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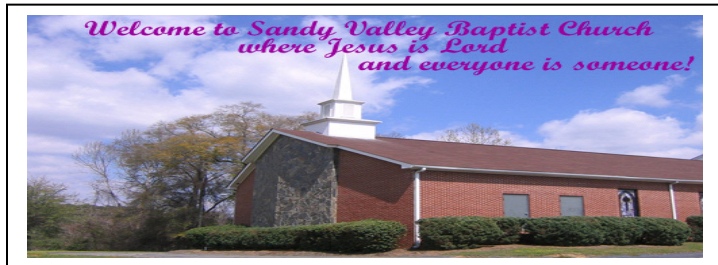
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# Sandy Valley Baptist – SOS



## Verse for the Month:

**Let God Let God**  
**Bible Verse:** 1 Kings 8:57 (KJV)

## Minutes from March Meeting:

### Old/New Business –

**Next Meeting at Nancy Bernanrd's house on April 7.**

1. Box for Soldiers: gum, mints, jerky, nuts, chips, granola, workout, rubix cube, contact solution, Chap Stick, puzzle books, sunflower seeds, travel kit, toothbrush, phone cards.
2. Postal Information: Planning to send a care package to a military service member serving abroad? Send it after March 3 to take advantage of a new flat-rate box from the Postal Service that is 50 percent larger and delivered for \$10.95 to an APO/FPO address -- \$2 less than for domestic destinations).
3. Zach & John – overseas – Sarah will mail package
4. Children's home – Sarah has the gifts collected for three girls at the children's home
5. Collected money for Ms. Pat (lunch project).
6. Collected items for Shauna at home from hospital. Cathy will take by Church for her husband to pick up or someone take to her.

### Information:

April 5 – YARD SALE for Olivia Culpepper – Woodmen of the World will match \$2500.00

April 13-16 - Revival

### Attendee List:

Nancy  
Karen  
Linda  
Judy  
Sarah  
Kathy  
Faye  
Pat  
Cindy  
Sherrie  
Ann  
Ms. Moseley

Note: Address, phone numbers and birthdays: Please let review the list and let Sarah know if you have any changes. We have a few birthday wrong.

### **Prayer Request:**

Bill's boss twin brother wife dad, Tim and Brooke Palmer  
Ann Faye's Brother Tommy  
Jo Sassnett  
Mrs. Moseley – surgery  
John Hides family  
Joe and Pats husband – shoulder surgery  
Jared – knot on neck (ENT)  
4 year old with brain tumor  
Remember each other  
Sarah's mom  
Unspoken  
Tina Scott's family  
Kim Konclici – deployed  
Job Interview – Randolph  
Adams – suicide (4 small kids)  
Paul Lolley

## **Let Go Let God**

*Bible Verse for the Month:*

1 Kings 8:57 (KJV)

The LORD our God be with us,  
as he was with our fathers: let  
him not leave us, nor forsake  
us:

### **Let Go Let God**

I first heard these words from a secretary when I was about to interview for a job in Charlotte, North Carolina. I had worked at Bank of America for almost five years and decided it was time for a change. I applied at a health care alliance company and that is where I met a receptionist named Sandy. At the reception desk she was a very pleasant lady about my mother's age. My interviewer was running behind and it was going to be awhile before she could see me so we started a conversation in the wait. I am not sure how are why, but Sandy was compelled to tell me that she had a daughter that would have been my age if she had not died an untimely death.

Her daughter's name was Donna and she missed her deeply. Apparently, her daughter needed to go in for minor surgery of some sort, same day surgery and was not too worried about it. Sandy wanted to be there but it was in Florida and a long drive and her daughter did not want her to go out of her way. She told her mom not to worry that it was just minor surgery. However, during the procedure something had went terribly wrong and a tube that had been inserted into her, ended up filling her lungs with fluid and she drowned. Sandy said she had to go through the legal technicalities to help her daughter's husband and the children she left behind to get the hospital to cover the tragic mistake they had made. During her suffering the hospital tried to turns things around and pay high dollar attorneys to find a way to weasel out of paying. The emotional turmoil she endured felt unbearable. How could people be so cold, mean and unemotional about her loss? Sandy told me through it all she continued to pray but at times was angry with God for allowing such a thing to happen. She did not feel God was comforting her no matter how much she was praying and trying to understand why such a thing could happen. As she was telling me this story tears came to her eyes and she said as she was praying on the way into work one day and asking God to help her cope and at that time she was coming up to a stop light, looked in front of her at the car ahead that had a bumper sticker that said "Let Go

Let God". Four simple words is what it took for her to realize that as a Christian she believed that everything happened for a reason and that when it was time for her to leave her fleshly body she would see her daughter again and that everything would be o.k. She then said she was sorry to bother me with her story and that she had never talked to anyone about it before. I then said that it was no reason to apologize that I enjoyed listening to her and appreciated her confiding in me. I am so thankful that she shared with me and I continue sharing this story with others and hope that it makes a difference in someone's life.

### **Prayer:**

GOD WILL DO THE REST:

I asked the Lord to bless you, as I prayed for you today, to guide you and protect you, as you go along your way.

His love is always with you,  
His promises are true,  
And when we give Him all our cares, you know He will see us through.

So when the road you're traveling on, seems difficult at best,  
Just remember I'm here praying, and  
GOD WILL DO THE REST.

FAITH IS NOT BELIEVING  
THAT GOD CAN... IT IS  
KNOWING THAT HE WILL.

"BE KINDER THAN  
NECESSARY. EVERYONE IS  
FIGHTING SOME KIND OF  
BATTLE." ---UNKNOWN

If God didn't have a purpose for us  
we wouldn't be here!

## Projects:

1. Meansville Childrens' Home – April – No birthdays
2. Troop package – receive thank you card from Zach's mom and thank you email from John Wade.

### Meansville Children's home

#### Birthdays:

Amanda - 2 May  
Kathryn - 24 Jun  
Jessica - 25 Jun  
Ashley - 5 Aug  
Melissa - 6 Aug  
Amina - 16 Aug  
Britney –10 Sep  
Patrice - 23 Oct  
Patricia 4 Jan  
Brandi 26 Feb  
Felicia 6 Mar  
Makayla 24 Mar

Meansville Children's Home  
Address: P.O. Box 440  
Meansville, GA 30256

3. Upcoming Project: Habitat for Humanity: Received letter from Andrew United Methodist Church asking for assistance at the beginning of 2008.
4. Migrant Ministry – May 1 at Central Baptist in evening – health kit donation items (soap, deodorant, shampoo, disposable razors, toothbrush/paste, comb, washcloths, gallon size zip bags, shaving cream)
5. Migrant Meal – July 10<sup>th</sup> provide meal

Treasurer Notes: Kitty:  
\$126.26

Secretary Notes: Please provide Ms. Shauna with any updates to addresses and phone numbers.

**April Birthdays**  
“Happy Birthday to You;  
Happy Birthday to You;  
Happy Birthday to the below –  
Happy Birthday to You”:

Faye – 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Cindy 27<sup>th</sup>

Happy Belated Birthday:  
Carol – 19 Feb



### Scheduled SOS Meeting Places:

April – Nancy  
May – Eat out  
June – Carol  
July – Faye  
August – Linda  
September – Eat Out  
October – Cathie  
November – Pat  
December – Ann

### *Websites – related*

#### **Ministries:**

[www.gabaptist.org](http://www.gabaptist.org)  
[www.wmu.com](http://www.wmu.com)  
[www.lifeway.com/women](http://www.lifeway.com/women)  
[www.namb.net](http://www.namb.net)  
[www.imb.org](http://www.imb.org)

## Upcoming Events Georgia WMU:

[www.georgiawmu.org](http://www.georgiawmu.org):

April 18-19  
Hispanic Pastors' Wives Retreat  
Williamson, GA

April 24-27  
National Missionary Parents  
Retreat; IMB International  
Learning Center  
Rockville, VA

April 26  
GA Extravaganza; Perry,  
Georgia

May 9-10  
Executive Board Meeting  
GBMMC, Duluth

May 10  
TSR Trip Training GBMMC,  
Duluth

May 16-17  
Infinite Grace  
Jacksonville Veterans Memorial  
Arena  
Womenoffaith.com  
888-49-FAITH

May 16-17  
Hispanic Women's Retreat  
Camp Pinnacle Conference &  
Retreat Center  
Clayton, GA

June 8  
National WMU Annual Meeting

June 9-11  
Southern Baptist Convention

June 17-20  
CWJC Level 1 Training  
Columbus