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... from your Director of Missions

Our 120th annual meeting was excellent! Bullard Southern Baptist hosted us, and we wanted for nothing. They had a great crew of volunteers opening the doors, providing music, waiting table, and preparing deserts! Thank you, Scott Parrish and parishioners for making us feel very welcome and for being a part of Smith Baptist.

The theme of this annual meeting was Church Planting. Our main presenters were former and current church planters and our Texas Baptists church planning coordinator, Clay Jacobson. Charles Faulks, Jason Rhodes, and Patrick Lissner did a great job of informing our messengers of what it means to be a church planter, what was unique about their church plant, how churches can get involved, and most importantly how church plants impact the Kingdom.

Thanks to all who attended and thanks to our other presenters. This year you and or your church has the opportunity to go to Central Asia, Brazil (Amazon), participate in City Fest, sponsor a church planter in our first ever Church Planting Center, as well as other opportunities for ministry. Smith Baptist Association, made up of 86 churches and two missions is indeed reaching the world for Christ.

Thanks also to Paula Pickens, Sue Sexton, Jamie Hawbaker, and Bill Brown. SBA is blessed with staff who care about our ministry and those who minister alongside us. I appreciate them more than they know. The truth is.....they make

me look good!

Don't be caught on the sidelines! Jump in with both feet and get involved with missions, you won't regret it!

As always I give thanks for allowing me to serve you as your Director of Missions. Our churches make it a joy to serve; your cooperative attitude makes all the difference!

I have been in the following churches as of late: Faith Baptist Quitman (Preach), Westwood (Preach), Gateway (Meet with Leadership), Bullard Southern Baptist (Annual Meeting), Mt. Carmel (Meet with Deacons)

Grace Abounds, Dr. Danny

Photo credit: Dennis Bennett



Messengers and Guests waiting for the start of the 120th Annual Meeting of SBA.



Scott Parrish, pastor of Bullard Southern opened the meeting with Scripture and a prayer.



Patrick Lissner of Myriad Community Church, Jason Rhodes of Destiny HOD and Clay Jacobson with Texas Baptists.



Charles Faulks of Pilgrim Rest participating in the panel discussion about church planting.



**Please begin praying for the following who are going on this trip:**

**Robert Carter, Scott Cottingham, Scott Gorbett, Danny Pickens, David Rebenstorf, Floyd Smith Glenda & Rick Sydnor, and Stephen Welch**



# February

- 2-2 Groundhog Day
- 2-4 Church Planting Center (CPC) "Orientation"  
6 p.m., SBA Office
- 2-5 **TOGETHER WE EAT (TWE)** @ Fuzzy's Tacos  
corner of Old J'ville Hwy & Grande Blvd.  
11:30 a.m.
- MINS 1124 "Baptist Distinctives"  
6 pm, SBA Office
- 2-11 Administrative Team Meeting  
1 pm, SBA Office  
Church Planting Center (CPC)  
"How to Understand Church Tax Law &  
Requirements"  
6 p.m., SBA Office
- 2-12 MINS 1124 "Baptist Distinctives"  
6 pm, SBA Office (Final)
- 2-14 VALENTINE'S DAY**
- 2-16 GA Mission Fair @ Southern Oaks  
8 am-1 pm, \$5 per person
- 2-18 President's Day  
Church Planting Center (CPC)  
"How to Develop a Church Constitution & By-Laws"  
6 pm, SBA Office
- 2-19 MINS 1127 "Leadership Among Ministry Volunteers"  
6 pm, SBA Office (Registration)
- 2-25 Church Planting Center (CPC)  
"How to Develop a Church budget"  
6 pm, SBA Office
- 2-26 MINS 1127 - "Leadership Among Ministry Volunteers"  
6 pm, SBA Office (Registration)

## BIRTHDAYS

- 2-2  
Stephen Nipp, Antioch
- 2-3  
David Burcham, Harvest Acres
- 2-6  
Paul Saylor, Liberty
- 2-13  
Robert Carter, Colonial Hills
- 2-18  
Bill Weaver, FBC Big Sandy
- 2-23  
Danny Pickens, SBA

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 2-1-2006  
James Cheatham, Carmel
- 2-7-2008  
Davey Smith, Fellowship
- 2-14-2008  
Jose Sanchez  
Iglesia Bautista de Fe



Click [HERE](#)  
to view  
a copy of the  
Book of Reports

**Smith Baptist Association  
120th Annual Meeting  
was held  
Sunday, January 27, 2019  
Bullard Southern Baptist Church**

Approximately 250 people attended  
Representing 30 churches and 6 organizations.

Thank you  
Pastor Scott Parrish and Bullard Southern  
for your wonderful hospitality!

[Click to View Pictures](#)

## PASTORS



## TOGETHER WE EAT (TWE)

Tuesday, February 5th @ 11:30 A.M.  
@ Fuzzy's Tacos  
6361 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703

(Behind Chicken Express on corner of  
Grande and Old Jacksonville Hwy.)

## A Glance at SBA

### Pastorless Churches

Bethel Baptist, New Chapel Hill  
Dean Baptist Church, Tyler  
FBC Gresham, Tyler  
Pleasant Hill Baptist, Tyler

**Please be in prayer for all  
of the churches in SBA.**

For a listing of other Staff Vacancies

[STAFF VACANCIES](#)



Classes meet on Tuesday Evenings  
 6 pm, SBA Office  
 \$25 Registration Fee (one-time fee)  
 \$175 per Course  
 Classes are accredited through  
 East Texas Baptist University

**COURSES OFFERED IN CIM PROGRAM**

- #1111 Old Testament 1: The Pentateuch
- #1112 Old Testament 2: The Conquest to the Exile
- #1113 Old Testament 3: The Exile to the Intertestamental Period
- #1114 The Interbiblical period and the Gospels
- #1115 Acts and the Pauline Epistles
- #1116 The General Epistles and Revelation
- #1117 Introduction to Church Ministry
- #1118 Personal Evangelism
- #1119 The Work of the Minister
- #1121 The Interpretation of the Bible for Preaching and Teaching
- #1122 The Preparation of Sermons and Bible Studies
- #1123 Baptist History
- #1124 Baptist Distinctives
- #1126 Introduction to Missions
- #1127 Leadership Among Ministry Volunteers
- #1129 Dual Vocational Ministry
- #1131 Introduction to Christian History
- #1132 Introduction to Christian Doctrine



*The Love and Respect Weekend provides couples the opportunity to strengthen their marriage regardless of the marriage they have. Whether it be repairing a damaged relationship or strengthening an amazing relationship, this workshop will provide you with scripturally based information to make your marriage stronger.*

*Childcare is available for children (birth to 12 years old) by reservation only.*

*The event begins February 8th at 6:00 p.m., wraps for the evening at 10:00 p.m., then meets from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on February 9th. The conference will meet in Colonial Hills' worship center.*

*The cost of the conference is \$50 per couple.*

**[Register Here](#)**

**2019 VBS Material Overview • Dates and Locations**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	ADDRESS
Tuesday, February 12	9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Texas Baptist Offices	7007 Rambler Road, Ste. 1200, Dallas 75231
Saturday, February 16	9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	First Baptist Church Rockport	1515 N. Live Oak St., Rockport 48384

SESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE AFTER FEBRUARY 16

**REGISTRATION** is necessary in order to have adequate materials available. Please register by February 5, 2019. Register online at [www.texasbaptists.org/childhood](http://www.texasbaptists.org/childhood) by clicking on the VBS logo and completing the registration process.



For more information, contact Sarah Johnson 214-828-5205. BGCT VBS curriculum is made possible by your gifts to the Mary Hill Davis Offering for Texas Missions.

**Southern Baptist of Texas VBS Training**

March 2, 2019  
 Trinity Baptist Church  
 5041 Estes Parkway  
 Longview, TX 75603

(903) 643-3819

\*\*Hispanic Track Offered\*\*

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**it's coming!!!!**

**SEPT. 5-7, 2019**

**small**

**CHURCH**

**summit**

**SENDING HOPE**

**MARCH 3 - 10, 2019**

**Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**

**FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS**

**M.O.R.E.**  
**MOVE OUT REACHING EVERYONE**  
**Churches Achieving 15% Goal of Baptisms Based on Reported 2018 Sunday School Attendance**

**43%**  
 Lone Star Church, Tyler  
 Dr. Doug Haning, Pastor - (2017, 2018)

**42%**  
 Faith Baptist Church, Tyler  
 Dr. Maurice McMillion, Pastor

**33%**  
 FBC Edom, Edom  
 Rev. Craig Lloyd, Pastor

Pilgrim Rest, Tyler  
 Rev. Charles Faulks, Pastor

**30%**  
 Macedonia Baptist Church, Chandler  
 Rev. Carl George, Pastor

**28%**  
 Dean Baptist, Tyler  
 Rev. Bob Sexton, Interim Pastor  
 Gateway Baptist Church, Whitehouse  
 Rev. Lester Foreman, Pastor

**20%**  
 Midway Baptist, Tyler  
 Rev. Tim Mason


**19%**  
 Westwood Baptist, Tyler  
 Pastorless

**HONORABLE MENTION**

**12%**  
 Cross Brand Cowboy Church  
 Rev. Mike Morrow

**10%**  
 Bullard Southern, Rev. Scott Parrish  
 Lake Tyler Baptist, Dr. Gary Bowman

Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 6:30 p.m.



**Life Groups**  
*"Doing Life Together"*

**Northeast Texas Cowboy Church**  
 2680 FM 2911 • Big Sandy, TX 75755 • 903-330-6162

- To have Passion of Fellowship
- To Grow
- To love God
- To love People

Acts 2:46 • Matthew 28:19-20

4th Tuesday of Each Month @ 6:30 p.m.



**Life Groups**  
*"Doing Life Together"*

**Westwood Baptist Church**  
 820NNW Loop 323 • Tyler, TX 75702 • 903-592-5124

- To have Passion of Fellowship
- To Grow
- To love God
- To love People

Acts 2:46 • Matthew 28:19-20



**Dallas Holm**  
**In Concert**

**First Baptist Church Gresham**  
 16844 County Road 165 • Tyler, Texas

**Thursday, February 7th at 6:30 p.m.**

**FREE ADMISSION**  
 A Love Offering Will be Received  
 Doors open at 5:30 p.m.  
 First Come - First Served  
 For more information call 903-561-0174

**ARE YOU READY FOR SOME GOOD NEWS?**  
**Pastor & Leaders Conference**  
**Marvin United Methodist Church**  
**Thursday, April 4th**  
**8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.**



**CITYFEST EAST TEXAS**

**October 5-6, 2019**

**INFO@CITYFEST.ORG**



Bob Sexton, M.O.R.E. Coordinator, announcing award recipients for 2018 at the Annual Meeting.