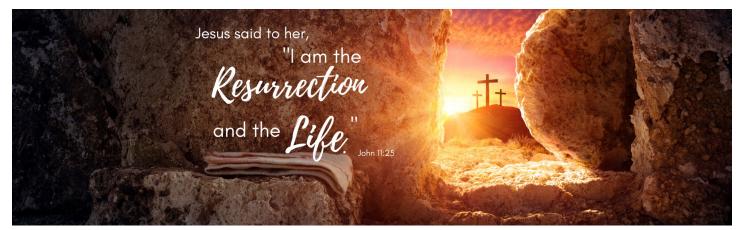


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## **POBA Spring Regular** Meeting

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#### **Spring Revivals**

Send us your revival information See page 2



#### When is VBS?

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#### **Holy Week**

April 13: Palm Sunday April 18: Good Friday April 20: Easter

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## Want To Stay Informed?



#### Join our lists:

Text the list name (below) to **81010**:

Newsletter: @pobanews Events: @pobaevent Pastors: @pobapas

#### POBA SPRING REGULAR MEETING

The **POBA Regular Meeting** will be held on **Thursday, April 24**, 2025 at **Liberty Baptist Church**. Liberty Baptist Church is located at 7755 Liberty Church Road in Nicholls.



There will be a meal at 6:30 PM and the meeting will begin at 7:00

PM. Please let us know you will be eating by calling the POBA Office at (912) 285-8161 or online at: <a href="https://bit.ly/APR25RegMeal">https://bit.ly/APR25RegMeal</a>.

#### **VBS IN THE POBA**



#### When is your VBS?

The POBA Office would love to help you get the word out about Vacation Bible School. Please let us know the dates and theme for your church's VBS online at <a href="https://bit.ly/WhenisVBS2025">https://bit.ly/WhenisVBS2025</a> or by calling the POBA office.

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Theme</u>
June 1-4	Mershon	PRAISE!
June 1-4	Walkerville	Magnified
June 1-5	Offerman	Magnified
June 1-5	Pleasant Valley	Wonder Junction
June 8-11	Mt. Calvary	Magnified
June 8-12	First Waycross	Wonder Junction
June 8-12	Hoboken	Wonder Junction
June 8-12	Sweat Memorial	Magnified
June 8-12	Ten Mile	Magnified
June 16-20	First Blackshear	Magnified
June 22-26	Bridge Church	True North
June 22-26	Central	Wonder Junction
June 22-26	First Folkston	Magnified
June 22-26	Youmans Chapel	Magnified

#### CREATED FOR WORSHIP

Monday, May 5, 10:30 AM Pleasant Valley Baptist Church Guest: Jeff Cleghorn

The Senior Adult Gathering "Created for Worship" will be held at Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in Waycross on Monday, May 5, beginning at 10:30 AM.

This year's guest will be Jeff Cleghorn. Lunch will follow. There is a suggested donation of \$5 to help with the cost of lunch.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by April 28 to the POBA Office at (912) 285-8161 or online at: <a href="https://bit.ly/Created4Worship2025">https://bit.ly/Created4Worship2025</a>.

Churches will be send information soon. This event was formerly known as The Gathering.

#### SPRING REVIVALS

Contact the POBA office by phone or email to submit your spring revival information, or online at: <a href="https://bit.ly/Spring25Revivals">https://bit.ly/Spring25Revivals</a>

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Church</u>	Speaker(s)
April 27-30	Laura Chapel	RC James

## **DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING**



April 26, 2025 First Baptist Church, Thompson Register by April 20

Registration: https://gbcdrmm.infellowship.com/Forms/478414

## GBMB WMU SPRING EVENT

The GBMB WMU Spring Event will be held April 25-26 at Abilene Baptist Church in Martinez. Cost is \$85. Registration closes April 6. Visit <a href="https://georgiabaptistwomen.org/springevent/">https://georgiabaptistwomen.org/springevent/</a> for details.

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#### CHURCHES SEEKING PASTORS

Remember these churches in prayer as they seek pastors:

Astoria Manor Community
First Waycross

#### MINISTRY OPENINGS

Ministry openings are listed online. See them here: <a href="https://www.mypoba.org/ministry-openings">www.mypoba.org/ministry-openings</a>

#### THE BAPTIST FAITH & MESSAGE

You can read the Baptist Faith & Message here: <a href="https://bfm.sbc.net/bfm2000/">https://bfm.sbc.net/bfm2000/</a>.

#### BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

Take advantage of the opportunity to engage college students through the Baptist Collegiate Ministry.



POBA churches can host a meal (for 25) and share a devotional beginning in January during spring semester at *South Georgia State College*, Waycross campus. Contact the POBA Office at (912) 285-8161.

**SGSC Waycross Students:** See <u>mypoba.org/bcmsgscwaycross</u> for additional info.

## PRAY: SENT OUT OF POBA CHURCHES



Aaron & Rebekah
Harris (& Family)
(Laura Chapel Baptist)
Bible Translation
Fulani of West Africa
www.pioneerbible.org/
aaronandrebekahharris



Scotty & Jadison Hayes (& Family) (Emmanuel Baptist) Church Planting Peru

https:// ebchurch.net/ftm/



Chandler Watson (Mershon Baptist) Church Planting Boston, MA

www.kingshillboston .com/give (choose fund: "Watson Support")



Will Emery (First Blackshear) Church Planting Loveland, CO

https://missionaries. namb.net/full/wilsonemery

## GBMB EVANGELISM LISTENING SESSION

April 15, 2025 2:00 PM First Baptist Church Blackshear

Pastors, ministry leaders, and church members are all welcome to attend this 90 minute gathering designed to help the GBMB understand how evangelism is working for you and how they can support your work to reach the lost for Christ. No registration is necessary.

## SURGE MUSIC CAMP

June 16-21, 2025 Rome, GA

Students of POBA member churches are eligible for a \$75 scholarship to Surge Music Camp. Call the POBA Office at (912) 285-8161 by April 30.





# **CALENDAR**

#### **April**

7 BCM @ SGSC Waycross

14 BCM @ SGSC Waycross

15 May Newsletter Deadline

15 Administrative Committee Meeting

15 GBMB Evangelism Listening Session

18 Good Friday

20 Easter

21 BCM @ SGSC Waycross

21 Music Minister Lunch

24 POBA Regular Meeting

25-26 GBMB WMU Spring Event

28 BCM @ SGSC Waycross

#### May

1 National Day of Prayer

5 Created for Worship

5 BCM @ SGSC Waycross

11 Mother's Day

15 June Newsletter Deadline

19 Music Minister Lunch

20 Administrative Committee Meeting

26 Memorial Day, office closed

#### June

10-11 SBC Meeting, Dallas, TX

15 July Newsletter Deadline

15 Father's Day

16 Music Minister Lunch

17 Administrative Committee Meeting





# Celebrating in April





#### **Birthdays**

Blake Edwards—1

Sarah Rozier-6

Tim Corey—10

Ben Smith—12

Amy Gambrell—12

Jerad Johnson—17

Ida Thrift-19

Dana Smith-20

Aaron Quick—21

Adam Walker-21

April Carter—22

Tim Hall-26

#### **Anniversaries**

Trent & Jimmy Nell Long-5

