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****Mark Your Calendar****

March 3-10 Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer for North American Missions
 March 7 - Merge Workshop with Pastor Jonathan Mast, 6:00 PM at Temple Baptist Church
 March 16 - Disaster Relief Blue Hat Training, Registration Starting at 8:00 AM at Abundant Life
 March 24-30 - UOVBA Mission Week 2019
 March 29 - Pastor, Spouses and Officers Banquet, 6:00 PM prepared by the Pines Baptist Association Mission Team from Grayling, MI hosted at Cameron Baptist Church

PASTOR CLUSTER

FOR PASTORS ONLY
CHOOSE FROM ONE OF
THE TWO SESSIONS

**3RD THURSDAY OF
EVERY MONTH
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**4TH TUESDAY OF
EVERY MONTH
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

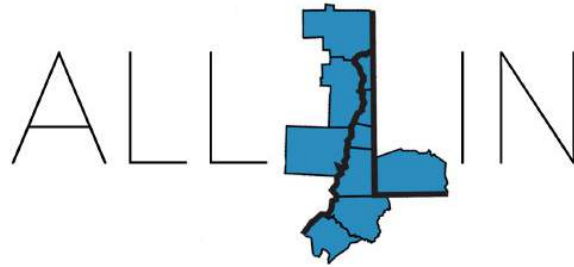
**HOSTED AT TEMPLE
BAPTIST CHURCH**



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THE PROCESS

Phase 1 Invite Your DOM to Preach

- Sunday Morning
- Target Time Frame: 1-3 months ahead of any church revitalization effort.

Phase 2 Private Pastoral Consultation

- Confidential
- BATCH & SWOT Analysis
- Determine where you want to go and how to get there.

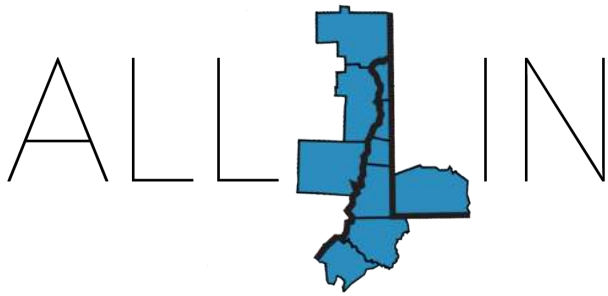
Phase 3 Strategic Planning with Key Leaders

- Address only one area at first.
- STEP Analysis & SWOT Analysis
- Determine key metrics.
- Develop effective strategies, systems, and structures for ministries.

Phase 4 Implementation & Evaluation

- Put people and procedures in place.
- Follow up with leaders and volunteers.
- SWOT Analysis & Key Metrics Review
- Make necessary adjustments.

To learn more about "ALL IN" contact the UOVBA office.



A DEEPER LOOK AT THE PROCESS

PHASE 2 PRIVATE PASTORAL CONSULTATIONS

Once the church understands that their association exists to serve, supply, and strengthen the local church, the pastor will meet with the DOM to examine the church's mission, vision, and strategic plans. This will afford the pastor great liberty to communicate openly in a private setting. Several tools will be used to develop a clear picture of where the church stands and where the church is going, such as the Biblical Assessment of Total Church Health (BATC) and the Church Leaders Evaluation and Revitalization (CLEAR) Process. Phase 2 will likely involve several meetings between the DOM and the pastor as they prayerfully partner together to clarify the church's mission, values, strategy, vision, plans, and goals.

- Phase 2 Purpose:
Determine where to go and how to get there.
- Confidential
- BATCH & CLEAR Process

**Learn More By
Contacting the
UOVBA Staff**

THE SON STILL SHINES

“THE DARKNESS IS PASSING AWAY, AND THE TRUE LIGHT IS ALREADY SHINING.” – 1 JOHN 2:8

ED GOODMAN - DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

During a sermon, a pastor asked a reflective question to the congregation, “And what is a saint?”

A little boy looked up at the stained glass windows of the apostles and blurted out, “People who let the light shine through!”

There is a great sense of joy at the light I see shining through our churches. FBC Chester is calling a new pastor after twenty months of prayer and patience. Faith Community Church is constructing a new campus in North Wheeling to worship the Lord and serve the community that they love so dearly. Indian Creek Christian School is quickly approaching the completion of its first full year of classes. Immanuel Baptist Church celebrated over \$81,000 in missions giving during 2018. Open Door Baptist Church set a new church record with over \$6,500 given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Four churches are preparing to host mission teams from the Pines Baptist Association in Michigan at the end of March. The light of the Gospel is bright in our association!

**THE LIGHT OF
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IS BRIGHT
IN OUR
ASSOCIATION!**

Our pastors are leading well, too. Several of them gather each month in our newly-launched cluster ministry to share fellowship, ideas, and encouragement with one another. One pastor has begun the All In consultation phase. Another pastor has launched a leadership development ministry that is thriving, with one brother answering God’s call into another area of ministry! Indeed, the Son of God is shining His light through the pastors of the Upper Ohio Valley.

Yet these redemptive rays of Gospel hope are conspicuously missing from the world around us. Everywhere we look, darkness seemingly prevails. The political chaos in Washington tragically underscores the selfishness of leaders who prioritize power above people and showmanship above service. The venomous vitriol that pervades social media betrays an alarming lack of respect and intelligence amongst the citizens in our society. Society is scourged by the rampant onslaught of opioid addiction, abortion, homicide, violent crimes, and sex offenses. The dark depths of depravity engulf us at every turn.

CHURCHES AREN'T DEFINED BY THE GREATNESS OF THEIR SIZE, BUT BY THE GLORY OF THEIR SAVIOR.

Though this darkness threatens to dim our witness, the saints of God stand tall and bright like “a city...set on a hill” (Matt. 5:14b). While our nation sinks deeper into the despair of darkness, God’s people in the Upper Ohio Valley have decided to rise and shine as “the light of the world” (Matt. 5:14a). Let’s continue to love our neighbors and live on mission. Even as the enemy tries to sidetrack us and discourage us, we must continue to win the lost, make disciples, and reflect God’s glory. The darkness around us should be penetrated by the Light within us.

Ultimately, darkness has no defense against light. As Robert Alden once observed, “There is not enough darkness in all the world to put out the light of even one small candle.” No Washington politician, no government legislation, and no military power can extinguish the light found in even the “smallest” church in our association. Churches aren’t defined by the greatness of their size, but by the glory of their Savior.

The Son still shines. Look no further than your local church.

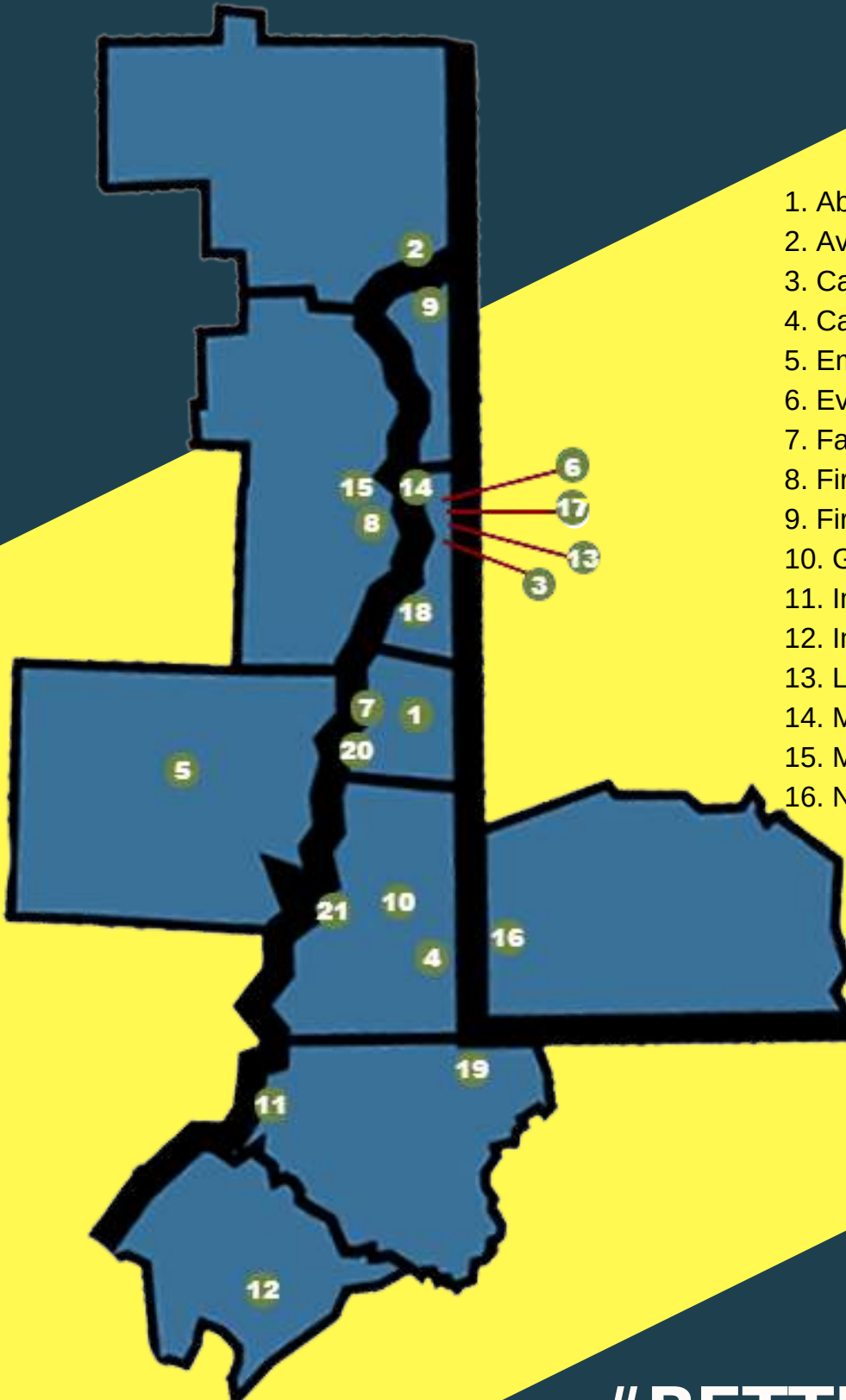


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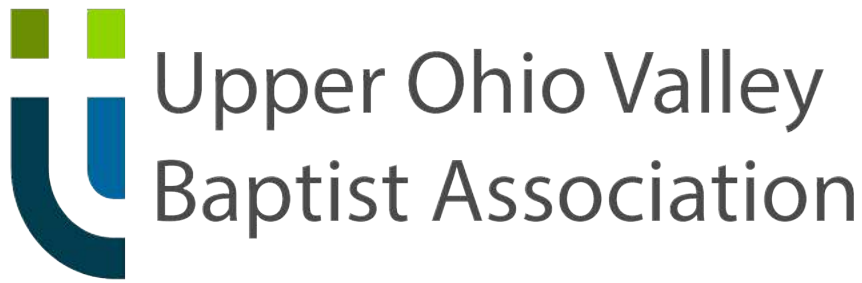


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1. Abundant Life Baptist Church
2. Avondale Baptist Church
3. Calvary Baptist Church
4. Cameron Baptist Church
5. Emmanuel Baptist Church
6. Evangel Baptist Church
7. Faith Community Church
8. First Baptist Church Steubenville
9. First Baptist Chester
10. Grace Church at Pleasant Valley
11. Immanuel Baptist Church
12. Indian Creek Southern Baptist Church
13. Lighthouse Baptist Church
14. Marland Heights Community Church
15. Ministry of Salvation
16. New Beginnings @ Ryerson Baptist
17. Open Door Baptist Church
18. Riverview Baptist Chapel
19. Solid Rock Baptist Church
20. South Wheeling Baptist Chapel
21. Temple Baptist Church

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2019 Financial Report

Church	JAN	FEB
Abundant	201.69	77.78
Avondale	51.04	33.00
Calvary	54.79	
Cameron	670.00	614.00
Emmanuel	402.82	151.55
Evangel	125.00	150.00
Faith	129.40	86.70
FBC Chester	166.56	88.76
FBC Steuben		
Grace	184.00	66.00
Immanuel	2,375.00	590.00
Indian Creek	2,053.31	424.10
Lighthouse		
Marland Heights	709.00	
Ministry of Salvation		
ODBC	2,130.00	1,203.00
Riverview		
NB @ Ryerson	368.77	214.28
Solid Rock	54.79	47.43
S Wheeling		2.55
Temple	160.14	98.52
Month Total:	9,836.31	3,847.67
Year To Date:		13,683.98

This financial report is a current reflection January 1, 2019 - February 25, 2019. We would like to thank all churches in the association for their support reaching the Ohio Valley for Christ.

heroes

On the Mission Field

PRAY FOR ME

AS I SERVE RESETTLED
REFUGEES IN
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

EMILY
THOMAS



Ways to support and pray:

Pray that God will bring glory to His name through my obedience and efforts.

You can give online at www.worldteam.org/give (account# 014108) or mail checks (please include account #014108 on the check) to:

World Team, 1431 Stuckert Road, Warrington, PA 18976.

MERGE

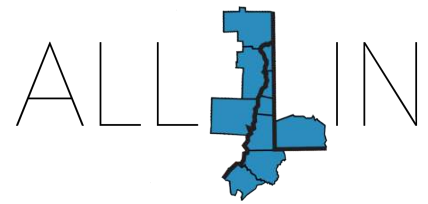
GUIDING GUESTS
TO BECOME VIBRANT
CHURCH MEMBERS



WITH PASTOR JONATHAN MAST
MARCH 7TH 2019 6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM
TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

YOUR MISSION FIELD

FROM AROUND THE UOVBA



Lighthouse Baptist Church

They are in need of any help with electrical and plumbing work needed

Faith Community Church

Mission teams needed for their church building project. Please see page 14 for more details.

Temple Baptist Church

Looking for help with removal and replacement of old cracked concrete areas of sidewalk around the church. If interested call the church office at: 304-845-8822

BLUE HAT TRAINING



Abundant LIFE

Abundant Life Baptist Church
976 Chapel Hill Road,
Triadelphia, WV 26059

Saturday, March 16, 2019
Registration starting @8:00 AM

Blue Hats are Working Leaders in the Disaster Relief Field. If you are currently a Blue Hat or Wish to be a Blue Hat this training is Necessary!
Following the Training Session and Lunch, there will be a meeting that will outline the Vision and Goals for 2019.

For more information contact Roy Polmanteer at 520-709-0713.

*Online registration for this training can be found at www.uovba.com



PROJECT NEEDS

Sanctuary/Community Room Addition

Foundation	\$5,000.00
Block	\$6,000.00
Concrete Floor	\$3,000.00
Frame	\$8,500.00
Windows	\$5,000.00
Walls/Flooring Finish	\$3,000.00
Roof	\$3,500.00
Miscellaneous	\$1,000.00
Total	Phase 1 Total \$35,000.00

Existing Building Remodel

Roof	\$7,500.00
Plumbing	\$5,000.00
Electrical	\$7,500.00
HVAC	\$6,500.00
Room Remodeling Materials	\$25,000.00
Fixtures	\$5,000.00
Windows	\$5,000.00
Finish	\$5,000.00
Total	Phase 1 Total \$66,500.00

Exterior

Siding	\$10,000.00
Paint	\$1,000.00
Gutters/Downspouts	\$4,000.00
Total	Phase 2 Total \$15,000.00

Purchase Next Door Building

Purchase	\$20,000.00
Demo	\$7,500.00
Total	Phase 2 Total \$27,500.00

Land/Lots

Paving/Sidewalks	\$22,000.00
Fencing	\$3,000.00
Total	Phase 3 Total 25,000.00

MISSION WEEK

March 24 - 30, 2019

The Pines Baptist Association from Grayling, MI will join us for Mission Week 2019 serving four churches across our association. This will be an exciting week of ministry to keep in prayer.

March 24 Pines Baptist Association travels to the UOVBA

March 25-28 Church Projects

- Cameron Baptist Church - Rafter Work
- Emmanuel Baptist Church - Painting
- Faith Community Church - Demo Work
- Grace Church at Pleasant Valley - Drywall

March 29 (AM) Outreach Day in St. Clairsville, OH and Fairpoint, OH

March 29 (PM) Mission Week Banquet

March 30 Pines Baptist Association travels back to Michigan

Mission Week will conclude on March 29th with a banquet for our pastors, officers, and spouses. You can register for the banquet by going to www.uovba.com/missionweek

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Anniversaries

March

1 Jim & Debbie Higginson Temple
22 Arlis & Sue Mink Chester

April

11 Brian & Patty Fish Evangel
17 Dave & Lynn Barrick ICSBC

Birthdays

March

7 Lynn Barick ICSBC
9 Robert Lemons Emmanuel
9 Judy Matthews Cameron
10 Gary Eller Emmanuel
15 Phil Campbell Ryerson
16 Mike Miller ICSBC
19 Debbie Higginson Temple
23 Amy Morrow ICSBC
25 Rob Petrey Emmanuel
25 Gary Grant Solid Rock
27 Shawna Miller ICSBC

April

9 Liz Bayle Immanuel
12 Louise Petrey Immanuel
15 Emily Goodman ODBC
23 Bruce Taylor Immanuel
25 Dave Barrick ICSBC
28 Emal Westling Marland Heights

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The Valley Voice will typically be published on the last Thursday every 2 months, although unforeseen circumstances may result in a delay or temporary suspension of the publication. For information to be published, we must receive publication info on the 20th day of the publication month

Mission and Vision Statement

The Upper Ohio Valley Baptist Association exists to serve, supply, and strengthen local churches in cooperative fulfillment of the Great Commission.



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