

February Birthdays & Anniversaries
of PBA churches staff and their families

Birthdays

Date	Name	Church
5	Lula King	PBA Ministry Assistant
8	Claire Abigail Bulls	Boise City, FBC Pastors daughter
9	Brad Vickrey	Forgan, FBC Pastor
9	Pam Cox	Turpin BC Pastors wife
11	David Coffey II	BCM Directors son
14	Melissa Bulls	Boise City, FBC Pastors wife
16	John O'Leary	Guymon, FBC Secretarys husband
22	Ryan Carter	Guymon, FBC Pastors son

Anniversaries

Date	Name	Church
(If your birthday or anniversary was not included, or the date is wrong, please let me know. Lula)		

CALENDAR EVENTS

January

28-29 Oklahoma Evangelism Conference, Del City, First Southern

February

15 VBS Training, OKC Southern Hills
18 Office Closed, Presidents Day
23 Work Day, 9-? Gibson Baptist Camp
23 Panhandle Seniors for Christ, noon @ Gibson Baptist Camp
23 Bold Praying, all day. Gibson Baptist Camp

March

3 Daylight Saving Time Begins, set clocks up 1 hour
3-6 Revival at Goodwell BC, Tyler McDowell, Jeff Petillo
3-10 Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong Easter Offering and North American Missions
17-20 Rock Springs BC @ GBC, work projects
30 Vacation Bible School Clinic, Guymon, FBC, 9-noon

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One Body, One Spirit, Working Together

Ministries of PBA:
Gibson Baptist Camp
 "GBC"
 Hardesty OK
Baptist Collegiate Ministries
 "BCM"
 Goodwell OK
Hispanic Ministries
Disaster Relief Trailer

Panhandle Baptist Association newsletter

February 2019

Day of Prayer, Work, Fellowship
Gibson Baptist Camp
 Work 9-?, Prayer 1-?, Fellowship noon-?
Saturday, February 23, 2019
At Camp Gibson
Panhandle Seniors for Christ
 will host this day
 Zane Newton will be our guest and lead us in times of prayer throughout the day
 RSVP-for meal @ noon by Wednesday, February 20th

For God

SO LOVED THE WORLD
 THAT HE GAVE HIS
 ONLY
 BEGOTTEN
 SON SO
 THAT WHOEVER
 BELIEVES
 IN HIM SHALL
 HAVE EVERLASTING

Life John 3:16

Tom's Thoughts

The celebration of Christmas is over for another year. However, we are able to celebrate Christmas every time a person comes Christ. For at the moment of their salvation, the birth of Christ takes place within them. So I hope and pray that we see Christmas celebrated many times over and over in our churches, as people become *'...born-again...'*

For a while now I have been in a group Bible study. And because I have not always been able to make the study, I have been studying the same book on my own. Some time back, I remember reading a pastor who wrote of how he would read the books over and over again for a period of time. He wrote of reading the smaller books every day for a month or more. I have personally started to do this. The book I am doing this with is Paul's letter to the Ephesians. I have enjoyed this different way of reading God's word. Certain truths have become more developed in me.

One such passage is *Eph. 3:14-20*, where Paul began with, *'For this reason I bow my knees before the Father...'* In the preceding chapters he wrote of the great plan of redemption of God. Next he wrote of how the plan unfolded in the lives of people. Then he wrote of how this became God's call to ministry for his life and for the church. All of this brought him to his knees to pray for the church. His prayer was for their strengthening, comprehension, knowing the love of Christ, and the fullness of God. Then he added, *v.20... 'Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us...'* Wow...!

A couple of weeks ago, Lula and I were discussing the need to have another Panhandle Senior's gathering. We thought that a good time might be February. As we continued to discuss the plans, this passage was fresh on my mind. I asked, "What if our gathering could have a prayer emphasis?" What if we have a meal and spend time praying. Praying for our Association, the churches, their leadership, their members and their ministry, and our camp." Lula had shared how Zane Newton, who preaches Sunday morning at Goodwell, had started a new prayer ministry on Sunday nights. So I asked if he could come and lead our prayer time at the Senior's gathering. The answer was yes, he would be delighted to come and participate. .

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SAVE THE DATE

Vacation Bible School Clinic
Guymon FBC March 30, 9-12
It's never too early to start working on
VBS 2019- In The Wild
Backyard Bible Club also presented
SHARE WITH YOUR FRIENDS

GIBSON BAPTIST CAMP NEWS

This past May, I wrote: "With the changes in our meeting schedule, I believe it is vital for us to keep you informed." This winter the activity at the camp has continued. There continues to be needs to be addressed and repairs to be made.

We continue with clean up of the camp grounds. We have been doing preventative maintenance. This is hoped to provide for a much smoother and less problems for the summer season.

The exterior walls of the Bookstore have been patched and primed and are now ready for exterior paint. This will be a project for the Spring. We have spread "road base" gravel mix on some of the spots on the roads that tend to a problem in heavy rains.

This last fall a new A/C-heating high-efficiency unit was installed in Balko cabin. This replaced a failed heater and failing A/C unit. The broken front door on Beaver cabin has been replaced. There are several other exterior doors that have been repaired, and much needed weather-

stripping installed, with more to complete.

Recently through God's providence we discovered major issues with the water supply system. We had been directed to run a routine test on the well. In the process of the test it was discovered that the pressure tank had failed. It was replaced. The test also discovered that the pump was also failing. This too was replaced. A week later in an unrelated incident the main water line from the well to the camp broke. This too was repaired. We are grateful to the Lord these incidents were in the off-season, and did not impact the camping program.

On some days the activity has been limited to indoors. We have been able to correct lighting issue in the kitchen and dining hall by replacing the failing ballasts. Recently a new shelving unit was completed to supply additional and much needed storage for the kitchen. Plans have been made to remodel a room off the Kitchen to install a mop-basin. This has been project required by the County Health Dept. We are to have had a special sink to allow the filling and emptying of the mop buckets.

The local representative of the State Department of Water Quality recently inspected our water system. Three minor deficiencies were pointed out and they have been corrected to the satisfaction of the inspector.

We have been able to correct several electrical issues. There are still more that have been discovered and also need attention and will be addressed before our camp season begins.

There are still many small to large tasks which are available for volunteers to help with. If you would like to help, please call a few days ahead, so that we will be able to find tasks which are suitable to your skills.

In His love. . . Tom

Tom's Thoughts cont.

So February 23, we will have a special and different Panhandle Senior's gathering. It will include the usual time of fellowship, a meal, and then a special time to seek the Lord in prayer for the needs of our Association, churches, and camp. My prayer is that we come away with a new sense, a refreshing from the Lord, of what Paul wanted for the church at Ephesus, His strengthening; His comprehension; His love; and a fullness of God within us.

In His love... Tom

PANHANDLE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Executive Board
FBC – Guymon
October 1, 2018

In attendance: Jerry Rice, Kenton BC; Jeff Bradley, Beaver FBC; Dan Cox, Turpin BC; Trevor Bulls & Tim Baldrige, Boise City FBC; Todd & Terra Carr, Balko BC; Mark Thompson, Keyes FBC; Matt Townsend & Michael Carter, Guymon FBC; Darren Carpenter & Tommy Jones, Texhoma FBC; Wayne Moore & Brad Vickrey, Forgan FBC; Orden Hartley, Felt FBC; Joshua Henson & Mike McReynolds, Hooker FBC; David Coffey, BCM; Dr. Hance Dilbeck, BGCO; Seth Bevers & Tyler McDowell, Guests for revival @ Forgan FBC; Tom Freeman & Lula King, PBA office.

- Mark Thompson led us in a devotional thought from II Tim. 4. We are “charged”; that is, we have been given the message, the tools and the Spirit to proclaim the Gospel. Mark then led us in prayer.

- Moderator, Orden Hartley, then called the meeting to order.

- Minutes from our May meeting were examined and Jeff Bradley moved their adoption with a second from Jerry Rice. The motion was approved.

- Financial reports from May through September were provided. Tom Freeman moved the adoption of each month’s report. Trevor Bulls seconded the motion on May’s report; Dan Cox seconded June’s report; Darren Carpenter seconded July’s report; Mike McReynolds seconded August’s report; and Wayne Moore seconded September’s report. All the reports were adopted.

- OLD BUSINESS

- We had a lengthy discussion about where we stood regarding the combined Associational Missionary and Camp Manager’s position. This involved considering where we are on the Three Year Plan we adopted in 2016. It also included discussion of the on-going viability of the camp. Eventually, Trevor Bulls made the motion to instruct the Executive Committee to set a time when we could meet and further discuss these matters and make some decisions that would allow us to move forward. Jerry Rice seconded this motion and it was adopted.

- Credentials Committee reported that they were not yet ready to present a recommendation regarding membership in our Association for the First Hispanic Baptist Church of Boise City. The church needs some more time to get all of their materials completed and in order to present to the Credentials Committee.

- NEW BUSINESS

- 2018 proposed budgets for the Association and the camp were reviewed. Wayne Moore moved their adoption, with a second from Brad Vickery and the motion was approved.

- The proposed 2018 Associational Calendar was provided. Jerry Rice moved its adoption, with a second from Mike McReynolds and it was approved.

- REPORTS

- Associational Missionary
Tom is continuing to review the Operations Manuel looking for areas where it could be streamlined. Lula is working diligently on preparations for the Annual Meeting. She is also preparing for the Associational Christmas Party. A workday at the camp is scheduled for Oct. 13th beginning around 9 am. Firewood is available at the campground for anyone who wants it.

- BCM

The College is already halfway through the Fall semester. They fed 230 at their last noonday last week. They are running 23 to 30 students at their Monday evening Bible Study. Many of those are Freshmen and Sophomores, so the future for the BCM looks good. David has the privilege of leading a devotional/Bible Study for each of the varsity sports teams on campus.

- There will be a Disaster Relief Training at the campground on Nov. 10th, beginning at 8 am. Need to pre-register online.

- Jerry Rice made the motion to adjourn. He was seconded by David Coffey and the motion passed. Todd Carr then led us in closing prayer.

Faithfully Submitted,
Jeff Bradley

**Panhandle Baptist Association
111th Annual Meeting
Hooker, Oklahoma
November 4, 2018**

Thirty-nine messengers and 9 guests registered for the meeting.

- Welcome provided by host Pastor, Mike McReynolds. He read from I Corinthians 3 from which our theme: “One Body, One Spirit, Working Together” was taken. He then led us in prayer.
- Tom Huggins led us in Congregational singing: “Brethren, We have met to worship” & “Come, Christians, Join to sing”
- Amanda Coffey provided Special Music.
- Moderator, Orden Hartley, called our meeting to order. He recognized new staff in the Association. He noted that Tom Freeman is certainly not new to our Association, but he has left the Pastorate at Guymon, Grace Southern and is now serving as Interim Associational Missionary and Interim Camp Manager.
- Tom Freeman shared that we have restructured our Executive Board meetings from a monthly gathering to quarterly meetings. Our Insurance carrier has dropped most of their church related policies. We have contracted with Brotherhood Mutual for new policies and will save about \$6000 a year for policies very close to what we previously had. Much work has been done at the camp. Much movement has been made in bringing the campground up to a level we can take pride in. Tom noted several individuals who have provided a great deal of volunteer labor that has made much of this progress possible: Bryan Chaddick, doing most of the heating & air

repair work; Dan Quensberry doing much of the electrical work; and Chuck Payne who has been our all-around general handyman on many projects.

- David Coffey provided the BCM Report. He currently has weekly access to ALL of the athletic teams at Panhandle State. He does Bible Studies or devotionals each week for each of the teams. This is in addition to the other ministries and activities the BCM hosts week by week. There were over 60 Professions of Faith last year as a result of the various programs they offer. Somewhere between 400 to 500 students and faculty hear the gospel presented every week through their work.
- Dick Fischer provided the Disaster Relief report. It’s been another active year as there never seems to be a lack of disasters where their ministry is needed. This year they actually got to provide loving service in a local setting – the Kenton fire in March.
- Our Treasurer, Tom Freeman presented the Proposed Budgets for 2019 for both the Association and Camp Gibson. Each budget is about \$20,000 less than last year. This is mostly a reflection of not paying a full salary for either an Associational Missionary or Camp Manager. Both Budgets were approved.
- The Proposed Calendar for 2019 was presented. Jerry Rice seconded the motion to adopt it and it was approved.
- The Nominating Committee presented its slate of Officers and committee members for 2019 with a motion for its adoption. It was seconded and approved.
- NEW BUSINESS None
- Todd Carr moved that we adjourn from our Afternoon Business Session. Motion was seconded and approved.

- Mike Romero, our Representative from the Baptist Foundation presented Awards of Recognition & Appreciation to our Moderator, Orden Hartley, and our Interim Associational Missionary, Tom Freeman.
- Our Memorial Time was led by Michael Carter.
- Special Music was provided by Tom Huggins.
- Our Afternoon Inspirational Message was provided by Randy Caddell, Director of Missions for Western Kansas and Nebraska. His text was Joshua 3:1-5, 13-17. “You Have Never Been This Way Before” Church work has changed – but the Gospel has not. God is bringing the Mission field to our doors.
 - 1) This is new territory for the church in our area. We better keep our eyes FIXED ON JESUS.
 - 2) We need to GET our hearts RIGHT and KEEP them RIGHT.
 - 3) Leaders are called to step out into uncomfortable and often dangerous places. God’s PROMISES are TRUE and you can count on them.
 - 4) Never forget we serve a God of MIRACLES – v. 5 God will do wonders in our midst tomorrow.
- Todd Carr led us in prayer.
- Evening Session commenced with Tom Huggins again leading us in Congregational Music: “We’re Marching to Zion” & “Higher Ground”

- Tom Freeman led in the receiving of this year's Above and Beyond Offering for Camp Gibson.

- Tom Freeman presented some well-deserved Awards: Virgil Gibson for 10 years of cooking at Camp Gibson and other Associational events; Boise City Church for being our leading church (att. 100-199) in giving to the State Missions Offering; and Felt church for being our leading church (att. 0-99) in State Missions Offering giving. He also provided a very brief history of the founding of the Panhandle Association and recognized the six founding churches – Kenton, Tyrone, Garrett, Guymon – First, Texhoma, and Goodwell.

- Special Music was provided by Hooker's FBC Men's Quartet – Four-Tay.

- Our Annual Message was provided by Trevor Bulls, Pastor of Boise City – First. His text came from Acts 6:1-4 "The Church's First Priority" Churches are in decline all across America. There are many reasons for this.

1) We are no longer a Christian nation. It is no longer culturally necessary or even desirable to be affiliated with a church.

2) Personal Evangelism has been replaced by Event Evangelism. Most Christians never personally share the gospel with anybody outside the church walls, nor do they feel a need to.

3) Most significantly – there has been a slow but steady drift away from God's priorities. In the early church there were two priorities that trumped everything else – Prayer and the Ministry of the Word. If we want to get our

churches back on track, we need to recover these two priorities.

- Guadalupe Amaya led us in Closing Prayer.

Jeff Bradley, Clerk

THIS PUTS IT IN PRESPECTIVE!

The President ordered the cabinet to cut a whopping \$100 million from the \$3.5 trillion federal budget!

I'm so impressed by this sacrifice that I have decided to do the same thing with my personal budget. I spend about \$2000.00 a month on groceries, medicine, bills, etc., but it's time to get out the budget cutting ax, go line by line through my expenses, and go to work.

I'm going to cut my spending at exactly the same ratio- 1/35,000 of my total budget. After doing the math, it looks like instead of spending \$2000.00 a month; I'm going to have to cut that number by 6 cents!

Yes, I'm going to have to get by with \$1999.94, but that's what sacrifice is all about. I'll just have to do without some things, that are, frankly, luxuries.

It's time for us to do our part! I know it is going to be tough but we can do it, right?

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2018	Total receipts	
	October	YTD
Balko Baptist	309.03	3,996.00
Beaver, FBC	4,336.80	17,171.09
Beaver Hispanic	0.00	891.56
Boise City, FBC	599.59	8,487.96
Boise City, FHBC	50.00	450.00
Felt, FBC	1,103.65	9,811.96
Felt, Hispanic	0.00	0.00
Forgan, FBC	852.12	4,683.07
Goodwell BC	180.30	2,391.92
Guymon, FBC	579.00	5,285.00
Guymon, FHBC	82.92	852.28
Guymon, Grace	0.00	0.00
Guymon, Sunset Lane	1,037.60	7,528.78
Hardesty, Bethel	109.35	1,575.53
Hardesty, FBC	0.00	0.00
Hooker, FBC	645.22	5,645.89
Hooker, FHBC	51.15	611.40
Kenton BC	424.32	3,527.04
Keyes, FBC	428.50	4,313.33
Texhoma, FBC	266.34	2,129.74
Turpin BC	360.75	3,369.68
Tyrone BC	128.52	1,605.38
Wheeless BC	151.60	1,539.58
BGCO	218.42	2,184.20
Other Income	78.09	825.98
Interest Income	5.25	23.41
GBC Income	1,616.25	65,337.91
Total	\$12,983.20	\$153,598.01

October 31, 2018 Balances

PBA/GBC checking:

Beginning Balance (09-30-18)	\$22,318.58
Total Income:	\$ 12,983.20
Total Expenses:	\$ 11,919.77
Ending Balance (10-31-18)	\$23,382.01

Special Funds balances:

Disaster Relief Balance:	\$ 4,625.21
Mexico Crusade Balance:	\$ 1,315.58
GBC Major Improvements:	\$ 36,322.38
Panhandle Hispanic Missions	\$ 12,311.71

2018	Total receipts	
	November	YTD
Balko Baptist	377.94	4,373.94
Beaver, FBC	1,405.18	18,567.16
Beaver Hispanic	0.00	891.56
Boise City, FBC	1,006.88	9,494.84
Boise City, FHBC	50.00	500.00
Felt, FBC	1,741.55	11,553.51
Felt, Hispanic	0.00	0.00
Forgan FBC	0.00	4,683.07
Goodwell BC	246.18	2,638.10
Guymon, FBC	335.00	5,620.00
Guymon, FHBC	67.89	920.17
Guymon, Grace	0.00	0.00
Guymon, Sunset Lane	792.84	8,321.62
Hardesty, Bethel	124.82	1,700.35
Hardesty, FBC	0.00	0.00
Hooker, FBC	1,052.76	6,698.65
Hooker, FHBC	91.23	702.63
Kenton BC	427.20	3,954.24
Keyes, FBC	231.00	4,544.33
Texhoma, FBC	233.67	2,363.41
Turpin BC	259.15	3,628.83
Tyrone BC	0.00	1,605.38
Wheless BC	0.00	1,539.58
BGCO	218.42	2,402.62
Other Income	56.31	882.29
Interest Income	4.83	28.24
GBC Income	1,153.78	66,491.69
Total	\$9,876.63	\$164,106.21

November 30, 2018 Balances

PBA/GBC checking:	
Beginning Balance (10-31-18)	\$23,382.01
Total Income:	\$ 9,876.63
Total Expenses:	\$ 9,976.24
Ending Balance (11-30-18)	\$23,282.40
Special Funds balances:	
Disaster Relief Balance:	\$ 4,648.21
Mexico Crusade Balance:	\$ 1,329.23
GBC Major Improvements:	\$ 36,561.38
Panhandle Hispanic Missions	\$ 12,075.21

2018	Total receipts	
	December	YTD
Balko Baptist	0.00	4,373.94
Beaver, FBC	946.95	19,515.11
Beaver Hispanic	0.00	891.56
Boise City, FBC	1,801.73	11,296.57
Boise City, FHBC	50.00	550.00
Felt, FBC	1,498.08	13,051.59
Felt, Hispanic	0.00	0.00
Forgan, FBC	826.95	5,510.02
Goodwell BC	258.47	2,896.57
Guymon, FBC	915.00	6,535.00
Guymon, FHBC	92.89	1,013.06
Guymon, Grace	0.00	0.00
Guymon, Sunset Lane	649.70	8,971.32
Hardesty, Bethel	107.87	1,808.22
Hardesty, FBC	0.00	0.00
Hooker, FBC	0.00	6,698.65
Hooker, FHBC	0.00	702.63
Kenton BC	180.64	4,134.88
Keyes, FBC	545.73	5,090.06
Texhoma, FBC	444.75	3,995.68
Turpin BC	366.85	3,995.68
Tyrone BC	0.00	1,605.38
Wheless BC	166.00	1,705.58
BGCO	218.42	2,621.04
Other Income	486.54	1,368.83
Interest Income	4.92	33.16
GBC Income	4,600.28	71,091.97
Total	\$14,162.77	\$178,268.98

December 31, 2018 Balances

PBA/GBC checking:	
Beginning Balance (11-30-18)	\$23,282.40
Total Income:	\$ 14,162.77
Total Expenses:	\$ 11,711.28
Ending Balance (12-31-18)	\$25,733.89
Special Funds balances:	
Disaster Relief Balance:	\$ 14,728.21
Mexico Crusade Balance:	\$ 1,345.21
GBC Major Improvements:	\$ 36,661.38
Panhandle Hispanic Missions	\$ 11,891.16

