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#### **2013 Home Builders Gulf Coast Retreat**



Where: Camp Baldwin, 8749 Baptist Camp Road, Elberta, Alabama When: Thursday May 2, 2013 at 3:00 PM CDT through Saturday May 4, 2013 at 12:00PM CDT

How about some time away to relax, refresh, and strengthen your relationships with God and family? The HomeBuilders Retreat is designed to do just that for couples and singles in a beautiful setting with fellowship, Biblical teaching, and time away. The conference's team of well qualified Christian speakers and musicians are prayerfully waiting to share God's message with you.

Thursday evening kicks off your get-away with great music, speakers, and fellowship time.

Friday Morning's schedule allows you to customize the conference to meet your specific needs in the areas of marriage, parenting, personal growth, health, family relationships, and finance with one general session and four concurrent morning sessions.

**Friday afternoon** is set aside as free time to enjoy area attractions. Friday evening with Dennis Swanberg's humor enhances the mood for a break away from the world's hectic schedule.

Saturday Morninhg's schedule again allows you to choose between four concurrent sessions pertaining to the family to tailor the morning to your specific interests. The general session wraps up the retreat with a summary and challenge.

For those desiring extra time away accommodations can be arranged within the area to enjoy the beaches, shopping, fishing, golfing, or one of the other many activities.

Come renew your relationship with the Lord, your mate, future mate, or friends while learning practical application of Biblical princi ples to every-day family life.

Looking forward to seeing you in May,

Larry and Thelnita Fincher / HomeBuilders Ministry info@homebuildersministry.org (318) 397-2558

#### **CARRIED HOME** BY THE MASTER OF THE WIND



Dr. Charles Wayne Boyles, 72, of Russellville Ala., was called home to be with his Lord and Savior on March 27, 2013. He was surrounded by his family.

On May 1, 1974, on the bank of the Tennessee River in Courtland, Ala., he was saved and was later baptized by the Avalon Missionary Baptist Church of Muscle Shoals. He accepted his call to preach on November 30, 1975, and was called to pastor the Frankfort Baptist Church in Russellville in July 1976.

In August 1978, Brother Boyles enrolled at the Oxford Baptist Institute in Oxford, Mississippi, and graduated with his Doctorate in Theology in May 1984. That same year, he accepted the pastorate of South

Lamar Baptist Church and the office of President/Instructor of the Oxford Baptist Insti-

In April 1992, he was called to pastor the Oakwood Baptist Church where he served as pastor for 19 years. He was the pastor at Avalon Missionary Baptist Church until his death. Brother Boyles started an outreach ministry through television and radio called "The Master of the Wind" which still airs in multiple states in both mediums.

Brother Boyles served as a moderator for the Alabama and Mississippi State Associations, the Yellow Creek Association, the Northwest Mississippi Association and the Tri-State Association. He has served as the Director for the Yellow Creek Youth Camp numerous times. Throughout his tenure as a pastor, he led many souls to Christ.

Brother Boyles loved his family dearly and especially enjoyed spending time with his grandsons and granddaughter. He always made time for anyone who needed to share their burdens or sorrows or just needed an encouraging word from him. It was often said he never met a stranger. His warm smile and easy laugh will be missed by all who knew him.

#### THE FOLLY OF PROCRASTINATION

II Corinthians 6:2

"Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." Repentance Should Not Be Delayed:

#### I. When We Consider:

- 1. It's Nature: a change of heart and life. 2. God's Command: distinct and peremptory. II. Because That Will Increase It's Difficulty:
- 1. From the power of habit, sinful habit. 2. Cessation of the strivings of the Holy Spirit. III. Because Circumstances May Occur To Render It Impracticable:
- 1. There may be a change of residence. 2. There may be a loss of health.
- 3. There may be a loss of reason. 4. There may be a loss of life.



II Timothy 2:2

And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

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Scripture for the Month

I Peter 4:10

As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

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#### **MAGNOLIA STATE SPRING FELLOWSHIP MEETING**

Pinecrest Missionary Baptist Church, Corinth, Mississippi



Back Row Left to Right: Greg Upperman, Jimmy Lancaster, Roger Taylor, Kelly Penton, David Taylor, Bruce Morris. Second Row Left to Right: Steven Veazey, Clyde (Butch) Mitchell, Carrol Lewallen, Jeff Haney, Bruce Betts, Steve Sance, Brian Crocker, Charles Lamb. Front Row Left to Right: Jim Philamlee, Bryan Sellars, Charles Faust,

The Spring Fellowship Meeting at Pinecrest Missionary Baptist Church in Corinth. Mississippi may have been one of the best that has ever been experienced in her long history of meetings. Bro. Bruce Betts, Bro. Tony Williams, Bro. Bryan Sellers and Bro. Jimmy Lancaster, were all used mightily of the Lord in preaching the Word. The messages sparked some fires in souls of the men that heard them.

The Folks at Pinecrest Missionary Baptist Church are to be commended for the way they graciously hosted this meeting! Bro. Jeff Haney, pictured in the center behind the lectern, is their pastor. I believe that everyone who attended these services went away with a desire in their hearts to serve the Lord to a greater degree.

The folk's in Mississippi were especially proud to be able to spend some time getting to know their Secretary Treasurer of Missions, Bro. Bryan Sellers, a little better. God Bless our fellowship!

# **GCBI 2013**



Graduation is set for Friday, May 10. 2013 at 7:00PM. Our speaker for the evening will be Bro. Steve Sance, pastor of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Pearl, Mississippi. Bro. Sance and Bro. Barry Carter, pastor of Walnut Hill Missionary Baptist Church in Vivian. Louisiana will each be receiving a Doctor of Theology.

We want to thank everyone for all their prayers, and financial support this year. This has afforded those seeking to get

a good Bible education the opportunity to continue to do so. We are finishing the year with a total of 17 students.

We invite everyone to come that evening and participate in the festivities, as we honor the students, and celebrate their hard work and achievements. There will be a time of fellowship following the commencement exercises that evening. We hope to see vou there!

The Annual GCBI (Scrambles) Golf Tournament will get underway 9:00AM Tuesday, May 7th at the Okatoma Golf Course in Collins, Mississippi. The cost will be \$35.00 per player, and will include greens fee, golf cart and a meal. We are asking those interested to contact Bro. Bruce on his cell at 901-834-3227 so we can have an accurate count on who will be playing that day. Come out and enjoy the fellowship!

#### **ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLES**

#### **Financial Report for March 2013** GENERAL FUND OLD BALANCE \$2,007.66 Receipts General Fund Offerings 5,452.66 Allen Adkins Library Fund 40.00 Total Receipts 7,500.32 Total Disbursements 5,526,75 NEW BALANCE 1,973.57 OFFERINGS DETAILED Alabama Bethany, Verbena 60.00 Magnolia Springs, Theodore 400.00 100.00 New Home, Wetumpka Schillinger Road, Mobile 100.00 Skyline Madison 97.00 Zion MBC. Winfield 64.00 Arkansas Promise Land, Hamburg 200.00 Florida Calvary, Osteen 150.00 Pinehaven, Pensacola 100.00 Louisiana 10.00 Bethel, New Orleans Emmanuel, Bogalusa 393.92 Landmark, Amite 634.14 Lawrence, Loranger 96.46 Pettitt Memorial, Bogalusa 80.00 Georgia andmark, Moultrie (2Cks) 100.00 Tifton, Tifton 25.00 Mi<u>ssissippi</u> Anonymous 41.18 300.00 Antioch Pearl Crestview McCarley 117.00 Ebenezer, Wiggins 200.00 mmanuel. Wiggins 133.50 Gautier, Gautier 317.62 latley, Amory 200.00 Hickory Springs, Poplarville 127.81 Laverne Loveless, Hattiesburg 50.00 200.00 iberty, Collins Midway, Benton 150.00 123.00 New Fellowship, Seminary Oak Grove, Hattiesburg 67.03 Trinity, Seminary (2Cks) 100.00 Jnity, Hattiesburg 350.00 Victory, Madison 125.00 New Liberty, Garland 100.00 Wvoming Joseph Looney, Gillette 140.00

Thank you for your faithful support of Gulf Coast Baptist Institute. Together we are "holding forth the word of life" Philippians 2:16

Total Offerings



\$5,452,66

# MISSIONARY CALLED HOME & FAMILY NEEDS HELP



On March 28, 2013 Bro. Stacy Ervin went home to be with the Lord. Bro. Stacy had served as a Missionary pastor to Woodbine Baptist Mission in Woodbine, Georgia for three years.

We would like to thank our sister churches and brothers and sisters in Christ for all your prayers and support during his illness and time in the hospital.

We ask for your continued prayers for his wife, Sis. Galaine, and sons, Shane and Jarrod. Bro. Stacy and Sis.

Galaine had no hospitalization or life insurance leaving a burden on the family. Bro. Stacy was in the hospital in ICU for 7 weeks.

If any church or individual feels a desire to help with these medical bills or funeral expenses it will be greatly appreciated. Please send offerings to the sponsoring church, Poplar Head Baptist Church, c/o 504 N. Baker St. Glennville, GA, 30427. Please mark in your memo line Ervin Family expenses.

May God Bless You, Tommy W. Ray, Pastor Phone: 912.237.1249

#### JIM MATTINGLY: MISSIONARY HELPER



January and February have been exciting months for our family. We spent some time in Folsom, Louisiana and the remainder in Winter Haven, Florida. We were blessed with the safe arrival of 2 new grandsons, God is so good to us.

We thank Him for our married children and their spouses and of course our precious grandchildren. It was a little hard to leave home again and get back on the road, but God is good and we must be about what He has called us to do.

We thank God for Jeremiah, Ruth Ann and Jonathan, who are so much a part of this ministry and the way God has used them as we have traveled across this country. Praise the Lord!

#### **2013 RALLY OFFERINGS**

Previous Total	\$14,116.00
Anonymous	\$1,000.00
Antioch MBC, Pearl, Mississippi	
Centerview MBC, Malvern, Arkansas	\$1,000.00
Ebenezer Baptist Church, Wiggins, Mississippi	. ,
New Total.	
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#### **PANTRY OFFERINGS**

Monetary		
Hillside, Knoxville, TN	\$50.00	
Liberty Ladies Auxiliary, Collins, MS	•	
Groceries		
College Town Baptist Church	.Hammond, Louisiana	

# **THANK YOU!**

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **Magnolia State Ladies Retreat**

May 3-4, 2013

Timber Creek Camp Pulaski, Mississippi

Contact Sister Nelda Lamb for information: 662-728-3023

### MISS/BAMA CAMP

July 15-19, 2013

Theme: "People of THE WAY"

For more information contact: Email: www.<u>rtaylor777@bellsouth.net</u> Camp Website: www.missbamacamp.com

# 88<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MESSENGER ASSEMBLY OF THE American Baptist Association

June 17-20, 2013



#### Welcome to Dallas, Texas

New Liberty Baptist Church at 333 W. Centerville, Garland, Texas, Pastor Ken Ashlock, will serve as the inviting church for the 2013 Messenger Assembly.

Early arrivals to Dallas are invited to attend Sunday, June 16 services at New Liberty Baptist Church. Bible study at 9:00 am and worship service at 10:00 am

**Due to Father's Day** no evening service is planned. No transportation will be provided from the Sheraton. Church phone 972-278-8034.

Sheraton Dallas Hotel, a four diamond property, located in the heart of the city's arts and financial district, is connected by sky walk

to Plaza of the Americas, an extensive shopping complex complete with a large food court.

The hotel offers a fully equipped health club with swimming pool. Wired high-speed and wireless Internet is available in guest rooms for a charge of \$13.95 per day. Complimentary wireless and wired high-speed Internet access is available in the public areas of the hotel.



SHERATON DALLAS HOTEL 400 North Olive Street, Dallas, Texas

## CHURCH SEEKING PASTOR

#### PINEHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH Pensacola, Florida

Pinehaven Baptist Church is searching for a pastor.

For more information please contact:

Bro. Charlie Hazelwood 850-473-9075

#### CHURCH SEEKING ASSOCIATE PASTOR

#### New Home West Baptist Church Wetumpka, Alabama

New Home is looking for a full-time Associate Pastor/Minister of Youth? Resumes and recommendations may be sent to the Search Committee Chairman (<a href="Matt.Adams@rheem.com">Matt.Adams@rheem.com</a>). Should you have any questions, you can contact Matt Adams or the Church office at 334-567-5966.

Thank you and God Bless You!

Eric Sutton

Pastor, New Home Baptist Church

newhomebaptistchurch.net

#### **VBS SUPPLIES NEEDED**

**Bethel Baptist Church**, 201 Filmore New Orleans, Louisiana will be holding our first VBS since Hurricane Katrina. We are petitioning our sister Churches to help us by recycling any literature, decorations, craft supplies, etc.

The scheduled date for our VBS is August 2-4. Please contact Bro. Roger Hurd at 985-400-3149 or email <a href="mailto:rogerlisaplus6@yahoo.com">rogerlisaplus6@yahoo.com</a> no later than July 19 so that we will be adequately prepared to host a successful VBS.

We appreciate any help that you can provide and are coveting your prayers that we will see souls in our endeavor to minister to the families in our community.

Love in Christ, Bro. Roger Hurd

#### **AVAILABLE TO PREACH**

662-571-3223
662-312-7575
601-466-8691
601-716-5454
601-441-5560

You may also contact the office at 601-268-1744