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Bro. Roger and Penny were honored at the GBA Annual Meeting for their 10th anniversary as DOM. They were presented with a trip to Opryland in Nashville. The WMU gave them a gift certificate to Chaffin's Barn Theater and a financial gift.



Bro. Roger presented Sheriff Paul Thomas with gift baskets from the Mission/Ministry Team (M&M) from churches across GBA. From the M&M and WMU team: THANK YOU!! for your participation in the gift basket collection for the Gibson County Sheriff's Dept. You provided 51 wonderful baskets!! Also, thank you to Bro. Roger and the pastors for delivering them!



At the GBA annual meeting, hosted by **Milan, FBC**, Bro. Roger is presented with a framed certificate, by Dr. Scott shepherd, TBMB, in recognition of what GBA churches gave to the Golden Offering. 34 churches from GBA contributed \$ 47,4785.56 to the 2016-17 Golden Offering for TN Missions. GBA received \$ 4,745.76 from this offering for mission efforts.



**White Hall Baptist Church** hosted the World Day of Prayer event. Emily Savage, summer missionary to China, was the speaker.



The new officers for the GBA 2017-2018 are pictured from the left: Bro. Billy Criswell, Bethel-Y, Assistant Moderator; Leann Cherry, Trenton, FBC, Clerk; David Powell, Smyrna, Moderator; Bro. Roger Stacy; Jim Acree, Dyer, FBC, Treasurer; and Keith Donaldson, Salem, Assistant Treasurer.

# The Vision

Gibson Baptist Association

Roger Stacy, Director of Missions

David Powell, Moderator  
Jim Acree, Treasurer  
Dianne Klutts, Ministry Specialist

Billy Criswell, Assistant Moderator  
Keith Donaldson, Assistant Treasurer  
Leann Cherry, Clerk

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*Jesus is the reason  
for the Season!*

*Have A Merry Christmas  
And A Happy New Year!*

*From:  
Bro. Roger and Penny  
&  
Dianne & Danny*

**GIBSON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT**  
The Gibson Baptist Association exists to actively assist churches accomplish The Great Commission.



A Missionary View

First of all, I want to wish you and your family a Happy Thanks-giving, a blessed and merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year! It is hard to believe it is that time of season once again.

Our churches came together for our annual meeting of the Gibson Baptist Association on Monday, October 23. We want to thank FBC Milan for hosting us this year.

We welcomed Connect Baptist Church of Milan as a re-start and re-plant. Continue to pray for the core group and the work to be done to get the work up and going.

Bro. Roc Collins, Evangelism Specialist for the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board (TBC) did an outstanding job and challenged us all to share the gospel with a lost world.

The association surprised my wife and me in recognizing my tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year anniversary as the DOM of Gibson Baptist Association. I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the wonderful years I have enjoyed serving you and our churches. We were given a trip to Opryland Hotel and the WMU gave us a gift card to Chaffin’s Barn Theater and a financial gift. Again, thank you for your generous and kind gifts.

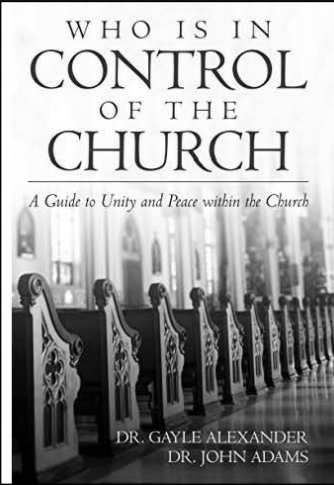
We did not get to make the trip to Puerto Rico with our Disaster Relief Team the week of November 11-17. There are only 40 slots per week and the slots filled very quickly. We hope to take the team after the first of the New Year. A date has not been set at this time, but if you are interested, you may contact our office.

We offered the Introduction to Disaster Relief course at the GBA office on November 2. There were 6 people who took the course. If your church would like to have this course offered at your church for your people interested in Disaster Relief, I am available to schedule it with you. You do not have to be a credentialed volunteer to respond to an incident. However, you will still need this course to respond. If you want the pay the \$36 for credentialing, this course will help qualify you and is required.

Pray for our mission team traveling to Foz do Iguaçu (Iguassu Falls), Brazil the week of November 27—December 5. The team will work with Pastor Flávio in door-to-door evangelism and discipleship of new believers. Join us for our next trip March 12-20, 2018 to Rio de Janeiro. The week of June 18-26 there will be another trip to Rio de Janeiro. Join us on one of these future trips.

Bro. Clayton Williams helped with the initial re-start of Connect Church and has now left the work. Connect is working with TBC for help with a church planter/pastor. The following churches are without a pastor: Dyer FBC, Fruitland, Hickory Grove, Maranatha, New Hope, Smyrna, and Spring Hill.

Your Missionary, Bro. Roger



Dr. John Adams, Interim Pastor of **Spring Hill** and former professor at Union University has co-authored this book, “Who Is In Control of the Church” with Dr. Gayle Alexander.

It is now available on Amazon or Kindle.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Gibson Baptist Association  
Pastor/Staff & Wives Christmas Dinner  
December 7, 2017 - 6:00 PM  
Salem Baptist Church  
Entertainment: SoulFire

Cost: \$ 5.00 per person  
GBA will cover the difference.  
Please make your reservations & payment by December 4th.

Childcare will be provided.  
Please contact us by December 4th.

*Becoming One Again  
A Return To Intimacy*



*Marriage Retreat*  
❑ *February 16-17, 2018*  
Friday Evening thru Saturday Noon


❑ Paris Landing State Park Resort

❑ \$50 per Couple

*Includes: Conference, Room, Meal Friday Evening & Breakfast Saturday Morning.*

*Deadline to Register: January 3, 2018 with payment made with cash or a check made to*

*Beulah Baptist Association.*



BIRTH CHOICE

\*SOHL coming up in January-if you would like to order bulletin inserts or have a speaker from Birth Choice contact Debbie at [debbie@birthchoice.us](mailto:debbie@birthchoice.us) or 664-8443.

\*Training will start in February for Client Advocates and Nurses. For information or to get an application contact our office at 855-2900. There are other ways to volunteer as well, give us a call.

Get your orders in for the Christmas Meat. Pick up will be December 22<sup>rd</sup> at our Jackson office from 8am-12 noon; you can order on-line at [birthchoice.biz](http://birthchoice.biz), [debbie@birthchoice.us](mailto:debbie@birthchoice.us), or call either office at 855-2900 or 664-8443.

Birth Choice will be closed December 18<sup>th</sup> thru January 1<sup>st</sup> .

Thank you for all your donations, prayers and support Kelly

December Birthdays & Anniversary: Pastors & Wives

BIRTHDAYS		
4	Dr. Roger Stacy, Director of Missions	Connect
10	Rev Jerry Smith, Pastor	Calvary-R
19	Mrs Natalie Taylor, Pastor’s Wife	Oak Grove
20	Mrs Brandy McMinn, Pastor’s Wife	Laneview-T
20	Mrs Helen Marbury, Retired Pastor’s Wife	Fellowship
27	Mrs Gladys Powers, Pastor’s Widow	Trenton, FBC
28	Mrs Sandra Rice, Retired Pastor’s Wife	Antioch
29	Rev Scott Jewell, Pastor	Beech Grove
ANNIVERSARIES		
18	Rev/Mrs Tommy Stutts, Pastor/Wife	Latham’s Chapel
26	Rev/Mrs Andy King, Interim Pastor/Wife	Fruitland

CHURCH NEWS

**Dyer, FBC** is seeking an interim music director. Please contact the church at 692-2549 for information.


**Hickory Grove** is accepting resumes for pastor. Please send resumes to the church.

**Maranatha Baptist Church** called Bro. Larry Simmons as interim pastor.

**Smyrna Baptist Church** has called Bro. David Powell as pastor.

Roger Zigler, from Sugar Creek, has a *piano* that he will donate to any church that needs one. Please contact him at 697-7109 for information.

Christian Women’s Job Corps/”Twice Blessed”



As we approach the holidays, our lives will be filled with many things. May we fill them with those things that make a difference in the lives of others!

Be a part of the CWJC ministry by volunteering in our thrift store, mentoring, serving on our prayer team, teaching and serving our class participants or helping with meals for our volunteers and class participants.

"Twice Blessed" will be closed for the Christmas Holidays starting the week of December 18th through January 1st. Please hold your donations until after the first of the year. At "Twice Blessed", all sweaters will be just \$2 from now until Christmas. Also, we have many Holiday items to choose from. We also have very nice and gently used clothing, stuffed animals and toys in our baby and toddler store which is open on Wednesdays and Fridays.

We always need food for our food pantry and bottled water for all our volunteers.

Thanks to all of you for serving in such special ways and Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at Christian Women's Job Corp.

Christy Skelton, Site Coordinator

October 1, 2017—November 20, 201			
Church	Total Receipts		Current Receipts
Antioch	\$	.00	\$ .00
Avondale		.00	.00
Beech Grove		237.03	237.03
Bethel-Humboldt		.00	.00
Bethel-Yorkville		303.00	303.00
Bethpage		.00	.00
Bradford, FBC		290.00	290.00
Calvary-H		65.76	65.76
Calvary-R		.00	.00
Center		100.00	50.00
Chapel Hill		1,812.48	1,812.48
China Grove		44.42	44.42
Clear Creek		.00	.00
Connect		73.95	73.95
Dyer, FBC		521.48	521.48
Eldad		230.36	230.36
Emmanuel		217.02	217.02
Fellowship		288.72	288.72
Fruitland		.00	.00
Gibson		179.00	179.00
Hickory Grove		.00	.00
Idlewild		114.72	114.72
Immanuel-T		72.00	72.00
Keely Mill		.00	.00
Kenton, FBC		2,141.16	2,141.16
Laneview-K		200.00	200.00
Laneview-T		59.52	59.52
Latham’s Chapel		150.00	150.00
Lavinia		466.00	466.00
Maranatha		167.00	167.00
Medina, FBC		200.00	200.00
Midway		247.21	247.21
Milan, FBC		583.00	583.00
Mt. Pisgah		231.39	231.39
Mt. Pleasant		.00	.00
New Bethlehem		.00	.00
New Haven		200.00	200.00
New Hope		907.75	907.75
Northern’s Chapel		.00	.00
Northside		150.28	150.28
Oak Grove		329.88	329.88
Oakwood		.00	.00
Old Bethlehem		.00	.00
Poplar Grove		246.89	246.89
Poplar Springs		.00	.00
Rutherford, FBC		125.00	125.00
Salem		307.21	307.21
Smyrna		63.76	63.76
Spring Hill		103.00	103.00
The Rock		277.53	277.530
The Church/Sugar Creek		1,078.25	1,078.25
Trenton, FBC		.00	.00
Walnut Grove		.00	.00
West Carroll Unity		33.08	33.08
West Side		.00	.00
White Hall		761.00	761.00
Designated		4,489.85	4,489.85
TBC/Interest		926.62	926.62
Total Receipts	\$	18,994.92	\$ 18,994.92
2017-2018 Wingo Goal is \$ 22,500			
Received to date: \$ 1,721.40			
\$ 1,315 was given toward 2017-18 Wingo goal at the GBA Annual Meeting in October.			