in the immediate future are.....

1. Focusing more deeply on the needs of people in Baldwin County. Covid-19 and Hurricane Sally have revealed many needs (some desperate needs) of people in our county. How do we more effectively reach into our communities with ministry and sharing the gospel?

2. Strengthening our associational staff. We currently have a tremendous staff and I am blessed to work with each of them. We will be looking at how we can expand our work and modify some things to make us more effective. Our Executive Committee will be looking at that in the near future.

3. Reopening our Counseling Center. Larry Daniels, our counselor has gone into private practice. We will be working with Pathways Counseling as they provide a new counselor.

4.Looking toward a great regathering of Baldwin Baptists at a special missions event in October.

It is exciting to see many of our churches taking precautions but moving toward regrouping in the future as possible.

Let there be joy in our hearts at what God is doing through Baldwin Baptist Association. Our Lord is Risen. He is risen indeed with all power and glory.

Rick Ellison

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### YOUTH WORSHIP AT THE BEACH

Next Wednesday, April 7 at the Gulf State Beach Pavilion Starts at 6:00 pm—Free pizza and drinks

DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING

Prattville, AL Chaplain, April 8-10 Cleanup and Recovery, April 9 Chainsaw, April 9-10 Mass Feeding, April 9-10 Registration/Info at sbdr.org/events

#### MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

Tuesday, April 13, 11 am - Noon @ Silverhill FBC Special Speaker: Jim Burnett Lunch provided. Please RSVP

#### ANNIE RHODES SCHOLARSHIP

Application deadline - May 1, 2021 Application is available on our website under WMU

#### GA and RA CAMP May 31–June 4, 2021 Forms Available on our Website

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Please let our office know the dates and themes of your VBS for this summer

