

# The Vision

## Gibson Baptist Association

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### A Missionary View

Gibson Baptist Association, almost 100 years of Kingdom service and advancement in our Lord's Service! See what God has done! See what He is doing! And be sure of what He will do in the future! The mandate we have from the Lord and the bond of love that we share with each other is "like a three-strand chord that is not quickly broken!" Be sure to know and affirm that we are stronger together!

The FCA "Fields of Faith" at Peabody stadium on the 13th was an absolute blessing with 650 or 750 attending! The worship, testimonies, and Gospel message stirred many hearts, including many decisions for Christ! Thanks to everyone who planned, worked, contributed, and participated in this Kingdom effort! Students are becoming more and more engaged with Jesus through the work of FCA and our church efforts! Let's keep pressing forward with students on our hearts!

As we seek the Lord's directives for our "Jerusalem," we praise the Lord for outreach ministries that help us show the love, power, and the redemption of our Lord Jesus through Birth Choice; Twice Blessed Thrift Store, Hope House; and we rejoice that we are also now partnering with CEF (Child Evangelism Fellowship); Isaiah 117 (children's transition to Foster Care); "Why Not" community kitchen; and community food closet in Trenton (FBC). Also, many of our churches are connected and working in various other ministries across our county! Let us continue to pray, contribute, and volunteer in these life changing Kingdom opportunities! And yet, there is obvious need to continue to reach farther into lostness with possibility of establishing Christian Men's Job Corp; Addiction Recovery; and Hispanic ministry in our county. For several years now we have sought a path forward reach into these strata of our population. Will you and your church join with us in praying, establishing, and reaching deeper and deeper into the lost recesses of our county? If we accomplish anything in these areas, it will be by the power of the Lord and the willingness of His people to plow the ground, sow the seeds, and work the fields!

I am thankful to have the opportunity to go back to Romania the 29th through Oct. 7 with the Team from The Church at Sugar Creek! Thank you for supporting and praying for this project! I am also going to Columbia, South America Oct. 24 - 31 with the goal to investigate and possibly establish a partnership with our IMB missionaries reaching into the Choco Province of Columbia with Gospel Bible Storying among oral learning indigenous Indian tribes where there are jungles, mountains, rivers and no roads. Four indigenous tribes on the list of "unreached/evangelized" people groups. Pray and consider joining in this "uttermost" effort!

We are looking forward to our Annual Gathering to be held Oct. 23 at Medina FBC! I hope this will be our largest attendance in years as we Celebrate together what the Lord has done among us! I believe that when we receive the reports from our churches, that this year could be our greatest year in many years of Baptisms! Instead of a decline we are anticipating a significant increase in Baptisms to the glory of the Lord! Pray that it will be so and encourage all your church family to come join in the celebration and worship! *-Brother Mike*

## GBA Annual Meeting

First Baptist Church, Medina - October 23, 2023 - 5pm Meal, 5:45 Annual Meeting

*Mission Message: Mark Anderson*

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

**Attention Church Clerks & Pastors:** ACP Packet due back to the GBA office by Sept 28.

**VBS:** Go to [vbs.lifeway.com/church-reports](http://vbs.lifeway.com/church-reports) & fill in each required field to report your VBS.

*Thank you!*



Tennessee's 2023 Goal: 7,000 backpacks

Backpacks will be collected across TN, Oct 23-25, 9am-3pm.

Dropoff Location: Gibson Baptist Church  
302 Highway 79 N, Humboldt  
Contact: Blair Lollar 731-697-2806

Find everything you need to know about donating Christmas Backpacks at [www.tnbaptist.org/backpacks](http://www.tnbaptist.org/backpacks).

### BIBLE DRILL

It's time to gear up for Bible Drill! If your church would like to involve children and/or youth in Bible Drill, now is the time to get started. The Association and State Drills will be held in April. This is a great program to help children learn important verses, key passages and books of the Bible and gain confidence using & handling the Bible. For more information or help getting started, contact Rhonda Poore: 731-446-1319/wmulady@outlook.com.

### 2023 BAPTIST WOMEN'S WORLD DAY of PRAYER

November 6th, 6 PM  
Whitehall Baptist Church  
Speaker: Bro. Josh Siquefield  
Sr Pastor, FBC Milan  
*Program followed by cookies & punch.*



### KEY DATES

#### September

- 26: Night of Hope
- 27: SYATP
- 28: ACP Packet Due
- 30: Senior Adult Event

#### October

- 1: CP Sunday
- 8: Pastor Appreciation Day
- 20-22: RA Camporee
- 22: Day of Prayer for Baptist Associations
- 23: GBA Annual Meeting
- 23-25: Backpack Collection

#### November

- 6: Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer
- 12-15: TBC Summit
- 23: Happy Thanksgiving!

**Help Wanted:** to maintain & stock the GBA Block Party Wagon & the Disaster Relief/Ministry trailer. For more information contact us at the association office: 731-855-1202.



2023-2024 Tennessee MISSIONS EMPHASIS



OCC NATIONAL SHOEBOX COLLECTION WEEK: November 13-20

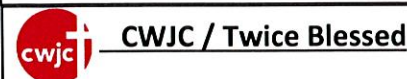
**PC BIRTHCHOICE** We always need more volunteer client advocates and volunteer nurses at our Gibson County office! Our next volunteer training is in October. If you are interested in learning more about how you can pour into the lives of women facing tough life decisions, call the office at 731-855-2900 or email [kelly@birthchoice.us](mailto:kelly@birthchoice.us). Nurses contact Guinda at [guinda@birthchoice.us](mailto:guinda@birthchoice.us).

Our Gibson County clinic needs two people to volunteer every week in our resource room to process donations, stock the shelves, launder the clothes, etc. If you are interested, please email our Gibson County Clinic Director, Kelly, at [kelly@birthchoice.us](mailto:kelly@birthchoice.us).

We need a volunteer teacher who can facilitate one-on-one classes, one day a week (4 hours) on a Monday or Thursday. We are looking for a godly woman who loves the word of God and has a heart for teaching and discipling other women. She will love on these girls and be an emotional and spiritual support system. If you are interested or want to know more, please email Kelly at [kelly@birthchoice.us](mailto:kelly@birthchoice.us).

#### HELP US KEEP THE RESOURCE ROOM STOCKED:

Baby Shampoo/Bath/Wash\*, Baby Formula-Similac, Car seats – we can only take new\*, Diaper Rash Ointment, Play Yards  
Clothes – Girl-sizes 12-18 months, 18-24 months and 2T, Onesies- Girl -All sizes up to 2T, Sleepers – Girl and Boy, all sizes, 0-2T  
Highchairs, Strollers, Crib Sheets, Bouncy Seats, Bottles

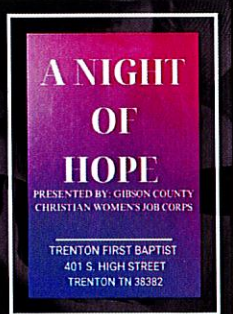


The store is looking a lot like fall as we are busy hanging sweaters and coats and warm weather clothing in all departments. We have an abundance of new and gently used jackets for adults and children. We also are beginning to bring out some costumes for harvest and fall festivals.

Our new house manager has been with us for almost a month now, and we are very proud to have her. We have also admitted another resident from near Nashville that has also been with us almost a month. It is so good to have another set of hands at Twice Blessed. It was a pleasure to have our State Director and husband dine with us and the girls from our house this month. God continues to bless the Gibson County CWJC ministry in a great way.

We hope to be able to report another successful fundraiser on the books by next reporting. All proceeds from our Night of Hope will benefit our Transition House. We also look forward to accomplishing much at Twice Blessed and the house during our missions weekend.

Thanks to all of you.  
Christy Skelton (731) 414-2795



September 26th  
FBC-Trenton  
Tickets \$25

## Pastors and Wives October Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Birthdays

2	Dr Robert Talbott, Pastor	Idlewild
7	Mrs Erin Sinquefield, Pastor's Wife	Milan FBC
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, H
17	Rev Jake Fry, Pastor	Emmanuel, H
22	Mrs Suzanne Pigg, Pastor's Wife	Salem

### Anniversaries

15	Rev/Mrs Josh Sinquefield, Pastor & Wife	Milan FBC
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## Church News

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

**Beech Grove Baptist Church** welcomes *interim pastor* - Kenny Vaughn

**Bethpage Baptist Church** welcomes *interim pastor* - Mike Sanders and received permits to begin construction . The foundation is laid and rebuilding has begun.

**Chapel Hill Baptist Church** is accepting resumes for pastor. Resumes may be sent to CHBC.PSC.RESUME@gmail.com. We are also accepting resumes for a **full time secretary (administrator/accounting)**. Send resumes for secretary to: Hunter Williams (Personnel Chairman), (731) 234-6883, hwms2225@gmail.com

- **Keith Runyon was ordained to Gospel Ministry at Chapel Hill.**
- **Chapel Hill Revival: Nov 5-8 / Sun Evening at 6 / Mon-Wed nights at 6:30**  
Sun, Nov 5 - Dr. Marty Comer Pastor Sand Ridge Baptist Lexington (TBMB)  
Mon, Nov 6 - Yth Emphasis, Ryan Keaton (TBMB Merging Generations Specialist)  
Tues Nov 7 - Senior Adult Emphasis Mike Kemper (DOM GBA)  
Wed Nov 8 - Dr Clay Hallmark, Pastor FBC Lexington (President TBC)

**Emmanuel, H** is searching for a bi-vo Music Ministry Director. Our church sings traditional hymns, but we are open to being gently led into a more blended time of music during the worship service. We emphasize calling over experience. Please send all inquiries and resumes to Bro. Jake Fry at jakefry1017@gmail.com.

**Fellowship Baptist Church** is accepting resumes for pastor. Resumes may be sent to 6295 Graball Drive, Milan TN 38358.

**Laneview, Trenton** is having Homecoming Oct 29 at 10:15. Witness from McKenzie will be singing and Bro Jerry McDivitt will be preaching. Lunch to follow.

**Medina FBC** is looking to hire a part-time (approximately 25 hours per week) church/financial secretary. Call the church at 731-783-3222 for more information.

**Milan FBC** is accepting resumes for the Director of Children and Family Ministries position. Please submit a resume or direct questions to fbcmilankidspastorsearch@gmail.com.

**Mount Pleasant** is looking for our next Music Minister, someone to lead a blended style of worship. The ability to play an instrument would be a great benefit but not a requirement. Part time/bi-vo position. Send resumes to johnny.mccartney@yahoo.com.

**New Hope Baptist Church-Dyer** is seeking a bi-vo Minister of Music Director with leadership skills in directing traditional/blended worship services. Contact Johnny Alford: [jkinalford@hotmail.com](mailto:jkinalford@hotmail.com) or mail resume to: New Hope Baptist Church, PO Box 293, Dyer, TN 38330 attn: Johnny Alford/Music Search Committee.

**Trenton FBC** - welcomes new pastor, Brad Patterson.

**White Hall** is a multigenerational church prayerfully seeking a bi-vo music leader. Send resume to WHBCstuff@gmail.com or 671 Concord Cades Rd, Trenton, 38382.

**Churches Seeking a Pastor** - Beech Grove, Bethpage, Chapel Hill, Fellowship, Gibson, Kenton FBC, Laneview-K, Latham's Chapel, Northside, Oak Grove, Poplar Grove, Smyrna, Spring Hill, West Side, White Hall

## October 1, 2022 - August 31, 2023

Church	Year to Date Receipts	August Receipts
Antioch	\$ .00	\$ .00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	1,202.25	100.80
Bethel-H	.00	.00
Bethel-Y	3,071.00	273.00
Bethpage	850.95	.00
Bradford FBC	3,780.00	315.00
Calvary-H	345.62	36.69
Calvary-R	2,674.29	.00
Center	500.00	.00
Chapel Hill	16,757.12	.00
China Grove	217.95	.00
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Dyer, FBC	6,117.24	549.84
Eldad	4,157.53	.00
Elevate	4,516.00	845.00
Emmanuel	3,948.51	399.78
Fellowship	3,440.77	371.94
Fruitland	866.73	95.98
Gibson	2,628.60	510.38
Hickory Grove	1,300.00	.00
Idlewild	1,269.65	146.21
Immanuel-T	1,299.00	146.00
Keely Mill	.00	.00
Kenton, FBC	17,833.13	2,877.12
Laneview-K	.00	.00
Laneview-T	748.20	49.00
Latham's Chapel	1,800.00	1,800.00
Lavinia	7,181.00	1,024.00
Medina, FBC	4,484.82	743.36
Midway	1,432.38	.00
Milan, FBC	9,174.00	834.00
Mt. Pisgah	1,611.12	132.36
Mount Pleasant	18,334.58	1,524.27
New Bethlehem	6,365.63	654.10
New Haven	3,650.00	350.00
New Hope	2,502.36	419.05
Northerns Chapel	325.00	25.00
Northside	2,436.42	216.33
Oak Grove	870.71	62.30
Oakwood	2,713.16	292.82
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	1,509.29	129.26
Poplar Springs	.00	.00
Rutherford FBC	1,266.49	.00
Salem	5,471.24	1,063.66
Smyrna	1,988.83	122.00
Spring Hill	857.80	72.00
The Church at Sugar Creek	14,440.81	1,631.36
Trenton, FBC	7,500.00	1,250.00
Walnut Grove	750.00	.00
West Carroll Unity	1,383.32	.00
West Side	1,600.00	.00
White Hall	4,540.38	406.69
<b>Undesignated</b>	181,713.88	\$19,469.30
<b>Designated</b>	18,453.48	
<b>TBMB</b>	8,746.17	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	\$ 208,913.53	

**2022-23 Wingo Goal: \$23,500**

**Received to Date: \$ 14,473.73**

*Thank you for generously giving to Wingo!*

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CONNECTION

Monday, October 9th  
6:00 pm  
FBC Trenton Fellowship Hall  
401 S. High Street, Trenton

Isaiah 117  
changing the way faith care begins



**Pictured Above:**

Annual Deacons' Meetin' at White Hall Baptist Church -  
Speaker: Dr. Ray Van Neste

Chapel Hill Ordination Service - Keith Runyon

Gibson County Fair: Meal for Carnival Workers, Prayer Tent, Youth Night

Breakthrough Service at Maranatha

Fields of Faith at Peabody High School

Clergy Meeting at the GBA Office with US Attorney Kevin Ritz.

2023  
**CRUISE-IN**  
CHAPEL HILL  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
76 Chapel Hill Rd.  
Milan, TN  
10-14-23  
SATURDAY  
9AM - 12PM  
Come join us for the  
annual cruise-in car show!  
All are welcome to attend!

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