

The Vision

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Merry Christmas
& A Happy New Year!

A Missionary View

Is it that I'm just getting older that it seems like seasons and time are passing by so quickly? It seems only yesterday that it was Thanksgiving and here we are Thanksgiving and Christmas, and almost a brand new year! Even so, we are to always "give thanks with a grateful heart!" And we gladly prepare to celebrate God's greatest gift of all, the birth of Jesus, our Lord and Savior! It really is a most wonderful time of the year!

We enjoyed a wonderful annual meeting at The Church at Sugar Creek! Thanks to our host church, thanks to Kathleen George and Kevin Hamilton for worship music, thanks to Brother Morris and Brother Sinquefield for challenging messages! Thanks to all our committees and teams for their faithful work! And, thanks to Grace Gentry, our Ministry Assistant, for all her advance preparations. Yes, these bones can live! Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on us!

The Annual Tennessee Baptist Convention meeting at Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis was a blessing in many ways, but in three specific ways for us in GBA! Each year at the TBC Annual Meeting for the last 7 years, a special recognition and award called the "Eagle Award" has been given to an individual (from across our state), who exemplifies outstanding servant leadership and encouragement. This year that individual was our own Brother Doug Duncan from Dyer, FBC! All of us who know Doug are sure that the right choice was made when he was selected for this award. Congratulations Brother Doug! The second way we were blessed was that our own Brother Joel Pigg, pastor of Salem BC was nominated by Brother Andy Mayfield, Rutherford FBC, to be Vice President of the TBC. He was unanimously elected, and we are sure again that the right choice was made. Congratulations Brother Joel! And thirdly, we were blessed as Brother Roger & Penny Stacy were honored and recognized for their Kingdom service in Tennessee as DOM for 25 years, 15 of those years with us here in Gibson County! Congratulations Brother Roger and Penny!

Continue to pray for and support your DOM Search Team as they seek God's directive towards the next DOM/AMS (Association Missions Strategist)! They are praying and working!

Thank you all for praying for our missionaries and for giving to support them by giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions!

So, have a blessed and happy Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year!

Bro. Mike

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



GBA Pastors, Staff, & Wives Christmas Dinner
 Monday, December 12 at 6pm, Salem - Free catered meal & entertainment.
Call the GBA office at 855-1202 to register by December 7.

Ordination Service

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 Sunday, December 4th at 2pm - Idlewild Baptist Church
Idlewild Baptist Church called Robert Talbott as pastor. The Church invites other ordained deacons and pastors to participate in his Ordination Service.



Testify
Psalms 107:2

Find more information about IGNITE & TESTIFY at tnbaptist.org.

Mark Your Calendar

December

4-11: Wk of Prayer for International Missions, LMCO
 7: Registration Deadline for Christmas Dinner
 12: Pastors/Staff/Wives Christmas Dinner
 13: W TN Pastors Conference
 25: Merry Christmas!

January

10: W TN Pastors Conference
 19: WMU Quarterly Meeting
 23: Executive Board Meeting
 26-28: Bivocational Pastors Retreat
 29-30: Testify - Tennessee Evangelism Conference

February

5-6: Ignite
 9: Volunteer Missions Banquet
 14: W TN Pastors & Wives Valentine's Banquet at UU
 19: Focus on WMU Sunday



BIRTHCHOICE

BATTLE CONTINUES FOR LIFE

STAY IN THE FIGHT WITH US, JOIN THE FIGHT WITH US

SAVE THE DATES!!!

CHRISTMAS MEAT SALE: order November 26 to December 20. Pick up on Dec. 23. Order at www.birthchoice.biz.

OFFICE CLOSED: December 19th – January 1st we will reopen on January 2, 2023

January – SOHL Sunday/week/month. Speakers are available. Contact Tiffany at 731-453-8159 or tiffany@birthchoice.us

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:

1. First training of 2023 will start in February contact Kelly Wall for information at kelly@birthchoice.us or 731-855-2900.
2. Become a "Lifesaver" with Birth Choice by being a monthly donor.
3. We are seeking Board Members from Gibson County, if you would be interested contact Kelly, kelly@birthchoice.us or 731-855-2900 for more information.

RESOURCE ROOM NEEDS, WE NEED EVERYTHING BABY UP TO 2T:

Baby beds

Baby Formula

BIG need for car seats – we can only take new

Clothes – Girl-sizes 12-18 months, 18-24 months and 2T

Onesies- Girl -All sizes up to 2T

Highchairs, Strollers, Diaper Rash Ointment

Any baby items will be appreciated big and small, you can donate monetarily to the resource room as well.



CWJC / Twice Blessed

As the cold weather and holidays approach, please remember to shop at Twice Blessed for your cold weather and gift needs. We have an abundance of coats, toys, gift items and holiday decorations. We also have blankets & comforters for contributing to the Ukrainian people that our association is collecting.

Please come in and support your Gibson County ministry and meet our new store manager. She will be quick to give you a verse for the day. She is working also at our House of Hope to assist Our house manager.

We are busy interviewing new applicants for our house. Please pray for discernment as we consider these women for living in our home. Please also pray for all those of us who minister and work together to help these women.

Happy Thanksgiving to all! It is a time that we should be especially thankful for all that God allows us to do and have in this world. I am thankful for all of you who are a part of Gibson County CWJC.

Christy Skelton, (731) 414-2795

Thank you!

A group of faculty and students from Union University came to help at GBA and Twice Blessed on their annual Campus & Community Day.



Pastors and Wives December Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

1	Rev Johnny McCartney, Pastor	Mount Pleasant
4	Dr Roger Stacy, Retired DOM	Mississippi
9	Mrs Rachel Self, Pastor's Wife	Dyer FBC
27	Mrs Gladys Powers, Retired Pastor's Widow	Trenton FBC
29	Mrs Sandra Rice, Retired Pastor's Wife	Antioch
29	Rev Scott Jewell, Pastor	Beech Grove

Anniversaries

18	Rev/Mrs Johnny McCartney, Pastor & Wife	Mount Pleasant
26	Rev/Mrs Andy King, Pastor & Wife	Fruitland

GBA Pastors Conference

Pastors meet Mondays at 10am at the Gibson Baptist Association office.

West Tennessee Pastors Conference

All meetings are on Tuesday morning at 10am on the university campus in Chapman dining Room unless otherwise noted.

W. TN Ministers of Music - December 13, 10AM

Danny Sinquefield - January 10, 10AM

Valentine's Banquet (Pepper Pratt) - Feb 14, 6PM - Carl Grant Events Center

Church News

Bethel Baptist Church, Yorkville

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

Fellowship Baptist Church,

6295 Graball Rd, Milan, TN 38358, is looking for a part-time music director. No experience necessary - the pastor will train you. Send resume to the address above or email fellowshipbc.milan@gmail.com.

Idlewild Baptist Church

welcomes Robert Talbott as pastor. An ordination service is scheduled for December 4 at 2pm.

Kenton FBC

is accepting resumes for the position of bi-vocational youth minister. Please submit resume or direct questions to broshawnallred@gmail.com.

Milan FBC 's WMU and Women's Ministry along with the youth and children made items for and packed shoeboxes for OCC.

Mount Pleasant Baptist Church

is looking for our next Music Minister, someone that can lead a blended style of worship. The ability to play an instrument would be a great benefit but not a requirement. This is a part time/ bivocational position. Resumes to johnny.mccartney@yahoo.com.

New Hope Baptist Church-Dyer

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



Churches Seeking a Pastor

Bradford FBC, Chapel Hill, Gibson, Laneview-K, Latham's Chapel,
Milan FBC, Oak Grove, Spring Hill, Trenton FBC, West Side

October 1, 2022 - October 31, 2022

Church	Year to Date Receipts	October Receipts
Antioch	\$.00	\$.00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	135.81	135.81
Bethel-H	.00	.00
Bethel-Y	197.00	197.00
Bethpage	.00	.00
Bradford FBC	315.00	315.00
Calvary-H	24.36	24.36
Calvary-R	.00	.00
Center	.00	.00
Chapel Hill	1,106.17	1,106.17
China Grove	61.35	61.35
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Dyer, FBC	511.49	511.49
Eldad	1,155.93	1,155.93
Elevate	475.00	475.00
Emmanuel	338.44	338.44
Fellowship	225.36	225.36
Fruitland	.00	.00
Gibson	.00	.00
Hickory Grove	325.00	325.00
Idlewild	100.31	100.31
Immanuel-T	.00	.00
Keely Mill	.00	.00
Kenton, FBC	1,802.89	1,802.89
Laneview-K	.00	.00
Laneview-T	62.50	62.50
Latham's Chapel	.00	.00
Lavinia	482.00	482.00
Medina, FBC	339.71	339.71
Midway	.00	.00
Milan, FBC	833.00	833.00
Mt. Pisgah	186.39	186.39
Mount Pleasant	1,776.59	1,776.59
New Bethlehem	422.54	422.54
New Haven	250.00	250.00
New Hope	.00	.00
Northerns Chapel	75.00	75.00
Northside	251.30	251.30
Oak Grove	99.92	99.92
Oakwood	280.54	280.54
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	122.30	122.30
Poplar Springs	.00	.00
Rutherford FBC	116.13	116.13
Salem	.00	.00
Smyrna	214.65	214.65
Spring Hill	88.64	88.64
The Church at Sugar Creek	1,089.51	1,089.51
Trenton, FBC	625.00	625.00
Walnut Grove	.00	.00
West Carroll Unity	306.61	306.61
West Side	400.00	400.00
White Hall	295.05	295.05
Undesignated	15,091.49	\$ 15,091.49
Designated	276.67	276.67
TBMB	926.17	926.17
Total Receipts	\$ 16,294.33	\$ 16,294.33

Wingo Fund

2022-2023 Wingo Goal: \$23,500
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December 4-11 is the Week of Prayer for International
Missions & the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.



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Gibson Baptist Association Annual Meeting

Thank you Church at Sugar Creek for hosting the 2022 Annual Meeting. We appreciate the meal and all the work that went into making a great meeting!

Pictured Above

Left: Danny Sinuefield / **Middle:** 2021/2022 Moderator, Bryan Morris passing the gavel to incoming Moderator, James Rogers. **Right:** Interim DOM, Mike Kemper and Danny Sinuefield

Pictured Right

2022/2023 GBA Officers - Treasurer, Jim Acree;
Assistant Moderator, Johnny McCartney; Clerk, Leann Cherry;
Moderator, James Rogers; Assistant Treasurer, Joel Pigg



Pictured Above, Left - Summit 2022: Randy C. Davis, president and executive director of the TBMB, presents the annual Eagle Award to Doug Duncan, member of FBC Dyer. **Middle:** Joel Pigg, pastor of Salem Baptist Church was elected Vice President of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. **Right:** Bro. Roger and Penny Stacy being honored for 25 years of service as Director of Missions in Tennessee, 15 of those at Gibson Baptist Association.