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Congratulations to **Beech Grove** for winning the co-ed softball tournament 3 years in a row, and to **Bradford FBC** for winning the co-ed regular season 10-1 and being tournament runner up.



The New Bethlehem team won the GBA Men's Softball Tournament.



**M&M Love A Church Day:** is a mission opportunity for people in our association to work side by side cleaning and sprucing up our churches. We can help you paint, clean inside or outside, etc. Tell them what your needs may be. Contact Mindy Summar 431-3904 by October 15.



The GBA Senior Adult Event at Salem was a huge success. There were over 200 people in attendance. **Salem** won the trophy for largest attendance from a larger church and **Oak Grove** won the trophy for the largest attendance from a smaller church. Martha Phelan wanted to thank everyone for their help and their participation.



Bro. Don and Denise Dyer were recognized at Bradford FBC for 25 years of faithful service as pastor and wife. Bro. Roger Stacy also presented him with a framed Certificate of Appreciation from Gibson Baptist Association.

## GIBSON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION YOUTH EVENT

**WHEN**  
August 29th, 2018  
6pm - 8pm




**WHERE**  
GIBSON COUNTY FAIR  
Gibson County Fairgrounds

**FEATURING**  
WORSHIP BAND **40SAVE1** And  
Guest Speaker **Jay Barbier**

**ALL CHURCH GROUPS WELCOME**

**FREE ENTRY**

**\$5 OFF ARM BANDS WITH CHURCH BULLETIN**

# The Vision

## Gibson Baptist Association

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### A Missionary View

The annual Deacons' Meetin' for deacons, pastors, staff and wives will be held at White Hall Baptist Church on Thursday evening, September 6. A free meal will be served from 5:30—6:25 pm. The evening program will begin at 6:30 pm, with music provided by Jared Poore and New Bethlehem. Bro. Nathan Wilkerson from Middle Tennessee will be the guest speaker for the evening. Please, call the GBA (855-1202) and register by September 4 (Tuesday).



We have a team of ten (10) volunteers traveling to São Miguel do Iguacu, Brazil, the week of September 10-18. We will work near the borders of Paraguay and Argentina with pastor Dilson Augusto Neto. We covet your prayer support as we travel and work in Brazil.

Join us for our next **Brazil mission trip to Rio de Janeiro!** We will work with Pastor Douglas Xavier in evangelism and discipleship. The dates of the trip are **November 26—December 4**. The estimated cost of the trip is \$2,000. Wingo funds are available to help reduce the cost by \$300 to \$400 per person. The deadline for registration for the trip is October 1. There will be an interest meeting for this trip on September 20 (Thursday), 6:30 pm. If you do not already have a passport, please apply now.

Remember to ask your church to give to the **Wingo offering** for missions. Our goal this year is **\$22,500.00**. We have until September 30th to meet our goal this year. Volunteers depend on the Wingo funds to help them serve on the mission field.

As I mentioned in last month's Vision, there is a new tax law that affects non-profit organizations and churches. The law deals with a tax for providing parking for employees of the church. I have contacted an attorney who deals in church law and he feels this law will be repealed or adjustments made so that churches are exempt. He stated that no regulations have been written to define the law at this time. The attorney feels we do not have anything to be worried about at this time.

We have reorganized the youth ministry of the GBA. The Strengthen Team has asked Bill Kisner, Milan FBC, Travis Ellis, Kenton FBC, and Keith Donaldson, Connect Church, to serve as the GBA Youth Ministry Team. The team has decided this year to encourage churches and students to pray for their school systems on September 26, and participate in the national observance of See You At The Pole. Due to the fact that this year the focus was on the GBA Youth Night at the Gibson County Fair, there will be no GBA rally this year for the SYATP.

There will be a Disaster Relief Training held at SugarCreek on Sunday evening, October 14. Registration will be from 4:30 – 5:00 pm. The training sessions will begin at 5:00 pm. The following courses will be offered: (1) Introduction to disaster relief, (2) Flood recovery, (3) Chainsaw operation & Safety. You may download the registration forms and bring them the day of the training. Here is the website: <http://tndisasterrelief.org/registration-forms/>. There is a \$36 registration fee for those seeking certification.

September kicks off the emphasis for the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions. These funds support church revitalization, church planting, compassionate ministries and many more ministries. Ten percent (10%) of the funds given by local churches come back to the local association, so this is one more reason to give to the offering. You will find more information and resources at the following website: <http://www.tnbaptist.org/missions-ministries/golden-offering-for-tennessee-missions/>.

#### Here are some important upcoming opportunities and events:

November 26—December 4, 2018. Registration is now open. Mission trip to Rio de Janeiro  
Equipping Missions & Ministry Leaders, The Church At SugarCreek, August 25.

Bro. Chris Alexander has resigned as pastor of White Hall. Bro. Randy Pool has been called as interim pastor of Rutherford, FBC. The following churches are without a pastor: Calvary-Rutherford, Dyer FBC, Fruitland, Rutherford FBC, Spring Hill and White Hall.

Your Missionary, **Bro. Roger**

### 2017-2018 Gibson Baptist Association Wingo Offering

Goal: \$ 22,500    Received as of today: \$ 10,659.61

By June 30, 2018, the Wingo Offering will have helped 62 people from 12 GBA churches go to 6 countries. We will have given out Wingo gifts totaling \$ 14,400.00 to those going on their trips.

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

**WMU EVENT**

WMU Fall Meeting  
September 20  
Dyer FBC 10 AM  
Bring a Salad to Share



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**STAY ON THE WALL**

GBA Deacons' Meetin'  
September 6, 2018  
White Hall Baptist Church  
Speaker: Nathan Wilkerson  
5:30 PM Dinner

Call GBA for Reservations:  
No Cost  
Child care will be provided. Please call  
855-1202 to let us know.

**Young Pastor Luncheons - Please share with the Young Pastors that you know.**

September 12<sup>th</sup> will be the West TN YP Lunch. It will be held at Englewood Baptist Church from 11 AM-1 PM.  
Contact GBA if you plan on attending, or David Evans at the TBC (800) 558-2090, devans@tnbaptist.org.



**BIVOCATIONAL MINISTERS & WIVES RETREAT**  
MUSIC ROAD HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER  
JANUARY 24-26, 2019

If you are a bivocational pastor and are interested in going to this event, please contact Bro. Roger by December 3rd. GBA will cover the cost of the retreat for 6 couples. You pay travel.

**Christian Women's Job Corps/"Twice Blessed"**

Our open house and ribbon cutting was held on August 3rd with approximately 35 in attendance for the ribbon cutting. Our volunteers and board members greeted the customers and served punch and cookies to everyone. We were entertained by Ginger and Joann from Salem Baptist Church. A great time was had by all as we visited with one another and gave tours of our new facility.

We continue to be very busy at our new location as we continue to organize and sort the many donations that come in daily. We have new volunteers for which we are most grateful. We always covet your prayers and appreciate all the ways in which you can help. We are always in need of water and lunch for our volunteers.

Our "Night of Hope" date has been changed to October 23rd. The venue address is 2197 US Hwy 45 Bypass, Trenton. We hope you are making plans to attend. We will be collecting items for our silent auction and commitments for salads, desserts and breads.

Please stop in and see us at our new location at 148 Davy Crockett Mall, next door to Food Rite. Our hours are Tues. - Fri. from 10am - 2pm and the 1st Saturday of each month from 10am - 2pm.

Christy Skelton, Site Coordinator

**September Birthdays & Anniversary: Pastors & Wives**

**BIRTHDAYS**

8 Mrs Mary Brown, Retired Pastor's Wife Smyrna  
10 Rev. Curtis Dennison, Retired Pastor Sugar Creek  
17 Rev. Joey Gowan, Pastor Center  
20 Rev. Jimmy Sorrell, Retired Pastor Northside  
23 Mrs. Jessica Rogers, Pastor's Wife Oakwood

**ANNIVERSARIES**

15 Rev/Mrs John Coleman, Pastor & Wife New Bethlehem

The Associational Office is in need to a refrigerator with a working freezer/ice maker. If any one has one and would like to donate it to us, we would appreciate it. Please call and let us know. Our refrigerator is over 30 years old and the freezer has finally died a slow death.

**CHURCH NEWS**

Bro. Randy Pool has been called as Interim Pastor of **Rutherford, FBC**. Dr. Chris Alexander has resigned as pastor of **White Hall** to take a position in Georgia.

**Smyrna Baptist Church** will have "Homecoming" on Sept 16. Service will be at 10:30 with Dr. Charles Pratt speaking and fellowship to follow. Every one is invited to attend. This is the church's 43rd anniversary.

**Salem Baptist Church** (Trenton, TN) is in need of a full-time Minister to Students and Associate Pastor. His responsibilities are:

**Job description:**  
Responsible for all bible study, teaching, etc. for teenagers (6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade) Responsible for all activities, trips, etc. for teenagers (6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade); Overseer of all children's bible study, teaching, etc. for children (5<sup>th</sup> grade & below) Overseer for all activities, trips, etc. for children (5<sup>th</sup> grade & below); Assist the pastor in all ministry & administration needs of Salem Baptist Church

**Our address is:** Salem Baptist Church, 199 Neal Kinsey Road, Trenton 38382. Please email a resume to: [joelpigg@hotmail.com](mailto:joelpigg@hotmail.com) Or contact Bro. Joel Pigg: 731-695-5321 (cell)

**BCM**

The BCM meals will resume the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. Please let Joey Hufstedler (267-9602) know if your church group can help him out with this ministry.

**Known Revivals**

August 26-29 Kelly Campbell Eldad  
August 26-29 Rev Roc Collins on 26th Salem  
September 9-12 Rev Joel Pigg Mt. Pisgah



**New Hope** is interested in getting together with other churches to play **basketball or volleyball youth ages 7-12**. If you are interested in a youth event such as this please contact Patrick Spencer at 731-414-9857.



**October 1, 2017—August 21, 2018**

Church	Total Receipts	Current Receipts
Antioch	\$ 6,826.16	\$ .00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	2,385.82	288.50
Bethel-Humboldt	.00	.00
Bethel-Yorkville	3,000.00	272.00
Bethpage	579.94	.00
Bradford, FBC	2,900.00	290.00
Calvary-H	367.74	30.41
Calvary-R	725.18	.00
Center	500.00	50.00
Chapel Hill	17,864.78	1,759.05
China Grove	258.69	.00
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Connect	784.31	.00
Dyer, FBC	4,340.95	500.00
Eldad	2,232.25	.00
Emmanuel	2,433.56	.00
Fellowship	2,438.57	293.43
Fruitland	.00	.00
Gibson	1,611.00	183.00
Hickory Grove	.00	1,300.00
Idlewild	1,142.37	133.21
Immanuel-T	615.00	.00
Keely Mill	293.00	.00
Kenton, FBC	19,921.33	1,834.91
Laneview-K	1,100.00	100.00
Laneview-T	593.16	62.58
Latham's Chapel	1,500.00	150.00
Lavinia	4,187.00	495.00
Maranatha	1,821.00	205.00
Medina, FBC	2,400.00	.00
Midway	1,593.60	298.32
Milan, FBC	5,834.00	583.00
Mt. Pisgah	1,879.11	221.94
Mt. Pleasant	11,356.91	1,096.46
New Bethlehem	4,474.05	939.53
New Haven	1,100.00	100.00
New Hope	3,138.87	.00
Northern's Chapel	250.00	50.00
Northside	1,594.75	167.10
Oak Grove	992.48	86.60
Oakwood	450.00	50.00
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	1,799.07	156.23
Poplar Springs	142.51	.00
Rutherford, FBC	1,224.48	121.00
Salem	3,141.84	296.06
Smyrna	950.69	.00
Spring Hill	838.00	96.00
The Rock	2,078.03	898.73
The Church/Sugar Creek	11,779.25	1,885.61
Trenton, FBC	6,875.00	625.00
Walnut Grove	750.00	.00
West Carroll Unity	282.70	.00
West Side	141.00	.00
White Hall	4,538.90	576.77
Designated	30,869.33	.00
TBMB/Interest	9,265.02	926.36
Total Receipts	\$ 191,511.40	\$ 17,121.80

**2017-2018 Wingo Goal is \$ 22,500**

**Received to date: \$ 10,659.61**

**BIRTH CHOICE**

**\*GIBSON COUNTY RAISED OVER \$10,000 FROM THE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGNE! PRAISE GOD AND THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU WHO PARTICIPATED!**

**\*WALK FOR LIFE** - Mark your calendar for **Saturday, September 29th** because that's when Birth Choice will host our annual **Walk for Life at West Jackson Baptist Church!** Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and culminate with lunch on the grounds. We will have activities for the whole family, so bring your kids and come enjoy this fun-filled event. For more information, email [Tiffany@birthchoice.us](mailto:Tiffany@birthchoice.us) or call 731-664-8443. We hope to see you in September!

**MISSION PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES:**

**\*It** has been 8 years since we added on and remodeled our building and we are looking to update the paint. We need some men or women who can paint professionally or paint very well to volunteer to help us get our building repainted. If you would be interested contact Kelly at [Kelly@birthchoice.us](mailto:Kelly@birthchoice.us) or call at 855-2900/414-1298.

We are needing gutters cleaned out and some major tree trimming, if you are able to help with this contact Kelly.

**Resource room needs:**

- Baby beds, strollers, car seats, bouncy seats, swings
- Handmade booties, blankets and diaper bags
- Baby towels and washcloths
- Diapers sizes newborn & 3-6
- Wipes
- Bottles
- Pacifiers
- Baby Wash, Shampoo, Lotion
- Newborn clothing - boy and girl

Thank you for all your donations, prayers and support.  
Kelly