



## The Beacon

February, 2018

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#### From your Associational Missionary;

I hope everyone enjoyed the evangelism rally as much as I did. I have heard many good comments about the entire program. We had 23 churches that participated. All I can say is that the 9 who chose not to participate missed out on a wonderful blessing. I am sure they had a good reason not to be present. Our offering for the night was 1568.60.

I know some of our churches must be struggling in various ways. It seems that attendance is down in so many of our churches. Baptisms are down, giving is down, this is reflected in your financial support to the association. Those of you who support the association on a percentage basis can easily be recognized, for when your offerings are down, then your missions support is bound to decline. This is a very difficult time for our churches, and our association, but we want you to know that we appreciate all that you do to advance God's Kingdom work.

Dr. Tom Rainer, President of the LifeWay Christian Resources says;

Dying churches have some things in common:

- 1. Anger at change
- 2. Nostalgia on steroids
- 3. Confusion of methods and facilities with the gospel
- 4. Little to no interaction with non-Christians
- 5. Deflected blame
- 6. Refusal to see reality
- 7. Very little time left for survival

Does this describe your church? There is a lot of assistance available for church re-vitalization and or replant. Sometimes it may be necessary to take a good look at ourselves and determine just what action we need to take.

Leroy

## JCBA FINANCIAL INFORMATION, October-1, 2017-January 31, 2018

#### **INCOME**

Church	Receipts October -2017- January 31, 2018
Antioch	400.00
Beaver Creek Bethel Mission	503.53
Buffalo Grove	495.36
Central Heights	200.00
Dandridge First	6,400.00
Deep Springs	836.89
Dumplin	1,231.95
East Ridge	223.00
Emmanuel	167.00
Flat Gap	248.00
French Broad	1,868.00
Good Hope	369.64
Holston Memorial	1,080.73
Living Water	.00
Mansfield Gap	.00
Mill Springs	300.00
Mountain View	.00
Mullins Chapel	.00
Nance's Grove	.00
New Hope	142.82
New Market	1,931.18
Nina	1,020.00
Oak Hills	333.32
Piedmont	1,581.48
Pleasant Grove	.00
Pleasant Grove P.	1,305.72
Rocky Valley	1,490.92
Strawberry Plains First	1,249.90
Swann's Chapel	750.00

#### **INCOME**

Talbott	2,087.00
White Pine First	2,333.32
Individual Receipts	495.00
Evangelism	25.00
RA Campout	320.00
ТВМВ	3,910.00
WMU	337.00
Conf/Convention	131.21
Non-Budgeted	<u>856.49</u>
Total Receipts October-1, 2017- January 31, 2018	34,624.46

#### A WMU Event

"Traffick Free"

February 24, 2018 New Market Baptist Church Time: 2:00 pm-5:00 pm Speaker: Theresa Flores

Human Trafficking Survivor, Best Selling Author, Victim's Advocate, Founder of S.O.A.P. (Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution), Consultant.

Ms. Flores has been a licensed Social Worker for over twenty years. She received a Master's in Counseling Education from the University of Dayton and a Bachelor's of Social Work from Ball State University. She was appointed to the Ohio Attorney General's Human Trafficking Commission in 2009 and has testified before the Ohio House and Senate in support of Human Trafficking Legislation. Her efforts were a major part of the success of these bills being passed into laws. Additionally, the "Theresa Flores Law" was passed in Michigan that eliminates the statute of limitation for children who have been trafficked.



# Missions Get-Together & Connection March 16-18, 2018 Gatlinburg Convention Center

Missions Get-Together is an event for women of all ages. Connection is an event for girls in grades 7-12. For information on registration, schedules, speakers and ministries, go on line to <a href="mailto:dbronaugh@tnbaptist.org">dbronaugh@tnbaptist.org</a>.

See information on the Ministry Project for this event and how it benefits *City Reach, Nashville.* 

You will also find registration fees and lodging for this event on the Tennessee web-site., www.tnbaptist.org.

#### **Attention Churches!**

Your Directories are ready to be picked up.

We have several churches who have not picked up the
Annual /Directory
Please pick them up at your convenience.



#### Retreat starts at 2:00 pm on Friday and ends with lunch on Saturday.

Registration Fee: \$65, includes 3 meals, 2 breaks, retreat materials, and more. Registration and pay on line at www.tnministerswives.org. Lodging Rooms: \$95/night. Call this number 800-365-5996 at least 30 days prior to retreat. Speakers: Jeanne Davis, Linnie Brown, & Csilla Muscan.



Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering
March 4-11, 2018

Prepare your church to give and pray for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

National Goal: \$70 Million

### Celebrating God's Amazing Grace

Saturday, March 10, 2018 12:00- 2:30 PM

First Baptist Church of Dandridge
Fellowship Hall

Featuring: Carol P. Schulz, IMB Missionary, Retired Worship Leader: Nancy Gamble, Pianist: Michelle Johnson

Join us for an afternoon of fun: For more information or to make a reservation,

Tablescapes call the church office by Monday, March 5, 2018

Luncheon 865-397-3940

Worship

Inspiration The cost is \$15, Pay at the door.

**Door Prizes** 

**Prayer** 



Cost is \$30 and includes 2 meals and a long sleeve t-shirt

For more information or to register, go to www.tnbaptist.org

Friday, February 9-10, 2018 FBC, Dandridge 5:00 PM

Join hundreds of students from across the state of Tennessee for a weekend of worship and fun

Parents and the public are invited to a Mass Choir Concert on Saturday, February 10 at 3:30 PM in the Sanctuary



LifeWay's **Game On VBS**! invites kids to grab their megaphones, lace up their cleats, and tune up their instruments. As they fill up the offensive line, sideline, and drumline, the players, cheerleaders, and band members will realize God has given them His ultimate playbook. He wants them to join His team, train hard, celebrate salvation, and encourage one another

## VBS Directors and Leaders: "Get a Jump Start on VBS!

This training event is designed to give a jump start in planning, budgeting, promotion, and follow-up.

This training will benefit all churches regardless of curriculum choice.

Saturday, February 10, 2018

Chilhowee Hills Baptist Church
4615 Asheville Hwy
Knoxville, TN 37914
Register by February 8, 2018
All events are 9:00 am-2:30 pm
Lunch is provided

#### Jefferson County Baptist Association Calendar of Events February, 2018

- 9 Youth Project, FBC, Dandridge
- 17 Disaster Relief Trng. Cherokee Heights Morristown
- 24 Traffick Free Event, New Market Bapt.

#### March, 2018

- 2 Employee Appreciation Day
- 2 Handbell Festival, Carson Newman University
- 3 Ministers & Wives Retreat, Pigeon Forge
- 4 Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong
- 11 Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 16 Missions Get-Together, Gatlinburg Convention Center
- 16 RA Conclave, FBC, White Pine
- 16 Disaster Relief Trng. Kingswood School
- 20 Spring Begins
- 25 Palm Sunday

Pastors Conference meets each Monday at the Association Office, at 10:00 AM All pastors welcome If you are a retired pastor, please come!

#### **Used Teaching Materials!**

We will be accepting used teaching materials, etc, beginning March 1, 2018. The pickup date will be somewhere around the middle of the month. We will give you the exact cut off date in the next newsletter.

#### Ministry Position Available

Galilee Baptist Church is seeking a Music Minister. Galilee is a small church in South Knoxville. If interested, please email resume to pastor1776@amail.com

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Rev. Richard Pate Bethel Mission
 Mrs. Amanda Breeden Pleasant Grove
 Mrs. Wanda Turley Mansfield Gap
 Mrs. Charlotte McEntire Retired

27 Dr. Earl McCosh Retired

#### February Anniversaries

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#### Disaster Relief Training Schedule

February 17, 2018, Cherokee Heights Baptist Church, Morristown, 12:15-3:00 pm Contact Don Owen to register dnowen@bellsosuth.net

March 17-18, 2018, Kingswood School-Classes start at 6:00 pm- To register contact Don Owen at dnowen@bellsouth.net