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Pictured Above Left: Judy Warren is presented the Twice Blessed "Joyce Brown Volunteer of the Year" award in 2020.

Pictured Above Right: Maranatha Hispanic Baptist Church launched on January 31, 2021 in Humboldt. The Church at SugarCreek is the sponsoring church. GBA provides financial support for the new work. Isaac Solis is the pastor.

Pictured Below: Deborah Taylor leading the Financial Issues Seminar. Check our website for Financial Issues handouts and the PowerPoint.



Pictured Below: Ten couples participated in GBA's pastors, staff & wives retreat at Linden Valley led by Joe and Pennie Wright.









West Carroll Unity Baptist Church in Trezevant is hosting a livestream of the Yth Evangelism Conference.

March 13, 2021

5:30-6:30pm - Pizza for All / 7:00pm - Livestream of YEC

Contact Bro. Billy Hanks or Danny Moncriff if you plan to eat pizza. This will help to know how many people to prepare for pizza.



Bro. Billy Hanks: 731-571-3808 Danny Moncriff, Youth Leader: 731-343-1967

Trenton FBC will be hosting training in March for those wishing to become foster parents. Tennessee Baptist Children's Home will be leading the training.

TN KEY Pre-Service
Training for Foster
Parents
8 Week Course
Thursdays 5-8PM
(Fellowship Hall FBC
Trenton)
Starts Mar 4, 2021



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Mark Your Calendar

March

- 7: Softball Meeting
- 13: YEC Virtual Watch Party
- **7-14:** Suggested Dates for Annie Armstrong Easter Offering/Week of Prayer for N. American Missions



March 19-20:

Virtual Get-Together/Connection

April

- 2: Seven Sayings from the Cross
- 4: Easter
- 12: GBA Children's Bible Drills
- 13: Senior Adult Banquet
- 15: WMU Quarterly Meeting
- 17: GA Tea Party
- 22: GBA VBS Training
- 26: GBA Executive Board Meeting

GBA 2020 Minute Book

The 2020 Minute Book will be available March 1st at the GBA Office.

Please have someone from your church come by the office to pick it up.

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A Missionary View

I am completing my fourteenth (14th) year as the Director of Missions of this Association on first of March. I am so thankful for you all and for every one of our pastors and churches. It truly is a blessing to serve our Lord and the family of churches in Gibson Baptist Association.

We have been asking you for some time to consider receiving the Vision newsletter in a digital format. The Budget & Finance committee made this request of us in light of the rising cost of printing and mailing the Vision newsletter. We will continue to mail the Vision newsletter to anyone who wants and needs to receive it by regular mail. The postal service is once again raising the cost of stamps and the cost to mail the newsletter will have to be absorbed in our budget. If you want to continue to receive the newsletter by mail, please call our office (855-1202) or e-mail us (info@gbalife.org).

We had ten couples participate in our GBA pastors, staff and wives retreat at Camp Linden Valley on February 5-6. Dr. Joe Wright and Pennie did an excellent job of leading us.

As a reminder, the **Bertie Thompson Scholarship** is available for qualified students. This scholarship is provided for students entering some form of Christian ministry. The scholarship will be awarded in May, so please submit your application by the first week in May. You may download the application at our website: www.gbalife.org. We also can mail you the application.

Another financial resource to help pastors and lay people is available. This scholarship provides money for books and supplies for those taking seminary, Bible college classes, or some form of continuing education. You do not have to be a pastor or in the ministry to apply. We have one scholarship available in the amount of \$150. Contact the office for more information and to apply.

With the diminishing number of COVID-19 cases, we plan on having our Children's Bible Drills on April 12, 6:30 pm, at White Hall Baptist Church. Rhonda Poore is our director.

We will have our Senior Adult banquet 6pm, April 13th at Dyer FBC. Contact Martha Phelan for more information.

The annual YEC (Youth Evangelism Conference) will be held virtually this year. You may register for this free event at this website: https://www.yectn.org/. YEC will be on Saturday, March 13, 2021.

Our Church Revitalization team will participate in a training offered by the North American Mission Board in Atlanta, the week of March 15-17. Our team went through track one last year and will complete track two to receive our certification from NAMB.

We are planning on a Holy Land Trip the week of January 31—February 9, 2022. We had an interest meeting on February 23. We will be planning another interest meeting at a later date in case you missed this meeting. You may check out more information about the trip at the website: https://www.go-yael.com/10dayholylandtrip/. Enter the access code: 2022.

We are out of funds for the street children's ministry in Rio de Janeiro. If you would like to make a donation to help feed 150 homeless street children, you can do so at our website (<u>www.gbalife.org</u>) or mail a check to our office.

Mount Pisgah has called Bro. Clayton Williams as pastor. Pray for our churches seeking a pastor: Chapel Hill, China Grove, Fruitland, Idlewild, Laneview-Kenton, Medina FBC, Milan FBC, and Rutherford FBC.

Your Missionary, Bro. Roger

Our Mission is to Strengthen Churches, Shape Leaders, and Share the Gospel.

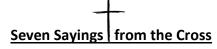
Holy Land Trip - January 31-February 9 of 2022

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March 7 - 2pm - GBA Office

Please join us at this meeting to discuss this year's season & schedule



April 2 - 6:30 PM - Salem Baptist Church

Mark your calendar and make plans now to attend this GBA Sponsored Good Friday Service.



April 12 / 6:30pm / White Hall

Call GBA (855-1202) with the names & grades of those participating from your church, by April 5.



Senior Adult Event

April 13 - 6 PM - Dyer, First Sign up & Pay by April 8 / Meal: \$10.00

Grilled Chicken Breast, Boneless Pork Chop Baked Beans, 7 Layer Salad, Roasted Potatoes Chocolate Cake, Banana Pudding

Scholarships

Bertie Thompson Scholarship

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

Continuing Education Scholarship

For people in ministry (both lay & vocational) Applications are available at the GBA Office.



GA Event Tea Time

April 17 - 4:30 PM Virtual Reception at 5:15

Churches are invited to plan a tea time on Apr. 17 at 4:30. You will only need to promote the event for your group, prepare

the space for your church and provide and serve refreshments. At 5:15, join the virtual reception to enjoy games, music, and a message by a guest speaker. Contact Pamela Basham for more information and to sign up by March 25.



Vacation Bible School

It's time to begin preparing for VBS.

Gibson Baptist Association VBS Training April 22 / 6:30 - 8:30pm / Salem



This year will be the 20th anniversary of 9/11, nearly 3,000 people died in that tragedy. 3, 000 babies die every day from abortion. Could you imagine having 9/11 every day for over 48 years? Would you consider standing with Birth Choice, those of you who don't already, in the fight mean volunteering for a position I have listed below, financial support or committing to pray for Birth Choice.

We would love to schedule a clinic tour 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.

More Opportunities:

We are always taking baby item donations for our resource room. If you love to work outside & have some volunteer time we need help with the yard & building this Spring & Summer.

Be looking for banquet information coming out soon and baby bottle campaign will start on Mother's Day.

There will be a Client Advocate and Nurse training in May, if you would like an application contact Kelly at the info. below. 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.



cwic Christian Women's Job Corps / Twice Blessed

Our reopening at Twice Blessed on January 19th started out on a good note since our volunteers had time for some much needed cleaning and reorganizing. Sales have been good as we continue with our buy one, get one free sale throughout the store. We have had very good for life and we can build a community for life together. This could help from our volunteers as well as others who are completing community service hours. We are also happy to have a new cashier at

> Volunteer meeting was held on January 13th attended by 9 of our volunteers. A committee of 5 from our board are working to update our policies and procedures. We are very happy to announce that Stacy Miller, CEO of W. Tenn. Correctional Services and Judge Mark Johnson have agreed to serve on our board effective January 1st. We appreciate those who have served who rotated off the board this past

> Our Powered for Life classes have started with 5 participants enrolled. It is not too late to be a part of our class if you know of someone who could benefit. We welcome Laquita Clark from UT Ext. back to our classes to educate our participants regarding healthy food choices and eating on a budget. We will be seeking out mentors for our participants in the next few weeks.

> Thank you to Bro. Mike and Margaret Sanders for the donation of a very nice piano from the estate of Mary Mitchell, Margaret's mother. It has been delivered to our transition house. Please continue to pray for our missionaries there and for our house to be open for women in the near future.

Christy Skelton, Site Coordinator

Pastors and Wives March Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

4	Rev Jonathan Criswell, Pastor	Eldad		
8	Dr Garry Burkacki, Pastor	Bethpage		
8	Rev Marlon Stephens, Retired Pastor	Rutherford, FBC		
16	Mrs Stephanie Allred, Pastor's Wife	Kenton, FBC		
27	Rev James Brown, Retired Pastor	Smyrna		
28	Rev Kevin Mullins, Pastor	White Hall		
Anniversaries				
12	Rev/Mrs Joel Pigg, Pastor & Wife	Salem		

Pastors' Conference

Bradford, FBC

Pastors meet Mondays at 10am at the GBA office for a time of fellowship and inspiration.

GBA Pastors' Conference Schedule:

19 Rev/Mrs Don Dyer, Pastor & Wife

March 1: Randy Pool - Benevolent Ministry during Covid 19

March 8: Joev Hufstedler - Using Online Ministry Effectively

March 15: Todd Kirk - Testimony

March 22: Vicki Hulsey - VBS via Zoom

March 29: No Pastor's Conference

April 5: Daymond Duck - Prophecy

April 12: Dr. Randy Adams - SBC Candidate for President

April 19: Will McRaney - A Way Forward in the SBC

April 26: Tommy Vinson - Pastoral Leadership

2021 IRS Standard Mileage Rate: \$.56

Church News

Mount Pisgah Baptist Church welcomes new pastor, Clayton Williams. His first Sunday was February 7.

New Bethlehem is in need of a youth minister. E-mail nbbcsearch4youth@gmail.com.

Salem Baptist Church of Trenton, TN is seeking a bi-vocational worship leader. We prefer a leader that is comfortable leading contemporary worship songs, but also has the ability to lead a choir and 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 as well. Find us the web at www.mysalemfamily.com, Facebook, and YouTube. Salem has a morning worship attendance of 200. Please send inquiries and resumes to Pastor Joel Pigg at brojoelpigg@gmail.com. Or call 731-695-5321.

Newbern, FBC of Newbern, TN is seeking a full-time pastor. Interested applicants can send their resume, along with a cover letter, to newbernfbcpastoralsearch@gmail.com.

Churches Seeking a Pastor

Chapel Hill, China Grove, Fruitland, Idlewild, Laneview-Kenton, Medina FBC, Milan FBC, Rutherford FBC

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2020-2021 Wingo Goal: \$ 23,500 Received to Date: 18,035.23