

Disaster Relief Training



April 19-20 ~ Temple Baptist, Ruston

Chaplaincy Training

June 27-29 ~ Association Office

Visit www.LBC.org/DisasterRelief for more information



Living, Learning,
& All That Jazz!

Friday, April 12, 2013
8 a.m. - 3 p.m

One-day
Event
for
Senior
Adults

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

May is Associational Missions Emphasis Month

Pray for your Missions & Ministry office and the work that they do.

Association Team Meetings

May 20th

Serving Team - Noon
Strengthening - 4:30 pm
Strategic - 6 pm

April

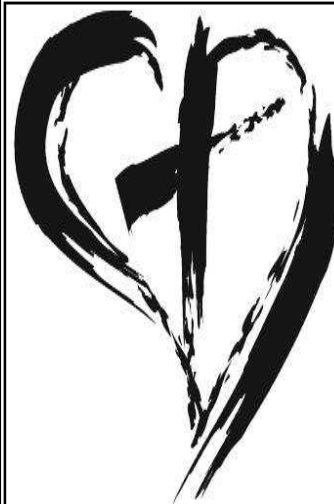
March 31—April 3 ~ FBC Golden Meadow Revival
April 5-6 ~ WMU Annual Meeting, First Ruston
April 7-10 ~ Coteau Revival
April 9 ~ NSU BCM Missions Banquet
April 11 ~ Cajun Connection Tour
April 12 ~ Senior Fest, NOBTS
April 15 ~ VBS Clinic, Compassion Workshop, Pastor Meeting
April 19-20 ~ Disaster Relief Training, Temple Baptist
April 22-23 ~ 2020 President's Summit, Alexandria
April 25 ~ Association Executive Board Meeting
April 26 ~ French Rally - Washington, LA
April 27 ~ Association Mission Family Night, Montegut

Upcoming Events

May 1 ~ "My Hope with Billy Graham" ~ University Baptist
May 2 ~ National Day of Prayer
May 14 ~ Pastor/Staff Meeting
May 20 ~ Association Team Meetings
May 27 ~ Office Closed

Please call the host church for more information.

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VBS Associational Clinic

April 15 ~ 6:30 pm ~ Coteau Baptist Church

Classes will be offered for the following rotations:

- Worship Rally
- Bible Study for all grades Pre-K through 6th
- Crafts
- Music
- Missions
- Directors
- Pastors



If you have any questions please call Sheri Ledet @ 860-1731. Childcare will be provided.

ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

April 25th ~ Noon

Association Office

Mission Family Night & Covered Dish Supper

PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH!

Saturday, April 27th at 6:30 pm

Montegut Ministry Center
(formerly: Montegut Baptist Church)

Speaker: Reginold Benjamin

Pastor from India and founder of Gospel 4 Nations



I was thinking about Easter and struggling with what to write in my article, and then I was reminded of a little story I read that touched my heart and reminded me of a special symbol of Easter.

Martin Marty told of a mentally challenged eight-year-old Stephen, who was a part of a Sunday School class of eight boys. On the Sunday before Easter the teacher instructed them to

each bring an empty panty-hose egg container on Easter Sunday and that each should put inside the egg something which represents the new life which Spring brings.

As the teacher opened each egg, each of the boys would respond to his egg. One brought a tiny flower. Another brought rocks and explained that his rock had moss on it and moss represented life. A butterfly was in the third container. She opened the next egg and it was empty. Thinking that perhaps it was Stephen's and that he did not understand what he was supposed to do, she set down the empty egg and reached for another one. Stephen spoke up. "Teacher, don't skip mine." The teacher said, "But Stephen, yours is empty. There is nothing in it." "That's right," Stephen said proudly. "It's empty just like Jesus' tomb was! That means new life for everyone who will receive Him!"

Stephen's condition worsened the following summer and he died. At his funeral, on his casket, there were seven little eggs, placed there by the other members of Stephen's class; all seven of them were empty. The message of Easter illustrated and understood.

Bro. Joe

MY HOPE with BILLY GRAHAM

Wednesday, May 1st ~ University Baptist
9 am - 12:15

Training Opportunities: For Pastors and Church Leaders

This outreach exists to strengthen the local church by preparing pastors across the country to train their members to pray for and share Christ with lost people around them.

First Baptist Church Golden Meadow Revival

March 31 - April 3
6:30 pm each evening

Evangelist:
Dr. David Strunk



Bob Pitman will lead in
a Revival Experience

Worship by Gold City

Coteau Baptist Church Revival

Sunday, April 7 -
Wednesday, April 10



FRENCH RALLY April 26, 2013

WASHINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH

208 E Dupre St. Washington, LA (337)308-0336

Louis Charrier, Pastor

SPEAKER: Herman Callais

5:30 pm Fellowship Supper
6:30 pm French Rally Program

NICHOLLS BCM

loving God. loving students.

Hello from the Nicholls BCM!

This Spring semester is going great! Our core value emphasis has been missions, and we have been active in missions this semester by participating in one mission trip and two Disciple Now weekends. On February 8-11, our BCM participated in Reach New Orleans, a mission trip designed to help churches in New Orleans reach their communities during the Mardi Gras season. On March 8-10, I led a team of students to Lufkin, TX to lead Bible studies for Mt. Carmel Baptist Church's Disciple Now weekend. On March 15-17, we sent a team to lead Bible studies for FBC Kenner's Disciple Now weekend, and both of these weekends were a huge success!

We have two more mission trips on our calendar as well as two more Disciple Now weekends. We will take a team of students to Arlington, TX to partner with Mission Arlington on the week of March 31-April 6. We will send a team to lead Disciple Now at Community Bible Church, Cut Off, the weekend of April 12-14. We also send a team to lead Disciple Now at Immanuel Baptist Church, Morgan City, the weekend of April 26-28.

Our international mission trip this year will be to Athens, Greece, partnering with a ministry that reaches out to people in refugee camps who are escaping the turmoil of the Middle East to migrate to Europe. We are doing many activities in an effort to raise money for missions - one event that we will host is a **Missions Banquet**. This will be at the BCM building on April 9, from 6 to 8 p.m., and anyone who is interested in hearing our vision for missions and who may feel led to contribute to our fundraising efforts will be invited to come.

Thank you so much for your partnership in the Gospel, and may God bless your ministry!

Jonathan LaFleur
Nicholls BCM Director

WMU MISSION CELEBRATION ANNUAL MEETING

April 5-6, 2013 at First Baptist Church, Ruston



Cajun Connection Tour

The Partnership Missions Organization Network will be hosting the 'Cajun Connection' Connect Tour on April 11 from 10 am - 1 pm at First Baptist Church, Morgan City. Louis Charrier and Pierre Chasson will be presenting French Acadian mission opportunities in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. All pastors and mission leaders are invited to attend. Lunch will be provided at no cost. For more information about the event contact Wayne Sheppard. 318-448-3402 or 800-622-6549 (LA only)

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTIONS

The following are contributions
received as of March 26, 2013

		YTD
Bayou Dularge	16.77	56.76
Bethel	0.00	0.00
Bourg	0.00	400.00
Calvary	0.00	0.00
Christ	712.72	1,522.28
Cornerstone	50.00	75.00
Coteau	1,049.61	3,886.56
Des Allemands	450.00	600.00
FBC, Golden Meadow	0.00	0.00
FBC, Grand Isle	210.49	507.04
FBC, Houma	4,981.00	10,298.00
FBC, Larose	0.00	0.00
FBC, Lockport	446.04	1,221.33
FBC, Napoleonville	381.00	1,261.00
FBC, Raceland	0.00	0.00
FBC, Thibodaux	350.00	1,206.00
Gibson	637.75	994.97
Grand Caillou	365.90	1,498.93
Hope Community	87.22	421.69
Larose Hispanic	0.00	0.00
Lighthouse	0.00	0.00
Live Oak	0.00	1,145.00
Mechanicville	0.00	86.00
Mulberry	662.26	3,335.46
Schriever	0.00	937.00
South Lafourche	1,487.00	1,487.00
Trinity	82.00	342.00
University	1,398.00	4,587.00
Valentine	0.00	125.60
Total Church	13,367.76	35,994.62
Contributions		

Building Note Balance

\$ 43,256.40

Building fund gifts ytd:
\$ 200.24

Have News?

We want to know what is happening at your church. Please send in special events, concerts, and any news event you would like to share with the Association. If we don't know we can't let others know!
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