

RELENTLESS

WMU EMPHASIS FOR 2020-2022

Hello WMU Director and Missions Leaders,

I know this has been a challenging year. We have had to be creative in finding new ways to reach out and share God's love because of the restrictions due to COVID 19.

From our Missions Leader, our objective for our new emphasis is to be relentless in living authentic faith in Christ, seeking God in prayer, giving sacrificially, and witnessing to others.

Our new watchword is from Hebrews 10:39 NIV: "But we do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved"

God is opening new doors, creating new opportunities in which we can share the love of Jesus. We just need to keep our focus on Him and our hearts and minds open and be constant in our faith.

The information in this envelope is for you to share with everyone.....your mission groups, your church, and your pastor. It may present an opportunity to open doors with friends and neighbors.

We are not able to have our Fall Missions Celebration in September or our "Hope Conference" this fall because of the potential health risks for everyone when large groups gather together. We will schedule these in 2021 at a safer time.

Annual Report Form #1: The 2020-2021 Missions Leadership Mailing List needs to be completed NOW in order to get your "Special Offerings" envelopes before they are needed. I just received these forms. WMUV just got back in their offices late July. Please complete them as soon as you can and return them to the address on the form.

Annual Report Form #2: WMUV Church Annual Report. Please complete this form as thoroughly as you can and send this report to me (Mary Gilley, 2818 Emissary Drive, Roanoke, Virginia, 24019) by September 1, 2020.

“FIX YOUR EYES 2020” – RVBA Prayer Emphasis and Annie Mae Broyles Offering for Associational Missions. This prayer emphasis and offering is all for the needs in the Roanoke Valley.

RVBA VALLEY IMPACT DAY: September 26th, 2020. Please check the RVBA website if you need ideas or projects to connect with. There are many things we can participate in while practicing safe distancing and following safe guidelines.

One idea might be to reach out to first responders.....nurses, firefighters, police, etc. to see what needs they might have. Or for a way to help honor them in some way. A meal.....a basket of snacks/sweets, etc.

CHILDREN’S EVENT, September 26th, 2020 at Ward Haven. Mission projects, games, scavenger hunt, hay wagon ride, Missionary speaker. There will be division of groups for social distancing as well as using masks and gloves. First session from 10 am – 12 noon. Second session from 1:30 – 3:30. Flyer to come.

ALMA HUNT Offering for Virginia Missions: Changes in distribution to answer the needs of COVID 19. Request has been made to consider making offerings as soon as possible because of the critical needs caused by COVID 19.

PRAYER: WORLD DAY OF PRAYER November 2, 2020: We will do WDOP a little differently this year.....but we will do it. You will be getting more information on this in early October. Please be watching for exciting updates.

WOMEN’S GET AWAY, NOVEMBER 6/7 OR 7/8, 2020. Plans are still to have the annual meeting at Eagle Eyrie. Details are still being worked out. Registration opened August 1, 2020.

Blessings

Mary Gilley

RVBA WMU Director

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5 Practical Ways You Can Impact Your Community in the Midst of COVID-19

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March 17, 2020

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By Sandy Wisdom-Martin on March 17, 2020



Leaders are making tough decisions in light of COVID-19 that can have significant ramifications for large numbers of people. As committed Christ followers, we can use our influence to make a positive impact on the kingdom during this crisis. Here are just five practical ways we can be the hands and feet of Jesus. Christ will do the miraculous in our midst if we allow Him to use us for His glory.

1. **Share God's peace.** The starting point is allowing God's perfect peace to fill our hearts. Then become intentional people of peace in your community. Start by being an active listener, connecting with people at their point of pain and offering encouraging words of hope. It's surprising just how much a calm demeanor can reassure others. Be people of peace sharing the love of Christ everywhere in your community as you are able to get out and about safely.
2. **Minister to the elderly.** Many elderly are quarantining themselves. Can you imagine the increased levels of isolation and loneliness? Create a system to reach out by phone daily to make sure they are okay and have what they need. Be willing to assist with their needs such as medication refills, groceries or household supplies, walking dogs, etc.

3. **Consider creating a community prayer line.** In the days and weeks to come, large numbers of people will be confined to their homes. The idea may be appealing the first day or two, but boredom is going to set in quickly. They will begin to look for ways to reach out and connect. Offer to pray for them and to pray with them.
 4. **Know where to find assistance in your community.** How can you help the hourly worker who has been sent home and may not be getting a paycheck until this is over? How do you minister to an isolated young man who is overwhelmed by feelings of helplessness and is now entertaining thoughts of suicide? With many school closings, what about children who are food insecure without a mid-day meal at school? Reach out to a helping professional—a social worker, nurse, or teacher, for example. Ask them about needs in your community and services offered so you can help and encourage others. Be familiar with the resources in your community.
 5. **Tell of God's transforming power.** Most importantly, take every opportunity to share the Gospel so people may come to saving faith in Christ. If you are stuck at home, think of just one person a day to reach out to and give a joyful witness to the transforming power of God at work in your life.
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Acteens/Youth on Mission/Challengers Leaders

Name:	Phone:
Address:	E-mail:
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Girls In Action/Children in Action/RA Leaders

Name:	Phone:
Address:	E-mail:
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Mission Friends/Preschool Missions Leaders

Name:	Phone:
Address:	E-mail:
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Ministry Coordinators:

_____ Coordinator

Name:	Phone:
Address:	E-mail:
City: State: Zip:	

_____ Coordinator

Name:	Phone:
Address:	E-mail:
City: State: Zip:	

Please list additional Mission leaders or Coordinators on a separate piece of paper and attach to this form.

* wmuv@wmuv.org * 804/915-5000 * www.wmuv.org

WMUV Church ANNUAL REPORT

Report of Church WMU Director or Mission Leader
To the Associational WMU Director

Please Return to your WMU Associational Director

By September 1 (or at church year end)

(Call the WMUV office for the name or address of your Associational Director)

1.800.255.2428

Association	
Name of Church	
Church WMU Director/ Mission Leader	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Telephone	Home () Work ()
E-mail Address	

CHURCH WMU ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS

Age-level Organizations – Circle all that apply	Enrollment
Church WMU Leadership Team	
Adults: Women on Mission, Adults on Mission, Sisters Who Care, MyMission, CBF Adults, Women's Ministry, etc.	
Students: Acteens, Youth on Mission, Challengers, CBF Students, etc.	
Children: Girls in Action (GA), Children in Action (CA), Royal Ambassador's (RA's), CBF Children, Awana, etc.	
Preschool: Mission Friends, CBF preschoolers, etc.	
TOTAL INVOLVEMENT	

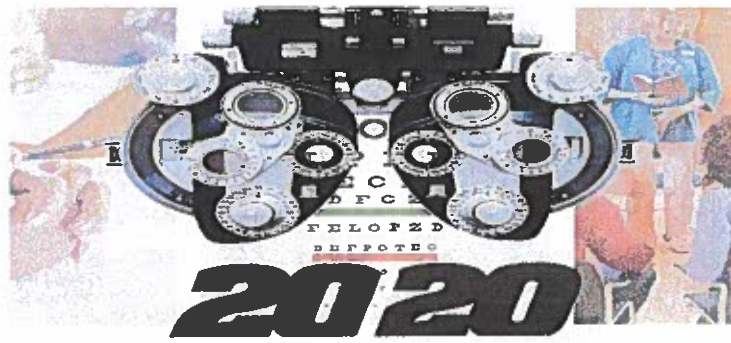
Check each avenue for giving in which your church participates:

- Cooperative Missions through the Baptist General Association of Virginia
- Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions
- Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions
- Annie Armstrong Offering for North American Missions
- Global Missions Offering
- Associational Offering
- Other

Missions Involvement – Circle all that apply	Number Involved
VA Partnership- going on or contributing to mission trips such as, Panama, SW Virginia, Ghana Nets, Disaster Relief, Romania, Haiti, etc.	
Other Mission Trips –WMU sponsored, such as Standing Rock and Updraft - Associational or local church mission trips	
Health & Wellness- helping teenage mothers, crisis pregnancy centers, health fairs, support groups, mature adults, Parish Nurse	
Outreach- starting new mission groups such as GA, RA, CiA or my Mission - prayer walking, backyard Bible School, community outreach, etc.	
Community Transformation- helping people through hunger related ministries (food pantries, community gardens, Stop Hunger Now, etc.), providing clothing or support to persons in need, child advocacy, after-school care, One Church/One Family, Poverty, Prison Ministry, Hope Builders/ CWJC	
Leadership Development - mentoring new leaders, training young people by providing leadership opportunities, promoting leadership, volunteering at CrossRoads Camp & Conference Center	
Literacy- literacy, tutoring, English as a second language (ESL), Bible Storying, BookNet	
Project Help: PTSD: WMU's bi-annual social awareness project	
Other: Christmas in August, World Hunger, Children's Ministry Day, missions retreats and camps, (i.e., Mom & Me, Shine, Get-Away), CrossRoads Summer Camp, Updraft), etc.	

Ways State and/or Associational WMU leaders can help:

Tell how God has worked in your church this year. This can include church/associational ministries, missions, recognitions or any other success stories.



“FIX YOUR EYES 2020”
ROANOKE VALLEY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
PRAYER EMPHASIS AND
ANNIE MAE BROYLES OFFERING FOR
ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

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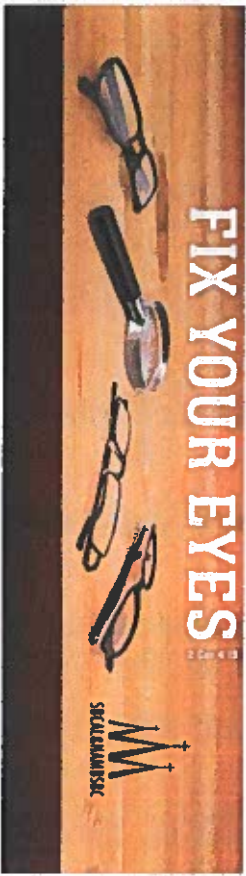
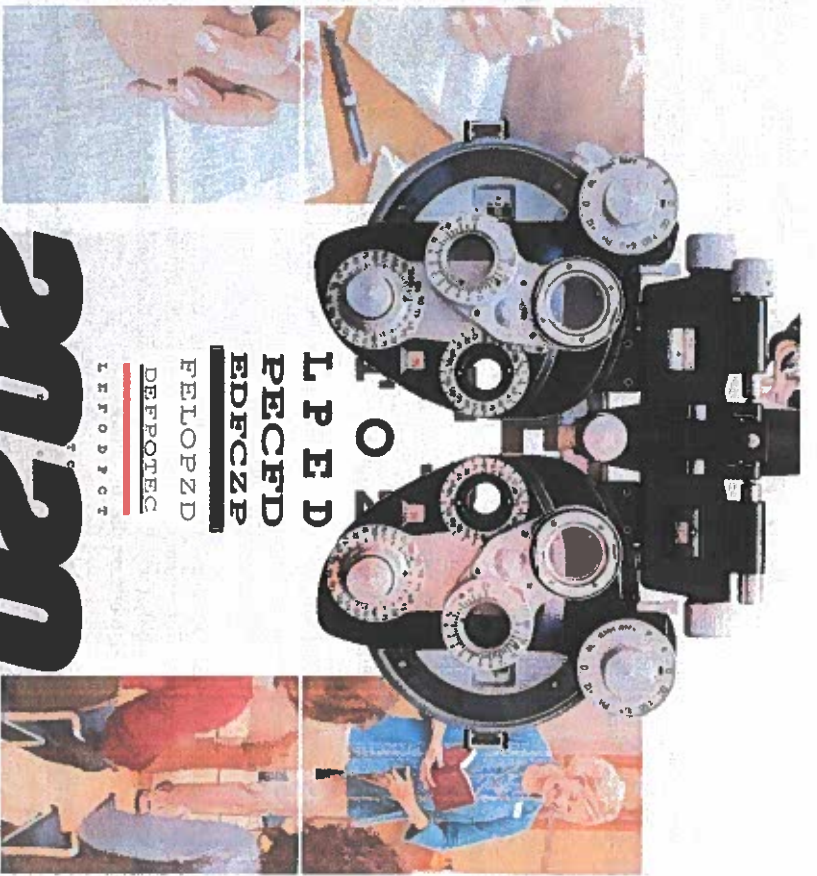
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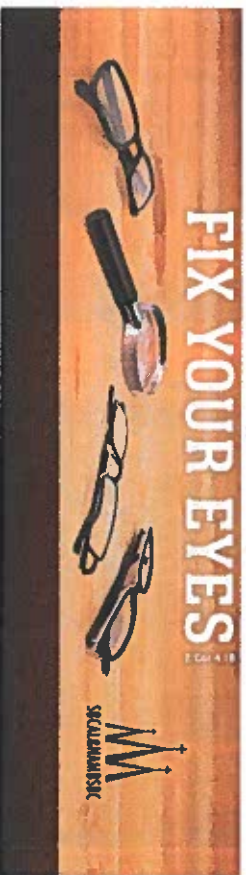
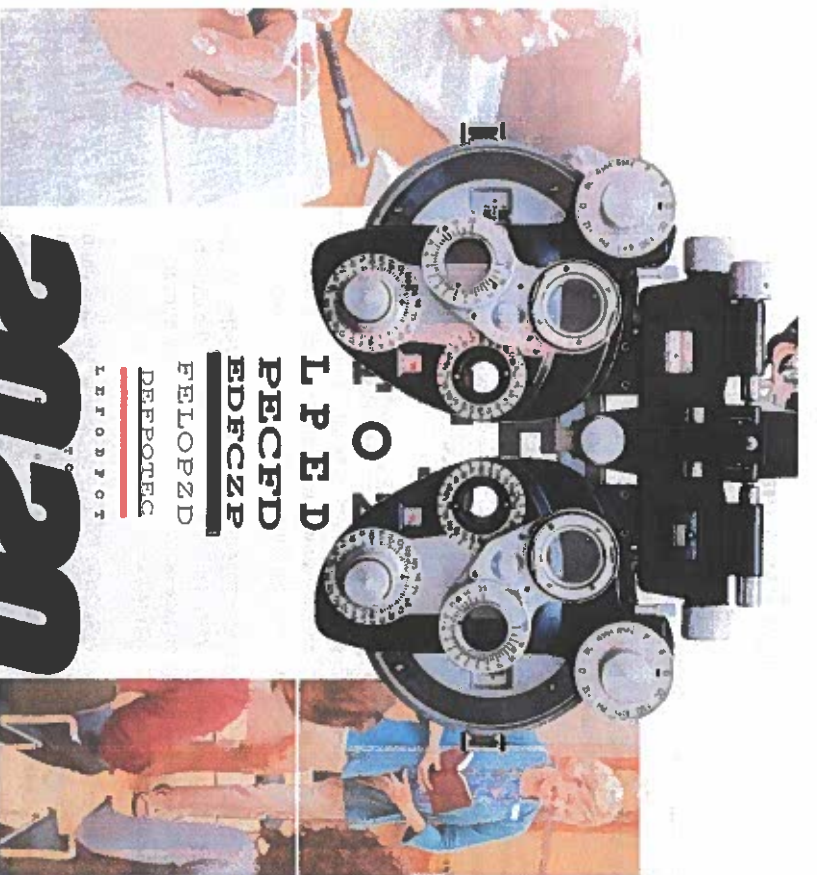
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One Drop Makes a Difference
ROANOKE VALLEY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
VALLEY IMPACT DAY
September 26, 2020

RVBA CHURCHES SERVING TOGETHER IN JESUS' NAME

Begin Planning for Valley Impact on Sept. 26th

1. **PRAY.** Pray for this special day and how your church can be involved in impacting the Valley through serving others.
2. **COMMIT.** Step out in faith and lead your church to commit to safely being a part of the Roanoke Valley Baptist Association's **Valley Impact**.
3. **CONTACT.** Encourage others in your church to be a part of this area wide effort – Small groups, family, and neighbors.
4. **PLAN.** Plan the ministry projects, missions events and evangelism opportunities for your church or pick one from our list. Reach out in a way where everyone stays safe.
5. **CONNECT.** Connect with your community through ministry projects, missions events, and evangelism opportunities. Please sign-up with the form and return to the RVBA office or online at <https://pastorscotth.typeform.com/to/vj8zgg7m>

- Contact RVBA at rvba.office@gmail.com or call 366-7631 by August 20th to sign up your church to participate.
- Let the RVBA know who the contact person for your church will be for the project.
- Check www.RVBA.org for ministry, missions, evangelism ideas and projects.
- Choose projects and project leaders.

For information contact Scott Hamilton at pastorscotth@gmail.com or 540-798-9820.

Meeting Real Needs in Real Time

Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions

The Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions will look different in the coming year, reflecting the changing world in which we live as we face the challenges of a global pandemic.

This annual state missions offering is a joint venture of Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia (WMUV) and the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV).

As always, this critical offering seeks to meet real needs of real people by funding ministries in a variety of specific areas. For the rest of 2020 and looking toward 2021, the allocations of this offering are being redirected in a way that will allow us to focus on human needs arising from the COVID-19 crisis.

Changes in Distribution

The state missions offering will be distributed as follows:

- 70% of funds to WMUV-directed projects
- 30% of funds to BGAV-directed projects
- All projects have a direct correlation to COVID-19 relief efforts
- Funds will be distributed monthly and will begin in Summer 2020 in order to respond more quickly to immediate needs

Because of the time-sensitive nature of many of these critical needs and the plan to distribute funds monthly, we ask that you consider sending your offerings as early as possible this year.



#AlmaHunt20

WMUV-Directed Allocations*

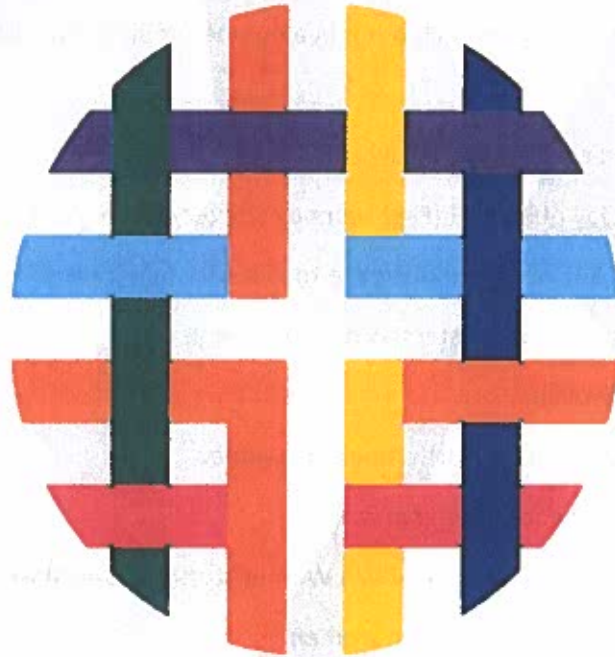
- Providing online and on-site training in various areas related to mental health and domestic violence. This will include providing information and referral resources for individuals and congregations.
- Providing grants to help continue the development of a missions lifestyle. Funds will be awarded to support women's and children's outreach ministries with a hands-on involvement component that meet human needs at home or around the world.
- Providing partial or full-summer camping scholarships to church families that cannot afford to send their children to summer camp due to the financial difficulties caused by COVID-19.

BGAV-Directed Allocations*

- Providing financial relief to church planters who lost income from their churches and also from their non-church jobs that typically supply the majority of their income.
- Providing funds to BGAV churches that have ongoing Child Development Centers in order to provide scholarships to parents who must work but find themselves unable to pay for childcare.
- Providing funds to churches to assist them with offering WiFi hotspots so that students may participate in school online.
- Providing financial resources to partners around the world responding to COVID-19 among the most vulnerable people groups through our relationship with the Baptist Forum for Aid and Development.

* Allocations may include other needs as they arise related to COVID-19 relief efforts.





BAPTIST WOMEN'S WORLD DAY of PRAYER



Life!

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2020

*Standing together, unified
amidst our beautiful diversity!*

Connecting With Women Through Prayer

Standing together, unified amidst our beautiful diversity!

Baptist World Alliance Women pray for each other in a number of different settings and ways:

1. Share your prayer request on the form below.
2. Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer! (First Monday of every November)
3. World Minute of Prayer! See our Facebook page to join with hundreds of other women in praying for the needs of your global sisters throughout the year!
4. Through our Prayer Partnerships!

African women are praying for North American women

Asian women are praying for European women

Caribbean women are praying for the BWA Women's officers and staff

European women are praying for Asian women

Latin American women are praying for the women of the Southwest Pacific

North American women are praying for your African sisters

Southwest Pacific women are praying for Latin American women

BWA Women officers and staff are praying for the Caribbean sisters

Refresh

"I will refresh the weary and satisfy the faint." Jeremiah 31:25

Registration
Opens
August 1,
2020

A 24-Hour Get Away for Women



Katie McKown
Bible Study Leader



Ashlee Murphy Reed
Keynote Speaker



Rachel Pierce
Worship Leader

Each Session begins with dinner at 5:00 pm and ends with lunch

Women's Get Away

November 6-7 or 7-8, 2020

Eagle Eyrie Conference Center, Lynchburg

Costs for BGAV churches:

Hotel (program fee and three meals)- \$112.00

Lodge (program fee and three meals)- \$94.00

Commuters (daily) - \$20.00 (does not include lunch)

For registration forms or information, call the WMUV Office at 800.255.2428, ext. 8267,
email wmuv@wmuv.org or check the website at <https://wmuv.org/getaway>

For specific information on lodging or meals, contact Eagle Eyrie directly at 1.434.384.2211