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Fulfilling the Great Commission by connecting people with people.
Matthew 28:19-20



... from your
**Director of
 Missions**

Fall is in the air....

Fall is always an interesting time for us at SBA. Churches begin the move toward fall/winter activities. Major training events are not scheduled due to holiday schedules and church functions. So that part of what we do slows down. However, this becomes a busy time for administrative functions. Preparing budget, filling vacancies on our teams and committees, submitting your Annual Church Profiles, filling pulpits for pastors on vacation, and preparing for the annual meeting. This is the time of year that I take most of my vacation time. :-)

We are always available. You need only to call the office. If Paula and/or myself are out, someone will be here and can get a message to us. Don't hesitate to call.

I am in the process of trying to firm up our next foreign mission trip (Brazil and the Amazon River). We will have room for 14 on the trip. If you are interested watch for details. Please pray that everything can be worked out soon. There have been some changes at Amazon Vision Ministries. This trip can accommodate almost anyone. If you can climb up a hill, then you can go. We would be doing a medical clinic, dentistry, children's ministry, and personal evangelism.

It is with sadness that I report the passing of Bong Hee Han, the pastor of Tyler Korean Church. Bro. Han was always a delight to work with at the church. He ran a tight ship, but the church was better for it. He was always good to invite me to special events at the church and to also ask me to preach on occasion. He made sure I felt welcome and treated as a special guest during the meal to follow. I will miss him, but I rejoice that one day I will see him again in glory!

We held our second coaching clinic recently. Everyone had a great time and went away certified on the entry level to be a life coach. This is a very valuable tool to have in your "tool belt." I have already heard from several who have begun to use this technique in their churches. If you are one of our ministers and interested in learning more, call me. I

would be glad to coach you on a topic of your choosing to show you how it works. I am available to coach our pastors for free, you need only to set up a time with me. If you are interested in scheduling a clinic for the ministers on staff at your church, contact me for details. It can be done!

You will notice below a couple of opportunities I have had to present a falconry program at churches or camps. This is a hobby I have had for 30 years. I have developed a program that combines my love for falconry and my love for the Lord. It is very unique, and certainly not for everyone. However if you have a group (any age) that might like to have a program like this let me know. It is a good outreach event for you as it is out of the box as far as church is concerned. I do bring one or two birds, but we do not fly them, I only show them and talk about how God created them to do what they do. If you are interested in a "Falconry and Faith" program at your church or group, just give me a call.

As always, thank you for your support. God continues to bless SBA and our churches. We continue to add new churches to our fellowship. Ministry is taking place in Tyler, in Smith County, in surrounding counties and around the world. It's all because of you and your generosity. THANK YOU!

I have been in the following churches of late: Sharon (Preach), Pine Brook (Visit), Timberline Encampment (Falconry), Noonday (Falconry), Pilgrim Rest (Visit), Tyland Baptist (Preach).

Blessings, Danny

Letters to SBA Messengers will be Mailed Next Week

For the past few years to be cost effective and in lieu of a December meeting the Administrative Team has opted to send a letter with a copy of the 2017 Ministry Budget for SBA to the messengers for their consideration. This information will be mailed by November 7, 2016. The envelope will include a letter from the Team, a copy of the 2017 Ministry Spending Plan, and a Messenger Response Card. You are asked to prayerfully consider the budget, register your vote on the postage-paid card and mail it back to SBA. The voting card will be due back in the SBA office by Thursday, December 1, 2016. The messengers that we have on file will be the people to receive the budget letter. If your church has returned their Annual Church Profile, the updated listing of messengers reported will be used for the mail-out. God has truly blessed Smith Baptist Association and it is because there are members who are good stewards of the gifts and offerings that is received. Begin praying now as we look forward to 2017 and the ministry opportunities that await us.

2017 SMITH ASSOCIATION

**BUDGET
PROPOSAL**



- 1 CIM 1116 The General Epistles and Revelation (registration), SBA ofc., 6 p.m.
- 6 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
- 8 ELECTION DAY
CIM 1116 The General Epistles and Revelation (registration), SBA ofc., 6 p.m
- 11-13 RA Mission Mania - Jeff Palmer
903-360-2616
- 14 Administrative Team Meeting
SBA office, 1 p.m.
Advisory Council Meeting
Oliveto Italian Bistro, 6 p.m.
- 15 CIM 1116 The General Epistles and Revelation, SBA ofc., 6 p.m.
- 19 RA Basketball Leadership Meeting - 9 a.m.
Location TBA, Jeff Palmer 903-360-2616
Christmas in the Village - See pg. 3
- 22 CIM Class - Thanksgiving Break
- 23-24 SBA OFFICE CLOSED FOR
THANKSGIVING
- Nov. 29 - Dec. 7 (BGCT) and Dec. 4-11 (SBTC)
Week of Prayer for International Missions
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering Emphasis
- 29 CIM 1116 The General Epistles and Revelation, SBA ofc., 6 p.m

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Danny Pickens, Dir. of Missions,
Smith Baptist Assoc. 11-1-2001
- 5 Fred Smith
Calvary Baptist 11-5-2005

BIRTHDAYS

- 17 Floyd Smith, Hopewell Baptist
- 18 Harold Richardson, SBA

What is M.O.R.E.?
(Moving Out Reaching Everyone)

A Smith Baptist Association strategy for encouraging and assisting churches in fulfilling the Great Commission.

GO - BAPTIZE - TEACH!

Let's all be united in seeing MORE people come to Christ each year and being baptized in your respective churches.

For additional information about enlisting your church to be a M.O.R.E. church,

**contact
Bob Sexton
903-849-4198**

SBA Churches without Pastors

*Central, Jacksonville;
Dean, Tyler; FBC Gresham;
Garden Valley, Lindale;
Hebron, Tyler;
Ig. Bautista Colonial Hills, Tyler
Living Acts, Tyler;
and Liberty, Hawkins*

Please pray for these churches as they seek God's leadership.

**CERTIFICATE IN
MINISTRY**

SMITH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
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TYLER, TEXAS 75701
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FALL 2016

Nov. 1 - Dec. 6
Registration - Nov. 1 & 8
CIM 1116
The General Epistles and Revelation

SPRING 2017

DATE TBA
CIM 1118
Personal Evangelism

DATE TBA
CIM 1121
Interpretation-Bible for
Preaching & Teaching

Date TBA
CIM 1126
Introduction to Missions

\$25 Registration Fee
\$175 Class Fee

classes offered by
East Texas Baptist University
Marshall, Texas

For more information contact
Dr. Danny Pickens
903-581-6139
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danny@smithbaptist.org



Lookin' for a Bible Study?

Remember our Video Library



Church Support Staff Vacancies

Visit

<http://smithbaptist.org/staff-vacancies/>

for job opportunities.

Christmas in the Village

"A Lighting of the Campus"

at

Breckenridge Village of Tyler

Saturday, November 19, 2016

2:00-6:00 pm

15062 CR 1145 Tyler, TX 75704



Come enjoy games, local entertainment, Christmas shopping, live nativity, Santa Claus, open house and so much more!

A project of the BVT Auxiliary

For more information, contact Linda or Beverly
903-596-8100



the gospel *resounds*

2016 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS



November 29-December 3 BGCT
December 4-11 SBTC

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LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING® 2016



LONE STAR CHURCH

TYLER, TEXAS

Lone Star Family Outreach Challenges You to Attend

Warrior Peer Group

Thursdays at 11:00 am

604 W. 4th St. Tyler, TX 75701

A WARRIOR is defined as a person who fights battles and is known for having courage & skill.



With Deepest Sympathy

Sympathy to the family of Rev. Bong Hee Han. Pastor Han passed away Sunday, October 23. He served East Texas for over 20 years as the senior pastor at the Tyler Korean Baptist Church and the Nacogdoches Korean Baptist Church. Please be in prayer for the family, Tyler Korean Baptist Church and Nacogdoches Korean Baptist Church.





In this season of Thanksgiving we would like to highlight two SBA churches who have reached out in their respective communities. Mt. Carmel Baptist in Whitehouse and FBC Gresham have both adopted projects that have allowed church members to serve others. Especially during this time of the year remember to be aware of people in whom you contact. How can you be the hands and feet of Jesus? Matthew 25:40 states *The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'* (NIV)

(left) Mt. Carmel participated in the East Texas Food Bank Child Hunger Mission Project Saturday, October 1.



reported by Gail Portwood

Fifty-four MCBC volunteers age 6 to senior adults assembled food packets for the backpacks.

The mission of the Backpack Program is to help alleviate child hunger by providing hungry school children with nutritious and easy to prepare food at times when other resources are not available, such as weekends and school vacations. Backpack ziploc bags come filled with nutritious, easy-to-open food that do not require stove-top cooking. Empty backpacks are returned by the students and refilled for the following weekends. Food provided annually for over 6,000 children in the ETFB area. 172,000 backpacks have been provided in the 2015-2016 school year through schools, churches and after-school programs.



(right) FBC Gresham adopted an INASMUCH PROJECT on October 8

reported by Darrel Wise and Chuck McDonald

Handwritten thank you cards were given to Asst. Principal Sinnata Foreman at Owens Elementary in the Flint-Gresham area. Each teacher and employee at the school received a card. (top L-R) P.J. Roberts, Dorothy Roberts, Bobbi Nowell, Asst. Principal Foreman, Carl Hancock, Ron Nowell and Vivian Hancock.

In the second picture Kaylee May (L) and Carolyn Fears washed windshields for free for customers at a Gresham Gas Station.

Sarah Barber gave the gift of a shawl to a resident at Greenbrier Nursing Home on W. Erwin St. in Tyler.

Forty-three members participated in eight projects. It is estimated that there were 157+ people served during the project. Carl Hancock was the Project Leader. This is the second time that FBC Gresham has participated in this program.

Thank you Mt. Carmel and FBC Gresham for giving.

