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Antioch Baptist Church celebrated their 185th anniversary in November. Dr. Roger Stacy, DOM, presented to Dr. Bill Espy, pastor, a framed certificate from Gibson Baptist Association. Dr. Dub Oliver, President of Union University, preached the sermon.



Keith Hamlin, center, stands with his wife, Diane, and Bro. Stephen Fields, pastor, following his ordination at **Keely Mill**.



Bro. Greg McFadden (left), pastor of **Humboldt, FBC**, stands with Bro. Randy Pate, pastor of **Milan, FBC**, at the TN Baptist Convention in Sevierville TN.

TIME TO THINK ABOUT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

If you place your order through Gibson Baptist Association, LifeWay will give us a commission on the sale.

On November 13, Dr. Dale Denning, pastor of **Chapel Hill Baptist Church**, was recognized by the church for 25 years as their pastor.



The Vision

Gibson Baptist Association

Roger Stacy, Director of Missions

Chris Alexander, Moderator

Jim Acree, Treasurer

Dianne Klutts, Ministry Specialist

David Powell, Assistant Moderator

Pat Riley, Assistant Treasurer

Leann Cherry, Clerk

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A Missionary View

We are celebrating the birth of our Savior this month. We wish you a Merry Christmas as you gather with Your family to exchange gifts. May we remember the ultimate gift given by the Father in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ. We also wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

We continue to offer a counseling ministry in the office of the association with Dr. Bob Rouse. Dr. Rouse is in on Tuesdays for counseling sessions. If you know of someone who cannot afford a counseling appointment but really is in need, we have some funds approved at our annual meeting to help. The counseling fee has been reduced to \$65. Call the office to make an appointment.

Here is a summary of some actions taken at our annual meeting in October:

Chris Alexander was elected moderator, with David Powell as assistant moderator.

The Marriage & Sexual Statement (Article IV) was approved by messengers.

Next year's annual meeting will be held at Milan FBC on October 23.

Dianne Klutts, ministry specialists GBA, was recognized for 20 years of service.

Tennessee Baptist Convention recognized the GBA for giving over \$46,000 to Golden Missions.



GBA sent a team of 14 volunteers to Curitiba, Brazil the week of November 28—December 6. There were 137 recorded professions of faith with several discipleship Bible studies with those who came to Christ. The pastor has a Haitian congregation he serves, but our team was asked to specifically reach Brazilians with a goal of helping him have a base for a church plant. God blessed in a tremendous way with an atheist, a spiritist and an 89 year old man among those coming to Christ. Our next trip is March 13—21. If interested, now is the time to sign up by calling the GBA office or by e-mail (info@gbalife.org).

Our annual Gibson Baptist Jerry Legg mission's volunteer banquet is planned for February 2, 2017. This year we will meet at New Bethlehem Baptist Church, Dyer, 6:30 pm. This is our annual cornbread and beans meal provided through the WMU. We ask that you call the GBA to register for the event (855-1202). The deadline for registration is January 30.

The GBA Youth Team encourages anyone who works with youth whether as a volunteer or paid staff (full or part-time), to participate in their planning meetings. The next team meeting is January 17, 2017, at 6:30 pm at the GBA office. Luther Goslee is the team leader and he desires to involve all churches in planning and participating in reaching the youth of our association with the gospel.

The West Tennessee Evangelism Rally at Union University will be on Sunday, March 5, beginning at 3:30—8:00 pm. There will be ten (10) breakout sessions offered. A meal will be served free of charge. You may choose to attend by registering at <http://www.uu.edu/events/wter/>. The conference is free and the GBA is one of the sponsors of the event. Dr. Steve Gaines, pastor of Bellevue Baptist and president of the Southern Baptist Convention, will be preaching at the rally.

The next Senior Adult event is scheduled for March 9, 2017, at Salem Baptist Church. The meal will be served at 5:30 pm with a program to follow. Martha Phelan is the senior adult leader for the GBA and she encourages all senior adult groups in our churches to participate, as well as anyone who would like to enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Children's Bible Drills scheduled for April 10, 2017. More information will be provided in the coming months.

Bro. Andy King has been called as interim pastor of Fruitland Baptist Church. Bro. Ben Lownsdale has been called as the pastor of Laneview in Kenton. Bro. Mike Kemper has been called as interim pastor of Smyrna Baptist in Humboldt. Bro. Billy Crowell has been called as interim pastor of China Grove. Northside has called Bro. Eric McLemore as interim pastor. The following churches are seeking a pastor: Center, China Grove, Fruitland, Gibson, New Hope, Smyrna and West Side.

Your Missionary,

Bro. Roger

GATLINBURG DISASTER RELIEF

If you are interested in helping with financial contributions to the Gatlinburg area through Disaster Relief you may send your contributions here. Make your checks out to Gibson Baptist Association.

GIBSON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT

The Gibson Baptist Association exists to actively assist churches accomplish The Great Commission.

WMU Event



January 19, 2017

WMU Winter Meeting

Trenton, First Baptist Church

10 AM



Bring a Salad to share for lunch



February 3-4, 2017

GA Sleep over

Contact Pamela Basham at 414-2187 for more information.



WMU Missions
Get-Together


March 31-April 2,
2017

\$ 65.00 per person by
3/9/2017.

You can register
online at:
www..tnwmu.org

Featured Speaker:

Leigh Gray



Christian Women’s Job Corps/”Twice Blessed”

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone! Thank you for sharing the love of Christ not only at this special time of year but all year through with your donations monetary and otherwise with the ministry of CWJC.

We continue to send our overflow of donations to the homeless shelter in Jackson and to fill a crate going to Honduras.

Twice Blessed Thrift Store will be closed for the holidays from December 19th through January 9th. Please hold your donations through the holidays. We will return on January 3rd, but for sorting and cleaning only.

We will be starting a new class very soon in the new year. Please contact me (even if you already have) if you desire to be a mentor or be a part of the ministry in some way.

I would like to say a special thanks at this time to our board members who are faithful to serve throughout the year: Roger Stacy, Joel Pigg, Rhonda Poore, Debbie McDaniel, Karen Brittain, Candace Criswell, Crickett Wallsmith, Diane Hamlin, Janice Wheatley, Joyce Brown, Sheila Spangler and Joyce Reynolds.

Christy Skelton, Site Coordinator

GBA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Executive Board Meeting

January 23 7:00 PM

Volunteer Mission Banquet


February 2, 2017

Volunteer Mission Banquet

Cornbread and Bean Dinner

New Bethlehem Baptist Church

6:30 PM



Please call and RSVP to the GBA office at 855-1202 by January 30, 2016.

There is no charge for this event.

Senior Adult Event

March 9, 2017

Salem Baptist Church

Find more details in February’s Vision.


Financial Issues Workshop

Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson

January 24, 2017

9:30 AM—11:30 AM

BIRTH CHOICE



Let the Holy Smokers help you with your Christmas meal preparation. We will have Smoked or Fried Turkeys, Smoked Hams, Boston Butts, Pork Loins, and Chickens for sale. Christmas Meat Sale: Friday, December 23rd. Orders can be picked up at the Birth Choice clinic in Jackson between 8:00 am and 12:00 noon on Friday December 23rd. The deadline to order is Friday December 16th at noon so don’t wait...order TODAY! All proceeds will benefit the Birth Choice Ministry. Visit birthchoice.biz for more details. Call 731-664-8443 to place your order or email LaShon Hawks at lashon@birthchoice.us.

*You should be receiving, or have received already, information from LaShon about SOHL inserts and speakers!

*Note: Offices will be closed from December 19-January 1st. Re-open on January 2nd.

We are in need of these items for the Resource Room:

Girl’s sleepers-NB, 0-3, 3-6 Boy’s sleepers-NB, 0-3, 3-6

Diapers size NB, 3-6 Wipes Food/Cereal

Diaper bags-store bought or handmade Socks-girl and boy

Small items such as: thermometers, ointments, safety items, brush/comb sets, pacifiers, nail clippers, etc.

Handmade booties, blankets to give to clients with their layette items

Large items such as: Baby beds, high chairs, stroller, car seats, bassinets, swings, bouncy seats, floor mats, play yards

Thank you for all your donations, prayers and support

Kelly

January Birthdays for Pastors & Wives

BIRTHDAYS

3 Mrs Charlene King, Retired Pastor’s Wife New Hope

3 Mrs Christy Hufstedler, Pastor’s Wife Poplar Grove

5 Mrs Tesha Goodgine, Pastor’s Wife Dyer, FBC

6 Mrs Tiffany Bowen, Pastor’s Wife Trenton, FBC

7 Rev Stephen Fields, Pastor Keely Mill

14 Mrs Kathleen Sparkman, Ret. DOM’s Widow Kentucky

15 Dr Greg McFadden, Pastor Humboldt, FBC

16 Rev Max Walker, Interim Pastor Gibson

18 Rev Bill Brown, Pastor Emmanuel

21 Rev Eddie Holmes, Retired Pastor Northside

25 Mrs Shelia McFadden, Pastor’s Wife Humboldt, FBC

27 Rev Steve Skelton, Pastor Maranatha

ANNIVERSARIES

6 Rev/Mrs Randy Pate, Pastor & Wife Milan, FBC

16 Rev/Mrs Dillard Lykins, Pastor /Wife Northern’s Chapel

19 Rev/Mrs Joey Hufstedler, Pastor & Wife Poplar Grove

CHURCH NEWS

China Grove has called Bro. Billy Crowell as interim pastor. Bro. Andy King has been called as interim pastor of **Fruitland. Laneview Baptist** in Kenton has called Bro. Ben Lownsdale as pastor effective January 1, 2017. **Northside Baptist Church** has called Bro. Mike Kemper as interim pastor. Bro. Terry Owens has resigned as music director at **New Hope.**

Dyer, First Baptist Church is accepting resumes for a part time youth minister. Please send your resume to DeeLeah Sullenger at office@firstbaptistdyer.com.

Eldad is seeking a minister to youth. Submit resume & cover letter to Eldad Baptist Church, 49 Eldad Road, Trenton 38382 or criswellemail@gmail.com.

Kenton, First Baptist Church is seeking a Bi-Vocational Minister to Youth. Please send resume and cover letter to Bro. Shawn Allred at broshawnallred@gmail.com before January 13, 2017.

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church is seeking a Minister of Music. Please send resume to ATTN: MMSC, 395 Trezevant Hwy, Bradford TN. 38316.

Salem Baptist Church, Trenton, TN is prayerfully seeking a bivocational worship leader. Candidates should be able to lead the congregation on Sunday morning and Sunday evening in a blended worship style, along with one mid-week rehearsal. Average attendance for Sunday morning is 150 – 175 with a new sanctuary construction underway to seat 300 plus. For more information or to send a resume please contact Bro. Keith Donaldson, Associate Pastor, by e-mail LJSmokey@gmail.com.

GBA Counseling Center is a ministry established to help people in need. Dr. Bob Rouse is in the GBA office on Tuesdays for appointments. The counseling fee is \$65.

Call the GBA office at 855-1202 for an appointment.

October 1, 2015—December 13, 2016		
Church	Total Receipts	Current Receipts
Antioch	\$.00	\$.00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	444.55	176.24
Bethel-Humboldt	30.00	.00
Bethel-Yorkville	701.00	357.00
Bethpage	.00	.00
Bradford, FBC	480.00	240.00
Calvary-H	75.68	.00
Calvary-R	216.13	216.13
Center	100.00	.00
Chapel Hill	3,389.20	1,480.66
China Grove	24.88	24.88
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Dyer, FBC	1,032.66	459.43
Eldad	479.21	.00
Emmanuel	457.80	.00
Fellowship	486.09	223.83
Fruitland	.00	.00
Gibson	313.00	.00
Hickory Grove	.00	.00
Humboldt, FBC	2,190.97	1,014.36
Idlewild	231.85	91.12
Immanuel-T	260.00	68.00
Keely Mill	.00	.00
Kenton, FBC	4,192.85	1,896.23
Laneview-K	100.00	.00
Laneview-T	75.58	41.58
Latham’s Chapel	300.00	150.00
Lavinia	897.00	428.00
Maranatha	473.00	218.00
Medina, FBC	600.00	600.00
Midway	241.51	241.51
Milan, FBC	584.00	584.00
Mt. Pisgah	453.75	212.88
Mt. Pleasant	2,897.70	1,342.51
New Bethlehem	972.45	429.97
New Haven	200.00	100.00
New Hope	.00	.00
Northern’s Chapel	50.00	50.00
Northside	329.53	139.45
Oak Grove	66.38	.00
Oakwood	100.00	.00
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	572.78	177.18
Poplar Springs	25.00	25.00
Rutherford, FBC	258.37	108.23
Salem	466.42	213.57
Smyrna	138.23	.00
Spring Hill	126.00	85.00
Trenton, FBC	3,683.61	.00
Truth	.00	.00
Walnut Grove	.00	.00
West Carroll Unity	.00	.00
West Side	.00	.00
White Hall	1,214.92	526.79
Designated	5,489.91	3,593.25
TBC/Interest	1,853.13	.34
Total Receipts	\$ 37,256.91	\$ 15,514.94
2016-2017 Wingo Goal is \$ 22,500		
Received to date: \$ 3,929.71		