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*'Return home and tell how much God has done for you.' Luke 8:39*

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**PLAYBOOK**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2020**  
**ZOOM Video Conference**

Time: 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (Central) | Cost: \$5

8:30-8:50	Opening Session
9:00-10:00	Session 1
10:15-11:15	Session 2
11:30-12:30	Session 3

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**SUMMIT**  
 THE GATHERING OF TENNESSEE BAPTISTS

**November 8-11**  
 Brentwood Baptist Church  
 Brentwood, Tennessee



**Weekday Early Education Conference ONLINE**  
 Saturday 9/19/2020  
 9am - 4:45 pm

An annual statewide meeting for the purpose of providing training for directors and teachers in weekday early education/preschool ministries.

The Conference offers six (6) full hours of continuing education credit! This Weekday Early Education Conference is for directors and teachers of any part-time or full-time preschool program. Valuable training is available for anyone working with preschoolers, regardless of the type of program or curriculum used.

More information: Carol Pratt,  
[cpratt@tnbaptist.org](mailto:cpratt@tnbaptist.org).



Pictured Above:  
 On Sunday afternoon, Aug 2, 2020, Lavinia Baptist Church ordained Michael Sullivan as a deacon.

Left to right:  
 Pastor Stephen Osborne, Crystal Sullivan wife of Michael Sullivan, & Michael Sullivan standing with his wife.



Pictured Below:  
 Congratulations Bro. Jake Fry and wife Carly Ann, on the birth of Ella Fry Sunday, August 9th.

Ella Ann Fry weighed 8 lbs., 4.9oz and was 19" long. Brother Jake pastors Emmanuel in Humboldt .



# The Vision

Gibson Baptist Association

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## KEY DATES

- August 22:** Skeetshoot, Laneview-Kenton
- August 29:** Playbook Zoom Conference
- August 30 - September 2:** Revival, Lavinia
- September 7:** Labor Day
- September 13-20:** Week of Prayer for State Missions
- September 17:** WMU at FBC, Trenton
- September 18:** Night of Hope Online Auction
- September 23:** See You at the Pole
- October 1:** ACPs Due
- October 3:** Walk for Life
- October 11:** Global Hunger Sunday
- October 18-24:** Week of Prayer for Baptist Associations
- October 26:** GBA Annual Meeting
- November 8-11:** Summit at Brentwood Baptist Church
- November 29-December 6:** Week of Prayer for International Missions/LMCO



A Missionary View

Our Executive Board met on July 27<sup>th</sup> for our regular meeting. One of the main topics of discussion was a contingency plan in case we could not hold our regular annual meeting on October 26, due to the Covid-19 pandemic. I would encourage you to still elect messengers and make plans as normal to attend the annual meeting. We will notify you if we have to enact our contingency plan.

### Here is the motion and contingency plan that was adopted.

1. The board desires to have the annual meeting, if possible, at its regular date, time, and place. October 26, 2020, at Antioch Baptist Church. If it is deemed, solely by the discretion of the GBA Leadership team, unfeasible or irresponsible to hold the annual meeting due to the ongoing pandemic of COVID 19, will trigger the following contingencies as deemed necessary.
2. Hold a special Called Executive Board meeting to approve officers, committees, and team members for the new church year. The nominating committee will make its recommendations to the executive board for approval. The budget and finance committee will present a budget for approval to the executive board. This option gives the most significant opportunity for input, next to having the annual meeting, in the decision-making process.
3. Deeming option 1 or 2 to be unfeasible or irresponsible and in the unlikely event the nominating committee and the budget finance committee are unable to provide recommendations for officers, committees, and team members, and budget the executive board has chosen to adopt the current budget for the new associational year, October 1, 2020-September 30, 2021, and approve the current officers, committees, and teams to serve for another year until the next annual meeting of the association.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, many of our churches have struggled with members not attending in-person services. This is leading some to face the prospect of closure. On July 26, Maranatha Baptist Church in Humboldt voted to close their doors and dissolve. Their attendance dropped off significantly and they could not maintain the ministry of the church. On August 9, Connect Baptist Church in Milan voted to merge with Elevate Church in Milan. Due to Covid-19, the church has not recovered and the prospects for growth and outreach were very limited in light of the situation. The property and church building will be in the name of Elevate Church as the two churches merge. Connect Church will be making a sizeable financial donation back to GBA in appreciation and gratitude for the support the association has given them.

Bro. Zach McCain has resigned FBC Rutherford. Bro. Steve Hemann has resigned Mt. Pisgah. Pray for our churches seeking a pastor: Avondale, Chapel Hill, Clear Creek, Fruitland, Idlewild, Laneview-Kenton, Milan FBC, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Pleasant, and Rutherford FBC.

Your Missionary, Bro. Roger

## CANCELLATIONS

**Youth Night** at the Gibson County Fair Grounds scheduled for September 2nd has been cancelled due to the carnival & events being cancelled by the Fair.

**The Deacons' Meetin'** scheduled for September 3rd at White Hall Baptist Church has been cancelled. We hope to reschedule.

SEE YOU AT THE POLE™ 2020 - Wednesday, Sept 23, 7a  
 Global Week of Student Prayer - Sept 20-26

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

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#### Men's Breakfast and Skeetshoot

Devotional by Zach Bennard



**August 22, 2020 8:00 a.m.**

Join us for a morning of God, food, and skeets! Anyone 18 and under should be accompanied by an adult. Skeets provided.

158 Old Rutherford-Kenton, TN 38233  
(731) 478-7027

#### REVIVAL

**Lavinia Baptist Church**  
**August 30 - September 2, 2020**

**Evangelist: Lynn Walker**

#### WMU Meeting

**September 17 - 10:00 AM**  
**Trenton, FBC**

#### Annual Church Profile

*Please return to GBA by October 1st.*

Principles from Lifeway & TBMB Staff to help complete this year's profile:

1. Use same time period that you used prior year.
2. Calculate fields requiring an average using only the Sundays that you actually met in person.
3. Do not include online attendance.
4. Any fields requiring a total count should include the entire 12-month period you are recording, including weeks that you did not meet or met virtually.

If you need help, please do not hesitate to call GBA at 855-1202.

*Thank you so much for completing and turning in the ACPs!*



**CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S JOB CORPS / TWICE BLESSED**

**Planned Parenthood isn't stopping and neither are we!**  
*Just three or four hours of your time once a week can make a difference between life and death for an unborn child.*

Our fall training dates will be:  
October 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
It's important for you to attend all sessions if possible. Request an application today! Contact our clinic director: Kelly Wall at [Kelly@birthchoice.us](mailto:Kelly@birthchoice.us)

**Looking for a Fall project?!** We need tree trimming, gutter cleaning, pressure washing the building, and cleaning out flower beds. We are in need of a couple people, who can team up, who can volunteer to help us keep our building clean, contact Kelly at 855-2900 or [Kelly@birthchoice.us](mailto:Kelly@birthchoice.us) if you would be interested.

#### Resource Room Needs:

- Diapers – Size NB, 4 & 5, Wipes
- Baby furniture & equipment
- Bath towels & wash cloths
- Baby shampoo, rash ointment, lotion, baby wash

**SAVE THE DATE:** Annual Walk for Life will be **October 3<sup>rd</sup>** as planned. More information will be coming for that event. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for information and story updates. If you have a group that could help, contact Tiffany at [tiffany@birthchoice.us](mailto:tiffany@birthchoice.us).

**Thank you for your continued support and prayers.**



As we anticipate opening our transition house for women, we are looking for those who would like to minister to these women by teaching a Bible study, cooking class, sewing class, etc., and provide transportation needs, and/or be a mentor to one of these women.

Donations have been more than abundant the past couple of weeks here at Twice Blessed. We believe that we have at least two of everything anyone could need. We always need help with sorting donations and organizing in the store. Shop with us for school uniforms and end of summer sales.

One of our key elements for the CWJC ministry is networking. We consider it a privilege to work with the Ministerial Alliance, WRAP, Workforce Essentials, UT Extension office and our churches in our communities as well as others. We welcome those who need community service hours for college and otherwise.

Thank you for your support of donations and prayers.

Christy Skelton, 414-2795

#### Pastors and Wives

#### September Birthdays and Anniversaries

##### BIRTHDAYS

- |   |            |
|---|------------|
| 1 Rev Stephen Fields, Pastor            | Keely Mill |
| 8 Mrs Mary Brown, Retired Pastor's Wife | Smyrna     |
| 17 Rev Joey Gowan, Pastor               | Center     |
| 20 Rev Jimmy Sorrell, Retired Pastor    | Northside  |
| 23 Mrs Jessica Rogers, Pastor's Wife    | Oakwood    |

##### ANNIVERSARIES

- |                                       |               |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| 10 Rev/Mrs Kevin Mullins, Pastor/Wife | White Hall    |
| 15 Rev/Mrs John Coleman, Pastor/Wife  | New Bethlehem |

#### CHURCH NEWS

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

**Mount Pisgah Baptist Church:** Bro. Steve Hemann resigned as pastor. His last Sunday will be August 30.

**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.

**Rutherford, FBC:** Bro. Zach McCain resigned as pastor. His last Sunday will be September 6.

**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](http://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](mailto:brojoelpigg@gmail.com). Or call 731-695-5321.

**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](mailto:WHBCYAC@gmail.com).

#### Churches Seeking a Pastor

Avondale, Chapel Hill, Clear Creek, Fruitland, Idlewild, Laneview-Kenton, Milan FBC, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Pleasant, and Rutherford FBC.

#### Condolences

Harold Pinkley passed away July 12. He was a GBA Disaster Relief Volunteer and a member of The Church at Sugar Creek.

Curtis Dennison passed away July 14. He was a retired pastor and served as interim in several GBA churches. He was a member of The Church at Sugar Creek.

Dr. Bob Agee's wife, Nelle, passed away August 10.

Bro. Daymond Duck's wife, Rachel, passed away August 12.

Bro. Randy Pool's sister, Patricia, passed away August 15.

Thank you to Mr. Glynn Reynolds for making a donation to Wingo in memory of Billy Barron, Curtis Dennison, HB Fisher, Landon Hampton, Harold Pinkley.

#### October 1, 2019 - August 13, 2020

Church	Total Receipts	Current Receipts
Antioch	\$ 4,253.93	\$ .00
Avondale	.00	.00
Beech Grove	2,438.21	173.70
Bethel-Humboldt	.00	.00
Bethel-Yorkville	2,795.00	216.00
Bethpage	758.75	238.93
Bradford, FBC	3,100.00	315.00
Calvary-H	377.17	26.86
Calvary-R	704.37	.00
Center	500.00	50.00
Chapel Hill	14,018.72	1,004.29
China Grove	183.97	.00
Clear Creek	.00	.00
Connect	1,436.33	.00
Dyer, FBC	5,015.83	492.03
Eldad	1,318.17	.00
Emmanuel	2,343.59	365.74
Fellowship	2,723.73	202.59
Fruitland	78.84	.00
Gibson	1,380.00	.00
Hickory Grove	100.00	.00
Idlewild	1,102.17	100.42
Immanuel-T	1,276.00	.00
Keely Mill	263.26	.00
Kenton, FBC	17,430.59	.00
Laneview-K	200.00	.00
Laneview-T	543.28	.00
Latham's Chapel	1,500.00	150.00
Lavinia	5,791.00	461.00
Maranatha	1,013.00	.00
Medina, FBC	2,318.00	.00
Midway	2,245.76	380.67
Milan, FBC	7,426.28	584.00
Mt. Pisgah	1,636.05	150.21
Mt. Pleasant	11,360.88	771.67
New Bethlehem	5,509.67	.00
New Haven	2,500.00	250.00
New Hope	2,511.67	434.33
Northern's Chapel	250.00	25.00
Northside	1,852.72	.00
Oak Grove	593.01	36.71
Oakwood	1,627.41	165.69
Old Bethlehem	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	1,629.68	180.68
Poplar Springs	.00	.00
Rutherford, FBC	1,099.19	97.00
Salem	3,417.64	329.96
Smyrna	2,077.18	.00
Spring Hill	845.58	81.70
The Church/Sugar Creek	11,317.68	931.77
Trenton, FBC	5,625.00	.00
Walnut Grove	750.00	.00
West Carroll Unity	652.22	.00
West Side	637.00	.00
White Hall	4,283.86	586.65
Designated	8,653.38	.00
TBMB/Interest, etc.	8,348.44	.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 161,814.21</b>	<b>\$8,802.60</b>

**2019-2020 Wingo Goal is \$ 23,000**

**Received to Date: \$12,807.70**

*Thank you to those faithfully giving to the Wingo Fund.*