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Spring 2026 BRBA Newsletter



**Deadline to sign up is now MARCH 21, 2026 !!!**



**BRBA MISSION TRIP 2026**  
**BLUEFIELD, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**JUNE 1-6, 2026**

**♥ Serve with Purpose**

Join BRBA as we travel to Bluefield, Virginia - a community in need of hope and help. This trip is a hands-on opportunity to serve, build relationships, and make a lasting difference.

**🔨 Project Opportunities**

Volunteers will take part in meaningful and project-minded ministry:

- Repairing homes
- Building porches
- Working with a local church to serve the community

Please note: flexibility is encouraged as project needs may vary.

**🏷️ Cost and Registration**

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Payment plan available  
Minimum age: 10 years  
Looking for 25 participants  
or more

- Serve families in need
- Grow your faith through action
- Help shape the future of BRBA mission opportunities

### 😊 Contact & Coordinator

Rev. Bob Enright  
emktbob@gmail.com  
703.895.0643  
Organized through Mission Discovery

### Be the hands and feet of Jesus in Bluefield, WV



Response to our summer mission trip to Bluefield, WV (June 1–6) has been minimal. We are asking ALL of our churches to prayerfully identify at least **one** person from your church family who can serve as a short-term missionary and join us on this one-week MISSION DISCOVERY journey this summer.

Scholarship funds are available if you are unable to raise the full \$589 cost. Please contact Bruce Conley, Director of Missions, at [bruce@blueridgebaptist.org](mailto:bruce@blueridgebaptist.org) if you need financial assistance.

The registration deadline is **MARCH 22, 2026**. If we have enough participants, we will hold a mission team meeting on March 24 in Hagerstown to review trip details. Housing, meals, transportation, and mission supplies are all included in the total cost of the trip.



# SUICIDE PREVENTION SEMINAR

on **APRIL 25, 2026** from **9-11 AM**

@ **Greenbrier Baptist Church**

20810 National Pike • Boonsboro, MD

Coffee and light breakfast snacks will be available.

## Our Facilitator:

### Dan Stinchomb

- CentrePoint Counseling

- ✓ Dan grew up in Baltimore and Ellicott City, MD and became a follower of Jesus at Bethany Lane Baptist Church
- ✓ Graduate from Oklahoma Baptist University with a B.A. in Psychology and Bible
- ✓ Graduate from Southwestern Seminary with a MRE focused on Adult Education
- ✓ Graduate from Northeastern Oklahoma State University with a M.S. in Counseling Psychology
- ✓ Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor in Maryland
- ✓ Worked at Prince George's Association Pastoral Counseling Center, John's Hopkins Bayview Hospital, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and now Centrepointe Course,



*About Our Facilitator:*

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Does your church have a goal set for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering?

March 1–8: **Week of Prayer for North American Missions** and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

The 2026 theme is "More Than A Gift"

National goal is \$80 million

**Videos, digital and printable resources** are available online at

[anniearmstrong.com/Resources](http://anniearmstrong.com/Resources).

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## **PASTOR FELLOWSHIP**

### **BREAKFASTS**

*(ALL pastors are welcome at any breakfast, but bi-vocational pastors will be able to attend the weekend breakfast easier due to work schedules)*



Weekday: *Thursday, **March 19, 2026***

**at 9 AM** at the **BOB EVANS** 1505

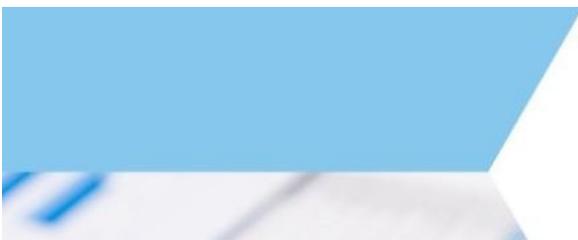
Garrett Dr. **Frederick, MD** 21702

Weekend: (for bi-vo pastors)

**Saturday, April 18m 2026 at 9 AM** at

**HUB CITY DINER** 190 Railway Ln,

Hagerstown, MD 21740



**WE'RE  
HIRING.**

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## BOOKKEEPER NEEDED!!

The Blue Ridge Baptist Association is seeking an experienced **bookkeeper** to work part-time beginning in June 2026. This individual will assist in maintaining our budget, tracking expenditures, and managing financial records.

Knowledge of and experience with **QuickBooks** is preferred; however, training may be available for the right candidate. We estimate the time commitment to average 8–12 hours per month, though hours may fluctuate.

If you are ministry-minded and would like to support a local church missions organization that serves more than 36 churches in our region, please contact Bruce Conley, Director of Missions, at (301) 821-0370 or via email at [bruce@blueridgebaptist.org](mailto:bruce@blueridgebaptist.org).

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## Disaster Relief Training

### Saturday, April 11, 2026

#### Covenant Church – Shepherdstown, WV

7485 Shepherdstown Pike | P.O. BOX 1674 | Shepherdstown, WV 25443



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Disaster Relief (DR) ministry is an opportunity to meet people where they are when a disaster strikes, to show hands-on loving care, and to share the gospel. Work with loving team members who encourage one another as you learn new or refresh old skills and grow together in Christ. Whether you're new to serving or a returning volunteer, this is an opportunity to get trained or add skills and be ready to serve. Join us for a day of hands-on training and encouragement at Covenant Church.

**Additional details forthcoming...**

**GLORIFY GOD**

AMONG THE NATIONS

**SEEKING HIM**

IN ALL GENERATIONS

1 CHRONICLES 16:24 NASB

**THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026**

NATIONALDAYOFPRAYER.ORG

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**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

### May 7: National Day of Prayer

The 75th annual National Day of Prayer is on Thursday, May 7, 2026, featuring the

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held in many local communities. Won't YOU participate in praying for our nation?

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### **Shelter from the Storm**

By Mae Argilan

“Why me?”

I’ve heard it said that often when people get the “stage three breast cancer” diagnosis, this is their cry. That wasn’t the case with me. This was my response. “Why cancer? Really, God?” I said, rolling my eyes. “Seriously? Cancer? This is where you’re taking me? Really?”

I’m kind of addicted to the results of obedience in these situations, so following Him was never in question. I did want to know one thing before I waded into these troubled waters. I asked Him to navigate me through anything that might cause me to embarrass myself – or HIM. No whining. No complaining. No anger or remorse. I took the first baby step, hoping there would be some deep spiritual Truth waiting for me at the end. Unfortunately, that hasn’t happened. What has been revealed is obvious. Believe it or not, your church family loves you more than you know. Some days they’re kind and compassionate, and some days they’re annoying. But they will always step up when one of their own is being tested. I know that. And I know that the most encouraging thing you can hear is when a fellow believer says, “I’m praying for you. Why me? Those words did come out of me eventually when I began to comprehend something I hadn’t expected. Why would friends, family, church members, even strangers I’ll never meet, commit to praying for me day after day for months? It was difficult to accept the notion that I deserved that kind of charity. Then I thought, maybe not everything is about me. Maybe God wants to accomplish something for someone else through my suffering. If true, I’m okay with that.

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umbrella over me. I'm aware of the chaos 'out there'. It's been one appointment after another. Tests, scans, and procedures whirl around me. Consults full of language that takes me days to interpret. Weekly infusions of toxic chemicals have filled my veins. I've been carved up like a turkey at Thanksgiving. Dyes were injected into me. Needles have pierced my skin repeatedly. The fatigue and sickness dragged on day after day. But here I am sitting quietly in the eye of the storm under the protection of unrelenting prayer.

I began to imagine myself as the paralyzed man in the Gospels. His 4 friends took him to Jesus. They didn't let anything stop them. They didn't wait in the back of the line. They didn't ask for permission. They broke down the walls – literally – and pushed until they got him to the feet of Jesus. That's where the healing occurred, because of their persistence. Even though I've been pronounced cancer free 100%, I won't be at the end of all of this for some time to come. But I'm facing it with joy, hope, and gratitude. Jesus has called me to take different paths throughout our journey together. Many times it has led to nothing but blessings. This time it led to discomfort and doubt. Bottom line, it's amazing to think our savior trusts us to stick with Him no matter what's around the next turn.

So, if you need me for anything, you know where to find me. I'm out in the storm walking on water with my savior. And if you ever find yourself on a church prayer list, consider yourself very fortunate. Being a member of the Believer's Club is always a place of peace and comfort.



***The following articles/information are directly from The BCM/D Loop.***

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Open until February 28th

### Annual Church Profile (ACP):

We encourage every church to complete their ACP annually. Your participation helps strengthen our collective understanding of how churches are growing and serving across our convention.

LEARN MORE

**APRIL 5 is the new deadline to submit ACP information to BCM/D !!!!**

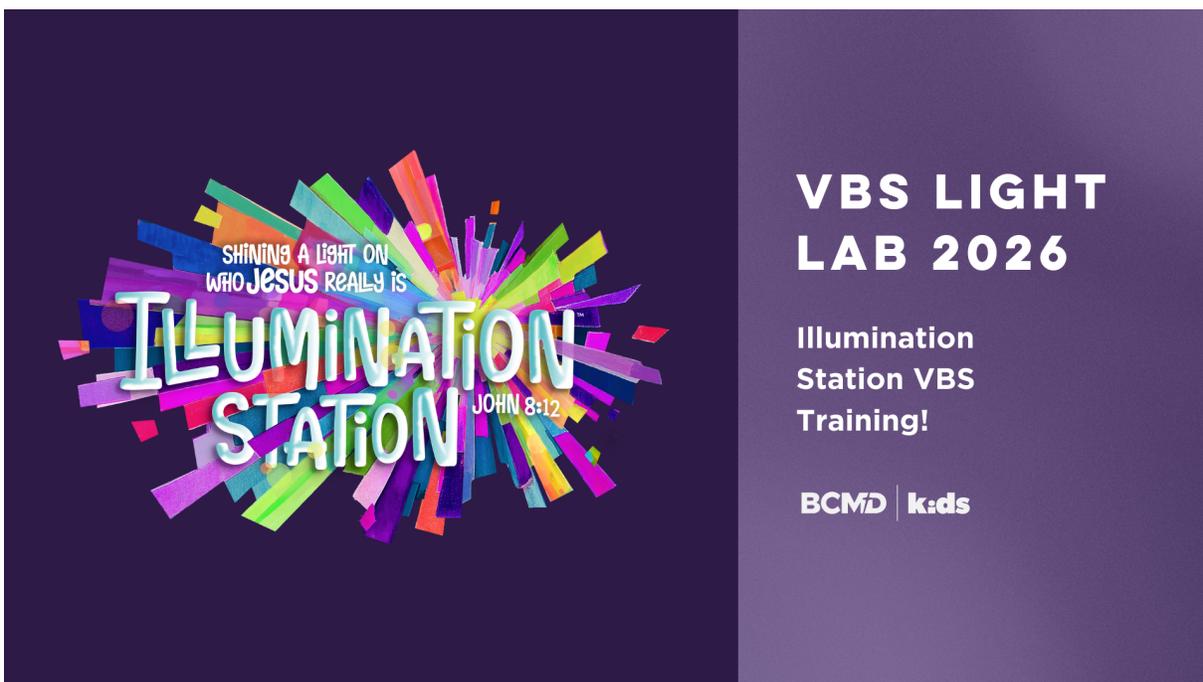
## KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY

Roxbury Correctional Institution | Hagerstown MD  
April 9th -12th, 2026

The Kairos ministry shares the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to impact the hearts and lives of incarcerated men. Help bring God's love, light, and grace into the prison over a 3.5 day weekend.

This ministry is also currently looking to recruit bilingual men that can minister to incarcerated men whose only language is Spanish.

Learn More

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(Event Series - see dates and locations in link below)

Step into the Light Lab, your all-access, hands-on training for Lifeway's Illumination Station VBS 2026! This fun, fast-paced workshop is packed with everything your team needs to glow with confidence this summer. Explore the daily Bible content, learn the theme, song motions, preview rotation highlights, and pick from two interactive breakout tracks designed for both first-time volunteers and seasoned VBS leaders.

Along the way, you'll experiment with fresh ideas for decorating, promoting, preparing, following up, sharing the gospel, and building a Christ-centered experience kids won't forget. Whether you lead crafts, teach Bible, run rec, or direct your whole VBS, Light Lab will send you home equipped, encouraged, and lit up for ministry!

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- April 11 (9am–12pm): Georgia Avenue Baptist Church 12525 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20906
- April 18 (9am–12pm): Severna Park Baptist Church 506 Benfield Rd. Severna Park, MD 21146

More Information Available Here: <https://bcmd.org/event/vbs-training/>

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The poster is for the Baptist Convention of MD & DC's 2026 Evangelism Training event. It features the BCMD logo, the date April 16th, and the location Weems Creek Baptist Church in Annapolis, MD. Two speakers are listed: Tim Dowdy and Paul Worcester. A photograph shows people in a group setting, with the text 'GO THEREFORE & MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS' overlaid.

**Baptist Convention of MD & DC**

**BCMD** **EVANGELISM TRAINING** **2026**

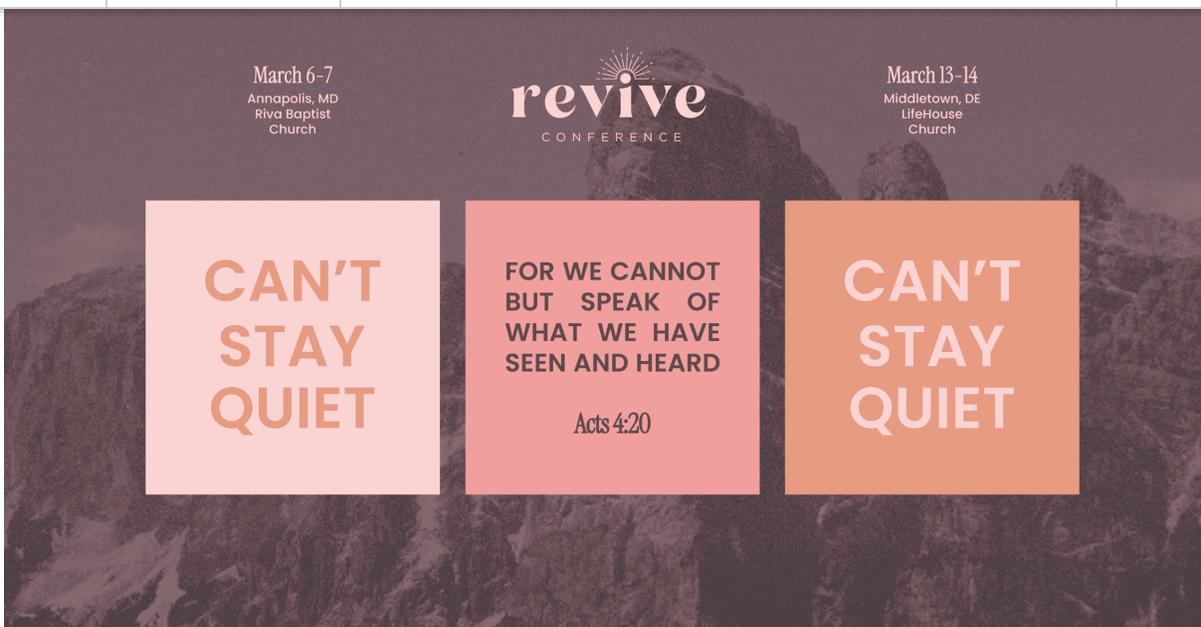
**APRIL 16TH** Weems Creek Baptist Church, 600 N. Bestgate Road, Annapolis, MD 21401

Join the BCM/D for a dynamic evangelism training event designed for church leaders and church members who want to grow in confidence and effectiveness in sharing their faith.

**Tim Dowdy**  
Vice-President for Evangelism, NAMB

**Paul Worcester**  
Vice-President for National Collegiate Director, NAMB

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### Revive Conference 2026: "Can't Stay Quiet" – Acts 4:20

Women from churches across our convention are gathering this March for Revive, a conference designed to encourage and equip you to live boldly for Jesus. Each weekend features trusted speakers, practical breakout sessions, and meaningful worship and community.

Choose the location that works best for you:

- **March 6–7 – Riva Trace Baptist Church, Davidsonville, MD**
- **March 13–14 – LifeHouse Church, Middletown, DE**

Registration & Information: <https://bcmd.org/event/revive-conference/>

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## REFUELED MEN'S CONFERENCE 2026

The Refueled Men's Conference is a call for men to be renewed in passion, strengthened in faith, and mobilized for mission. Rooted in [Romans 12:11](#): *"Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord"*.

This conference is designed to help men rekindle a holy fire for Christ and live it out where God has placed them.

Come be refueled, reignited, and sent out—ready to live on mission for the glory of God.

Refueled will be held at:  
Riva Trace Baptist Church  
475 W Central Ave.  
Davidsonville, MD 21035

[Click here](#) for more information and registration.



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