

## **Gibson Baptist Association**

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### **A Missionary View**

In preparation for our Annual Gathering on October 24 all our committees and teams have been working to get everything ready! Thanks to all our churches and church clerks for getting us the Annual Church Profiles! Thanks also to our host church, The Church at Sugar Creek, for all their preparations and provisions. On the 24th we will come together to Worship and Celebrate what God has done among us and we will also look forward in anticipation to what God will do among us in the future. Our theme is: "Can These Bones Live?" A meal is provided at 5 o'clock and our Gathering will begin at 5:45. We anticipate being dismissed by 8:15. Brother Danny Singuefield will be our guest & will bring a "missionary message".

By the way, if someone said: "Why does Gibson Baptist Association exist?" what would you say? Here's what I would say. We are 54 Baptist churches worshipping and serving Jesus. Cooperating together, sharing resources, engaged in Kingdom Advance, across the street, down the road, and around the world. Proclaiming and exalting Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord! Seeking to help people discover and embrace Jesus in a genuine personal relationship that will last forever! We are seeking to obey our Lord's "Great Commission" mandate, applying the Acts 1:8 strategy. Here are just some of the ways we are engaged in that strategy: Birth Choice; Christian Women's Job Corps, Twice Blessed & House of Hope Ministries; Fields of Faith: Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Baptist Campus Ministry at Dyersburg State Community College; Evangelism and Discipleship, training and promotion; Fair Ministry; WMU; Men's Ministry; Disaster Relief; Volunteer Missions; Wingo Mission Projects & Trips; Shoe Box & Back-pack ministries; Block Party Wagon; Continuing Education; Bertie Thompson Scholarship; Pastor's Conference; Bible Drills; VBS; Children, Youth, and Sr. Adult ministries.

Not only efforts here at home, but working together to shine the light and love of Jesus farther and farther beyond our county! Our churches giving through the Cooperative Program for Kingdom work and expansion around the world, SBC; IMB; NAMB; seminaries; publishing; training; etc. And, our churches giving and working through Tennessee Baptist Convention & Tennessee Baptist Mission Board: Golden Offering; church planting and revitalization; Ethnic Outreach; 2 Universities; BCM's on state campuses; 2 Camps; children's homes & foster care; adult homes; Compassion Ministries; leadership training and promotion; Disaster Relief etc.

In my opinion this is who we are, this is what we do, and this is why we do it! So Gibson Baptist family, let's come together worship and celebrate our Lord, and until Jesus comes again, let's work even harder with more commitment and energy than ever! All because of JESUS!

During the last month we were able to continue our presence at the Gibson County Fair! The fair workers were provided a meal, a Gospel Message, and Gideon New Testaments! And, several of our church folks worked the main entrance at our "Prayer Tent" greeting and praying for fair attenders! Thanks everyone who helped with this important effort! Also, the annual "Deacon Meeting" at White Hall was a blessing for all who attended! Brother Clay Hallmark, current president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and pastor of Lexington, FBC did a great job preaching and challenging deacons & pastors! If you have visited the association facility in the last month, you have noticed that our parking lot has been resurfaced and striped. It looks and drives great. We are thankful for the Lord's provision! More capital improvements are in the works (i.e. a shed for our two trailers and renovation & updating our sign out front)!

Bro. Mike



GBA Annual Meeting
The Church at Sugar Creek- Oct 24, 2022- 5pm Meal, 5:45 Mtg
"Can These Bones Live?" Ezekiel 37:3 ESV

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

# Pastors and Wives October Birthdays and Anniversaries

#### **Birthdays**

3	Rev Tommy Stutts, Pastor	Latham's Chapel	
13	Rev Michael Roberson, Pastor	China Grove	
16	Rev Randy Beals, Pastor	New Haven	
16	Dr Bill Espy, Pastor	Antioch	
17	Mrs Carly Fry, Pastor's Wife	Emmanuel Humboldt	
17	Rev Jake Fry, Pastor	Emmanuel Humboldt	
22	Mrs Suzanne Pigg, Pastor's Wife	Salem	
24	Dr David Powell, Pastor	Smyrna	

#### **GBA Pastors Conference**

Pastors meet Mondays at 10am at the Gibson Baptist Association office.

#### 2023 Bivocational Ministers & Wives Retreat

THEME: "Stand Firm" Eph 6:13 Pigeon Forge, TN - January 26-28, 2023

GBA will cover the cost of the retreat for 6 couples. Contact the GBA Office to Register (731) 855-1202.



#### **Church News**

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

**Fellowship Baptist Church**, 6295 Graball Rd, Milan, TN 38358, is looking for a part-time music director. No experience necessary - the pastor will train you. Send resume to the address above or email fellowshipbc.milan@gmail.com.

#### **Immanuel Baptist Church Trenton**

October 6 at 1pm we will begin a **Women's Bible Study** on Ruth. It is a 4 week study and all ladies are invited!

**REVIVAL** — October 16-19: Revival with Bro Rick Burton at 6pm nightly / Bro Eddie Long leading music.

**<u>Kenton FBC</u>** is accepting resumes for the position of bi-vocational youth minister. Please submit resume or direct questions to broshawnallred@gmail.com.

<u>Laneview Baptist Church Trenton</u> invites you to Homecoming, October 30th at 10AM. This will be a *special 100 year celebration*!



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 Baptist Church-Dyer is seeking a bi-vocational Minister of Music Director with leadership skills in directing traditional/blended worship services. Contact Johnny Alford via email at: <a href="mailto:jkjnalford@hotmail.com">jkjnalford@hotmail.com</a> or mail resumes to: New Hope Baptist Church PO Box 293 Dyer, TN 38330 in care of Johnny Alford/Music Search Committee.

Rutherford FBC - Saw You At The Pole, Wednesday September 28th at 6PM

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

Bradford FBC, Gibson, Idlewild, Laneview-K, Milan FBC, Oak Grove, Spring Hill

October 1, 2021 - August 31, 2022			
Church Year to Dat	te Receipts	August Receipts	
Antioch \$	.00	\$ .00	
Avondale	.00	.00	
Beech Grove	1,568.93	105.18	
Bethel-H	.00	.00.	
Bethel-Y	3,109.00	243.00	
Bethpage	802.96	.00	
Bradford FBC	3,150.00	315.00	
Calvary-H	455.89	41.37	
Calvary-R	1,370.19	.00	
Center	550.00	50.00	
Chapel Hill	13,310.30	1,048.90	
China Grove	699.47	.00	
Clear Creek	.00	.00	
Dyer, FBC Eldad	5,581.04	424.18	
	2,177.93	.00	
Elevate	4,422.00 3,379.30	.00	
Emmanuel Fellowship		.00 370.38	
Fruitland	3,369.54 1,038.95	30.60	
Gibson	2,245.06	203.40	
Hickory Grove	1,300.00	.00	
Idlewild	1,125.43	96.80	
Immanuel-T	1,535.00	136.00	
Keely Mill	.00	.00	
Kenton, FBC	18,071.44	2,861.62	
Laneview-K	200.00	.00	
Laneview-T	961.70	56.70	
Latham's Chapel	.00	.00	
Lavinia	5,992.00	666.00	
Medina, FBC	3,620.58	366.35	
Midway	1,296.18	.00	
Milan, FBC	9,159.00	1,667.00	
Mt. Pisgah	1,659.04	.00	
Mount Pleasant	23,103.13	1,405.07	
New Bethlehem	5,967.34	994.14	
New Haven	2,750.00	250.00	
New Hope	4,095.39	833.34	
Northerns Chapel	225.00	.00	
Northside	2,839.44	273.04	
Oak Grove	825.69	64.42	
Oakwood	2,863.52	279.72	
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00	
Poplar Grove	1,724.94	129.23	
Poplar Springs	.00	.00.	
Rutherford FBC	1,177.87	.00.	
Salem	4,138.58	357.41	
Smyrna	2,111.79	181.60	
Spring Hill	950.44	109.36	
The Church at Sugar Creek	13,240.80	1,145.61	
Trenton, FBC	6,875.00	1,875.00	
Walnut Grove	750.00	.00	
West Carroll Unity	985.67	.00	
West Side	800.00	.00.	
White Hall	<u>4,699.93</u>	523.38	
Undesignated	172,275.46	\$17,103.80	
Designated	108,139.20	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
ТВМВ	<u>9,261.70</u>		
Total Receipts \$	289,676.36		

#### Wingo Fund

2021-2022 Wingo Goal: \$23,500 Received to Date: \$11,675.83



#### Tennessee's 2022 Goal: 7,000 backpacks

Backpacks will be collected across TN, Oct 24-26.

Gibson Baptist Church is a drop-off location again this year.

Find everything you need to know about donating Christmas Backpacks at www.tnbaptist.org/backpacks.

Or call Beth Moore at 423-440-6225.

## Fields of Faith

Wednesday, October 12th at 7 PM PEABODY HIGH SCHOOL

Music: Ken Bowman & Joey Smith Speaker: Dr. Steve Gaines

We are asking for churches to give to help fund this large event. We need 10 donations, \$300 each. All donations can be sent to the GBA office - denote Fields of Faith donation.

Please help advertise & share with other denominations & surrounding counties.



#### All Youth Welcome!

For more information call Bob Moore, 431-1056.



Road Trip Across America

## 10th Annual **Gibson County Senior Fair**

Live music, door prizes, BBQ dinner, and vendors from across West TN!

Thursday, October 13 from 4-6 PM at White Hall Baptist Church



PACK A SHOEBOX!

NATIONAL COLLECTION WEEK: Nov 14-21, 2022



#### BIRTHCHOICE

#### **BIG BATTLE GOING ON FOR LIFE** STAY IN THE FIGHT WITH US, JOIN THE FIGHT WITH US

Thank you to everyone who rang bells in honor of abortion becoming illegal in Tennessee!

Please know that the abortion fight is not over, but we have a wonderful opportunity to minister more and better with the programs we have, and you all are a part of that!

Walk will be on October 1st at West Jackson Baptist church, Jackson. Sponsor Forms and information are available at the office and online at birthchoice.biz.

#### MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:

Become a volunteer - Office, Receptionists, Client Advocate, ESTHER program, Support Nurse, or Ultrasound Nurse. Training starts in October contact Kelly Wall for information at kelly@birthchoice.us or 731-855-2900.

Become a "Lifesaver" with Birth Choice by being a monthly donor.

RESOURCE ROOM NEEDS, WE NEED EVERYTHING BABY UP TO 2T: we are updating our program and hope to serve more women who choose life: Baby beds, Baby Formula

BIG need for car seats – we can only take new

Clothes - Boy and Girl-All sizes up to 2T

Onesies- Boy and Girl -All sizes up to 2T

Highchairs, Strollers, Diaper Rash Ointment, Any baby items will be greatly appreciated big and small, you can donate monetarily to the resource room as well.

CWJC / Twice Blessed

Our Twice Blessed thrift store which covers over 6,000 sq ft. is bursting at the seams. Please consider us for your shopping needs as we have a great selection of gently used as well as new items. Our store has been quite successful through the years as we have been able to not only provide free resources for the community but meet our budget of overhead expenses. In 2018 we were able to purchase a transition house, and it also has been paid for. However, continued success in profits in the store depends on the organization and presentation of items in the store. Please consider how you may be of help as we currently operate with just a few volunteers.

Don't forget to make your reservation for our "Night of Hope" on September 27th at the Agri-plex here in Trenton. Doors open at 5:30 for bidding on silent auction items and dinner is at 6PM. Tickets must be purchased by September 22nd here at Twice Blessed. Our MC for the evening is Mike Kemper, special speaker is Major Phillip Kemper, and music is by Jared Poore.

Christy Skelton (731) 414-2795



Attention Church Clerks & Pastors: ACP Packets are due back to the GBA office by September 30th.

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Introduction to Disaster Relief/Chainsaw/Flood Recovery/Damage Assessment – Jackson (West TN)

> October 15, 2022 7:30 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.

East Union Baptist Church 2244 Beech Bluff Rd, Jackson, TN 38301

If you have had introduction to Disaster Relief and / or any specialized classes, and your class certification has expired or will expire this year, please take the opportunity and get re-certified, so that you may be able to serve when a disaster occurs. If you take Introduction to Disaster Relief, you need to recertify every 3 years, regardless of activation. To take Recertification class, you must be an existing volunteer.

> PLEASE PRE-REGISTER FOR ALL CLASSES TO HELP US WITH EITHER CLASSROOM MATERIALS AND/OR MEAL COUNTS.

To pre-register for this class, email to evelyn@mccbaptists.org or call (731) 668-5690.

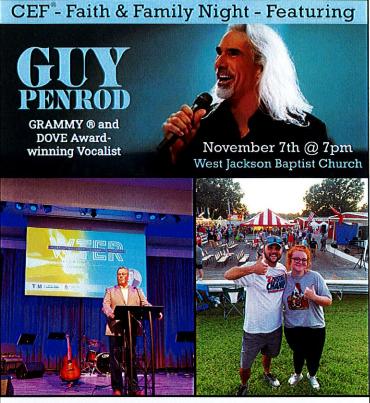
If you have any questions, contact Jeff Palmer at jeff@mccbaptists.org or 615-975-4029.



October 1 - Lexington FBC - 9am-3pm No Cost. Meal included.

Led by Dwayne Moore, author of HE.WE.THEY, President of NLW International.

Register at https://tn.sbcworkspace.com/Pub/Event/ Register/55234755



Pictured Above Left: The West Tennessee Evangelism Rally Pictured Above Right: Abi Lynch (Bradford FBC) saved at Student Night at the Gibson County Fair. Bro. Johnny McCartney did an excellent job with the sermon. The sound system might have failed, but that didn't stop us from worshipping and learning about Jesus!

**Pictured Below:** The Annual Deacons' Meetin' at White Hall. Speaker, Dr. Clay Hallmark



#### **KEY DATES**

#### September

27: Night of Hope

#### October

- 1: Prayer Outreach Conference 2022
- 13: Gibson County Senior Fair
- 12: Fields of Faith
- 23: Day of Prayer for Baptist Assocs
- 24: GBA Annual Meeting
- 24-26: Backpack Collection

## November

7: Baptist Women's World Day & Prayer 13-16: TBC Summit

