



Good News

Acts 1:8b "...and you will be my witnesses..."

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Semi-annual Business Meeting and Mission Forum

"GPS: God's Plan for Sharing"

Friday, April 23, 2010 - Jefferson Baptist Church

R.S.V.P by April 15

225.296.3943 or baptistassociation@bagbr.org

BAGBR is sponsoring a Mission Forum this year in conjunction with *the Semi-annual Business Meeting on April 23, 2010* at Jefferson Baptist Church. The forum is entitled, "GPS: God's Plan for Sharing" with Dr. Kenneth Weathersby, North American Mission Board (NAMB) Senior Strategist in Evangelization, as the keynote speaker. Dr. Weathersby graduated from Mississippi College, earned his Master of Divinity at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and his Doctor of Ministry at Reformed Theological Seminary. Prior to joining NAMB, Dr. Weathersby was a National Missionary serving as the Nehemiah Project Director. He also taught at New Orleans Baptist Seminary as Associate Professor of Church Planting. Dr. Weathersby served as pastor of Douglas Avenue Baptist Church in Baton Rouge for a season, as well.

Topics to be discussed will include: church-wide prayer for the lost, equipping every believer to share, sowing and harvesting the Word. Please make plans to attend this unique mission education experience.

The *Semi-Annual BAGBR Business Meeting* will be held at 7:00 p.m. **Pastors elect your messengers.**

AGENDA

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| 5:30 p.m. | Registration |
| 5:45 p.m. | Fellowship and Dinner |
| 6:15 p.m. | Music & keynote speaker |
| 7:00 p.m. | BAGBR Semi-annual Business Meeting |
| 7:30 p.m. | Break-out sessions (<i>All four topics will be covered during this time</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Praying—Every church praying for lost people• Equipping—Equipping every believer to share as a trained witness• Sowing—Every lost person receiving a witness• Harvesting—Every church harvesting and celebrating every salvation response |
| 8:30 p.m. | Question & Answer |

Pastors, we hope to get at least four (4) individuals from each church – one each for Praying, Equipping, Sowing and Harvesting to attend the break-out session.

Change is Necessary and Predictable

Rodrick E. Conerly, Executive Director

As Pastor Red Brick pulled into the parking lot at the Local State College, he noticed that the rain had turned to sleet. As he briskly stepped across the Union parking lot he tugged his coat to keep sleet from blowing down his collar. Just as he reached the door someone opened it for him.

"I saw you as you parked and thought I would get the door for you," said Dr. So C. Ologi.

Dr. Ologi was a member of the White Column Church and was just the person Pastor Red Brick had wanted to see. Red had noticed changes across the denomination for a number of years as a new generation of ministers had begun to take leadership. Changes, both subtle and apparent, were discernable. A change that concerned Red was that the new leaders did not seem to share the previous generation's (Red's generation) commitment to cooperative endeavors, both in the local association and the state convention. Not being one to just fret over something, Red decided to meet with Dr. Ologi and get his viewpoint and advice on the changes that were occurring.

After settling down into the overstuffed chair in So's office, for twenty minutes Red expressed his observations. Dr. Ologi listened intently to Red and then made the following comments.

"Pastor Brick," said Dr. Ologi, "I have made similar observations. What you expressed is part of an observable cycle in human society. Although most people do not like change, change is predictable. Every day, in each individual, change takes place. As time passes, each generation leaves its finger print on history."

"In society," continued Dr. Ologi, "change often is accompanied by discontent; and at times with strife and struggle. Each new generation feels impelled to create changes. The same generation, as it grows older, resists the changes sought by the next generation. Too often, in the struggle between the generations, the flow of God's plan for human civilization is overlooked."

Pastor Red Brick realized that he had come to the right person. Dr. Ologi continued, "Within human society each generation usually experiences a period of **spiritual awakening** or a period of **secular crisis**, sometimes both. Now, please note that a spiritual awakening does not mean a movement toward organized religion. Most often a period of spiritual awakening or secular crisis will overlap succeeding generations and may last up to twenty years, more or less, as they influence each other."

"During a **spiritual awakening**, a concern for the inner life, or spirit, develops and an emphasis of **experiencing faith** becomes paramount. Individuals focus on personal inner values and beliefs. The most recent spiritual awakening in America began in the late 1960s with the coming of age of the **boomer generation** and continued to the early 1980s."

Dr. Ologi continued, "The second period is a time of **secular crisis**. The social order that became fragmented during the period of spiritual awakening feels vulnerable because of a threat or common enemy. This results in a move away from individualism and toward a common set of values – generally for survival reasons. The emphasis of **doing**, or **action**, comes to the forefront."

"Now Pastor Brick," emphasized Dr. Ologi, "we are moving into a period of secular crisis. The previous secular crisis was the Great Depression of the 1930s which led to World War II. I believe the trigger for the next secular crisis occurred on **September 11, 2001**. Current events indicate that the decade of the 2010s will be a secular crisis period."

"Also," said Dr. Ologi, "A result of a secular crisis is a period of outward directed energies. In the United States this period of **doing** followed WWII with the rechanneling of the energies from war to the building of social structures and institutions. This resulted in the growth of cities and suburbs of the 1950s and 60s. Church membership, as well as denominational institutions and agencies grew. A mood of unanimity of purpose and goals was felt across the nation that extended into the 1960s. President Kennedy expressed this when he said,

Ask not what your country can do for you, but ask what you can do for your country."

"Then, Pastor Brick," continued Dr. Ologi, "following the expending of outward energies by society, the next generation develops an inner spiritual hunger. The **boomer generation** that came of age in the late 60s and early 70s focused on the spiritual side of life. What developed was a new generation with an intensifying concern for the individual and a disregard for the collective community. During this time it was difficult to establish community consensus on anything of substance. The evidence of this reality is seen by the leadership of President Lyndon Johnson as he led the nation into *The Great Society* with its welfare system. The concept of "doing for your country" under President Kennedy had become one of *what is the country doing for me?* A good example of the fragmentation of this period was the division among the American population to President Johnson's Vietnam War efforts."

Dr. Ologi shifted in his chair as he moved the conversation to the next point.

"Now Pastor Brick, to put this in relation to the established church, the inner directed spiritual awakening reflects an **experiencing faith** period. A longing for authentic spirituality develops. The prevailing institutional forms of faith that developed in the 1950s and 60s seemed insufficient to provide an inner spiritual renewal. During this period of spiritual awakening attention is placed on **getting to know God**."

"You see, Red," continued Dr. Ologi, "An indication of the experiencing faith period of the last twenty years have been the response to Henry Blackaby's *Experiencing God*. A characteristic of this period is that as the individual looks inward and is concerned with personal inner spirituality an erosion occurs of those traditions within the Christian church that emphasize acting on one's faith. The result has been a decline in the number of conversions and baptisms across our denomination."

Pastor Red Brick interrupted with a question, "What tendencies have you seen Dr. Ologi that support this?"

Dr. Ologi replied, "Apart from the decline in numbers, some subtle signs of the fragmentation of a spiritual awakening with its tendency toward individualism are;

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1. A tendency among the new generation of pastors toward less fellowship with each other in a structured, formalized manner.
2. A tendency among pastors to be less involved in denominational life (local association, state conventions, and national convention).
3. A feeling among the majority of church members to "experience church" without being involved.
4. The tendency among church leaders to give less emphasis on the traditional methods of missions and evangelism and more attention to the individual church's mission and ministry efforts.

"Bro. Red Brick," stated Dr. Ologi, "in order to prepare for what God is about to do, these realities of the previous spiritual awakening must be faced. These realities are part of the forces that have shaped our nation for the past thirty years. We should recognize them and create structures and strategies to take advantage of those movements in society. Biblically, we are a people of inner faith translated into external outward concern and effort. The new generation of pastors has emerged at the point of a shift away from the period of **spiritual awakening**. They will lead us into and through the next **secular crisis** period with its attention on **doing faith**."

"The coming period will be characterized by redefined values that motivate individuals to respond to the question of,

***Now that you have heard the gospel and all its implications,
What are you going to do?***

"So, Pastor Brick," continued Dr. Ologi, "rather than explaining the decline in numbers we should recognize the reality of today's social order and get busy with the task at hand."

"Dr. Ologi, what do you think we should be doing?" asked Red.

"Brother Red," said Dr. Ologi, "rather than waiting for change to occur and then reacting to it, should we not be part of the change process? We should approach the future with four tasks;

- (1) Identify the strong aspects of our denominational traditions that can be utilized as the next period of 'secular crisis' and its stress on **doing faith** unfolds,
- (2) Recognize that society will undergo tremendous pressures during the next crisis period,
- (3) Identify those structures and strategies of the inward directed period that have been useful in extending God's Kingdom,
- (4) Plan for the creation, or the recreation, of strategies and structures that will be of most benefit to God's Kingdom during the next outward directed period of **doing faith** that will develop from the next period of 'secular crisis.'

"Well, Dr. Ologi," said Red, "that is a lot of good insight and explains a lot of what I have seen happening in our denomination for the last two decades. You have helped me see that the White Column Church needs to prepare for changes that are coming."



Noonday Passion Week Study Schedule March 29-April 2

Each day starting on Monday, March 29th, through Friday, April 2nd we will gather at one of the five churches to hold a noonday Passion Week Study from 11:45 a.m.-12: 45 p.m.

Preachers:

March 29 - Jefferson Baptist—Pastor David Goza
 March 30 - Florida Boulevard —Pastor Randy Johnson
 March 31 - CrossPoint Baptist—Pastor Landon Dowden
 April 1 - FBC, Denham Springs—Pastor Keith Sewell
 April 2 - Woodlawn—Pastor Tommy Middleton

Topics:

Monday---Luke 22:1-23, The Lord's Supper
 Tuesday---Luke 22:24-38, Who is the greatest & denial
 Wednesday---Luke 22:39-62...The garden prayer /betrayal
 Thursday---Luke 22:63-23:25...The arrest & trial
 Friday---Luke 24:26-43...The crucifixion

Praying for Our Churches...

BAGBR churches seeking pastors include:

- Dutchtown Baptist
- Erwinville Baptist
- False River Baptist
- First Baptist Baton Rouge
- First Baptist Donaldsonville
- First Baptist Port Allen
- Oakcrest Baptist
- New Life Church of Baton Rouge
- University Baptist



**Notes from Dennis Allen
Assistant to the Executive Director**

The first month of 2010 has been exciting and presented us as an association of churches with many opportunities. Our hearts are touched by the aftermath of the earth quake in Haiti. It is also heartwarming to see the response of our churches. Our pastors are doing a remarkable job in leading our churches in their response to this crisis.

Our recent Bi-Vo/Small Church Pastors and Wives retreat was something special. The focus was RELATIONSHIPS and LEADERSHIP, however what happened was some wonderful folks having a great time. The hayride was a special treat along with sitting around the fireplace in The Upper Room. Our thanks to Eugene, Debbie and Steve for being such great host. All who attended responded with "when can we do this again?" I also want to thank Gary Mitchell (LBC) for his support and help in making this retreat possible. It is my hope that we will be able to do this again next year.

I hope you were able to attend this year's Evangelism Conference at Istrouma. It without a doubt was one of our best. It was timely and inspiring. Our thanks to Dr. Wayne Jenkins (LBC) and the wonderful folks at Istrouma Baptist Church who are always willing to help the LBC and their BAGBR Association.

We will be sending our schedule for the quarterly Area Pastors' Conferences in the near future. I encourage you to be a part of these meetings as they serve to help share information, build fellowship and increase ministry.

The BAGBR Semi-annual Meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 23, 2010 at Jefferson Baptist Church. Dr. Conerly has planned our Semi-annual Meeting in conjunction with a North American Missions Forum. Dr. Kenneth Weathersby, North American Mission Board Senior Evangelization Strategist, will be the keynote speaker.

I want to close by thanking every church for their continued support of our Association and for the opportunity to serve.

Dennis

**BIBLE SKILLS, DRILLS, & THRILLS
Regional Bibles Drills
Parkview Baptist Church**

**Suggested date for Church Drill: March 28
District Drill: April 11, Parkview Baptist, BR
State Drill: May 2, Louisiana College**

If you need information go to:

www.lbc.org/bibledrill or

e-mail Julie Woodrum Julie.woodrum@lbc.org.

Medical Team to Haiti



(Photo includes: Joel Sanders, Tom Rabalais and Steve Armstrong from BAGBR)

Bro. Steve Armstrong and thirteen others arrived in Port-au-Prince, Haiti on February 21st. The medical team treated over one thousand two hundred patients and shared the Gospel with hundreds. They inspected nearly two hundred homes and the chaplains had the privilege of praying, encouraging and sharing the love of Christ with many families. The greatest news is that twenty-nine people prayed to receive Christ

With the love of Christ,
Steve Armstrong

2010 Important Dates

**BAGBR Mission Forum / Semi-annual Meeting
April 23, Jefferson Baptist Church**

**Blitz on the Bayou Sunday School Training
August 14, Greenwell Springs Baptist Church**

BAGBR Annual Meeting – October 23-24 – TBA



A Message from Michelle Lesley
Prayer Coordinator, BAGBR

A Plethora of Prayer Potpourri

(Ok, so it's only three items, but what can I say? I love alliteration.)

Pastors- I need your help. Please consider hosting one of the *Bride Awake* meeting on a day or evening convenient for you and your church. Our facility needs are minimal, and you won't be asked to preach or lead anything. For more information, visit www.bagbrprayer.blogspot.com, and click on the "Bride Awake" link under "What's New?", then contact me (Michelle Lesley, Associational Prayer Coordinator), when you have a date in mind.

"We are asking you, pastors, to not only incorporate a season of prayer for our denomination into your regular worship service, but to make provision and give direction for a full day of prayer focus.

Some of the suggested things to pray for include:

-- A spirit of repentance to fall on our churches corporately and personally for individuals, and for genuine revival of first love for Jesus. (See Matt. 4:17; Rev. 2:4.)

-- A great spiritual awakening across our land so that the lost will be drawn to a personal relationship with Jesus. (See John 6:44; Rom. 1:19; 2 Cor. 2:14.)

-- A sweet spirit of reconciliation among any Southern Baptists who are at odds with each other, or other works of God. Love for one another in the body of Christ to grow and blossom. (See Prov. 28:13; 1 Cor. 13:25-27; John 13:34-35.)..."

This special day of prayer is urgently needed in our churches, and I strongly encourage all BAGBR pastors and churches to participate.

Prayer Request

This one is on a more personal level, so I beg your indulgence for just a moment. I'm very excited to share with you some happy news I recently received. A ladies' Bible I have written was picked up for publication by Journey Press, and is scheduled to hit bookstore shelves in the spring of 2012. I would deeply appreciate your prayers for clarity of doctrine and time management as I work through the editing process.

Prayer Focus for this month: Pray for revival, not only in BAGBR, but in the SBC at large.

2010 Criminal Justice Annual Volunteer Training Schedule

April 10 – Zoar Baptist Church – 9:30 a.m.

July 24 – Catholic Life Center – 6:00 p.m.

October 23 – South BR Church of Christ – 9:00 a.m.

Prison Ministry Task Force **Marvin Collins, Coordinator**

To BAGBR's Saints with Gratitude,

The prison ministry is facing its greatest time of opportunity even though God has steadily been working miracles by opening new doors and involving more servant ministers. Our primary message to you is **Praise Jesus** and **Thank You** for letting Him minister through you.

Prison ministry cannot be sustained with quality by one church, no matter how big it is. Very few in most churches feel called to prison ministry and prison ministry is a call of God. Having a larger team gives longevity to ministry.

How Can You Help?

- **Pray** earnestly and regularly because prison ministry takes place in darkness.
- **Listen** to God regarding joining God's call for your ministry this year. Needed are:
 - Volunteer chaplains at Angola, Hunt Correctional, State Police Barracks and the Womens' Correctional Facility.
 - Worship leaders and music teams.
 - A great need for discipler's who are gifted at mentoring and disciplining, men for men and women for women.
 - The gift of giving. Discipling a prisoner costs about \$11.00 per offender per 13 week semester with three (3) semesters per year. About 600-700 inmates take classes in a year.

Our newest figures on a five-year track of those who complete two or more discipling units have a recidivism rate of only 15% compared to the 51% who do not complete the courses. Our ministry is for transformation.

From all the members of the Association Prison Ministry Task Force, thank you for the miracles your faith has helped generate.

On Mission in Love,
BAGBR Prison Ministry Task Force



**NOBTS Extension Center
2010 Fall Schedule**
Rodrick Conerly, Director

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To request a catalog and an application, please contact the NOBTS Enlistment Office at enlistment@nobts.edu.



BAGBR Seafarer Ministry
Sylvester Wilson, Director

Volunteers Needed

If you are interested in volunteering with the BAGBR Seafarer Ministry, call Sylvester Wilson at (225) 647-1617.



Do you know someone that would like to receive the Good News?

If you know of someone who would like to receive an electronic copy of the *Good News*, please contact our office at 296-3943 or jan@bagbr.org so that we may add them to our distribution list.



LSU BCM
Steve Master, BCM Director

International Student Ministry

There are 1,800 International students attending Louisiana State University. They come from 120 different countries. The BCM at LSU is attempting to minister to them in a variety of ways which includes:

1. Sponsoring of an **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS DINNER** each Monday night at 5:30 p.m.
2. Sponsoring of a **FRIENDSHIP PARTNER** ministry. International students are adopted by an American student.
3. Sponsoring of a **HOST FAMILY** ministry. International students are adopted by a family for a local church. They are asked to host the student in their home, take them out to lunch, etc. once per month.
4. Sponsoring of **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS AND OUTINGS**. This has included trips to Houston, trips to the zoo, fishing trips, etc...
5. Sponsoring of a **HOME HELPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS** ministry. This is a ministry of the BCM to provide furniture and furnishings for International Students at LSU.

The following are some ways that churches and church members can help us with our International Student Ministry. If you or your church want to help in any of the ways listed then please:

1. **SPONSORING OF AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MINISTRY DINNER** - We currently have from 35 to 45 students attending each week.
2. **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT HOST FAMILY** - A Host Family is asked to do something once per month with their family.
3. **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT OUTINGS** - We are looking for farm ponds to take the International Students fishing. There is no need for them to have a fishing license in a private pond. We are teaching many of them how to play golf. We could use some old golf clubs for them.
4. **HOME HELPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS** - We could use volunteers to help us pick up furniture from churches and deliver it to LSU. We are especially looking for retired senior citizens who have pickup trucks so they can pick up and deliver during the day. Those men who work during the week may want to help on Saturdays or Sunday afternoons. At some point in the future after we organize a pickup and delivery system we will make an appeal for donated furniture.

If you have any questions then email the BCM at lsubcm@eatel.net or call the BCM at 225-343-0408.



Judson Baptist Retreat Center

Eugene Morris, Coordinator

Upcoming Retreats

Senior Adult Fish Fry

May 11, 2010

9:30 am \$10/person call for reservation
(Deadline May 10, 2010)

Mother/Daughter Horse Retreat

April 19-21, 2010

Fill My Cup

April 16-17, 2010

Ladies Retreat

April 16-17, 2010

Volunteer Counselor Retreat

April 23-24, 2010

2010 Summer Camps

- Teens in Action Camp - June 7-11
- Boys' Missions Camp - June 14-18
- Girls' Missions Camp I - July 5-9
- Girls' Missions Camp II - July 12-16
- Girls' Missions Camp III - July 19-23
- Equestrian Camp- July 26-29



Bi-vo / Small Church Pastors & Wives Retreat



Frying Fish



Senior Adults enjoying music by the Tero Family.



The Tero Family.

| BAGBR Church and Mission Undesignated Contributions 2009 | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| ASSOCIATION CHURCHES | 2009 YTD | 2008 YTD | ASSOCIATION CHURCHES | 2009 YTD | 2008 YTD | |
| | <i>Jan-Dec</i> | <i>Jan-Dec</i> | | <i>Jan-Dec</i> | <i>Jan-Dec</i> | |
| Addis, First Baptist Church | 1,170.00 | 1,170.00 | Oak Grove Baptist Church, Prairieville | 1,250.00 | 1,372.83 | |
| Ascension Baptist Church | 7,703.57 | 10,535.53 | Oakcrest Baptist Church | 3,792.48 | 3,675.16 | |
| Baker, First Baptist Church | 12,090.84 | 14,376.52 | Park Forest Baptist Church | 4,791.45 | 5,254.18 | |
| Baton Rouge, First Baptist Church | 18,372.47 | 23,131.08 | Parkside Baptist Church | 6,357.51 | 6,987.15 | |
| Bayou Plaquemine Baptist | 3,917.56 | 4,233.60 | Parkview Baptist Church | 36,652.37 | 42,809.62 | |
| Bayou Sorel Baptist Church | 2,523.49 | 1,692.35 | Plaquemine, First Baptist Church | 5,334.00 | 3,592.00 | |
| Bethel Baptist Worship, Morganza | 0.00 | 240.00 | Port Allen, First Baptist Church | 4,287.31 | 4,864.19 | |
| Broadmoor Baptist Church | 0.00 | 0.00 | Reserve, First Baptist Church | 1,220.00 | 1,650.00 | |
| Brookstown Baptist Church | 1,784.09 | 2,041.39 | Riverdale Baptist Church | 5,372.06 | 5,869.82 | |
| Broussard Grove Baptist Church | 2,000.04 | 2,000.04 | Sharon Baptist Church | 8,409.25 | 8,323.15 | |
| Brownfields Baptist Church | 157.62 | 1,955.15 | Sherwood Baptist Church | 5,753.05 | 7,269.90 | |
| Cane Brake Baptist Church, Lottie | 924.55 | 1,171.21 | Sorrento Baptist Church | 2,471.14 | 1,977.81 | |
| Cedarcrest Baptist Church | 999.36 | 4,733.00 | Southside Baptist Church | 9,049.80 | 10,431.71 | |
| Central, First Baptist Church | 1,100.00 | 1,200.00 | Starlight Baptist Church, Morganza | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| Comite Baptist Church | 4,361.17 | 4,513.54 | Stevendale Baptist Church | 500.00 | 650.00 | |
| Community Bible Baptist Church | 3,900.00 | 3,000.00 | The Church at Riverbend | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| Courtableau Baptist Church, Port Barre | 1,166.46 | 813.80 | The Lord's Church, Kentwood | 1,546.79 | 1,211.48 | |
| CrossPoint Baptist Church | 2,812.50 | 9,000.00 | Trinity Baptist Church | 1,054.58 | 1,391.98 | |
| Donaldsonville, First Baptist Church | 200.00 | 240.00 | Unity Baptist Church | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| Douglas Avenue Baptist Church | 1,817.00 | 1,647.00 | University Baptist Church | 19,079.26 | 23,099.27 | |
| Dutchtown Baptist Church | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | Victory Baptist Church, Plaquemine | 2,718.98 | 2,594.28 | |
| Erwinville Baptist Church | 2,062.43 | 2,305.63 | Vietnamese Hope Baptist Church | 2,036.36 | 1,332.45 | |
| Faith Baptist Church, Baker | 591.76 | 1,621.96 | White Castle, First Baptist Church | 1,138.05 | 1,046.88 | |
| Faith Baptist Church, Livonia | 1,143.29 | 971.63 | Winbourne Avenue Baptist Church | 308.42 | 516.26 | |
| False River Baptist Church, Ventress | 1,406.05 | 1,362.09 | Woodlawn Baptist Church | 54,912.03 | 52,738.20 | |
| Fellowship Church, Greenwell Spgs | 5,407.44 | 7,379.79 | Zoar Baptist Church | 21,245.01 | 32,477.45 | |
| Fellowship Church, Prairieville | 7,480.00 | 8,053.26 | ASSOCIATION MISSIONS | | | |
| First Baptist Deaf Church | 120.29 | 80.00 | Bridge Church, Gonzales | 681.26 | 228.84 | |
| Florida Boulevard Baptist Church | 23,242.59 | 42,150.70 | Christian Fellowship Int.-Filipino | 85.70 | 0.00 | |
| Fordoché Baptist Church | 3,033.93 | 5,200.70 | Christ Way Mission, Vacherie | 130.00 | 185.00 | |
| Foster Road Baptist Church | 6,481.59 | 6,415.16 | Church of the Nations | 415.73 | 392.72 | |
| Friendship Baptist Church, Baker | 0.00 | 0.00 | Circle Baptist Mission, Baker | 10.00 | 200.00 | |
| Glen Oaks Baptist Church | 1,080.00 | 270.00 | Community Baptist Mission, Gnsbg | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| God's Vineyard Baptist (formerly Cortana) | 100.00 | 150.00 | Gonzales Hispanic | 382.86 | 344.76 | |
| Gonzales, First Baptist Church | 2,400.00 | 2,400.00 | House of Repentance (on behalf of Hispanic Mission) | 150.00 | 0.00 | |
| Goodwood Baptist Church | 1,436.87 | 1,426.82 | Haven | 223.00 | 774.41 | |
| Grace Baptist Church | 875.12 | 674.80 | Hispanic Mission – FBC BR | 37.83 | 34.18 | |
| Graceworks, Prairieville | 3,400.00 | 0.00 | La Croix | 0.00 | 218.00 | |
| Gramercy, First Baptist Church | 1,715.67 | 2,236.10 | LifePointe | 100.00 | 160.25 | |
| Greenwell Springs Baptist Church | 36,652.00 | 33,698.00 | New Covenant Christian Center | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| Grosse Tete Baptist Church | 3,561.00 | 2,932.00 | Of the Way | 600.00 | 0.00 | |
| Hooper Road Baptist Church | 0.00 | 0.00 | N. Highlands Community Baptist | 250.00 | 0.00 | |
| Immanuel Baptist Church, BR | 2,956.48 | 3,907.00 | Northside Baptist Church, Plaquemine | 600.00 | 600.00 | |
| Immanuel Baptist Church, Gonzales | 498.15 | 354.08 | Ring Community | 3,996.77 | 3,196.38 | |
| Indian Mound Baptist Church | 7,257.26 | 7,117.81 | Salvation Ministry of Jesus Christ | 125.00 | 0.00 | |
| Istrouma Baptist Church | 26,589.43 | 51,191.35 | Vietnamese Baptist Fellowship | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| Jefferson Baptist Church | 40,181.36 | 38,335.92 | Westside Fellowship, Brusly | 510.00 | 800.00 | |
| Krotz Springs, First Baptist Church | 1,800.00 | 1,650.00 | CONTRIBUTING CHURCHES | | | |
| Lake Martin Baptist Church, Prairiev'l | 563.71 | 413.34 | DaySpring, St. Gabriel | 1,375.00 | 1,575.00 | |
| Lanier Baptist Church | 9,761.48 | 11,873.71 | Korean Baptist Church – Burgin Dr. | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | |
| Lataanche Baptist Church, Batchelor | 3,612.00 | 1,292.00 | Mid City Baptist Fellowship | 270.00 | 417.00 | |
| Little Prairie Baptist Church, Prairieville | 2,955.23 | 574.04 | Mt. Bethel Baptist Church | 0.00 | 300.00 | |
| Maringouin, First Baptist Church | 543.09 | 504.65 | Total Contribution Receipts | 493,752.60 | 574,236.85 | |
| New Life Church of Baton Rouge | 2,763.62 | 3,171.58 | *denotes 2009 greater than 2008 YTD = January – December | | | |
| New River Baptist Church | 1,647.99 | 1,207.21 | | | | |
| New Roads First Baptist Church | 11,809.00 | 12,779.00 | | | | |

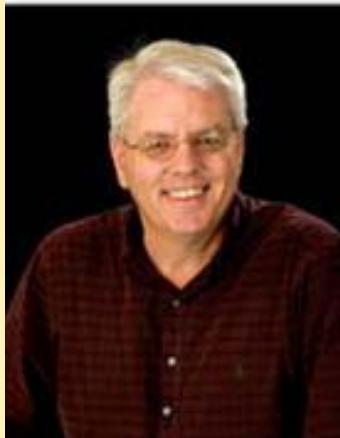
Announcement



**Rev. Shelby & Deborah Andre
Appointed as Mission Service Corp
Missionary of the NAMB**



Ready to Fly Ministry
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Josh Hunt, Keynote Speaker

Blitz on the Bayou

Josh Hunt, Keynote Speaker

Saturday, August 14, 2010

Greenwell Springs Baptist Church

8:00—8:50 a.m. Registration

8:50 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Training

Sunday School Leadership Training

**Training for Sunday School Leadership Pastors, Directors,
Teachers of Adults, College, Youth, Children, & Preschoolers
Additional sessions: Prayer & Library**

**Sponsored by Baptist Association Greater Baton Rouge,
Louisiana Baptist Convention and LifeWay Christian Resources**

BAGBR MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Glen Oaks Baptist Church - Volunteers needed to paint, add insulation to buildings and trim bushes/yard work. Times available for volunteering: M-F: 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. and Sat: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Please contact Pastor George Guillory at 225-892-2862 for more information or to schedule a time to serve.

BCM, LSU - Collecting any furniture, home items, or decorations for international students. Many of these students live 1-5 years here in very bare apartments, some with just mattresses on the floor. Any items you donate will be used from year to year to help them feel more at home here. Please call 225-343-0408 or email lsubcm@eatel.net to arrange a drop-off time.

Goodwood Baptist Church - Looking for a part-time Worship Leader for a blended style of worship, using both hymns and choruses. We would prefer someone who plays an instrument, but would consider one who does not. All inquiries may be emailed to Selena Courville at joycometh5@hotmail.com.

Call or email us if you have a church or ministry need or opportunity! Please note that announcements will run for 2 issues, unless BAGBR is contacted with other instructions. Call the BAGBR office at 225-296-3943.

Welcome Our New Pastors



Reverend James "Jay" Avance First Baptist Church Baker

First Baptist Church Baker has called Reverend James Matthew Avance, Jr., as pastor. He began his duties on January 1, 2010. A native of Natchez, Mississippi, Bro. Jay graduated from Mississippi College in 2001 and finished his Master of Divinity at NOBTS in 2004.

Reverend Keith Horton First Baptist Church Plaquemine



First Baptist Church Plaquemine has called Reverend Keith Horton as pastor. He is a graduate of Parkview Baptist School and LSU. Bro. Keith joined the staff at FBC Plaquemine in 2005 as Student Pastor. He and his wife Allison have three children: Abby, Eli and Hannah.



Reverend Joel Davis Mission on Perkins

The Mission on Perkins has called Reverend Joel Davis as pastor. Bro. Joel, along with his wife Holly and their three children, will be moving to Baton Rouge in early April. Their first Sunday at the Mission on Perkins will be April 25th.

Good News Deadlines for 2010

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| June –Aug. Issue: | May 5 |
| Sept. – Nov. Issue: | August 5 |
| Dec. – Feb. 2011 Issue: | November 5 |

Semi-annual Business Meeting and Mission Forum

"GPS: God's Plan for Sharing"
Friday, April 23, 2010
Jefferson Baptist Church

R.S.V.P by April 15th
225.296.3943 or
baptistassociation@bagbr.org

**Pastors, please elect messengers
for this meeting.**

(Agenda on front cover)

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