

The Vision

Gibson Baptist Association

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GBA Calendar

February

20: Focus on WMU Sunday
24: Men's Night Out
27: Softball Meeting

March

6-13: Wk of Prayer / AAEO
8: W TN Pastors Conf - UU
13: Daylight Saving Time
24: Senior Adult Event

April

1-3: WMU Get-Together
7: VBS Clinic
11: GBA Bible Drills
12: W TN Pastors Conf - UU
15: Seven Sayings
17: Easter
21: WMU Quarterly Mtg
22: DNow
25: GBA Exec Board Mtg
30: Regional Bible Drills

May

5: National Day of Prayer
8: Mother's Day
10: W TN Pastors Conf - UU
30: Memorial Day

A Missionary View



On January 22, 2007, the Gibson Baptist Association extended a unanimous call to me to serve as the Director of Missions. I began my ministry on March 1, 2007, and this March 1, 2022, I will complete 15 years of service to this association. I began serving as a Director of Missions in Middle Tennessee on April 14, 1997, at the Central Baptist Association. I will complete 25 years in Tennessee as a Director of Missions this April.

God called me to the ministry in my junior year of high school, and then again, the Lord spoke to me and called me into missions in 1979. This call to be a missionary has never diminished over these years, in fact, it has only grown much stronger, and I am more convinced than ever this has been my passion, gifting and calling, to serve God.

When this association called me to serve as their associational missionary in 2007, I felt convinced that this was God's will for my life. This association has allowed me to fulfill my calling as a pastor and my calling as a missionary.

Now, the time has come for me to pursue another course and direction of ministry. **I am announcing my retirement from the Gibson Baptist Association as your Director of Missions.**

This is so very difficult for me to do. God has blessed me with good health and a love for serving this association. However, after fifty years in ministry, I feel it is time to focus on my own family, children and grandchildren. It is time to step back and refocus and give more time and attention to our family needs. God will always be first in my life, but family cannot be third.

Recently, as you know, my mother went home to be with the Lord on November 15, 2021. I had expected her to live into her 90's, but COVID activated her cancer and it spread quickly. I was looking forward to finally having some time to spend with her and help her with her needs as she continued to decline in health. That did not happen. I have other pressing family issues that I cannot go into with you openly tonight, but we are needed to help with these family matters. It has become increasingly apparent that I need to attend to our family needs in Mississippi. We will be selling our home and moving to Mississippi sometime this year.

I want to thank you for allowing me to serve you and serve our churches. Without any reservation, I can honestly say that the people and churches of this association are the best in the state. I give the glory to God for any accomplishments, and I give full credit to the churches, laymen and pastors of this association.

I will announce in April at our next Executive Board meeting my retirement date. By announcing to you that I am retiring, this gives this body time to elect a Search Committee at the April board meeting.

May God bless this association during the transition to the next phase of ministry.

Your Missionary,
Bro. Roger

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

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EASTER OFFERING
FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

**Week of Prayer for
North American Missions**
March 6-13, 2022

Your prayers have an eternal impact

Focus on WMU Sunday is February 20th.
The next WoM Qtrly Meeting is 10am, April 21 at Mount Pleasant. Bring a salad to share.

Softball Team Meeting

February 27th - 2pm - GBA Office

Please join us at this meeting if your church is interested in having a team this year.



**Daylight
Saving Time
Starts
March 13.**

GBA VBS Clinic

April 7th - 6-8:30pm - Dyer FBC

Chick-fil-a boxed meal 6-6:30

*Please let us know how many from your church will be eating with us. Call or email the GBA office by March 31st with this information.
855-1202; gba.ms1@gbalife.org.*



GBA SENIOR ADULT EVENT

March 24 / 6 PM / Dyer, First
Sign up & Pay by March 10 / Meal: \$11

Entertainment

Elvis Impersonator, Brian Howell

Menu: Chicken Breast, Pork Loin,
New Potatoes, 7 Layer Salad, Green Beans,
Rolls, Tea,
Elvis Presley Cake (Pineapple), Banana Pudding

*Please send names & money by
March 10 to GBA.*

GBA Bible Drills

April 11 / 6:30pm / White Hall

*Call GBA (855-1202) with the names & grades of those participating from your church, by April 4.
Regional Bible Drills are April 30.*

Seven Sayings from the Cross

April 15 / 6:30pm / Location TBD

Mark your calendar and make plans now to attend this GBA sponsored Good Friday Service.

Disciple Now Weekend

April 22-23 / Sugar Creek

Executive Board Meeting

April 25 / 7pm / GBA Office



The 2021 Minute Book is available at the GBA Office. Please have someone come by to pick up a copy for your church.

BIRTHCHOICE

God is doing AMAZING things! We could use you in the battle for life! If you have a heart to minister to women with God's Truth and Love come be a Client Advocate for Birth Choice. Even if you don't live in Gibson County, would you consider volunteering here? Our next training starts in May. If interested and want more information, please email our Gibson Co Clinic Director, kelly@birthchoice.us. If you are in church leadership, please share this information with your congregation or group.

Save the Dates:

2022 Annual Fundraising Banquet

Apr 28, 2022 at 6 PM
Northside Church - Benefiting our Jackson, Gibson Co, & Mobile Clinics

Easter Meat Sale

Ordering is open from March 10 to April 13 at birthchoice.biz. Pickup is April 15, 8 AM to 12 PM at Birth Choice in Jackson.

Father-Daughter Ball

June 18. More details on location to come in the next newsletter!

Change for Life Baby Bottle Campaign (Madison & Gibson Counties)

Begins Mother's Day, May 8th & ends Father's Day, June 19th.

We are looking for bids on cleaning service for the office - Serious and dependable contact Kelly at kelly@birthchoice.us. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram or our website birthchoice.biz for up to date information and stories. **Thank you for your continued support and prayers.**

HEBREWS 10:39
RELENTLESS
faith

**MISSIONS
GET-TOGETHER**
 AN EVENT FOR WOMEN
 18 YEARS OF AGE & OLDER
April 1-3, 2022
Gatlinburg Convention Center
Gatlinburg, Tennessee
TennesseeWMU | TNWMU.org

CWJC / Twice Blessed

Each and every day at Twice Blessed is a new adventure. As we start each day with devotion, we get to know one another better and have the privilege of praying for customers and each other. We covet your prayers and encourage you to step forward and be a part of this ministry. Volunteer positions include sorting our many donations, relief cashier, leading devotions, merchandising and straightening and being a part of our Powered for Life class each Wednesday morning.

We still have pecans for sale that the girls at our Transition House have picked up. Quart bags are \$8.00 each. Proceeds go to our Transition House.

Each of our residents at the transition house are making good progress in our program. We welcome any ideas for projects for the girls. With spring quickly approaching, we begin to think of gardening and flowers and warmer days. We would love to have a garden at our house this year. If you or anyone you know would like to help prepare a garden spot and help in this endeavor, please let me know.

Thanks, Christy



Bertie Thompson Scholarship

Scholarship available to members of GBA churches. It provides financial help for students who sense a calling to serve

in some aspect of Christian ministry & maintain a certain grade point average. Application available on the GBA Website, www.gbalife.org - deadline May 20.

Continuing Ed Scholarship

For people in ministry (lay & vocational) who are taking classes (Seminary, Bible College, Christian Education type courses). Applications available at the GBA Office.

**Pastors and Wives
March Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Birthdays

4	Rev Jonathan Criswell, Pastor	Eldad
8	Dr Garry Burkacki, Pastor	Bethpage
8	Rev Marlon Stephens, Retired Pastor	Rutherford FBC
16	Mrs Stephanie Allred, Pastor's Wife	Kenton FBC
27	Rev James Brown, Retired Pastor	Smyrna
28	Rev Kevin Mullins, Pastor	White Hall

Anniversaries

12	Rev/Mrs Joel Pigg, Pastor & Wife	Salem
19	Rev/Mrs Don Dyer, Pastor & Wife	Bradford FBC

GBA Pastors Conference

Pastors meet Mondays at 10am at the Gibson Baptist Association office for a time of fellowship and inspiration.

Currently scheduled speakers:

Feb 21: Shawn Allred, Feb 28: Jimmy Tucker, March 7: Richard Green

Church News

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

Eldad Baptist Church of Trenton is searching for a person who feels called to serve in student ministry for grades 7-12. As an added benefit of this part-time position, the youth leader may also choose to live in the church parsonage. Call Personnel Chair Fred Warrington at 731-697-8247 or Pastor Jonathan Criswell at 731-414-4435.

Fellowship Baptist Church, 6295 Graball Rd, Milan, TN 38358, is looking for a part-time music director. Must be able to carry a tune in a bucket. The right person realizes that congregational worship has one in the audience. Blended music fits with our theology of worship conditioned on biblical lyrics. No experience necessary - the pastor will train you. No phone calls, please. Send resume to the address above or email fellowshipbc.milan@gmail.com.

FBC Kenton is accepting resumes for the position of bi-vocational youth minister. If interested, please submit your resume or direct questions to broshawnallred@gmail.com.

Milan FBC is hosting the Everyday Faithfulness Women's Conference with author and speaker Glenna Marshall, March 4 & 5. Register online. Tickets will NOT be sold at the door. Contact Allison Matthews (731-695-5281) for more information.

Mount Pleasant Baptist Church is looking for our next Music Minister. We would like 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 will be a part time/bi-vocational position. Submit resumes to johnny.mccartney@yahoo.com.

New Hope is in search of a music minister.

Contact person: Pastor Bryan Morris (901) 860-3252.

White Hall has a revival scheduled for April 24-27 with Bro. James Hazelwood, pastor of First Baptist Church Greenfield.

Churches Seeking a Pastor

Gibson, Idlewild, Laneview-K, Medina FBC, Midway,
Milan FBC, Spring Hill

October 1, 2021 - January 31, 2022

Church	Year to Date Receipts	January Receipts
Antioch	\$.00	\$.00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	592.66	127.41
Bethel-H	.00	.00
Bethel-Y	1,081.00	274.00
Bethpage	413.41	.00
Bradford FBC	1,260.00	315.00
Calvary-H	175.91	.00
Calvary-R	.00	.00
Center	150.00	.00
Chapel Hill	5,586.97	1,721.21
China Grove	453.47	321.47
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Dyer, FBC	2,008.23	624.42
Eldad	871.46	.00
Elevate	1,381.00	.00
Emmanuel	1,453.58	328.70
Fellowship	852.42	298.26
Fruitland	407.81	69.59
Gibson	722.88	182.88
Hickory Grove	650.00	.00
Idlewild	553.17	228.14
Immanuel-T	555.00	140.00
Keely Mill	.00	.00
Kenton, FBC	6,137.22	.00
Laneview-K	.00	.00
Laneview-T	216.90	52.60
Latham's Chapel	.00	.00
Lavinia	1,639.00	467.00
Medina, FBC	950.00	650.00
Midway	307.62	.00
Milan, FBC	3,327.00	833.00
Mt. Pisgah	626.38	78.95
Mount Pleasant	11,456.34	5,393.61
New Bethlehem	1,869.53	881.69
New Haven	1,000.00	250.00
New Hope	1,595.37	416.67
Northerns Chapel	100.00	.00
Northside	992.15	237.80
Oak Grove	291.93	38.42
Oakwood	1,141.14	223.67
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	844.25	171.45
Poplar Springs	.00	.00
Rutherford FBC	567.23	228.23
Salem	1,639.37	424.53
Smyrna	923.33	407.87
Spring Hill	354.32	77.90
The Church at Sugar Creek	4,526.42	1,122.85
Trenton, FBC	3,125.00	625.00
Walnut Grove	250.00	.00
West Carroll Unity	234.27	.00
West Side	400.00	400.00
White Hall	1,636.77	356.58
Undesignated	65,320.51	\$17,968.90
Designated	77,103.32	
TBMB	2,778.51	
Total Receipts	\$ 145,202.34	

2021-2022 Wingo Goal: \$23,500

Received to Date: 4,569.62

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Please register for the Men's Night Out by 4pm February 21.
For more information call Sugar Creek 731-784-1883 or
visit them online at sugarcreek.church.

MEN'S NIGHT OUT: MEN STEPPING UP

AN EVENING WITH JOHNNY HUNT

JOIN US THURSDAY // FEBRUARY 24TH, 2022
VISIT SNACK STATIONS BEFORE THE MAIN EVENT AT 6:45PM

THE CHURCH AT SUGAR CREEK
3400 E. MITCHELL ST. // HUMBOLDT, TN 38343
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 731.784.1883
OR VISIT US ONLINE AT SUGARCREEK.CHURCH

\$10 PER MAN
FEE INCLUDES SNACKS AND
MAIN EVENT FEATURING OUR
SPECIAL GUEST - JOHNNY HUNT

T:M: Treasurer Baptist
MISSION BOARD



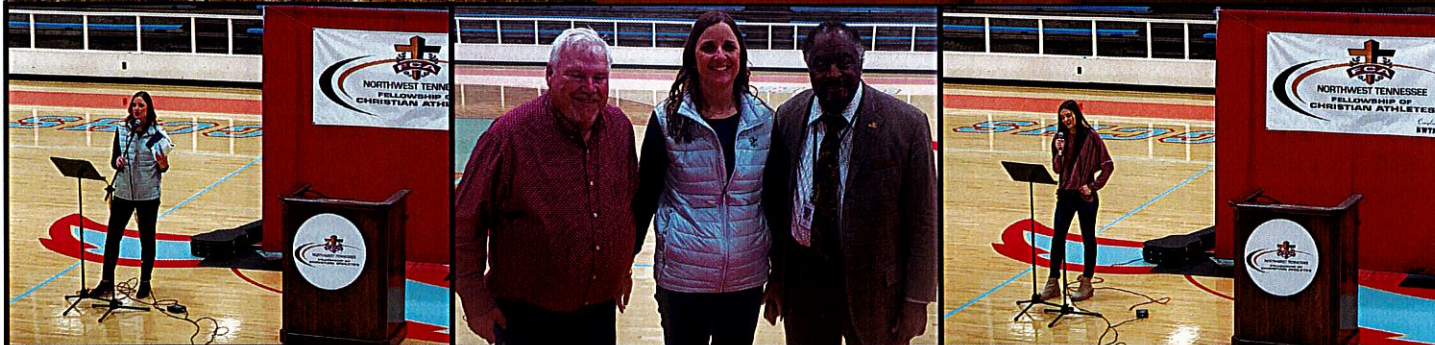
Pictured Top Row:

- *Hope for America* Men's Conference Speakers: Michael Imhoff and Ivy Scarborough
- BiVo Retreat, Steve Skelton, pastor of Immanuel Trenton with Danny Sinquefield, TBMB Harvest 1Team Leader



Pictured Left:

- West Tennessee Pastor's & Wives Valentine Banquet, Steve and Donna Gaines guest speakers.
- First service for Bethpage Feb 6 at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Mason Hall. Bethpage purchased the church building to use until they rebuild.



Pictured Above: FCA Courts for Christ at Gibson County Highschool / Speaker: John DeBerry, Jr.