

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR STATE MISSIONS | SEPTEMBER 16-23, 2012



AWAKEN TO JOY

STATE GOAL
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"Those who sow in tears will reap with shouts of joy." — Psalm 126:5
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Bayou Baptist Association

MISSION FAMILY NIGHT

October 19 ~ Coteau Baptist Church

6:00 pm Please bring a covered dish

Speaker: Rev. Kevin Celestine with enough to share

October

October 2 ~ Association, WMU Council Meeting
October 3-7 ~ Christ, Revival
October 8 ~ Association, Team Committee Meeting, 6 pm
October 12 ~ Association, Hispanic Rally
October 13-31 ~ Coteau, Pumpkin Patch
October 15 ~ Association Pastor / Staff Meeting
October 18 ~ Association Annual Meeting, FBC Houma
October 19 ~ Association Mission Family Night

Happy Birthday:
September 21 ~ Jim Duck, University
September 24 ~ Jeremy Broussard, Calvary
October 19 ~ Juan Morales, Larose Hispanic
October 23 ~ Steve Graves, Mulberry

Church Anniversaries:
September
Steve Graves, Mulberry
Rod King, Trinity
Henry Knightshead, Cornerstone
Jim Mooring, Valentine
October
Jerry Moser, Bayou Dularge
Juan Morales, Larose Hispanic
Jim Duck, University
Barry Blank, Bourg

Upcoming Events

November 5 ~ Coteau, Baptist World Day of Prayer, 6:30 pm
November 12-13 ~ LBC Annual Meeting
November 18-20 ~ YEC
November 21-23 ~ Association Office closed

Please call the host church for more information.

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BAYOU BAPTIST NEWS

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Bayou Baptist Association Missions & Ministry Celebration

“Ministry Partners Reaching
Across the Bayou and Beyond”

First Baptist Houma Family Life Center

ANNUAL MEETING

October 18 ~ 6:00 p.m.

BAYOU BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Hispanic Rally



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12TH
DINNER AT 5:30 PM, FOLLOWED BY SERVICE AT 6:30 PM
SPEAKER: CARLOS SCHMIDT
BAYOU BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OFFICE
4494 WEST MAIN STREET, GRAY ~ 985.868.7352
Please bring a dessert to share



I remember saying in the August newsletter article that the summer has been an exciting time of ministry and missions. At that time I had no idea how exciting the last few days of August and the first 20 days or so of September would be. Little did I know that Hurricane Isaac would come into our area and demand a lot of attention. Due to Isaac our August Pastor's & Staff Fellowship was cancelled, our Associational Sunday School Conference was temporarily cancelled (hope to reschedule), our September newsletter was not mailed and a number of planning meetings did not happen. But I do not want to labor on what didn't happen but on the ministry that did happen in the aftermath of Hurricane Isaac.

Many of you know that there is a partnership between our Bayou Baptist Association, the Louisiana Baptist State Convention, the North American Mission Board, and the Red Cross during times of disaster such as a hurricane. During those last days of August and first days of September that partnership was in full speed. We set up an Associational Disaster Relief Recovery site at the Coteau Baptist Church and an additional housing site at the Mulberry Baptist Church to funnel recovery requests from Hurricane Isaac. Let me share with you some figures that show the ministry that happened after Isaac from August 30 through September 20, 2012. These were carried out by Disaster Relief volunteers from Louisiana, Missouri, Texas and Mississippi in our Associational geographical area alone.

Ministry in action:

Meals prepared.....25,227	Jobs Assessed.....321
Chainsaw jobs completed.....271	Tarp jobs completed.....43
Heavy equipment jobs completed.....72	Ministry contacts.....777
Bibles distributed.....286	

Shower and laundry trailers were on site to provide the necessities. These are just a few of the ministries that happened after Isaac. It has been busy, but I believe God will bless us because our Southern Baptist Disaster relief volunteers stepped up and ministered in our area. Thank you volunteers and staff for doing a great job.

Bro. Joe

Being On Mission 'Round Some Fishin'



Every last full weekend in July Grand Isle hosts the oldest fishing tournament in the country, the Grand Isle International Tarpon Rodeo. First Baptist Church has had an intentional evangelistic outreach at this event for at least the past 22 years! Many of those years came with the help of summer missionaries and mission teams from around the country. This year with the joint effort of over 100 people we made a Gospel impact for the glory of God! We were glad to have mission teams from: First Baptist Church of Bascom, Florida, Central Baptist Church of Albany, GA, Faith Baptist Church of Livonia, Louisiana, and 2 churches from our very own association, Little Caillou Baptist Church in Chauvin and Coteau Baptist Church of Houma. These teams were a wonderful blessing to our summer missionaries, church staff, island visitors, and community! We thank God for all the workers in the harvest field.

We are blessed to report that we know of at least 6 people who surrendered to Jesus and we witnessed to thousands as we presented the gospel through bible and tract distribution. We celebrated on that Sunday morning with a baptism service on the beach. It was wonderful watching adults and young people give public testimony of being followers of Christ on the shore of the Gulf of Mexico as seagulls and pelicans fly above and porpoise play near by. Many seeds of the Gospel were planted and we trust the Holy Spirit to do the drawing and saving. Your church can get involved by praying, giving bibles, tracts, and block party supplies. You can come and receive biblical evangelism training and first hand missions experience at our Resort Ministry Retreat Center. If you are interested please contact Pastor John Boss (985) 258-8008. For more info about our ministry which includes Resort Ministry, Retreat Center, and Missions training visit us www.FBCGRANDISLE.com.

Mission Trip Opportunity

Come join us as we travel to Kenya Africa for an impacting mission trip. Visiting Africa is more than just a mission trip, it's an opportunity to learn about a rich history and the struggles of a people so deprived yet so happy and free. We guarantee that you will come back filled with hope and inspiration to make a difference in your world and the world around you.

WHEN: November 20th-30th, 2012, Multi-purpose team, **DESTINATION:** Kenya, Eastern Africa, **LANGUAGES:** English, but some Swahili, **MAXIMUM NUMBER:** 15, **COST:** \$2,800, **DEADLINE:** Registration deadline is October 7th. The Balance is due October 7th. Once you are registered, a full packet will be sent along with other pertinent information that will help you prepare to serve with this team. All fees and documents must be paid to *Bayou Baptist Association* (Africa trip on memo line) and returned to our office no later than October 7th.

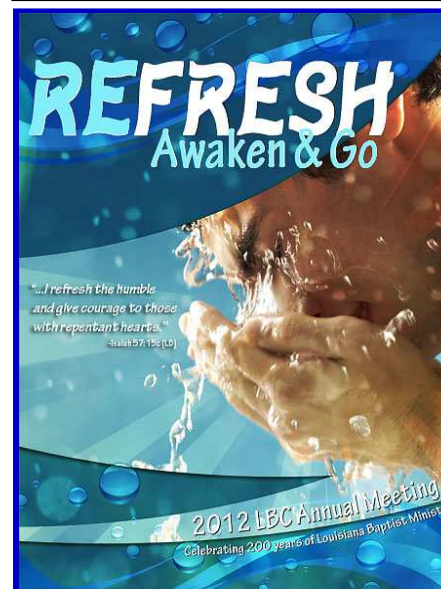
Your trip fee includes RT airfare, meals, lodging, travel to and from location, visa, some of the material cost related to the projects the team will be doing. Additional costs include passport, shots (Yellow fever, hepatitis A&B, Typhoid), spending money, tips and snacks. We also recommend bringing about \$150-\$300 to cover expenses on the trip. You will help with multi projects at an orphanage, school, hospital, pastors conference and evangelism outreach. This will be a wonderful opportunity to serve Jesus Christ among some of the areas of greatest need in communities that have been ravaged by hunger and lack of clean drinking water. Parents and local authorities have asked us to help create several opportunities for outreach to the children in rural locations and to help with the ever growing number of orphans who genuinely desire to go to school. The team will help with light construction projects, teach, hold babies, or play with kids. The team will have a briefing meeting before departing and a debriefing on returning home.

If you are interested in going on this mission trip to Africa or need additional information, please contact Randall Gill at randallgill@gmail.com or 985-232-6314, Bayou Baptist Association, P.O. Box 1659, Gray, Louisiana 70359

Community Impact

During the month of September, Community Impact was able to send out 12 mobile food pantries servicing thousands of families. 9 of those pantries contained disaster relief supplies such as food, water, and cleaning supplies that were a blessing to the communities that were affected by Hurricane Isaac. Distributions took place at the following churches in the Bayou Baptist Association: FBC Grand Isle, Little Caillou, Live Oak, University, Bayou Dularge, Larose, Bethel, Grand Caillou, Coteau and we also fed breakfast items to volunteer chainsaw crews. We were able to distribute approximately 89 pallets of food and disaster relief supplies throughout our region. Our partnership with Second Harvest allowed us to be the first responders at many of the locations mentioned above. Thank you to the churches, pastors, volunteers, and Second Harvest who helped get this food into the hands of those who needed it. What an awesome testimony for our Association!

Tanya Gill



The 165th Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Baptist Convention

NOVEMBER 12-13
FIRST BAPTIST
WEST MONROE



Coteau Baptist Church

October 13th - 31st

Please call the church for more info:
985.876.6089

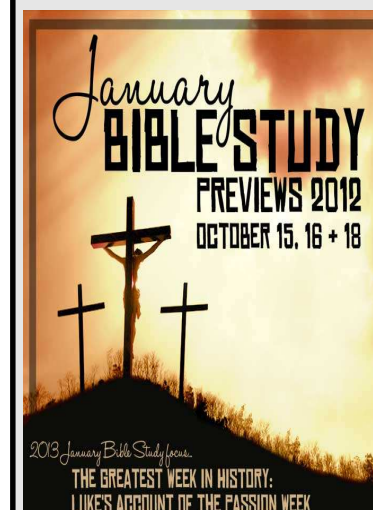
CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH



OCTOBER 27 AT 8 AM
Masonic Hall ~ 915 Lafayette St.

\$15 ticket ~ \$20 at door Includes
breakfast & lunch

Call 851.0711 or 466.3323
for tickets or information



Pastor/Staff Meeting

October 15

Meet at 8 am at
Association Office
& travel to NOBTS for
Bible Study Preview.

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTIONS

The following are contributions
received in August & September 2012

		YTD
Bayou Dularge	49.23	266.67
Bethel	0.00	400.00
Bourg	400.00	2,000.00
Calvary	251.15	1,688.62
Christ	862.55	4,429.95
Cornerstone	150.00	500.00
Coteau	0.00	9,226.61
Des Allemands	250.00	1,682.00
FBC, Golden Meadow	32.68	266.88
FBC, Grand Isle	395.07	1,758.85
FBC, Houma	7,291.00	42,500.00
FBC, Larose	0.00	0.00
FBC, Lockport	817.08	3,507.28
FBC, Napoleonville	865.00	3,506.00
FBC, Raceland	0.00	229.76
FBC, Thibodaux	815.00	3,554.00
Gibson	780.74	3,274.35
Grand Caillou	1,108.10	3,758.48
Larose Hispanic	0.00	0.00
Lighthouse	0.00	0.00
Little Caillou	146.82	738.52
Live Oak	0.00	1,132.00
Mechanicville	183.00	526.50
Montegut	124.16	694.19
Mulberry	1,682.16	7,736.72
Schriever	400.00	3,036.00
South Lafourche	0.00	363.00
Trinity	310.00	975.00
University	3,028.00	12,040.00
Valentine	134.97	650.63
Total Church Contributions	20,076.71	110,442.01

Building Note Balance

\$44,788.51

Building fund gifts ytd:
\$ 935.25

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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