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# the Smith Baptist Association connector

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



I want to use my space in the newsletter this month to encourage you to come to our Semi-Annual meeting. You can find details about time, place and other details elsewhere in the newsletter (pg. 2).

I would encourage you to come and see what the Lord is doing through Smith Baptist Association. I will be bringing a report on my recent trip to Istanbul, Turkey, where we had the opportunity to share the Gospel with Iranians who were visiting the city to celebrate the Iranian New Year. What an amazing time we had putting the Gospel into the hands of those who were unable to ever receive it before. One of the missionaries we worked with who is from this area will join us via Skype to bring you up to date on what God is doing there in Istanbul. My prayer is that we can return there next year with a small team to help again. At last count the team there had received over 400 contacts from Iranians who had received the Gospel

and wanted more information!

Just a quick word of testimony. "I shared the gospel with an Iranian who said he could not receive the Bible from me due to his work. When I asked him what he did HE SAID HE WAS AN IRANIAN JUDGE! I simply told him good, you need to read this so that you will know how to judge and know how you will be judged. With that he agreed to take the scripture!" There is no telling how God will use him.

Please pray for our meeting to be one that honors God and extols missions. I would encourage you to bring or send your messengers and be prepared to be blessed. Pray also for our churches that are seeking pastors and for me as I work with them and their committees.

I have been in the following churches of late: The Woods (Preach), FBC Hawkins (Preach), Tyland (Preach). Blessings, Danny

**SBA Semi-Annual Meeting**  
**Monday, July 24th, Meal-5 p.m. • Meeting-6 P.M.**  
**Green Acres Baptist - South Campus**  
**1010 CR 137, Flint, Texas 75762 (see pg. 2)**

**Celebrate AMERICA**  
**INDEPENDENCE DAY FIREWORKS SHOW**  
**MONDAY, JULY 3RD** beginning at 6:30pm  
 ARMED FORCES TRIBUTE • ILLUSIONIST  
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 LIVE MUSIC BY:  
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OFFICE CLOSED for HOLIDAY

10-13

African American Fellowship Conference  
Colonial Hills Baptist

10

Administrative Team Meeting  
1 p.m., SBA Office  
Advisory Council

6 p.m., Bruno's Italian Restaurant

24

SBA Semi-Annual Meeting, GABC South  
Meal 5 p.m., Meeting 6 p.m.

31-Aug. 4

R.A. Camp @ Timberline

## anniversaries

7-4-94

Ron Klingsick, Arp Emmanuel

7-7-01

J D Montgomery, Mt. Olivet

## birthdays

8

James Cheatham, Carmel  
Mike Ford, Bethel  
James Anderson, Dover

11

Scott Parrish, Bullard Southern

14

J D Montgomery, Mt. Olivet

16

Lee Evans, Jr., West Lake

21

Scott Gorbett, Noonday  
Ron Klingsick, Arp Emmanuel

27

Ron Ivey, The Carpenter's Cross

# SMITH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION Semi-Annual Meeting

Monday, July 24th

Green Acres Baptist - South Campus

1010 CR 137, Flint, Texas 75762

Meal - 5 p.m. (\$10 each) Meeting - 6 p.m.

Short Business Meeting followed by

Mission 2017

Meal catered by Spring Creek BBQ

Brisket and chicken

Potato Salad

BBQ Beans

Coleslaw

Iced Tea or Lemonade

Desserts provided by GABC South

**Pre-purchased tickets are Required  
for the Meal only!**

**No Charge to Attend the Meeting**

**Tickets may be purchased at the Associational Office or by mail.**

**Mail your check for the number of tickets desired.**

**Upon receipt of your check, your tickets will be  
emailed or mailed (your choice) to you.**

**If questions, please call 903-581-6139.**

**The office hours are Monday - Thursday, 8:30-4:30  
closed during the noon hour.**

**Deadline for ticket purchase is 4:30 p.m.  
Monday, July 17, 2017.**

Click [HERE](#) for Ticket Reservation Form

# VBS in SBA July

**10-14**

Lifepoint Fellowship  
**Gadgets & Gizmos**  
6:30-8 p.m.

Age 5 (a/o 9-1-17) - Completed 5th grade  
903-592-8357 Church Office)

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/gadgets-gizmos-vbs-lifepoint-fellowship-tyler-tx-tickets-35062642307>

**17-21**

Calvary Baptist, Tyler  
**Camp Chaos**  
9-12 p.m.

Completed K-5th grade  
Diana Koop 903-939-3200 (Church Office)

<https://www.cognitofirms.com/CalvaryBaptist-Church2/CampCHAOS>

**23-27**

Mt. Sylvan Baptist, Lindale  
**Galactic Starveyors**  
6-8:30 p.m.

Nursery-6th Grade  
Gayle Corey 903-882-3890 (Church Office)

**24-28**

Pleasant Hill  
**Galactic Starveyors**  
5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Grades 1-6  
903-561-0445 (Church Office)

County Line Baptist, Bullard  
**ROME: Paul and the Underground Church**  
6-8:30 p.m.  
PS-6th Grade  
Cassidy Clark 903-825-6418  
Register at Door or [vbspro.events/p/clbc](http://vbspro.events/p/clbc)

## August

**7-11**

Bullard Southern  
**Mighty Fortress**  
5:55pm (family dinner at 5:30)  
K-5th Grade

Micha Elliott 903-894-9267 (Church Office)

**9-12**

The Cross Baptist  
**Superheroes for The Kingdom**  
5-8 p.m.  
Saturday 10-1 p.m.  
All Ages and Adults

Tonya Johnson, Paireshia Bradley, Ira McLendon  
Pastor Steven Young 903-520-8536



**COLONIAL HILLS BAPTIST**  
**7330 S. Broadway**  
**Tyler, TX 75703**

This conference is designed to provide more than 900 churches throughout the state of Texas an opportunity to worship, fellowship, and receive training in a variety of classes. There will be a Jim Culp Banquet, worship services, mission opportunities, and a whole lot more.

Registration Required (click below)

[AFRICAN AMERICAN FELLOWSHIP CONFERENCE](#)

**2017 R.A. & Challenger Camp @ Timberline**  
**July 31 - August 4, 2017**



[Registration Packet](#)

Nicholas Waggoner 903.738.5529  
or Jeff Palmer 903.360.2616  
DEPOSITS due - July 1st BALANCE due- July 31st

*Jamie Womack*  
**A Call to SURRENDER**



**SUNDAY AUG. 27 10:45 A.M.**

**HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH**

11804 CR 494 • Tyler TX 75706  
Floyd Smith, Pastor

In today's Christian society, there is a health-wealth gospel movement. According to this belief, God wants Christians to have perfect health and wealth. What do you do when life is not perfect? **Jamie Chaney Womack** testifies of God's faithfulness even in the midst of her struggles with cerebral palsy. **My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. PSALM 73:26**

Jamie Chaney Womack was born in Oklahoma City in 1973. Due to complications at birth, Jamie has struggled with the effects of cerebral palsy. She accepted Christ as a young child. Jamie has truly put God's promises to the test.

She welcomes the opportunity to go to churches with her testimony entitled "A Call to Surrender". Jamie can be contacted through <http://jamiewomackministries.org>

**Jamie Womack is available to speak at your church that evening.**

## CERTIFICATE IN MINISTRY

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### Fall 2017 Schedule

**August 22 – Sept. 19**

**MINS 1111**

**The Pentateuch**

**Sept. 26 – Oct. 24**

**MINS 1112**

**The Conquest to the Exile**

**Oct. 31 – Dec. 5**

**MINS 1113**

**The Exile to the Intertestamental Period**

\$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

or

[danny@smithbaptist.org](mailto:danny@smithbaptist.org)

## MORE - - - Gospel

We are in that time of the year when folks are involved in so many activities. It's summer!

Churches, in many instances, switch gears and provide different activities for ministering during the summer: mission trips, Vacation Bible School, day trips to Six Flags and at church different miscellaneous events and activities are planned. Most all activities create pictures of fun and adventure for children, teens, and even adults enjoy the diversion. They also serve as means for reaching out and connecting with new folks. In most cases that is the true purpose of our activities and events.

But!! Let's not forget the gospel! Our events and activities, though fun and interesting, should not be an end in themselves. Sharing Jesus is! He is the "Good News", the "Gospel".

Let's be very intentional in all of our planned summer activities to include devotions, testimonies, and yes, invitations for people to receive Christ. Keep in mind to help them experience Him. That's the Gospel!

For Him and M.O.R.E.  
Bob Sexton



**We are pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the SBA 2017 Community Missions Grant.**

A portion of the SBA budget has been designated to be available to cooperating churches for local mission projects. This application must be completed and submitted by email. Any SBA church may apply **once** a year for one specific project to be completed within the Smith Baptist Association for the purpose of evangelism. The Administrative Team will review each application. You will receive notification of the decision regarding your request following the Team meeting. Funds will be available until November 1, 2017, or until the account balance has been depleted, whichever comes first.

Click [HERE](#) for application

**Grants are awarded monthly until funds are depleted.**

## Churches seeking Pastors

*Dean, Tyler; Hebron, Tyler;  
Ig. Bautista Colonial Hills, Tyler;  
Liberty, Hawkins; Pruitt, Van  
The Woods, Tyler*

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

**Church Support Staff Vacancies**  
Visit

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



Click [HERE](#) to see what is available!

**Lookin' for a Bible Study?**

Check out our Video Library



If you have checked out a Bible Study and are finished with it, please return it to Smith Baptist Association.