



# HeartBeat

THE NEWSLETTER OF FLORIDA BAPTIST NURSING FELLOWSHIP

*The purpose of Florida Baptist Nursing Fellowship is to provide awareness of opportunities to utilize professional skills and education to minister and witness in the name of Jesus Christ; to provide opportunities of fellowship and sharing; and to offer an option for Christian-based education in order for members to fulfill their requirements for state approved continuing education.*

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## THE PRESIDENT'S BEAT

*“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.” 2 Corinthians 4:7*

I am so excited to tell you of all the blessings that I received while attending the Annual BNF meeting in Shreveport, Louisiana in April. I was able to meet a lot of nurses from all over the USA. It is always refreshing to see other fellow Christians with such a heart for serving the Lord.

There were CEU classes on ‘Caregiver Stress’, ‘What’s in Our Drink’, ‘Medicare Health Reform and You’, and many others. We also heard from Dr. Anne Fortenberry, who has served as a missionary to the Middle East. It was amazing to hear how God used her and her husband. If you would like to do a study on the book of James she has written a study called ‘Faith That Works’. It is really a good study. You can call 1-800-747-0738 to order it.

I was delighted to have the privilege of eating breakfast with missionaries from different countries, and enjoyed listening to stories of their struggles, needs and victories. Sitting at

my table were Doctors Anna and Thomas Kuhlmann, missionary doctors to Phnom Penh, Cambodia. They have desperate need of an x-ray machine. It would be better if it could be purchased closer to them so they could get a service agreement. They are also in need of individual packets of anti-biotic, alcohol preps, antiseptic, etc. For more info e-mail them at [annathomas@pobox.com](mailto:annathomas@pobox.com) or go to their website [www.mercymedcambodia.org](http://www.mercymedcambodia.org). Please remember to keep them in prayer.

One of my personal highlights of the annual meeting, was going to the rescue mission and providing a “Spa Day” experience for the women. We were able to give them facials and do their nails, while sharing of Jesus and His love. When we would finish with each individual, everyone would say “how beautiful they looked”. Throughout this process, one particular (middle-aged) lady seemed quite uncomfortable. Noticing that she was fighting back tears, I began to pray for her. When it was her turn to be through she began to cry. Can you imagine...no one in her entire life had ever told her that she was pretty or beautiful. We were able to share Psalms 139:14—“I will praise Thee for I am fearfully (respectfully) and wonderfully

made; marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well." For the first time in her life she realized that God loved her and has a purpose for her life. Her experience touched my heart, and I will never forget her. Please pray for her.

I also had the opportunity to see an RV that was turned into a crisis pregnancy center on wheels. It was equipped with an ultrasound machine. They will be going all over the state of Louisiana into Parrish's where there is no medical care for pregnant women. What an awesome opportunity to share Jesus!

In close, please be in much prayer for BNF of Florida. I know God has a work cut out for us. Let's live our lives 'Unhindered' by keeping our focus totally on Jesus and our service to Him.

In His Service,  
*Sylvia M. Johnson*  
President, FL BNF

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## FROM THE HEART!

"And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, He went out and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed." Mark 1:35

I am reminded of how important it is to start the day out right, spending quality time with our Father. We need this time to help us live our lives 'Unhindered'. How sweet it is to talk to our Heavenly Father and to focus entirely on Him; praising and worshipping Him. It is just as sweet to be still and know that He is God.

How often do we really get still enough to listen to Him? I want to challenge you to spend more alone time with our Savior. I will be praying for you, just as I know that you are praying for me. Be renewed in the Lord and give thanks always.

Sylvia M. Johnson

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## EXERCISE THE HEART TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

# SAVE THE DATE!

## APRIL 13-14, 2012

### SONSHINE!

#### MISSION CONFERENCE

LAKE YALE BAPTIST CONFERENCE CENTER  
LEESBURG, FL

- BAPTIST NURSING FELLOWSHIP CONFERENCE
- CEU TRAINING WILL BE AVAILABLE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT GAIL REVELS

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1-800-226-8584, EXT. 3140

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### Ministry Opportunities



#### Missionary Request (South America):

Pray for the Lord to touch the heart of NURSES in the states to be willing to volunteer and come here for our February 2012 Baptist Deaf Camp. We plan to have between 75 and 100 deaf campers attend, between the ages of 15 and 99. There is no law that requires us to have a NURSE, but we believe it would be wise to at least pray that the Lord would make this need/want a reality for common sense reasons.

Email contact: [charlesandbettyt@gmail.com](mailto:charlesandbettyt@gmail.com)

#### Misc. source of ministry contacts:

~Volunteer Connection

<http://www.wmu.com/VolunteerConnection/>

~International Mission Board [www.imb.org](http://www.imb.org)

~National BNF [www.wmu.com/bnf](http://www.wmu.com/bnf)

~Family Fest, Mission Fest

<http://www.wmu.com/VolunteerConnection/volunteer/MFFF.asp>

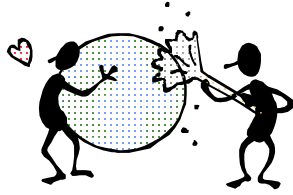
~International Initiatives

<http://www.wmu.com/volunteerconnection/international/>

~NAMB [www.namb.net](http://www.namb.net)

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## CARDIOGRAM BNF NEWS



Please share your news with us—mission trips you've been on and any ministry projects going on in your church or area.

T-shirts with our logo are available for \$10.

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## Strengthening the Heart



### Membership

The life blood of BNF is its members. We need you to invite other nurses and health care givers to join us. There is strength in numbers.

**Membership dues are only \$10.00 per year. So renew your membership and get a friend to join.**

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E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Church Membership:

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## FLORIDA BNF MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL FEE

Due in January

Health Care Professional : \$10.00

Area \_\_\_\_\_

Student: \$5.00

Missionary: Complimentary

**Make Check Payable to:**

**FLORIDA BAPTIST CONVENTION**

**Mail to:**

**Florida Baptist Convention  
Women's Missions & Ministries  
1230 Hendricks Avenue  
Jacksonville, FL 32207**



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