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Six GBA pastors and Bro. Roger participated in a special prayer time for hospital staff and medical personnel along with pastors from Madison County. More than twenty pastors joined in praying on April 16 at 10:00 am.
 Pictured above: Rev. Jake Fry, Pastor of Emmanuel - Humboldt



OUR PRAYER OF HOPE

Heal Our Land

COVID-19

#Pray4TN

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

2 CHRONICLES 7:14 NIV

NEED PRAYER?

Call the TBMB prayer hotline at:

844-600-8262

Available 24/7

Tennessee Disaster Relief

You may give to help those affected by the recent storms online through the Tennessee Baptist Convention at <https://tndisasterrelief.org/contributions>.

The Vision

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A MISSIONARY VIEW

As I write this article, we are still facing the pandemic that has gripped the whole world. We have kept the GBA office closed in compliance with the governor's request and the city of Trenton. We are working from home and taking care of needs at the office from time to time.

I know it has been hard on our pastors and our members to not be able to meet during this pandemic. However, at least over forty of our churches are providing some form of sermons and Bible studies using social media. I have tried to keep track of our churches and post the services on our GBA Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/181472341980317/?ref=bookmarks>). If you are not a member of our Facebook group, send me a request and I will include you in our group. We try to post updates on events and important announcements, as well as information that is helpful to our churches.

The GBA "Seven Sayings From The Cross" (Good Friday) service was held virtually and on 93.7 the Victory. Our pastors did an outstanding job. We are so blessed with good and solid biblical preachers in our association. And our churches are blessed to have these seven men as their pastors.

Over twenty (20) pastors gathered at the Jackson-Madison County Hospital on Thursday morning, April 16, to pray for the medical personnel, staff and patients. Six of our GBA pastors participated with several Madison County pastors as we gathered at the Emergency Room parking lot.

Our association is helping with providing resources for those in need of food during this crisis. I have received several calls for help and passed the requests on to our pastors. I want to thank our pastors and churches for stepping up to the plate and meeting these critical needs.

Another opportunity has just emerged for our association. Six national guardsmen are working at the Peabody High School related to testing for the coronavirus. We are providing the evening meals for these guys for the next few weeks (Monday-Friday). I appreciate those churches willing to help meet this need. If your church would like to help, please contact me (731-414-9973, text or voice, or rdstacy@gbalife.org).

If your church is struggling financially with meeting your financial obligations, please let us know. There is help available. One resource is from the Tennessee Baptist Convention through the Macedonian Loan Program. TBC will make available a short-term 0% interest loan to churches that have annual income of less than \$400,000. The loan is intended to help these smaller churches meet current expenses for church staff and facilities during this crisis. The maximum loan amount is the lesser of \$25,000 or 50% of fixed personnel and facility expenses for the four-month period of March through June 2020. Here are two links to provide information on the loan:

Outline of Macedonian Loan Program for Tennessee Baptist Churches and Associations:

<https://www.tnbaptist.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Macedonian-Loan-Information.pdf>

Macedonia Loan Application:

http://d31hzlkh6di2h5.cloudfront.net/20200415/42/4c/32/8f/271b8539e8b9ca988ab1cb31/Macedonian_Loan_Application_-_Fillable.pdf

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

Your Missionary, Bro. Roger

Please give to

Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes

The Mother's Day Offering

HAPPY Mother's Day

Sunday, May 10

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

GBA EVENTS



M&M Project

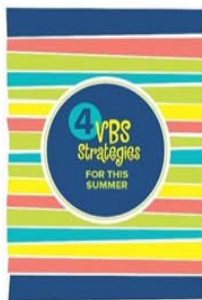
We want to celebrate Mother's Day by blessing Birth Choice with generous donations. All church groups and individuals are welcome to participate! Please include your name &/or church name on a card with your donations.

Current needs are:

- Diapers - size Newborn, size 4, and size 5
 - Wipes
 - Bottles
 - Baby Wash, Lotion, Shampoo
- Also, NEW or in EXCELLENT CONDITION:
- car seats (within 5 yrs. old)
 - high chairs
 - swings
 - bouncy seats

Please drop off items at **Birth Choice** - 1281 US-45 Bypass, Trenton
Mondays 9-6:30 Tuesdays 9-7:30 or Thursdays 9-2

This project will run the month of May. If you have any questions, please call or text: Mindy Summar 431-3904, Penny Stacy 487-3276, or Sheilah Spangler 414-9292.



FREE eBook-Spread the word...YOU CAN STILL DO VBS in the wake of COVID-19! This eBook was designed to help you plan & conduct the exceptional VBS your community has come to expect from you—even in the midst of unprecedented circumstances, this free ebook will identify four strategies in which VBS can take place this summer. Download your copy today! **VBS...It's Worth It!**
www.lifeway.com/4ways

BIRTH CHOICE

WE ARE STILL OPEN

We are continuing to see clients although we have adjusted some of our procedures like I know many of you have. We have seen an increase in abortion minded clients over the last several weeks and if you haven't noticed any of our posts on social media there is definitely a great battle going on for life (as always). Be in prayer for us as we stand in the gap. We are also still taking donations. If you would like to donate we are asking that you leave it at the front door and let us know when you think you might be dropping by.

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

Annual Fundraising Banquet has been postponed (hopefully to August), if you would like to attend or host a table contact tiffany@birthchoice.us, or 731-453-8159. The Baby Bottle Campaign has been postponed as well, however if you would still like to donate give me a call at 855-2900/414-1298.

Go to our website birthchoice.biz and you will find our first ever Mother's Day Card Campaign. You can order your Mother or other Mother figures in your life a card and support Birth Choice. You also will not have to dig through all the cards at the store right now.

Thank you for all your continued support and prayers!

Kelly



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! May 3 — 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.

GBA Softball

Due to present circumstances GBA has cancelled all activities until June. We will revisit the Season in May and make a decision at that time. For questions please contact Bob at (731) 431-1056.

Please make note of the following cancellations:

- National Day of Prayer Events, May 7
- 2020 SBC Annual Meeting, June 9-10
- Brazil Mission Trip, June 22-30

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S JOB CORPS / TWICE BLESSED

It's a different day for all of us, and the things we thought we would be doing, we are unable to do. It seems that most of what we were doing in the ministry of CWJC has come to a halt. We have a strong bond however, and remain connected not only to our volunteers but to those in our class at Twice Blessed and at the jail.

We are striving to serve in different ways like making masks for nursing homes and health care workers as well as others. Thanks to Elizabeth Wray, Lisa Massengill and others for helping in this endeavor. We are also working in the store to clean out and get ready for warmer weather.

Our transition house needs some TLC, namely, the flower beds. We welcome all gardeners to work in our flower beds. If you are unable but can plant some spiritual seeds, we would love for you to be praying for our ladies in the jail, our transition house, and for the continued success of CWJC.

We anticipate and expect that the Lord is going to sustain us and bring good out of all that we do. Let's be doers! James 1:22

Please contact me with any questions or suggestions or to be involved in the ministry.

Thanks, Christy (731) 414-2795

MAY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES PASTORS AND WIVES

Birthdays

- 5- Mrs. Christy Skelton, Pastor's Wife Immanuel
- 11- Mrs. Ann McLemore, Pastor's Wife Northside
- 13- Rev. Steve Hemann, Pastor Mt. Pisgah
- 19- Rev. Jackie Vaughan, Pastor Idlewild
- 27- Rev. John Fields, Pastor Keely Mill
- 27- Rev. Andy Rice, Pastor Walnut Grove

Anniversaries

- 19- Rev/Mrs Lane Self, Pastor & Wife Dyer, FBC
- 28- Rev/Mrs Eric McLemore, Pastor & Wife Northside
- 28- Rev/Mrs David Powell, Pastor & Wife Smyrna
- 28- Rev/Mrs Zach McCain, Pastor & Wife Rutherford, FBC

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 is seeking a pastor. Send resumes to Gary Selph at 72 Horseshoe Loop, Dyer TN 38330.

Mount Pleasant Baptist Church is seeking a full-time pastor. 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.

Sunday School Literature

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

Bertie Thompson Scholarship Application Forms

Applications are available for this \$500 (\$250/semester) scholarship. Contact the GBA office or download off the Association webpage. Applicant must be a full time college student with a GPA of 2.5 on a 4pt scale, be an active member of a GBA church, and be preparing for some aspect of Christian ministry. **May 14** is the deadline for applications to be turned in to the GBA office.

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.

October 1, 2019 - April 14, 2020

Church	Total Receipts	Current Receipts
Antioch	\$ 1,753.31	\$.00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	1,528.64	203.79
Bethel-Humboldt	.00	.00
Bethel-Yorkville	1,556.00	.00
Bethpage	188.83	.00
Bradford, FBC	1,840.00	315.00
Calvary-H	194.36	.00
Calvary-R	484.37	.00
Center	300.00	50.00
Chapel Hill	9,083.53	1,439.25
China Grove	58.77	.00
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Connect	830.76	.00
Dyer, FBC	3,035.26	407.04
Eldad	1,318.17	.00
Emmanuel	1,414.05	.00
Fellowship	1,679.16	283.35
Fruitland	.00	.00
Gibson	894.00	168.00
Hickory Grove	100.00	.00
Idlewild	579.83	95.91
Immanuel-T	792.00	90.00
Keely Mill	.00	.00
Kenton, FBC	11,219.70	1,793.48
Laneview-K	200.00	.00
Laneview-T	327.34	42.60
Latham's Chapel	900.00	150.00
Lavinia	3,409.00	544.00
Maranatha	826.00	105.00
Medina, FBC	1,318.00	.00
Midway	1,410.95	.00
Milan, FBC	5,090.28	584.00
Mt. Pisgah	1,007.22	134.25
Mt. Pleasant	6,695.75	961.03
New Bethlehem	4,028.75	518.53
New Haven	1,500.00	250.00
New Hope	1,125.25	.00
Northern's Chapel	100.00	.00
Northside	959.64	.00
Oak Grove	361.64	68.60
Oakwood	980.37	162.41
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	690.97	.00
Poplar Springs	.00	.00
Rutherford, FBC	580.45	.00
Salem	2,012.83	325.58
Smyrna	1,218.53	225.34
Spring Hill	480.00	64.00
The Church/Sugar Creek	6,511.30	1,083.96
Trenton, FBC	3,125.00	.00
Walnut Grove	500.00	.00
West Carroll Unity	307.00	.00
West Side	318.00	.00
White Hall	2,714.91	439.32
Designated	7,068.38	.00
TBMB/Interest, etc.	5,564.51	.00
Total Receipts	\$ 100,182.81	\$10,504.44

2019-2020 Wingo Goal is \$ 23,000

Received to Date: \$7,869.66