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Providing Christ-centered homes where children can thrive is difficult and expensive. Giving is the easy part. TBCH receives no government money, they are totally donor-supported.



White Hall hosted the GBA Bible Drills. Seventeen children participated and sixteen will move on to the regionals.

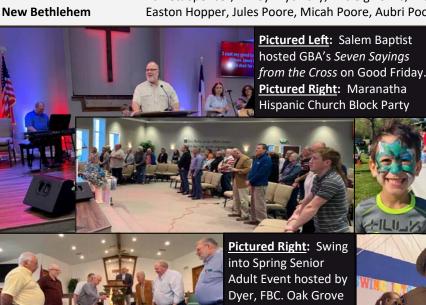
#### 2021 Church and/or Association Bible Drill Participants

Kenton, FBC Connor Forbes. Owen Forbes

Milan, FBC Nicolas Brown, Nathan Brown, Maddie Sims, Turner Sims, Micah White, Maggie White, Olivia Spencer,

Barrett Spencer, Kinley Bryowsky, Ansleigh Sims, Meredith Butler, James Driver

Easton Hopper, Jules Poore, Micah Poore, Aubri Poore



& Salem won trophies for attendance.

Pictured Left: New Hope paid off their family life center.

<u>Pictured Below</u>: Several GBA pastors toured the new Tyson Plant in Humboldt. Tyson Chaplain on left/Complex Manager on right.

4-11-2021









### **Gibson Baptist Association**

Roger Stacy, Director of Missions

Shawn Allred, Moderator Jim Acree, Treasurer **Grace Gentry, Ministry Specialist**  **Bryan Morris, Assistant Moderator** Joel Pigg, Assistant Treasurer Leann Cherry, Clerk

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#### **A Missionary View**

am thankful that our churches are returning to a somewhat normal routine after the shutdown due to the coronavirus pandemic. It has been hard to visit our churches with so many services being canceled and the safety precautions we had to have in place. I hope to be seeing and visiting our churches now more and more.

I want to encourage your church to send your VBS team or VBS director to the Associational VBS Training Clinic on April 22. The training begins at 6:30 pm at Salem Baptist church.

On Monday afternoon, April 19, I was privileged to attend the dedication of the new ultrasound machine donated to BirthChoice. Your generous giving to the Golden Offering provided the funds for this machine.

Our GBA softball league will have its first game on Saturday, April 24. If you need more information, contact Bob Moore who is the softball commissioner (731) 431-1056).

We want to thank you for responding to the request of our Budget & Finance Committee to receive the Vision newsletter in a digital format. We certainly understand that many cannot do so, and we will continue to mail a copy to those desiring to receive it by regular mail.

We are still receiving applications for the Bertie Thompson Scholarship for students who meet the qualifications. The scholarship will be awarded in May. The application is available on our website: www.gbalife.org.

I am thankful for Rhonda Poore's leadership and work with our Children's Bible Drills this year. We were able to have our drills at White Hall this year with seventeen (17) children participating.

The Senior Adult banquet was a huge success with around 185 in attendance. This was the first large gathering for many of our senior adults. Our Barney Fife impersonator and family did an excellent job of entertaining.

I will be leading a group to the Holy Land the week of January 31—February 9, 2022. You may check out more information about the trip at the website: https://www.go-yael.com/10daytour/. Enter the access code: 2022. The final day to register for the trip is August 1. For more information, you may contact our office (731-855-1202 or e-mail: rdstacy@gbalife.org).

Many have responded to our need to help feed the street children in Rio de Janeiro. We are helping feed 150 street children who have no birth certificates or homes. The coronavirus is hitting Brazil hard right now. More are dying from hunger than from the virus as the economy has collapsed. You can send funds to our office or make a donation on our website (www.gbalife.org).

The GBA website now offers online giving. If your church prefers to make your monthly contribution online or you want to donate individually to a ministry, or pay a registration fee, you may do so at our website: www.gbalife.org.

Rutherford FBC has called Bro. Andy Mayfield as pastor. Fruitland has called Bro. Andy King as pastor. Medina FBC has called Bro. Randy Pool as interim. Pray for our churches seeking a pastor: Chapel Hill, Idlewild, Laneview-Kenton, Medina FBC, Milan FBC, and Spring Hill.

**Coming Events** 

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#### Your Missionary, Bro. Roger

#### **April**

- 22: Associational VBS Training
- 25: Cooperative Program Sunday
- 26: GBA Executive Board Meeting
- 29: Deadline to sign up for National Day of Prayer Event

#### May

- 6: National Day of Prayer
- 9: Mother's Day
- Offering for TN Baptist Children's Homes
- 19: Virtual Denver Prayer Tour
- 31: Memorial Day

<u>June</u>

13-14: Send Conference

15-16: SBC Annual Meeting



Our Mission is to:



Strengthen Churches, Shape Leaders, and Share the Gospel.

#### Holy Land Trip - January 31-February 9 of 2022

Check out more information about the trip at the website: https://www.go-yael.com/10dayholylandtrip/. Access code: 2022.

#### **GBA Men's Ministry**

GBA Softball season begins April 24.



We are asking 10-15 churches to give \$100 per month now until September to allow us to fund a large youth *Field of Faith* event in Trenton Sept 15. We ask that you

help advertise & get as many youth there as possible. This will be a total of \$700 per church. TBC will be aiding in planning & event coordinating. Also share with other denominations & surrounding counties. For more info call Bob Moore, 731-431-1056. All donations can be sent to GBA office denote *Field of Faith* donation.

#### **Executive Board Meeting**

April 26, 2021 / 7pm / GBA Office

#### **Scholarships**

**Bertie Thompson Scholarship** 

www.gbalife.org — deadline: first wk in May

#### Continuing Education Scholarship

People in ministry (lay or vocational) Applications available at the GBA Office.



**National Day of Prayer** 

Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 10am

Speaker: Michael Imhof Former US Naval Commander & Navy Seal

**Gibson County Emergency Management Building** 1246 Manufacturers Row, Trenton

Cost \$10/Program followed by Subway box lunch

Make your reservation by Thursday, April 29th Mail to: GBA, PO Box 186, Trenton 38382 or call 731-855-1202

#### **GBA 2020 Minute Book**

The 2020 Minute Book is available at the GBA Office.



WMU Spring Meeting at Poplar Springs Baptist Church Speaker: Dr. Windal Walker



**Pictured Left: FBC Kenton** hosted a Virtual WMU get-together.

**Pictured Right:** Virtual WMU get-together at FBC Milan.



## BIRTHCHOICE

"We are in great need of women volunteer Client Advocates, Registered Nurses, RDMSs and RTs at our Gibson County Clinic. God is doing amazing things here! Last year, we saw more women and saw more babies saved at our Gibson County Clinic than ever before. Even if you don't live in Gibson County, would you consider volunteering here?

We are currently only open on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at thi office. However, if we had more volunteers, we could be open more days of the week, see more women and their lives changed, and save more

Our next volunteer training is in May. If interested, please email Gibso County Clinic Director, kelly@birthchoice.us Please share! If you are it church leadership please share this information with your congregation."

#### **Opportunities:**

Clinic tours are available for you, your church group, civic groups, organizations, police, etc. Come by and tour the clinic and learn more about how Birth Choice benefits our community.

We are always taking baby item donations for our resource room.

YOUTH PASTORS AND CHURCH, We have some yard projects if you want to help your community for a great cause: -pull weeds out of beds and put down mulch -trim trees -clean gutters -pressure wash the building -help finish some of our painting inside (if you are a pretty good painter or professional)

Contact our clinic director: Kelly Wall at 882-7324(direct line) or 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.



#### Christian Women's Job Corps / Twice Blessed

As we welcome warmer temperatures and longer days, we also welcome some changes and exciting events at Twice Blessed. As of April 1st, the store is open every Saturday from 10am-2pm for additional shopping hours. We have a great selection of formal wear & spring & summer attire. On Saturday, May 1st, we will have a Customer Appreciation Event. We will serve hotdogs and drinks and have hourly drawings and special sales throughout the day. If you would like to be a part of this community outreach, please contact me. It would also be a good time to stop in and see the facelift that has transpired here at our store.

We have been especially grateful to have missionaries living in our Transition House for the past few months. However, we anticipate their return to the mission field by the end of this month. We must once again turn our focus toward finding a house manager that we might fulfill the purpose for which the house was intended. With Covid being on the decline, we are available to speak to your missions groups and churches. We depend on your continued support to help supply the needs of

Thanks to all of you who have made contributions to the Ministerial Alliance for the purpose of assisting individuals with their utilities. We are grateful to be able to play a small part in this process and have the privilege of ministering to the applicants.

Christy Skelton, Site Coordinator

#### **WANTED**

#### House Manager for Christian Women's Job Corps

Live-in Position for Women's Transitional Home in Trenton

Mature and compassionate Christian lady with a desire to nurture and encourage women toward individual independence and success.

For more information contact Christy Skelton at (731) 414-2795.

### **Pastors and Wives May Birthdays and Anniversaries**

#### **Birthdays**

Northside

**Immanuel** 

Smyrna

Clear Creek

1 Mrs Leah McLemore, Pastor's Wife

5 Mrs Christy Skelton, Pastor's Wife

28 Rev/Mrs David Powell, Pastor & Wife

13 Rev Steve Hemann, Pastor

l	19	Rev Jackie Vaughan, Pastor	Idlewild
	27	Rev John Fields, Retired Pastor	Keely Mill
	27	Rev Andy Rice, Pastor	Walnut Grove
	Anniversaries		
	16	Rev/Mrs Jake Fry, Pastor & Wife	Emmanuel - H
	19	Rev/Mrs Lane Self, Pastor & Wife	Dyer, FBC
	25	Rev/Mrs Clayton Williams, Pastor & Wife	Mount Pisgah
	28	Rev/Mrs Eric McLemore, Pastor & Wife	Northside

#### **Pastors' Conference**

Pastors meet Mondays at 10am at the GBA office.

May 3: Mike Stone - SBC Presidential Candidate

May 10: Presidential Nominee/SBC Discussion

May 17: Randy Pate - Pastor

May 24: Randy Nicholas - Child Evangelism

May 31: No Pastor's Conference - Memorial Day

#### **Church News**

Fruitland Baptist Church called Bro. Andy King as pastor.

Medina FBC called Bro. Randy Pool as interim.

Mount Pleasant Baptist Church is looking for our next Music Minister. We would like to have someone that can lead in 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 Bethlehem is in need of a youth minister. E-mail nbbcsearch4youth@gmail.com.

Northside Baptist Church is currently seeking a part time youth pastor. If you are interested in this position, please send your resume to the church address (5001 Patton St. Milan, TN 38358) or to milannbcsecretary@gmail.com. Please call the church at 731-686-1291 for more information.

April 25-28 / Sunday 11am & 6pm, Monday—Wednesday 7pm

**Rutherford, FBC** welcomes new pastor, Rev. Andy Mayfield.

Salem Baptist Church of Trenton is seeking a bi-vocational worship leader. We prefer a leader that is comfortable leading contemporary worship songs, but has the ability to lead a choir & interject traditional hymns. Due to Covid, Salem has one morning worship service participating with singing. However, "post" Covid restrictions, a night service may be added. Find us at www.mysalemfamily.com, Facebook, & YouTube. Salem has a morning worship attendance of 200. Please send inquiries & resumes to Pastor Joel Pigg at brojoelpigg@gmail.com. Or call 731-695-5321.

#### October 1, 2020 - April 5, 2021

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#### **Churches Seeking a Pastor**

Chapel Hill, Idlewild, Laneview-Kenton, Medina FBC, Milan FBC, Spring Hill