

The Vision

Gibson Baptist Association

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GBA Calendar

July

24: GBA Executive Board Mtg
30: Wingo Offering Sunday

August

27: Global Hunger Relief Sunday
25: Bivocational Minister & Wives Banquet
28-Sept 2: Gibson Co Fair
31: Signup deadline for Deacons' Meetin'

September

7: Deacons' Meetin'
10-17: Wk of Prayer for State Missions -GOTM
13: Fields of Faith
16: Children's Missions Day
21: WMU Quarterly Meeting - Antioch
23: 2nd Annual GBA Missions Day
24: GBA Missions Day Rally
26: Night of Hope
27: SYATP
28: ACP Due
30: Senior Adult Event

Gibson County Fair

August 28 - September 2



GBA Prayer Tent: August 28-30
GBA Youth Night: August 30

A Missionary View

The cooperation among Baptist churches of Gibson Baptist Association will soon reach 100 years of Kingdom work right here where the Lord has planted us! Today we are 54 bodies of Christ and we are part of His church! The question has been asked, "who can tell where the influence begins and where it will end?" No doubt we don't always realize where or how much influence we actually have, and who knows what our impact really is? But, I'm sure the Lord knows and He has put us here according to His plan, and for His purpose! Our church buildings and properties are visible across our county, that's significant and good! But who we are and whose we are, and what we do goes much further and deeper than what is seen! We are engaged in building spiritual buildings, "houses not made with hands, eternal in the heavens!" While in worldly terms we may assess the value of buildings and properties, and we may think that's a great accomplishment! The truth is someday those things won't matter at all! As 2 Corinthians 5:9-10 says, "So we make it our goal to please Him..." and there is no eternal value in the things of the world! So, that being the case, we need to consider what we are building and how we are building these spiritual buildings that really do matter! How and where are we using the abundant resources God has given us! I know that Jesus cared most about people, He saw people as sheep without a shepherd! And if Jesus loved "people" that much and was willing to sacrifice Himself to save people, then what should be important to us? That's right....PEOPLE! Not "qualified" people! Not white people, not black people, not brown people, not red people, not good people, not educated people, not American or European people, no...without the qualifier....people! So, our priority should be the lost all around us who are desperately needing to find the Way! He is The Way, The Truth, and The Life! Jesus told his disciples in Luke 19 to "occupy until I come!" I believe that instruction from Jesus, "occupy," meant for us to carry on His work and business of "seeking that which is lost" until He comes again, and while He is coming! Yes, He said He would come again, and I believe He is in the process of coming again, and when He arrives I pray He will find us busy carrying on His work seeking what is lost! People need the Lord! People matter!

Brother Mike

Attention Church Clerks & Pastors: ACP Packets are available for pickup at the GBA office. Please return by September 28th.

VBS: Churches, please be sure to report your VBS. Go to vbs.lifeway.com/church reports & fill in each required field.

Help Wanted: We are looking for someone to maintain and stock the GBA Block Party Wagon and the Disaster Relief/Ministry trailer. For more information please contact us at the association office 731-855-1202.

Our mission is to share the gospel, shape leaders, and strengthen churches.

GBA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - Monday, July 24th, 7pm at the GBA office

THE DEACONS' MEETIN'

Serving Faithfully and Finishing Well
2 Timothy 4:7



Message:
Dr. Ray Van Neste
Union University
Praise & Worship:
New Bethlehem

Thursday, September 7 / 5:30 PM / White Hall
Deacons, Pastors, Staff, & Wives / \$5 per person

GBA suggests each church cover the cost for their attendees. Basket available for childcare donations. RSVP for meal &/or childcare by Aug 31 at the GBA.

Menu: Boneless Pork Tenderloin, Chicken
Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Salad & Dessert
Sweet Tea, Unsweet Tea, & Coffee

FIELDS OF FAITH

September 13th, 7pm - Peabody HS
Music: Ken Bowman - Speaker: TJ Gilliam

GBA 2ND ANNUAL MISSIONS WEEKEND

September 23 & 24

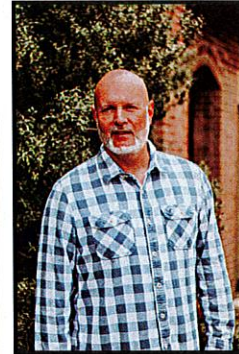
- **September 23rd** - we encourage all GBA churches to participate in a missions project of some kind. This could be a prayer walk in your neighborhood, a free car wash to spark gospel conversations, door to door evangelism-whatever works for your congregation and gets the Gospel out!
- **September 24th** - GBA Missions Rally at New Hope Baptist Church. Meal provided at 5pm. GBA mission teams are encouraged to set up a table at the meal. Contact Sheilah Spangler or Joey Hufstedler for more information. Missions Rally to Follow.

Guest Speaker:
Adam Winters, IMB Missionary

SENIOR ADULT EVENT

Saturday, September 30 / 6pm / Salem

ENTERTAINMENT: KENNY EVANS
Evangelist - Entertainer - Sportsman



Cost:
\$10 per person
Sign up and pay at the GBA office by Sept 18.

Menu:
BBQ,
Chicken Tenders,
Potato Salad, Slaw,
Baked Beans,
Rolls, Tea,
Pecan Cobbler,
Strawberry Heaven Cake

WMU Officer information and Apportionments are due by August 17. If you need a copy of the forms please call us at 855-1202.



What is our biggest need at Birth Choice? More godly women to join our team! We need 7 medical personnel and 14 Client Advocates across our ministry, including in Jackson, Gibson County, and most of our Mobile Clinic locations. Will you help us fill these empty slots in our schedules by our October training? Our Client Advocates will share the gospel, the truth about life in the womb, and other important information with our clients. Our medical personnel perform pregnancy tests and ultrasounds. Each of our volunteers gets to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

Thank you to The Gathering Rutherford for hosting a community wide Baby Shower!

SAVE THE DATES!!!

- *Next training starts in October! Email Kelly, kelly@birthchoice.us or call 731-855-2900 for more information and/or an application.
- *Walk for Life in September

HELP US STOCK THE RESOURCE ROOM

Baby Formula-Similac, Car seats – we can only take new, Play Yards, Clothes – Girl-sizes 12-18 months, 18-24 months and 2T, Onesies- Girl -All sizes up to 2T, Highchairs, Strollers, Diaper Rash Ointment, Baby Shampoo/Bath/Wash, Crib Sheets, Bouncy Seats



Summer is quickly passing, and school will soon be starting. Stop in at Twice Blessed for our new and gently used selection of school uniforms. We also have a summer clearance sale going on. We always

have a need for someone to organize in our store. If organization is your gift, we need you! Choose your day or hours. We always need willing servants to bring lunch for our volunteers. Sign up to be a blessing by bringing lunch in August.

We are also in need of a manager for our House of Hope. If you, or anyone you know has a heart for serving women, please let us know. The position is primarily evenings and nights. At this time, we have only one girl living at our house, but with a house manager, we would be able to assist more women. Other needs at the house include: someone to mow the lawn, vacuum cleaner, updating of house to include removal of wallpaper.

Our annual Night Of Hope at First Baptist Trenton on September 26th is quickly approaching. I do hope you will mark your calendars and plan to support us in this annual event. We depend on our church families for their continued support that we may continue on mission to help women.

Thank you, Christy Skelton

Tony Moore and Michael Allen have recently been CMJC certified. They will soon be organizing a community needs assessment for our area. Contact us at Gibson Baptist Association for more information.



A Night of Hope
Tuesday, September 26th at FBC-Trenton
We look forward to having you join us for this annual event.



Pictured Right: GBA Pastors Conference - Guest Speaker, Ryan Keaton, TBMB
Pastors meet Mondays at 10am at the Gibson Baptist Association office.

Pastors and Wives August Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

3	Rev John Coleman, Pastor	New Bethlehem
6	Mrs Candace Criswell, Pastor's Wife	Eldad
12	Mrs Frances Abbitt, Pastor's Widow	Maranatha
15	Mrs Penny Stacy, Retired DOM's Wife	Mississippi
17	Dr Kelvin Moore, Pastor	Bradford
19	Rev Randy Pool, Pastor	Medina FBC
19	Mrs Virginia Stephens, Retired Pastor's Wife	Rutherford FBC
20	Mrs Dianna Rice, Pastor's Wife	Walnut Grove
20	Rev Kerry Zeiss, Pastor	Poplar Springs
22	Rev Donald Scott, Pastor	Bethel, H
23	Mrs Dawn Avery, Pastor's Wife	Avondale
28	Mrs Jade McEwen, Pastor's Wife	Hickory Grove
29	Rev Lane Self, Pastor	Dyer FBC
29	Rev Dale Denning, Pastor	Elevate
31	Mrs Jenny Dowland, Pastor's Wife	Calvary, R

Anniversaries

1	Rev/Mrs Andy Rice, Pastor & Wife	Walnut Grove
2	Rev/Mrs Jonathan Criswell, Pastor & Wife	Eldad
6	Rev/Mrs Steve Skelton, Pastor & Wife	Immanuel
13	Rev/Mrs Jimmy Sorrell, Retired Pastor & Wife	Northside
17	Rev/Mrs Bill Rice, Retired Pastor & Wife	Antioch
24	Rev/Mrs Donald Scott, Pastor & Wife	Bethel, H
29	Rev/Mrs Steve Hemann, Pastor & Wife	Clear Creek

Church News

Bethel, Yorkville is searching for a bi-vocational music director/worship leader.

Community Back to School Bash - July 30, 3-6pm - 12 Baseline Rd, Yorkville

Chapel Hill Baptist Church is accepting resumes for pastor. Resumes may be sent to CHBC.PSC.RESUME@gmail.com.

Emmanuel, H is searching for a bi-vo Music Ministry Director. Our church sings traditional hymns, but we are open to being gently led into a more blended time of music during the worship service. We emphasize calling over experience. Please send all inquiries and resumes to Bro. Jake Fry at jakefry1017@gmail.com.

Milan FBC is accepting resumes for the Director of Children and Family Ministries position. Please submit a resume or direct questions to fbcmilankidspastorsearch@gmail.com.

Mount Pleasant is looking for our next Music Minister, someone to lead a blended style of worship. The ability to play an instrument would be a great benefit but not a requirement. Part time/bi-vo position. Send resumes to johnny.mccartney@yahoo.com.

New Hope Baptist Church-Dyer is seeking a bi-vo Minister of Music Director with leadership skills in directing traditional/blended worship services. Contact Johnny Alford: jkinalford@hotmail.com or mail resume to: New Hope Baptist Church, PO Box 293, Dyer, TN 38330 attn: Johnny Alford/Music Search Committee.

Trenton First Baptist Church is seeking God's man to lead us as our new pastor. Send resumes to the church office, First Baptist Church, 401 South High Street, Trenton, TN 38382 or firstbaptisttrenton@gmail.com. We are an established Baptist Church aligned with the Southern Baptist Convention. Our Vision statement is CONNECTING ALL PEOPLE IN CHRIST.

White Hall is a multigenerational church prayerfully seeking a bi-vo music leader. Candidates s/b experienced in leading choir, planning holiday programs, and available for Sunday and Wednesday services. We prefer a candidate with a musical education background, but not required. We enjoy a blended style of worship which focuses on praising God. Resume may be sent to WHBCstuff@gmail.com or mailed to 671 Concord Cades Rd, Trenton, 38382.

Churches Seeking a Pastor - Beech Grove, Bethpage, Chapel Hill, Fellowship, Gibson, Kenton FBC, Laneview-K, Latham's Chapel, Northside, Oak Grove, Poplar Grove, Smyrna, Spring Hill, Trenton FBC, West Side, White Hall

October 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Church	Year to Date Receipts	June Receipts
Antioch	\$.00	\$.00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	989.46	43.95
Bethel-H	.00	.00
Bethel-Y	2,055.00	.00
Bethpage	650.45	.00
Bradford FBC	3,150.00	315.00
Calvary-H	278.96	24.96
Calvary-R	2,674.29	651.36
Center	450.00	50.00
Chapel Hill	3,757.12	.00
China Grove	139.02	.00
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Dyer, FBC	5,049.08	972.51
Eldad	2,855.83	.00
Elevate	3,671.00	885.00
Emmanuel	3,271.13	288.10
Fellowship	2,803.56	340.36
Fruitland	770.75	62.04
Gibson	2,118.22	235.09
Hickory Grove	975.00	.00
Idlewild	1,022.13	121.12
Immanuel-T	1,021.00	138.00
Keely Mill	.00	.00
Kenton, FBC	13,319.85	1,336.69
Laneview-K	.00	.00
Laneview-T	632.20	71.90
Latham's Chapel	.00	.00
Lavinia	5,652.00	555.00
Medina, FBC	3,741.46	635.08
Midway	1,432.38	923.43
Milan, FBC	7,506.00	834.00
Mt. Pisgah	1,315.53	151.80
Mount Pleasant	14,955.26	1,579.88
New Bethlehem	5,260.48	475.00
New Haven	2,950.00	700.00
New Hope	2,083.31	.00
Northerns Chapel	225.00	.00
Northside	2,044.38	175.50
Oak Grove	710.01	48.77
Oakwood	2,142.30	221.12
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	1,275.08	107.68
Poplar Springs	.00	.00
Rutherford FBC	1,144.27	140.97
Salem	4,407.58	1,049.46
Smyrna	1,767.05	93.26
Spring Hill	713.80	62.20
The Church at Sugar Creek	11,663.46	1,260.83
Trenton, FBC	6,250.00	1,250.00
Walnut Grove	750.00	250.00
West Carroll Unity	306.61	.00
West Side	1,200.00	.00
White Hall	3,766.43	.00
Undesignated	134,916.44	\$16,050.06
Designated	14,561.60	
TBMB	7,182.17	
Total Receipts	\$ 156,660.21	

2022-23 Wingo Goal: \$23,500

Received to Date: \$ 11,170.46

Thank you for generously giving to Wingo!

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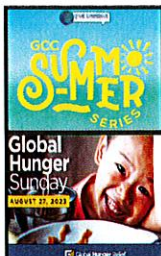
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Great Commission Conversations

August 16th GCC: TN Baptist BlueOval City Initiative with Danny Siquefield.

Global Hunger Relief Sunday

August 27, 2023 - Established in 1978 as the World Hunger Fund, Global Hunger Relief is an initiative of the SBC dedicated to combating hunger and sharing the Bread of Life.

West TN REGIONAL WORSHIP SUMMIT

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PHIL JENKINS
AUDIO-VISUAL

ROGER BRITTON
BIBLICAL WORSHIP

MATT TULLOS
CREATIVITY

MARK WILLARD
WORSHIP LEADER

LOCATIONS/DATES

EAST TENNESSEE
Saturday, August 5
First Baptist, Seymour
11621 Chapman Hwy

WEST TENNESSEE
Saturday, August 12
Kingwood Baptist, Jackson
2279 N Highland Ave

MIDDLE TENNESSEE
Saturday, August 19
Belle Aire Baptist, Murfreesboro
1307 N Rutherford Blvd

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Brazil Mission Trip

September 11-19, 2023 / Cascavel, Paraná, Brazil
This is near the border with Argentina & Paraguay.
Approximate Cost: \$2,200 / Contact GBA or Bro. Roger if interested
rdstacy@yahoo.com or 731-414-9973.

Revival

Fruitland / August 20-23 / Evangelist: Joey Hufstedler
Sunday - 10am & 6pm / Mon, Tues, Wed - 6pm

Happy Heart Services

Latham's Chapel Baptist Church / Each Sunday in September at 5pm.
Sept 3: Zach & Stephanie Young / Scott Gilbert
Sept 10: Danny King / Steve Hemann
Sept 17: Floyd Cairns / James Hazlewood
Sept 24: Youth Choir of FBC Jackson

**An Evening
of Refreshment**

Bivocational Minister & Wives Banquet

Faith Baptist Church, Bartlett
August 25th, 6-8:30 pm

Questions? Email: caseyp@myfaithbaptist.org
Phone: (901) 531-6802

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Pictured Above: GLOW Camp 2023
Pictured Below: Deacon Ordination Service for Gordon Crenshaw, Grant Jones, and Roger Worrell - Dyer FBC



CHRISTMAS
BACKPACKS

Christmas Backpacks - TN Baptists are challenged to provide 7,000 backpacks for children living in poverty regions in TN. Churches partner with ministries in these regions to impact the lives of children & their families with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For more info & resources, tnbaptist.org/backpacks.

**OPERATION
EDUCATION**

Children's Missions Day 2023 - September 16 - Find more information at wmu.com.

Theme: Operation Education / Scripture: "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young. Set an example for the believers in what you say and in how you live. Also set an example in how you love and in what you believe. Show the believers how to be pure" (1 Timothy 4:12 NIV). **What will you do?** Serve your local schools through a project that demonstrates the love of God. Create a project that meets the needs of someone who works for your school system or is served by your school. Carry out your project and share God's love with the people you serve. **How will you plan?**

The Missions Journey: Kids Annual Planning Kit 2023-24 and the children's digital packages for 2023-24 include everything you need to plan, promote, and execute your best Children's Missions Day yet!

Don't forget to order Operation Education badges/patches for your children to recognize their efforts!