



## **UNSHAKABLE PURSUIT**

Hello Ladies and Mission Leaders,

I pray that each of you had a blessed Christmas with family and friends. 2020 marks the beginning of a New Year for the RVBA WMU and many opportunities to share upcoming events with your WMU group, children and youth, and church family.

Please find enclosed the following information or flyers to be used in promoting the upcoming events:

**Jan. 16, 2020 - SWVA Missions Trip planning meeting, Connelly Memorial  
(Trip is March 28 – April 2 to Nickelsville, VA)**

**Feb. 15, 2020 – Focus Training – “Missions at our Back Door”, Troutville Baptist,**

**Feb. 22, 2020 – Blessed Girls Teen conference, Villa Heights Baptist  
(PLEASE share with your church family and friends)**

**Mar. 7, 2020 – International Missions Fair Day, Waverly Place Baptist  
Wonderful opportunity to learn about  
other countries and enjoy a missionary speaker**

**Mar. 23, 2020 – RVBA WMU Spring Missions Celebration, Melrose Baptist**

**Mar. 28, 2020 – Bible Storying Training, Coopers Cove Baptist**

**BLUME, A missions gathering for girls – July 8-11, 2020 – early bird reservation  
is January 31, 2020. Please advertise early so that your teens can  
save \$30.00. Wonderful experience for teens!**

**Blessings,  
Fleta Dillon, RVBA WMU Director**

**RVBA WMU SWVA Partnership Mission Trip to Nickelsville VA will be March 29 – April 2, 2020. Planning meeting will be January 16<sup>th</sup> at Connelly Memorial Baptist Church.** Start making your plans to go and help share God's love with the children in the schools, the homeowners who need help with home repairs, families coming to the food Pantry, and the residents of the Nova Nursing Home. **Cost is \$100 for registration. Lodging at the Manor is \$15 per person per night. Camping is available at \$15 per camper per night.** Hotel, motel and B&B reservations can be made at nearby facilities for those who prefer more comfortable accommodations. Also, The Sugar Maple Inn is available. **We are now accepting monetary donations for supplies and Bibles. All checks for donations and registration are to be made payable to: RVBA WMU and mailed to Fleta Dillon at 828 Brownwood Drive, NW. Roanoke, VA 24017. If mailing check for registration, please be sure and include SWVP release and medical forms with your check. These forms are included in online FOCUS. Need more information, please call Fleta Dillon at 540.580.4377 or E-mail: [fletad@hotmail.com](mailto:fletad@hotmail.com)**

# **FOCUS TRAINING**

## **missions at our back door**

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**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2020**  
**9:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

**TROUTVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**5520 Lee Highway**  
**Troutville, VA 24175**  
**(540) 992-1026**

*Jeri Harris of Straight Street*

ministry to youth offering fun, faith, help and hope

SWVA - Book Net | Preschool  
Children and Youth Ministry | Solomon's Mission  
Community Missions & Crafts for Missions

*For More Information, Contact*

**SHIRLEY MULLINS**  
**540-992-1339**



**BLESSED**  
*girl*

**Teen  
Conference**

**February 22, 2020**

**3:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

Hosted at

**Villa Heights Baptist Church**

4080 Challenger Ave. NE

Roanoke, Virginia

Youth Leaders  
Check Online  
For Special Savings  
When You Register  
A Group

**For Teen Girls in Grades 6-12**

**Cost: \$20.00**

A Person If Registered by February 10th

*\$25 after the 10th*

Which Includes:

Main Sessions, Breakout Sessions, Dinner,  
Dessert Room, Crafts, Nail Painting  
And More

Over 150  
Girls  
attended  
in 2019



Speaker:  
Melissa Gaona,  
News Anchor



Sponsored By:



Blessed is the one who (delight is the law of the Lord) meditates on His law day and night

Passage taken from Psalm 1

**For more Information or to Register a Group, go to [www.blessedgirl.org](http://www.blessedgirl.org)**



# CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Saturday, March 7th

10:30 am-12:30 pm

Waverly Place Baptist Church

1407 Kenwood Blvd SE, Roanoke



INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS FAIR  
AN INTERACTIVE WALK-THROUGH  
EXHIBITS & TASTINGS

Missionary Speaker: Steve Dalton

*The Fair will be an educational walk-through learning experience. Children and youth will be able to fill in a **PASSPORT** and “visit” countries. Displays will be available around the room containing basic information, pictures, ethnic foods and authentic items.*

Displays can be made by anyone and are encouraged. To participate in having a display, please contact Diane Shepherd at [dsva540@aol.com](mailto:dsva540@aol.com) or Jeri Harris at [jeri@straightstreet.org](mailto:jeri@straightstreet.org) or 206-7349. You will have 4’ or 8’ table space as requested, and an electrical outlet if needed. Please provide small plates and spoons or forks as needed for food tasting; drinks will be provided by WMU ladies.

Set-up will be from 10:00-10:30, Welcome, introductions and general information at 10:30, Walk-through time 10:45-11:15 and Missions large group time from 11:20-11:50. There will be time at the end to visit additional displays. Sponsored by RVBA WMU and volunteers.

**RVBA WMU**

# ***Spring Missions Celebration***

**March 23, 2020**

**Melrose Baptist Church**

**(3520 Peters Creek Road, Roanoke, VA 24019)**

**GUEST SPEAKERS:**

**Missionaries**

**Dinner served from 5:30 – 6:30 PM / Program begins 6:45 PM**

**Menu: Ham, Green Beans, Potato Casserole, Cooked Apples,  
Hot Bread, Dessert, and Beverages**

**Cost of meal is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children\*  
Reservations required.**

**Checks payable to RVBA WMU by March 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**(Kathryn Sowers at 1214 Jeanette Avenue, Vinton, VA 24179)**

**\*Childcare will be available following the meal.**



# Bible Storying

Coopers Baptist Church  
1929 Coopers Cove Road  
Hardy, VA 24101  
Saturday, March 28, 2020  
Time: 10:00 am till 2:00 pm

**Trainers: Thomas and Danette High  
Emeritus International Missionaries**

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What do you remember from the last speaker you heard? It's likely you remember the stories that were told. We are wired for stories. They help us sort out our world. Bible stories are the way we can renew our minds.

Sharing the stories with other can create life-transforming shifts in their worldview. Join us to learn how to naturally learn and share these transforming stories.

Gain practical handles on this effective discipleship method.

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Please sign up with Diane Shepherd by March 18, 2020  
Email [dsva540@aol.com](mailto:dsva540@aol.com) or  
Call 540-798-9165

**It's Time Now to Start ~ Praying for, Donating Money for, and Choosing Your Day to Supply Servers for:  
The Salem Fair Witnessing Booth!**

**This year's dates are: Wednesday, July 1 through Sunday, July 12, 2020.**

Our immediate need is for NINE churches to donate \$38 to cover the rental fee for the booth, and postage for mailing forms and information to churches in charge of the days. Please send checks made out to RVBA WMU and designated for "SFWB" to our Treasurer, Kathryn Sowers, 1214 Jeanette Avenue, Vinton, VA 24179. Call Jeanne (The "FAIR LADY") 540.375.3246 re: questions, more info, or to secure your day for which to supply servers. **Thanks, and remember to PRAY!!! Jeanne**

We are busy working with books for **BookNet**. We are almost ready to pack up for the SW VA Mission Trip. We found that we are still in need of 4<sup>th</sup> grade books. If you have some to contribute, let Beth know at 890-6630. BookNet meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays from 9-11 am at Belmont Church on 9<sup>th</sup> Street.



**Attention: Scholarship Available:** Dear Church Pastors & Youth Leaders, The RVBA WMU sponsors the Lila Gilmer Scholarship which is awarded each year to a deserving student who has been accepted to attend the University of Richmond and must be an affiliate of a Baptist Church. We have been informed that the amount budgeted for the 2020 scholarship is \$3,290.00 (based on the interest earned each year).

We have not had anyone receive this scholarship from our area for several years. Please check with your church family to see if someone plans to attend the University of Richmond in the fall. Applications are available on the RVBA website – [www.rvba.org](http://www.rvba.org) then click *Lila Gilmer Scholarship*. Mail completed form and requested information to: Fleta Dillon at 828 Brownwood Drive, NW, Roanoke, VA 24017 by 4/15/2020. Questions call 540.580.4377 (cell) or 540.563.4055 (home).



**RVBA WMU**

**Lila Gilmer Scholarship**

**University of Richmond**



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Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell)

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Sibling(s) Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPONENTS OF APPLICATION**

1. A one-page written statement of your educational goals
2. A resume of your school activities
3. A resume of your community activities and employment
4. Three letters of recommendation
5. A transcript of course work

***Deadline to apply: April 15, 2020***

Mail completed form and requested information to:

Fleta Dillon  
828 Brownwood Drive, NW  
Roanoke, VA 24017

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*A missions gathering for girls*



## **Celebrate Missions with your girls in grades 5–12.**

July 8–11, 2020 • Memphis, TN, at Germantown Baptist Church  
To learn more, visit [blumeforgirls.com](http://blumeforgirls.com) and sign up for updates!

Early Bird Registration – \$169.00 October 1 – January 31, 2020  
Regular Registration – \$199.00 February 1 – May 1, 2020

**Southwest Virginia Partnership Inc. (SWVP)**

**General Release, Authorization Form and Medical Information**

**IMPORTANT: Bring 1 copy with each person. Make sure if the person is under 18 that the parents also signs and initials.**

**General Information:**

Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City,State,Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Legal Guardian Name (if under 18 years of age): \_\_\_\_\_

**In Emergency, notify:**

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical Information:**

\_\_\_\_ Asthma    \_\_\_\_ Sinusitis    \_\_\_\_ Bronchitis    \_\_\_\_ Kidney Trouble    \_\_\_\_ Diabetes    \_\_\_\_ Dizziness

\_\_\_\_ Heart Trouble    \_\_\_\_ Stomach Problems    \_\_\_\_ Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder    \_\_\_\_ Other

Explain if necessary: \_\_\_\_\_

**Allergies:**

Foods: \_\_\_\_\_

Drugs: \_\_\_\_\_

Insects: \_\_\_\_\_

Poison: Sumac, Oak, Ivy: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Operations/Illnesses: \_\_\_\_\_

Daily Medications: \_\_\_\_\_

Restricted Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Insurance Info: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Church you attend \_\_\_\_\_

**General Release: Everyone must initial – if under 18 parent must also.**

I acknowledge and understand the release and responsibility issues related with SWVP. Furthermore, I acknowledge that participants at SWVP may be engaging in many different types of activities such as painting, hammering, roofing, construction, using power tools, being on ladders, etc.

Parent Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Participant Initial \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorization for Treatment**

I give permission for an attending physician or hospital staff to administer medical care if deemed necessary by the physician or hospital staff while serving in Southwest Virginia.

Parent Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Participant Initial \_\_\_\_\_

**Release of Claims and Liability**

I do hereby release from all claims and forever hold harmless the directors, employees, home owners, and agents of SWVP from any and all claims and demands for personal injury, sickness and death, as well as property damage and expenses of any nature incurred by myself or my child.

Parent Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Participant Initial \_\_\_\_\_

**Release of Likeness**

I give permission for pictures and videos to be taken and used for promotion of SWVP.

Parent Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Participant Initial \_\_\_\_\_

**Assumption of Responsibilities**

I do assume personal responsibility for all medical bills. Furthermore, I assume all costs for damages incurred by myself or my child due to our negligence of rules and restrictions placed on us. Should it be necessary for me or my child to return home due to disciplinary action, medical reasons, or otherwise, I hereby assume responsibility for all transportation costs.

Parent Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Participant Initial \_\_\_\_\_

**Participant's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Legal Guardian's Signature(if under 18):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SWVP always refers to the Southwest Virginia Partnership Inc.**

