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Salem Baptist Church hosted the GBA Pastor's Christmas Dinner. Suzanne Pigg, Salem Baptist Church pastor's wife, helped in the clean up.

Rev David Powell and wife, Detria, at the installation service for him as pastor of Smyrna Baptist Church.



Spotted at the TBMB Summit, Rev Tony and Jane Crossnoe, Calvary-H, and Rev David Powell, Smyrna.

**Salem Baptist Church
 New Sanctuary Community-Wide Dedication Service
 Thursday, January 11, 7pm
 Featured Speaker = Dr. Steve Gaines (SBC President)**

Also speaking:
 Dr. Randy Davis (TBMB Executive Director)
 Dr. David Levell (TBMB president)
 Dr. Danny Siquefield (Bartlett's Faith Baptist pastor)

Come join us for an evening of
 dedication, worship, prayer, singing, & fellowship



Preparing to leave on the November Brazil trip are (left to right): Mike Sellers (Chapel Hill); (Keith Donaldson, Barbara Jones, and Clark Perkins (all from Salem); Sheilia Bell (Smyrna); Janice Moore and Bro Roger Stacy (both from Connect)

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A Missionary View

Happy New Year! I am looking forward to all that God will do in our association this coming year. Let's make this a great year together for the kingdom!

Two mission teams recently served in two mission fields. The Romania team provided a medical clinic and shared the gospel with many people. Thank you Bro. Andy Rice for leading this team. The Brazil team just returned from Foz do Iguacu where they worked with Pastor Flávio. There were 169 professions of faith and over twenty discipleship Bible studies conducted. The team's goal was to strengthen this mission congregation so that they could reach new people in order to be constituted into a church. On Saturday, December 16, the church was able to be constituted. The team also worked with Journey Baptist Church where Pastor Flávio planted the church in cooperation with the Gibson Baptist Association. The work continues to grow and reach many people.

The next **Brazil mission trip will be to Rio de Janeiro the week of March 12-20, 2018.** Registration is open now. There will be an interest meeting for this trip on January 9, 2018 at the GBA office, 6:30 pm. If you are at all interested in this trip, you are encouraged to attend the meeting. Also, contact Bro. Roger to let me know of your interest in the meeting via e-mail (rdstacy@gbalife.org) or by text message (731-414-9973).

I am thankful to Union University (Dr. Oliver and Dr. Easley) and the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board (TBC, Dr. Randy Davis) for their gracious gift to twenty-three Director of Missions. I am one of the twenty-three to receive a free trip to Israel! We will be touring the Holy Land the week of January 15-23, 2018. Our only out of pocket expense for the trip is \$100 and one meal a day for the trip.

Our Seek Team has planned an **Evangelism Conference/Prayer Rally for April 7-8, 2018.** On Saturday, Dr. Greg Frizzell, former prayer strategist with the North American Mission Board, will be the conference leader. The Saturday rally will be at Dyer FBC. On Sunday night, April 8, the prayer rally will be at Milan FBC. Dr. Frizzell will be preaching on Sunday morning, April 8, at SugarCreek in Humboldt. He will also speak to the Monday morning pastor's conference at the GBA office on April 9. Put these dates on your calendar now and plan to lead your church to participate in this great opportunity. If we are to fulfill the Great Commission and win the lost, we must return to prayer as our primary strategy.

Connect Baptist Church of Milan continues to see God's hand at work. God has provided a worship team to help with the music. There have been recent additions to the church family as well. The church was also able to financially give a small offering to help one of the members participate in the recent Brazil trip. Continue to pray as the church works with the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board and GBA to find the church planter God has prepared to lead the work.

We will have our third Jerry Legg Missions Volunteer Banquet on Thursday, February 8, 2018, New Hope Baptist Church in Dyer. The meal and program begins at 6:30 pm. The registration deadline is February 6. You may call the GBA office to register. The meal is free. We will recognize the mission volunteer of the year at the banquet. There will be special music and a guest speaker for the evening.

The Tennessee Baptist Mission Board (TBC) will be providing a regional disaster relief training event at Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson on March 2-3, 2018. You can find more information and register for the training at the following website: <http://tndisasterrelief.org/>.

The West Tennessee Evangelism Rally on the campus of Union University will be Sunday, March 4. Please, register for the event at this website: <http://www.uu.edu/events/WTER/>.

The associational Vacation Bible School clinic will be March 22, at Trenton FBC. Mark your calendars and plan on attending.

Dyer FBC called Bro. Mike Kemper as interim pastor. Smyrna Baptist Church called Bro. David Powell as pastor. Bro. Larry Simmons has been called as interim pastor of Maranatha Baptist Church. The following churches are without a pastor: Dyer FBC, Fruitland, Hickory Grove, Maranatha, New Hope, and Spring Hill.

Your Missionary, **Bro. Roger**





SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY
 Sunday, January 21, 2018

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

WMU EVENTS

January 18, 2018
WMU Quarterly Meeting
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church
10 AM
Bring a Salad to Share For Lunch






MISSION GET TOGETHER
GATLINBURG
MARCH 16-18, 2018

Contact Denise Bronaugh:
 dbronaugh@tnbaptist.org
 for further information.

GBA
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLINIC
March 22, 2018
Trenton, FBC

More details
 In February's
 Vision



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 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.

We are in need of these items for the Resource Room:
 Wipes, Food/cereal, Baby food, Socks
 Small items such as: thermometers, ointments, safety items, brush/comb sets, pacifiers, nail clippers, etc.
 Handmade booties & blankets, floor mats,
 Baby towels and wash cloths, Bottles, Sippy Cups
 Large items such as: Baby beds, walkers, high chairs, strollers, car seats, bassinets, swings, play yards, bouncy seats
 Get your orders in for the Christmas Meat. Pick up will be December 22nd at our Jackson office from 8am-12 noon; you can order **on-line at birthchoice.biz, debbie@birthchoice.us, or** call either office at 855-2900 or 664-8443.

Birth Choice will be closed December 18th thru January 1st.
 Thank you for all your donations, prayers and support
 Kelly

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

GBA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
January 29, 2017
7PM GBA Office Building

Gibson Baptist Association
Jerry Legg Volunteer Mission Banquet
New Hope Baptist Church
February 8, 2018
6:30 PM
Cornbread and Bean Dinner




No charge for the meal.

Please make reservations for meal by February 6th by calling GBA at 855-1202. Childcare will be provided. If you will need this please make mention of this when you make your reservations.

West TN Evangelism Rally
March 4, 2018 Union University

2017 GBA MINUTE BOOKS READY FOR PICKUP
JANUARY 3, 2018 At GBA office. Please have someone from your church come and pick up their copy/copies.

Gibson Baptist Association
Evangelism Conference/Prayer Rally
This will be a Saturday Evening & Sunday Evening Rally
Saturday, April 7 2018 Dyer, FBC
Sunday, April 8, 2018 Milan, FBC
Dr. Greg Frizzell: National Prayer Speaker
Mark your calendars now.

PRAY4TN
March 19, 2017 7-8 PM
Milan, FBC
Sponsored by TBMB

UPCOMING BRAZIL MISSION TRIP
March 12-21, 2018

If you are sensing God leading you to go to Brazil with this team please contact Bro. Roger. There will be an interest meeting on January 9th at the GBA office at 6:30 PM. Registration deadline will be January 24th.

SENIOR ADULTS MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

April 17, 2018
 Dyer, FBC
 Senior Adult Event

Fun Time *Great Food*
Give Aways

January Birthdays & Anniversary: Pastors & Wives

BIRTHDAYS

3	Mrs Charlene King, Interim Pastor's Wife	Fruitland
3	Mrs Christy Hufstedler, Pastor's Wife	Poplar Grove
6	Mrs Tiffany Bowen, Pastor's Wife	Trenton, FBC
7	Rev Stephen Fields, Pastor	Keely Mill
14	Mrs Kathleen Sparkman, Retired DOM's Widow	Sugar Creek
15	Dr Greg McFadden, Pastor	Gibson
16	Rev Max Walker, Retired Pastor	Gibson
18	Rev Bill Brown, Pastor	Emmanuel H
21	Rev Eddie Holmes, Pastor	Fellowship
22	Rev Steve Littleton, Pastor	Gibson
25	Mrs Shelia McFadden, Pastor's Wife	Sugar Creek
27	Rev Steve Skelton, Pastor	Maranatha

ANNIVERSARIES

1	Rev/Mrs Steve Littleton, Pastor & Wife	Gibson
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

Spring Hill will dedicate their Fellowship Hall on February 11. Bro. Jonathan Criswell will preach. They have renovated their Fellowship Hall.

Tina has a piano to give away to any church that can use one. Please contact Tina at 293-5481.

Financial Issues Facing Churches & Ministers. January 25, 2018, 6:30—8:30 PM. **The Church at Sugar Creek.**

Christian Women's Job Corps/"Twice Blessed"



Happy 2018 from everyone at Gibson County CWJC! We have had another good year at Twice Blessed and continue to be blessed by those who give monetarily and of their time and talents for the benefit of others. We are grateful for our new volunteers and hope they will be with us for a long time to come.

We recently held a graduation for 8 who graduated from our "Powered for Life" classes at the Gibson County Correctional Facility. We had an average attendance of 12, but some were discharged before finishing the class. We hope to have another class starting there in the new year. Our classes in our classroom will be coming to an end soon with 3 who will be graduating.

We continue to need volunteers for sorting donations and working in the babies' and toddlers' room on Wednesdays. Also, we always need mentors to encourage and befriend our participants.

We expect great things for CWJC in the coming year as God uses the ministry to help women and minister to others in our community through our food pantry, clothing and household assistance and utility assistance. Come and be a part of the CWJC ministry in our Jerusalem.

May God guide and direct your path in the New Year.

October 1, 2017—December 19, 2017

Church	Total Receipts	Current Receipts
Antioch	\$.00	\$.00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	451.50	214.47
Bethel-Humboldt	.00	.00
Bethel-Yorkville	602.00	299.00
Bethpage	.00	.00
Bradford, FBC	580.00	290.00
Calvary-H	95.44	29.68
Calvary-R	235.42	235.42
Center	150.00	50.00
Chapel Hill	3,585.82	1,773.34
China Grove	94.07	.00
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Connect	191.21	.00
Dyer, FBC	884.13	362.65
Eldad	238.36	.00
Emmanuel	465.26	.00
Fellowship	615.99	327.27
Fruitland	.00	.00
Gibson	340.00	161.00
Hickory Grove	.00	.00
Idlewild	114.72	.00
Immanuel-T	140.00	68.00
Keely Mill	.00	.00
Kenton, FBC	4,060.28	1,919.12
Laneview-K	300.00	100.00
Laneview-T	136.92	77.40
Latham's Chapel	300.00	150.00
Lavinia	466.00	.00
Maranatha	325.00	158.00
Medina, FBC	400.00	200.00
Midway	486.96	239.75
Milan, FBC	1,166.00	583.00
Mt. Pisgah	423.90	192.51
Mt. Pleasant	2,399.83	1,197.26
New Bethlehem	538.61	.00
New Haven	300.00	100.00
New Hope	907.75	.00
Northern's Chapel	50.00	50.00
Northside	448.80	298.52
Oak Grove	386.86	56.98
Oakwood	.00	.00
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	404.19	157.30
Poplar Springs	142.51	142.51
Rutherford, FBC	230.48	142.51
Salem	579.22	272.01
Smyrna	183.87	120.11
Spring Hill	171.00	68.00
The Rock	277.53	.00
The Church/Sugar Creek	2,006.31	928.06
Trenton, FBC	1,875.00	1,875.00
Walnut Grove	.00	.00
West Carroll Unity	145.10	112.02
West Side	.00	.00
White Hall	1,284.48	523.78
Designated	9,107.92	4,593.07
TBC/Interest	1,852.82	926.50
Total Receipts	\$ 40,141.56	\$ 18,956.91

2017-2018 Wingo Goal is \$ 22,500

Received to date: \$ 4,163.53

\$ 1,315 was given toward 2017-18 Wingo goal at the GBA Annual Meeting in October.