what’s happening

December

3rd - 10th - Lottie Moon Christmas Offering Emphasis
5th - MINS 1113 “The Exile to the Intertestamental Period”
11th - Administrative Team Meeting, 1 p.m., SBA Office

22nd - January 1st - Office closed for Christmas Holidays
Office will re-open Tuesday, January 2, 2018 @ 8:30 a.m.

January

2nd - SBA Office Opens at 8:30 a.m.
  6th - RA Basketball
  8th - Administrative Team Meeting, 1 p.m. SBA Office
       Advisory Council Meeting, 6 p.m., Bruno’s Pizza
 13th - RA Basketball
16th - MINS 1117 - Introduction to Church Ministry
       Registration; 6 p.m., SBA office
19th-20th - Coaching Clinic, SBA Office
 20th - RA Basketball
 23rd - Introduction to Church Ministry
       Registration; 6 p.m., SBA office
 27th - RA Basketball
 28th - SBA Annual Meeting, FBC Tyler
       Meal @ 5 p.m., Meeting @ 6 p.m.
 30th - Introduction to Church Ministry

BIRTHDAYS

12-11  
Darrell Wise
  FBC Gresham
12-24  
Mike Morrow
  Cross Brand Cowboy Church
  1-7  
Erik Switzer
  Sharon Baptist
  1-16  
David Dykes
  Green Acres Baptist

ANNIVERSARIES

12-2-1990  
Ken Goode, East Lake Baptist
12-2-2011  
Chris Legg, South Spring Baptist
1-1-1990  
Bennie Portwood, Mt. Carmel Baptist
1-9-2012  
Frank Zia, Broadway Baptist
1-10-1999  
Mark Price, Southside Baptist
1-15-2009  
Steven Young, The Cross Baptist
1-31-1993  
Robert Carter, Colonial Hills Baptist

A Glance at SBA
Pastorless Churches
Dean Baptist Church, Tyler; First Baptist, Mineola;
Holly Brook Baptist, Hawkins; Iglesia Bautista Colonial Hills, Tyler.
Lake Tyler Baptist, Tyler; Liberty Baptist, Hawkins;
and The Woods Baptist, Tyler;

Churches with Interim Pastors
Dean Baptist, Tyler - Rev. Bob Sexton
First Baptist, Mineola - Dr. Lynn Eckeberger
Holly Brook Baptist, Hawkins - Dr. Scott Richardson
Iglesia Bautista Colonial Hills, Tyler - Rev. Francisco Rodriguez
Lake Tyler Baptist, Tyler - Dr. Danny Pickens
Liberty Baptist, Hawkins - Dr. Paul Saylors
The Woods Baptist, Tyler - Dr. Charles Dodson

Please be in prayer for all of the churches in SBA.
For a listing of other Staff Vacancies
http://smithbaptist.org/staff-vacancies/

SBA Holiday Schedule
Christmas - Office Closed
Dec. 22 - Jan. 1, 2018
Terrible acts of violence continue to affect our lives and the lives of those we love. These events can happen anywhere at any time. Whether due to terrorism, workplace violence, or the act of a mentally unstable person, our society continues to be the target of these attacks. Are you prepared? Sheriff Larry R. Smith and the Smith County Sheriff’s Office is presenting this free training to the public.

This training, “Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events”, teaches what happens during an event. The human response both physical and psychological, common actions of the actor, law enforcement response and actions you can take to help you and your loved ones survive the attack.

The training will be on Tuesday December 5th at 6:30pm at Green Acres Baptist Church, 1607 Troup Hwy, in Tyler.

This subject is graphic and some portions of the training may not be suitable for children. Parents are strongly encouraged to “not” bring children younger than 13 to the training.

To RSVP for this event please send email to rsvpsheriffsmith@gmail.com

If you have any questions regarding the training please contact Sgt. Darrell Coslin at 903-590-2967.

For more information on the Smith County Sheriff’s Office visit www.smithcountysheriff.com. The Sheriff’s Office also has a FB page and can be followed on Twitter at @SmithCSO.
Ephesians 3:21 helps us to understand God wants glory in His church in His Son, Jesus Christ.

That was God’s focus in sending Jesus to be born as one of us and go to the cross to die for our sinfulness. In Him, we who know Christ, are to be demonstrating to others what God intended for all mankind out of His great love for us. That’s how God gets glory “in the church – in Christ Jesus”.

As we approach the Christmas season, let’s realize that “glory in the church” in Christ Jesus” is really what it is about. Therefore, we in SBA should have the vision and the practice of bringing glory to our Father through his Son in all of our churches. I believe we do that first of all by fulfilling the GREAT COMMISSION very specifically and deliberately.

Glory to God in SBA churches is what M.O.R.E. is all about – and changed lives through faith in Christ gives us all abundant cause for much thanksgiving.

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