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Notes from the DOM Desk...

Forty-three volunteers recently worked on 13 projects in our county. Thirty of those volunteers were Weakley Countians and 13 were from Strong Tower Baptist Church in East Tennessee. Along with various projects completed on both churches and individual's homes, we also assisted with VBS at Moore's Chapel. Much appreciation to all who served and contributed to a successful mission week.

Our Finance Team will be meeting here at the association July 30th at 6:00 pm to work on our proposed budget for the 2024-2025 budget year. If you serve as a ministry team leader and want to request a certain amount for your ministry, please let Tera know by July 25th.

Laborers Together,
Bro. Phil

WCBA SUMMER MISSION TRIP 2024 - Project Homework (cont.)



Happy Birthday August

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| 6th | Albert Collins | Davis Memorial |
| 12th | Halina Brown | Corinth |

Happy Anniversary August

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| 3rd | John & Fay Ott | Sharon FBC |
| 7th | Mitch & Joanne Coomer | New Hope |
| 8th | Kevin & Tracey Crossno | Mack's Grove |
| 10th | Brian & Kris Gallimore | Palmersville |
| 12th | Pete & Stacey Staples | Liberty |
| 16th | Mike & Halina Brown | Corinth |
| 24th | Terry & Aletha Richie | Calvary |

July 2024

WCBA Great Commission Fund Offering Emphasis Month

14th-19th **WCBA "Project Homework" Summer Missions Project**
 30th WCBA Finance Team Meeting 6:00 pm @ WCBA Mission Center

August 2024

4th Send Relief Sunday
 8th WCBA ALT Meeting @ 6:00 pm @ WCBA Mission Center
 22nd Ministry Assistant/Church Clerk BYO lunch at Central @ noon
 25th Global Hunger Sunday
 27th WMU Christmas in August @ 7:00 pm @ Gleason FBC

September 2024

2nd Labor Day - WCBA Office Closed
 5th WMU Council & Directors Meeting @ 2 pm @ WCBA
 12th WCBA Executive Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm at Mission Center
 21st Children's Missions Day
 29th Caring Well Sunday

Next Meeting Dates:

ALT—August 8, 2024 at 6:00 pm
 Executive Board—September 12, 2024 at 6:30 pm

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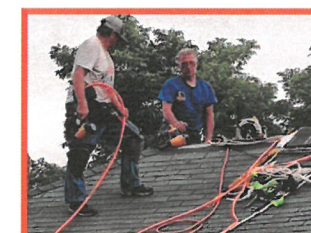
ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

Saturday, October 19, 2024

Location and time will be announced soon

Reservations required for breakfast – RSVP by October 11th
 Weakley County Baptist Association – 731-364-3739

Each Church is allowed 4 messengers – the non-pastor Executive Board member and 3 others.



WEAKLEY COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION



GREAT COMMISSION FUND OFFERING

Supporting our local, national, and international mission endeavors.

WCBA Goal \$18,000

Send your church news
by the 15th of each month to:
Weakley.Baptists@gmail.com; newsletter prints on/around the 20th

CHURCH NEWS



Pastorless Churches: New Salem, Northwestern, Oak Grove (I), Ruthville

WCBA: July is when we emphasize the Great Commission Fund to support WCBA Missions. The next Ministry Assistant/Church Clerk lunch will be August 22nd @ noon @ Central in Martin. Our ACP Packets are now ready to pick up. We will soon be sending emails to those that opted for digital packets this year. These are due back in September. ***Reminder: We do have an after-hours Drop Box for pickup and drop off.**

Bethel, Greenfield: Our VBS will be July 21st-25th. The theme is Great Jungle Journey. Revival services will be August 18th-21st @ 7:00 pm nightly with Bro. Joe Shannon. Pastor: Mark Warren

Dresden FBC: All men are invited to the Men's Ministry breakfast Saturday, August 3rd, at 8:00 am. There will be good food & fellowship. The SEW Faithful ministry will gather Saturday, August 3rd, from 9:00 am to noon for sewing and non-sewing mission projects. Helping hands are appreciated. The annual Good Old Gospel Singing will be held Friday, August 9th at 7:00 pm. TeamKID ministry will start back Wednesday, August 14th at 6:00 pm for kids PreK-6th grade. Our Homecoming Service will be Sunday, August 18th with Sunday School at 9:45 and worship starting at 10:45 am. The Bethel Renaissance Bluegrass Band will be our special music, followed by our pastor, Dr. Don McCulley, bringing the sermon. A potluck meal will be held after the service in the LC. We invite guests, former & present members to attend. JustOlderYouth will meet Tuesday, August 20th at 11:30 am with Kelly Morgan from Agape House speaking. All Senior adults are invited. Pastor: Don McCulley

Long Heights: We enjoyed hosting the Ministry Assistants Meet-Greet-and-Eat group this past Thursday. It was a blessing to fellowship with each other. VBS was a great success this year! Many area children heard about God's love for them and several accepted the Lord as their Savior! Praise Him! Youth Camp in Florida also went well, with many youth attending. We currently have a mission group of 14 in Trinidad, where they are doing VBS. Bro. Kenny Carr is preaching their Revival. Children's Camp is next week and we are praying for and expecting the Holy Spirit to touch the children's hearts! Pastor: Kenny Carr

Palmersville: We are excited about the construction of a new youth building and 7 new members have been added to our rolls! Pastor: Brian Gallimore

Ralston: We are excited to announce that Ralston is celebrating 150 years of service to our Lord! The first service was in May of 1874. Sunday, October 6th, we will have an all-day celebration. Mark your calendar to be a part of it! We have had a very busy June. We had a good attendance for VBS each night. Our 5th Sunday night singing was well attended. Bro. Elwood Doss, David Hicks, Ricky and Tina Rosemann, and others provided songs, music and/or speaking. Sunday night, July 7th, our puppets entertained after the fellowship meal with a patriotic program. The youth group from Cottage Grove Baptist Church came and enjoyed the program with us. Pastor: Kenneth Springer

Thompson Creek: Revival services were held each Monday night in July with different pastors preaching. We had several to come to the altar for prayer, two older youth rededicated their lives, one young man surrendered to the ministry, and another man gave his life to the Lord. On July 7th, the boy who was saved during VBS was baptized. One of our young adults who questioned her salvation received Christ as her Savior and Lord and will be baptized July 21st. Three of our members worked in the WCBA Summer Mission Trip. Pastor: Billy Ross

Victory: We have called Bro. Michael Rust as our Pastor. We are excited about the future & work that will be done. Sunday morning & evening services & Wednesday night service are held every week. We'd like to invite anyone not attending these services elsewhere to join us. We're in need of a song leader. Bro. Michael is doing a good job, but says singing makes him nervous. Come join us in Praise & Worship. Pastor: Michael Rust

WCBA SUMMER MISSION TRIP 2024 - Project Homework

About forty-three volunteers from Weakley County and Strong Tower Baptist Church in Johnson City, TN, participated in our Summer Mission Project in Weakley County. We were able to perform work on 17 job requests including helping out with VBS, roofing, pressure washing, plumbing, painting, cutting trees, etc.



WCBA Budget Status
As of June 30, 2024
Actual Income to Date \$122,247.24
Actual Expenses to Date \$122,768.71
Yearly Budget Expense/Income \$173,638.00

Bible Study Fellowship

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Build Friendships.**

Who We Are
Bible Study Fellowship is a free, interdenominational 30-week study for all ages and levels of Bible knowledge to explore God's Word in community. We teach, train, and mobilize individuals to know and love God and others through His Word. Learn more at bsfinternational.org

How We Study

- Read Bible & Answer Questions
- Discuss in Small Groups
- Listen to Teaching
- Explore Lesson Notes

REVELATION THE HOPE 2024-25 Study

Who: Men Kids (0-5) Women Students (6-18) Young Adults

Day: Tuesday beginning Sep 10th Time: 6:00 -7:30 pm

Location: Central Baptist Lord's Chapel, 1450 Stella Ruth Rd

Register Today at: join.bsfinternational.org for Martin location

150 YEARS OF GOD'S STORY
1874-2024

SUMMIT Embassy Suites, Murfreesboro
November 10-12, 2024

KICKSTART TO FALL CRAFT FAIR

10'x8' Inside Booth : \$30
10'x10' Outside Booth : \$20

For more information and application form, please email secretary@cbcmartin.org

All Booth Fees will go toward Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes

September 21, 2024 9am - 5pm
Central Baptist Church
801 Harrison Rd Martin, TN

We are excited to welcome the new pastor at Victory, Bro. Michael Rust, and his wife Melissa. The Rusts have been serving as interims at Victory over the last several months.

WCBA Finance Team Meeting
Tuesday, July 30, 2024 @ 6 PM @ WCBA Mission Center

Eastside Baptist Church, Martin is currently accepting resumes for a song leader. Some experience necessary. Resumes may be submitted by mail to: Eastside Baptist Church, c/o Kristy Matheny, 2540 Ralston Rd, Martin, TN, 38237 or by email to eastsidebaptistchurch1971@gmail.com.

Next Meet, Greet & Eat for All Church Ministry Assistants and Clerks (volunteer and paid):
August 22, 2024 @ Central, Martin @ Noon
BYO Lunch

Monday Morning Pastor's Conference Beginning at 10 am

Join us for preaching, praying and old time fellowship and worship.
You don't have to be a preacher to attend—
Come join us every Monday at 10 a.m.

Minister's Wives
On the first Monday of each month Minister's Wives will meet beginning at 10 am for prayer and devotion time.

VBS Dates, Times & Themes:

Greenfield: Bethel: July 21-25, Great Jungle Journey

WCBA EQUIPPING THE SAINTS

PRESENTS A STUDY ON SERMON BUILDING & DELIVERY

Taught by Bro. Jeff Moody

Monday Nights • 6:00-7:30 pm • August 5, 2024-September 23, 2024
@ WCBA Mission Center

Please call the WCBA Mission Center at 731-364-3739 by 7/29/2024 to sign up for the class. No cost. Open to pastors, deacons, and laypeople.

WMU Quarterly Meeting Christmas in August
Tuesday, August 27, 2024
@ 7:00 pm @ Gleason FBC

Cans For Kids Sold a load of cans for \$450 in May. That's a total of \$1249 for 2024 so far. Wow! Proceeds benefit activities for the children of Tennessee Baptist Children's Home. Collection trailer is on the parking lot of Mathis Battery in Dresden. Drop your cans off to make a difference in the lives of children served by these homes!

CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS

2024 Christmas Backpacks
Collection Days Oct 21-23, 2024
www.tnbaptist.org/backpacks Collection Dates Oct 21-23, 2024

I am loaning out puppets and everything you need to present a puppet program, except a cd player and hands. I have worked with puppets for about 7 years and love it, but we need help to reach more people. Puppets are great for large and small churches, nursing homes, children's church, VBS, etc. If interested, please call me at 731-514-7772. Judy Pearce

Biblical Counseling Ministry
John Bowers, certified counselor with the Association of Certified Biblical Counselors, is available for counseling on Mondays.

The Associational Churches cover the cost of these services, but services are by appointment only.

Please call the WCBA office at 731-364-3739 to schedule an appointment.