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Pictured Top Right - On May 4, 2020, twenty-six people gathered at the Dyer nursing home to pray for the residents and staff. Bro. Bryan Morris organized the prayer service.



Over forty (40) of our GBA Churches have shared the gospel through social media during the shutdown during covid-19. Some have conducted drive-in church services. Pastors have also provided a weekly devotional video for their members. Some pastors have preached all three regular services by means of social media. A few of our churches have offered Sunday School lessons through Facebook. There have been reports of people coming to Christ through social media.

The Vision

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KEY DATES

- June 14: Flag Day
- June 21: Father's Day
- July 26: Wingo Offering Day
- August 14-15: G.L.O.W. Camp
- September 13-20: Week of Prayer for State Missions
- October 11: Global Hunger Sunday
- October 18-24: Week of Prayer for Baptist Associations
- November 8-11: Summit at Brentwood Baptist Church
- November 29-December 6: Week of Prayer for International Missions/LMCO

A Missionary View

I pray that we are nearing the time when life begins to return to some kind of normal pattern. Whether we will go back to "normal" or a new norm is yet to be seen. But regardless, we need to keep looking up for our redemption draweth nigh! Signs of the times are everywhere, and we must be awake for the rapture!

During this season when our churches cannot gather in our buildings, over forty of our churches are providing streaming services through Facebook and YouTube. Many are reporting large numbers are watching the services and hearing the gospel far beyond our area. I rejoice to hear that there have been professions of faith through social media.

I did a recent survey with our pastors to see when they plan on returning to their buildings for worship. From the survey it appears that about half are returning in May and the other half in June. I was recently on a Zoom call with the Governor and more than 300 pastors. Governor Lee made it very clear that churches are essential and that we are autonomous. He emphasized that he would never try to tell us what to do. Each church and pastor must do what is appropriate and safe for their local context. He did ask that we consider holding off returning as long as possible, perhaps in June. I was greatly impressed when Governor Lee closed the Zoom call by praying for our pastors and churches.

From the survey I did with the pastors, it appears that about 37% have experienced some decrease in giving. Also, the survey indicated that every church plans on starting back with only a morning worship service. One church in our survey indicated they will offer both a Sunday morning and a Sunday evening service. Most all churches plan on continuing with live streaming with Facebook and YouTube.



Tennessee Baptist Adult Homes

Father's Day Offering

2020 Goal - \$450,000

Sponsored by the TN Baptist Mission Board, the "Father's Day Offering for TN Baptist Adult Homes" provides additional funds to assist in caring for senior adults and adults with exceptional needs. This offering undergirds the entire ministry of TN Baptist Adult Homes in order to provide affordable care and services for residents including assisting those with limited financial resources. Find more information at tnbaptisthomes.org.

I want to thank the churches that stepped up to the plate and provided meals to our National Guardsmen at the Peabody High School. These guardsmen worked five days a week to help with Covid-19 testing. I especially want to thank Immanuel Baptist Church in Trenton for serving as our host church. A special thanks goes to Mrs. Cora for her work at Immanuel.

Once again, this year, we are designating the month of July as our Wingo Offering emphasis. Last year we had a very good response. Would you prayerfully consider a special offering and making a contribution to help us reach our goal of \$23,000? These funds are used to help mission volunteers from our GBA churches serve at home and around the world in missions.

Let us continue to pray for our churches seeking a pastor: Avondale, Chapel Hill, Clear Creek, Connect, Fruitland, Idlewild, Laneview-Kenton, Milan FBC, and Mt. Pleasant.

Your Missionary,
 Bro. Roger

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

GBA



G.L.O.W. CAMP
For girls completing grades K-6
August 14-15, 2020
Reelfoot Youth Camp & Retreat Center
Registration Open April 5-July 3
Cost: \$30 per girl / \$15 per leader

Help support missions! Now — July 3
Missionary Prayer Clip Bookmarks to sell in your churches
\$1 each or \$3 for set of 4

For Churches Attending G.L.O.W. Camp
75% offsets participants' registration cost
10% designated to Mary's House camp offering
15% designated for general camp expenses (e.g., activity expenditures)



For Churches Not Attending G.L.O.W. Camp
100% designated for Mary's House camp offering

Contact Pamela Basham to request fundraising materials/information packet, or for G.L.O.W. Camp information, (731) 414-2187 or prbash44@gmail.com.

BIRTH CHOICE

WE ARE OPEN

Social Media Post from our Founder and CEO Brent Lambert:
"For the 6 weeks of the covid shutdown, Planned Parenthood in TN stayed open, ending the lives of many children FOR PROFIT. At that same time Birth Choice stayed open and 24 women that came to us and were determined to have an abortion changed their mind. That's two children per week. 24 children alive and 24 mothers without guilt. Unlike PP we did this FOR FREE. Thank you for your prayers and ongoing support".

- Resource Room Needs:**
Diapers – Size NB, 4 & 5
Wipes
Baby furniture and equipment
Bath towels and wash cloths
Baby shampoo, rash ointment, lotion, baby wash


The Annual Fundraising Banquet has been cancelled along with the Baby Bottle Campaign. We have had a church say they still wanted to do the baby bottles (they are purchasing their own bottles to fill and then turning them into us) so if any of you still want to do that you absolutely can or give in other ways, but please don't feel obligated because I mentioned this (this is for people and/or churches who are able and want to give) we know this is a very trying and uncertain time right now for us all. We will have some other ways of giving coming soon.

Go to our website birthchoice.biz and you will find our first ever Father's Day Card Campaign. You can order your Father or other Father figures in your life a card and support Birth Choice.


Thank you for all your continued support and prayers and if you have specific prayer needs that we can pray for you please let us know, you can send them to me at Kelly@birthchoice.us or Tiffany at tiffany@birthchoice.us.

Kelly

Bible Drill



Please report on your Church Bible Drill to the Association Office.



Please make note of the following cancellations:
2020 SBC Annual Meeting, June 9-10
Brazil Mission Trip, June 22-30

Sunday School Literature


The Gibson Baptist Association collects old Sunday School literature, it's then shipped overseas to help teach English. Thank you for participating in this project!

2019 Minute Book

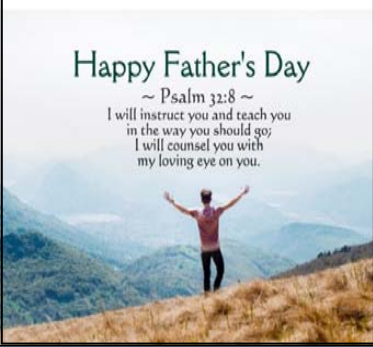
The 2019 Minute Book is available at the GBA Office. Each church receives a Book and DVD with the Minute Book and Stats on it. Please have someone from your church come by the office to pick it up. It is also available on the GBA website.

Thank You

A big THANK YOU goes out to Bro. Shawn Allred for his kind, generous donation of a refrigerator to the Gibson Baptist Association! We have needed one for quiet a while. And THANK YOU to all the Pastors that helped get it into place!!



On May 30, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a presidential proclamation establishing a national Flag Day on June 14. The day commemorates the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States.



Happy Father's Day
~ Psalm 32:8 ~
I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S JOB CORPS / TWICE BLESSED

Twice Blessed will reopen regular hours starting June 2nd. We will practice social distancing as well as taking other precautions. Please respect others by practicing good hygiene.

Powered for Life classes will resume in the classroom on June 3rd. Please keep us in prayer as we continue to minister to women and to those who come into the store for assistance. Classes in the jail will not resume until August.

We continue to seek the Lord for a store manager and a manager for our transition house. We covet your prayers during this challenging time as we patiently wait upon the Lord.

If any churches or youth groups need a project or community service hours, we always need help in the store. We also need help at our transition house with flower beds and yard work.

Thank you. Christy Skelton (731) 414-2795

JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES PASTORS AND WIVES

Birthdays

1- Mrs. Gina Bowling, Pastor's Wife	Medina
5- Mrs. Doris Hanks, Pastor's Wife	West Carroll Unity
9- Rev. Bill Rice, Retired Pastor	Antioch
17- Mrs. Wendy Jewell, Pastor's Wife	Beech Grove
18- Mrs. Cynthia Roberson, Pastor's Wife	Clear Creek
19- Rev. Zach McCain, Pastor	Rutherford
27- Rev. Larry Simmons, Pastor	Maranatha
28- Mrs. Laurie Beals, Pastor's Wife	New Haven

Anniversaries

3- Dr/Mrs Roger Stacy, Dir of Missions & Wife	Connect
6- Rev/Mrs Mike Kemper, Retired DOM & Wife	Sugar Creek
11- Dr/Mrs Greg McFadden, Pastor & Wife	Sugar Creek
25- Rev/Mrs James Rogers, Pastor & Wife	Oakwood

CHURCH NEWS

The following churches are seeking a pastor:
Avondale, Chapel Hill, Clear Creek, Connect, Fruitland, Idlewild, Laneview-Kenton, Milan FBC, and Mt. Pleasant.

Clear Creek Baptist Church: Send resumes to Gary Selph at 72 Horseshoe Loop, Dyer TN 38330.

Mount Pleasant Baptist Church: Please send resumes to Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, in care of the Pastor Search Committee, 405 Trezevant Hwy, Bradford, TN 38316.

Salem Baptist Church is seeking a full-time Associate Pastor and Student Minister. The duties are overseeing all children & teens activities and assisting the pastor as associate pastor, filling pulpit, etc. The package includes a three bedroom parsonage, rent-free. Please email your resume to Pastor Joel Pigg at brojoelpigg@gmail.com.

White Hall Baptist Church is currently seeking an intermediate youth and children's pastor or/and a full-time youth and children's pastor. Contact the search committee for details for the position via email at WHBCYAC@gmail.com.



GATHERING TOGETHER AGAIN
QUESTIONS THAT GUIDE MOVING FORWARD

Find these & more at tnbaptist.org.



REACHING TENNESSEE TOUR
"What's Working in Evangelism Today?"

Church	October 1, 2019 - May 13, 2020	
	Total Receipts	Current Receipts
Antioch	\$ 1,753.31	\$.00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	1,647.59	118.95
Bethel-Humboldt	.00	.00
Bethel-Yorkville	1,785.00	.00
Bethpage	394.82	.00
Bradford, FBC	2,155.00	315.00
Calvary-H	236.24	41.88
Calvary-R	484.37	.00
Center	350.00	50.00
Chapel Hill	10,474.08	1,390.55
China Grove	58.77	.00
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Connect	830.76	.00
Dyer, FBC	3,525.49	490.23
Eldad	1,318.17	.00
Emmanuel	1,555.57	.00
Fellowship	1,679.16	.00
Fruitland	.00	.00
Gibson	1,024.00	130.00
Hickory Grove	100.00	.00
Idlewild	638.58	.00
Immanuel-T	792.00	.00
Keely Mill	263.26	263.26
Kenton, FBC	13,482.01	2,262.31
Laneview-K	200.00	.00
Laneview-T	398.34	.00
Latham's Chapel	1,050.00	150.00
Lavinia	3,885.00	476.00
Maranatha	826.00	.00
Medina, FBC	1,518.00	.00
Midway	1,865.09	454.14
Milan, FBC	5,674.28	584.00
Mt. Pisgah	1,125.48	.00
Mt. Pleasant	7,995.77	1,300.02
New Bethlehem	4,028.75	.00
New Haven	1,750.00	250.00
New Hope	1,413.29	.00
Northern's Chapel	100.00	.00
Northside	1,384.80	425.16
Oak Grove	412.64	51.00
Oakwood	1,090.32	109.95
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	1,039.79	189.26
Poplar Springs	.00	.00
Rutherford, FBC	761.19	80.00
Salem	2,339.09	326.26
Smyrna	1,435.99	.00
Spring Hill	566.00	86.00
The Church/Sugar Creek	7,732.47	1,221.17
Trenton, FBC	4,375.00	625.00
Walnut Grove	500.00	.00
West Carroll Unity	307.00	.00
West Side	318.00	.00
White Hall	3,170.59	.00
Designated	7,118.38	.00
TBMB/Interest, etc.	5,565.68	.00
Total Receipts	\$ 114,495.12	\$11,390.14

2019-2020 Wingo Goal is \$ 23,000

July 26th is Wingo Offering Sunday
Celebrating 31 years of assisting GBA members to go on Mission for the Lord!
Received to Date: \$8,245.16