

## Disaster Relief Training

April 19-20 ~ Temple Baptist, Ruston

### Chaplaincy Training

June 27-29 ~ Association Office



Visit [www.LBC.org/DisasterRelief](http://www.LBC.org/DisasterRelief) for more information

## Association Youth Minister Meeting

Monday, March 11 ~ 6 pm  
Association Office

## Pastor / Staff Meeting

March 18 ~ Noon  
Association Office

### ASSOCIATION VBS TEAM LEADERS NEEDED

Leaders needed: Preschool, 1-2 grades, 3-4 grades,  
5-6 grades, Crafts, Missions, Music

Contact Sheri at [lsuteacher@aol.com](mailto:lsuteacher@aol.com)

## March

- 2 ~ FBC, Houma, Butterfly Ball
- 3 ~ Crosspoint Church Launch Date
- 3-10 ~ Week of Prayer for North American Missions & Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- 4 ~ Association Team Meeting, Serving Team 5:30 pm
- 9 ~ Louisiana Baptist Children's Home, Human Trafficking & Human Exploitation Conference, Calvary Baptist, Alexandria
- 9 ~ University, Women's Conference
- 11 ~ Association Youth Minister meeting
- 16 ~ Grand Caillou, Women's Conference
- 17-20 ~ Live Oak Revival
- 18 ~ Pastor / Staff Meeting, Association Office
- 29 ~ Coteau, Secret Church
- 29 ~ FBC Thibodaux, Secret Church

### Church Anniversaries:

Wayne Hunt, Coteau  
Willis Naquin, Hope Community  
Tim Bray, FBC Thibodaux

## Upcoming Events

- April 5-6 ~ WMU Annual Meeting, First Ruston
- April 7-10 ~ Coteau Revival
- April 9 ~ NSU BCM Missions Banquet
- April 12 ~ Senior Fest, NOBTS
- April 15 ~ VBS Clinic, Compassion Workshop, Pastor Meeting
- April 19-20 ~ Disaster Relief Training, Temple Baptist
- April 22-23 ~ President's Summit, Alexandria
- April 25 ~ Association Executive Board Meeting
- April 27 ~ Association Mission Family Night, Montegut

Please call the host church for more information.

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# BAYOU BAPTIST NEWS

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WEEK OF PRAYER FOR  
**North American Missions**  
March 3-10, 2013

# WHATEVER IT TAKES

## REACHING THE ONE

National Goal: \$70 Million  
[AnnieArmstrong.com](http://AnnieArmstrong.com)



Launch Date: Sunday,  
March 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00 AM

Lafourche Plaza on LA 1  
18210 West Main Street, Suite 8  
Near Galliano Food Store

A Mission of First Baptist Church of Grand Isle, LA  
Pastor John Boss & Missionary Staff will bring dynamic  
life-changing messages, incredible youth and children's  
ministry, and encouraging community ministries.

Come & Experience New Life @ Crosspoint!

## New 2 You Thrift Store

A Ministry of Crosspoint Church

### Coming Soon!

### Receiving Donations

*Gently Used:* Clothes, Shoes,  
Handbags, Baby Stuff, Household  
Items, Kitchen Items, Electronics,  
& Some Furniture

Drop Off & Store Location



**"Great Stuff ~ No Junk!"**

For More Information Call:  
First Baptist Church of Grand Isle  
985-787-3410

## ASSOCIATION VBS CLINIC

April 15  
6:30 pm  
Coteau Baptist





# The "Annie" of the Offering

Each year, we honor the life and work of Annie Walker Armstrong (1850-1938) when we give to the annual offering for North American missions named after her. As a tireless servant of God and a contagious advocate and supporter of mission efforts throughout the world, Annie Armstrong led women to unite in mission endeavors that ultimately led to the formation of Woman's Missionary Union, for which she served as the first corresponding secretary.

Annie believed in Christ with all her heart, but it was her hands that expressed that belief in tangible ways. She spent a great amount of time typing and handwriting letters in support of missions. Many of these letters were quite lengthy and all were filled with conviction that more could and should be done in our mission efforts. In 1893 alone, she wrote almost 18,000 letters! Annie also never hesitated to use her hands to reach out to hug a child or distribute food and clothing and the Word of God to those in need. Her hands held her own Bible as she studied to know how best to share God's love with others. And, most important, Annie was a woman of prayer, folding her hands in prayer to intercede for the missionaries and for those they were helping discover Christ.

Annie rallied churches to give more, pray more, and do more for reaching people for Christ. As we continue to unite to make her vision a reality in North America today, we can be confident that her legacy will also be ours.



Bro. Joe

## Hello from the Nicholls BCM!

So far we are off to a wonderful Spring semester! God has been good to us in so many ways! We have grown spiritually and numerically, have seen students sharing their faith, we have had some make professions of faith through baptism, and have begun the process of training new leaders!

This semester, our Core Value Emphasis has been Missions, and our activities have been developed around the themes of missions. God's passion is to be known and glorified among all nations, and he commands us to go and make disciples of all people (Matt. 28:18-20) and declare His glory in the earth (Ps. 96:3-4). Jesus assured His disciples that the Gospel of the Kingdom would be preached among all nations (Matt. 24:14), and the apostle John saw around the throne of God people worshiping Him from every tribe, tongue, and nation (Rev. 7:9). Missions is on God's heart!

We have already been on one mission trip, and that was to Metairie and New Orleans during the weekend of Mardi Gras. We partnered with the BCM's from LSU, ULL, LA Tech, and UNO, as well as Hope Church, Impact Church, and Mosaic Church, to minister to the people engaged in the festivities. We were able to spread the light of Christ in the midst of a dark place and time.

Here are some other mission trips we have planned during the Spring and Summer:

March 31 – April 6, 2013 – Mission Arlington

We will be partnering with this great mission organization to reach out to the people within the many apartment complexes in Arlington, doing backyard Bible clubs with children, and being a blessing to them in many diverse ways. The website for this event is [www.missionarlington.org](http://www.missionarlington.org).

July 3-15, 2013 – Greece

We will be flying to Athens, Greece to partner with a ministry that reaches out to people in refugee camps who are escaping the turmoil of the Middle East to migrate to Europe. These people have great needs, but most importantly they need the Gospel of salvation through Jesus Christ. We hope to shine the light of Christ to these people in search of hope.

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, 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. The banquet will be free, but we hope that God would lead you to give to the work of missions that the BCM is doing.

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

Jonathan LaFleur, Nicholls BCM Director

## MONTHLY CONTRIBUTIONS

The following are contributions received in February 2013

		YTD
Bayou Dularge	0.00	39.99
Bethel	0.00	0.00
Bourg	200.00	400.00
Calvary	0.00	0.00
Christ	331.85	809.56
Cornerstone	0.00	25.00
Coteau	1,330.03	2,836.95
Des Allemands	150.00	150.00
FBC, Golden Meadow	0.00	0.00
FBC, Grand Isle	137.51	296.55
FBC, Houma	5,317.00	5,317.00
FBC, Larose	0.00	0.00
FBC, Lockport	385.29	775.29
FBC, Napoleonville	387.00	880.00
FBC, Raceland	0.00	0.00
FBC, Thibodaux	268.00	856.00
Gibson	357.22	357.22
Grand Caillou	638.94	1,133.03
Hope Community	51.67	334.47
Larose Hispanic	0.00	0.00
Lighthouse	0.00	0.00
Live Oak	1,145.00	1,145.00
Mechanicville	86.00	86.00
Mulberry	642.73	2,673.20
Schriever	937.00	937.00
South Lafourche	0.00	0.00
Trinity	0.00	260.00
University	1,474.00	3,189.00
Valentine	75.60	125.60
<b>Total Church Contributions</b>	<b>13,914.84</b>	<b>22,626.86</b>

## Building Note Balance

**\$ 43,514.42**

Building fund gifts ytd:  
\$ 120.00

## University Baptist Presents 11th WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Matthew 5:41

March 9, 2013

Special Guest:  
Polly Brinker - Guest Speaker  
Julie Landry - Worship Leader



Polly Brinker  
Guest Speaker



Julie Landry  
Worship Leader

Breakfast and Registration begin at 8:30 am.  
Conference begins promptly at 9:30 & ends at 2:30 pm

\*NO CHILD CARE PROVIDED\*

Continental Breakfast and Lunch Provided.

Early Registration ends March 2nd.

Contact:  
(985) 445-5813  
[www.ubcthibodaux.net](http://www.ubcthibodaux.net)

Location: University Baptist Church  
904 Menard Street | Thibodaux, LA 70301

Fee:  
\$30.00 / \$35.00 after March 2nd  
\*Bring a friend and come expecting a blessing!\*



## WOMEN'S CONFERENCE AND LUNCHEON

Speaker: Cheryl Turner  
Vocalist: Carol Lirette

Saturday, March 16 ~ 10 am- 2:00 pm  
Grand Caillou Baptist Church ~ 868-5542  
Ticket Cost: \$15.00 in Advance \$20.00 @ Door



## Community Impact

We invited Reginold Benjamin, a Pastor from India and founder of Gospel 4 Nations ministry to speak at the Bayou Baptist Association Mission Family Night on April 27th. He is the native Pastor that Community Impact worked with on our mission trip to India last September. Reggie is an amazing young man..Wise beyond his years. After seeing his ministries in action, we were very impressed by his capabilities. His ministry, Gospel 4 Nations, is a multi-layered ministry that supports at least 40 village pastors, includes and orphanage, school for the blind, Youth Rehab facility, computer and sewing trades, and many other layers. We personally visited all of these and can vouch for their existence and impact on the lost. We are so excited that you get to meet him and look forward to connecting him with some Pastors in our area. This is a ministry you will want to support and have your church associated with. Thousands of souls are being saved each year and your fingerprint can be on each one.

Randall and Tanya Gill

## Association Team Meeting

Serving (Administrative)  
Monday, March 4 ~ 5:30 pm  
Association Office

