

**RECOMMENDATION I:
REVISED 2017 SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND EMPHASES**

We recommend the following to be observed in 2017:

January 1	Collegiate Ministries Emphasis Day
January 22	Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
February 5	Baptist World Alliance Sunday
February 13–19	WMU Focus Week
February 19	Virginia Baptist Colleges and Schools Day
April 9	Cooperative Missions/Cooperative Program Sunday
May 7	LifeSpire of Virginia Day, (formerly known as Virginia Baptist Homes Day)
May 21–28	Baptist Association Emphasis/Week of Prayer
June 18	HopeTree Family Services
June 25–July 1	Virginia Baptist Heritage Week
July 2	Religious Liberty Sunday
August 6	Developmental Disabilities Ministry Day
September 10–17	Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions Emphasis/Week of Prayer
October 8	World Hunger Sunday
October 29	“Consider Your Call” Sunday

**RECOMMENDATION II:
2018 SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND EMPHASES**

We recommend the following to be observed in 2018:

January 7	Collegiate Ministries Emphasis Day
January 21	Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
February 4	Baptist World Alliance Sunday
February 12–18	WMU Focus Week
February 18	Virginia Baptist Colleges and Schools Day
April 8	Cooperative Missions/Cooperative Program Sunday
May 6	LifeSpire of Virginia Day, formerly Virginia Baptist Homes
May 20–27	Baptist Association Emphasis/Week of Prayer
June 17	HopeTree Family Services
June 24–30	Virginia Baptist Heritage Week
July 1	Religious Liberty Sunday
August 5	Developmental Disabilities Ministry Day
September 9–16	Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions Emphasis/Week of Prayer
October 14	World Hunger Sunday

**RECOMMENDATION III:
2018 SPECIAL OFFERINGS**

We recommend that the General Association authorize the promotion of the following special offerings:

1. Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions
2. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions
3. The Annie Armstrong Offering for North American Missions
4. World Hunger Offering
5. Global Missions Offering