

## FROM THE A.M. DESK

Have you ever considered what church is? Our minds more than likely take us to our local church family. It is true that if we are a member of a local church that is our most direct church family but at the same time we belong to THE CHURCH, the body of believers in Jesus Christ from around the world. As we think of this we need to consider that our cause, our purpose is way bigger than our local congregations. Being part of an association of churches

should make our prayers and actions reflect that we have a burden for not only the towns we live in but also the panhandle, the state, the country and the world we live in. Matthew 28:19-20 says, *“Go therefore and make disciples of **all the nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”* We not only need to go and make disciples of all nations but it needs

to be until the end of our time here on this earth.

Together we the churches in the Panhandle Baptist Association and all members inside each and every church need to be in prayer for revival to come and take hold of the panhandle of Oklahoma! Our annual meeting is October 15th and we are going to come together as churches and celebrate this past year and pray for the year to come, I hope to see you there!

In Christ,

Brother Eddie

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[www.pbaok.org](http://www.pbaok.org)

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 Offering 2016  
 receipts**

**\$37,426.00 date**

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## CALENDAR EVENTS

### September

16 Disaster Relief Area Training, Woodward, FBC, 8-3 p.m.

18 Executive Board 10 a.m.

### October

3 ACP due

7 Pastor Appreciation Banquet, GBC, 5 p.m.

9 Office Closed, Columbus Day

15 Annual Meeting, Goodwell BCM Building, 4 p.m.

28 Women's Event, TBA

### November

13-14 Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, OKC Quail Springs BC

20 Executive Board, 10 a.m.

22-23 Office Closed, Happy Thanksgiving

### December

3-10 Week of Prayer for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

14 Pastor/Staff Christmas Fellowship, Goodwell BCM building

21- Jan3 Office Closed, Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year

**PANHANDLE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**GIBSON BAPTIST CAMP**

Camp season is over! Where did the summer go? It came from out of nowhere and then vanished just as quickly. We hosted about 350 campers this season and witnessed many young lives changed by the love of Christ. The highlight for me was the first week when we baptized seven in our swimming pool.

Most things went very well but there were a couple of maintenance issues caught me off-guard, our plumbing and HVAC systems. Understandably, the only time these systems can really get tested is when they are being used. So, we replaced a few rusted-out water heaters, a compressor, and fixed a couple of electrical grounding issues. We also unclogged a few toilets and had to deal with a septic system back-up in the cafeteria. Some of these issues simply go with the territory. Others will require some innovation.

There is so much potential in this ministry! I am excited by the opportunities and overwhelmed by the responsibilities. Theoretically, we can host about 125 campers

each week through the summer. Can you imagine hosting 750 campers each summer!

However, to get there, we have much to do and you can help!

Maintenance and repair: Cafeteria – insulate roof, re-engineer HVAC air circulation, enlarge and enclose kitchen, replace soft-serve ice cream machine, acquire commercial food warmer  
Boise City Cabin – upgrade plumbing, showers and toilets  
Turpin Cabin – reclaim and renovate, or condemn and remove  
Tabernacle – repair trim, roof, and stain  
Manager’s House – repair septic line, exterior stain  
Office cabin – paint or stain exterior  
Beaver Cabin – repair and paint exterior  
Bookstore – paint inside and out  
Several other odd jobs including minor electrical, plumbing, painting, and more!

Expansion and improve-

ment:

A large indoor facility for assembly and activity during inclement weather  
Modern outdoor playscape and obstacle course  
New ADA compliant access to cafeteria

Finally, just to leave you wanting more, we have two big new events this winter!  
October 7 - Pastor Appreciation Banquet  
December 3 - Christmas Around the World!

More details coming soon!

Trace Farthing, Camp Manager

Trace can be reached on his cell phone: 806-202-0816.

**Position Opening:**

First Baptist Church of Beaver is seeking God’s leader to serve as our Bi-Vocational Youth Minister. Contact the church for further information: 580.625.3382 or send resume to PO Box 6, Beaver OK 73932



If you know someone who would like to receive the newsletter, let us know. It is snail mailed, emailed, and posted on our website monthly.

**Pray for our Church of the Month**

*Boise City, FHBC  
Hugo Ledesma, pastor  
Pastorless churches  
Guymon, SLBC, David Moore is transitional interim; Hardesty, Beth-el; Balko BC; Forgan FBC; Guymon, Grace Southern*

UPDATE: The office will not be open with any regularity due to the chemotherapy treatment schedule of Lula King.  
Please call and leave messages or call Bro. Eddie 580.519.1989

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES  
SEPTEMBER**

**Pray for our Church Staff and their families:**

Make a habit of praying for these individuals and their ministry on their birthday. That is a great day to think of them and lift them before the Lord.

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Name  
Galen & Danna Smith  
Rachel Townsend  
Moises Avalos  
Clayton Carter  
Sherry Hartley  
Joshua Henson  
Anna Krenzin  
Tenyon Moore  
Rebeka Townsend  
Darren & Malinda Carpenter  
Lydia Townsend  
Christy Farthing  
Orden Hartley  
Mike McReynolds

Church  
Wheless BC, Pastor & wife  
Guymon, Discipleship Pastor’s daughter  
Hooker, FHBC Pastor  
Guymon, FBC Pastor’s son  
Felt FBC, Pastor’s daughter  
Hooker, FBC Music & Youth Pastor  
Guymon, FBC Family Pastor’s daughter  
Guymon Sunset Lane; Interim Pastor’s son  
Guymon, FBC; Discipleship Pastor’s Daughter  
Texhoma FBC; Pastor & wife  
Guymon, FBC; Discipleship Pastor’s Daughter  
Gibson Baptist Camp Director’s wife  
Felt, FBC’ Pastor  
Hooker, FBC Pastor’

2017 FINANCES	JUNE	YTD RECTS	JULY	YTD RECTS
Balko Baptist	289.89	1,845.07	286.52	2,131.59
Beaver, FBC	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Beaver Hispanic	0.00	452.97	0.00	452.97
Boise City, FBC	1,179.32	7,591.11	835.42	8,426.53
Boise City, Hisp	50.00	300.00	50.00	350.00
Felt, FBC	701.80	5,073.78	2,072.21	7,145.99
Felt, Hispanic	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Forgan, FBC	424.41	1,986.64	349.29	2,335.93
Goodwell Baptist	145.26	1,323.65	404.60	1,728.25
Guymon, FBC	1,008.00	2,817.00	304.00	3,121.00
Guymon, FHBC	77.77	534.44	103.78	638.22
Guymon, Grace	305.33	1,842.60	335.22	2,177.82
Guymon, Sunset Lane	658.10	3,996.54	612.11	4,608.65
Hardesty, Bethel	171.30	915.19	173.61	1,088.80
Hardesty, FBC	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hooker, FBC	863.02	3,517.71	0.00	3,517.71
Hooker, FHBC	57.90	305.88	36.96	342.84
Kenton Baptist	280.16	2,014.40	450.00	2,464.40
Keyes, FBC	952.92	2,514.57	0.00	2,514.57
Texhoma, FBC	361.49	1,170.57	0.00	1,170.57
Turpin Baptist	238.13	1,533.49	363.89	1,897.38
Tyrone Baptist	132.48	666.47	133.35	799.82
Wheless Baptist	125.68	884.02	0.00	884.02
BGCO	218.33	1,528.31	218.33	1,746.64
Other Income	66.84	2,766.07	69.89	2,835.96
Interest Income	0.00	4.55	1.41	5.96
GBC Income	19,961.49	31,304.76	9,248.99	40,553.75
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>Total:</b>
	<b>\$28,269.62</b>	<b>\$81,889.79</b>	<b>\$16,049.58</b>	<b>\$97,939.37</b>

June 30, 2017 Balances	
PBA/GBC Checking:	
Beginning Balance (05/31/17)	\$5,380.04
Total Income:	\$ 28,269.62
Total Expenses	\$ 23,471.37
Ending Balance (06/30/17)	\$10,178.29
Special Funds balance:	
Disaster Relief Balance	\$3,044.89
Mexico Crusade Balance	\$1,303.47
GBC Major Improvements	\$64,386.13
Panhandle Hispanic Missions	\$14,823.22

July 31, 2017 Balances	
Beginning Balance (06/30/17)	\$ 10,178.29
Total Income:	\$ 16,049.58
Total Expenses	\$ 23,089.96
Ending Balance (07/31/17)	\$3,137.91
Special Funds balance:	
Disaster Relief Balance	\$3,031.80
Mexico Crusade Balance	\$1,301.93
GBC Major Improvements	\$64,486.13
Panhandle Hispanic Missions	\$14,598.22

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**Panhandle Baptist Association**

**Executive Board Minutes**

**June 19, 2017**

In attendance: Orden Hartley Felt FBC; Tom Freeman, Guymon Grace Southern; Ray Cook, Hardesty Bethel; David Coffey, BCM; Jeff Bradley, Beaver FBC; Brad Vickrey and David Hall, Forgan FBC; Eddie Knight PBA office.

David Hall led us in devotional thought. Called our attention to Daniel. Key verse “There is a God in Heaven...” In Daniel 1:8 “Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself...” Because of this foundation commitment, early in life, he became (even as a foreign slave/hostage) a man of immense influence in the administrations of two different world empires. He also was a great example to his friends and colleagues as they stood tall in perilous times. He then led us in prayer.

Our Moderator, Orden Hartley called our meeting to order.

Minutes examined. Jeff Bradley moved their adoption, with a second by David Coffey. It was so ordered.

Financial Report provided. Brad Vickrey moved its adoption, with a second from David Coffey. Motion passed

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**REPORTS**

Associational Missionary –

The Hidden Harvest team from the BGC0 will be coming a little later this year.

Lula begins her cancer treatment in Amarillo tomorrow with surgery. She will be in and out of the office as this process moves forward.

Hispanic Liaison Report is in our packets.

GBA

Compressor for Balko cabins’ a/c went out. It should be replaced today or tomorrow. Cost is @ \$2000.

BCM –

The final student week at Glorietta is this August. Beginning in 2018 Lifeway’s student week will move to Falls Creek.

“Summer projects” are on-going. These are short Bible Studies and Bible memorization work that they are doing on-line. Good participation

Jason Johnston is leaving our Association. He will take a Pastorate in Utah. We need candidates to fill the various offices he holds in our Associations.

Motion to Adjourn made by David Coffey, with a second by Jeff Bradley. It was approved.

Prayer requests were heard and Eddie Knight led us in prayer.

Faithfully Submitted,

Jeff Bradley

**110th Annual Meeting**  
**Goodwell BCM**  
**Sunday, October 15, 2017**

*First Session 4 p.m.*

*Second Session 6:15 p.m.*

*Elect your messengers!*

*ARTICLE IV Section 1. The Association shall be composed of messengers from the Baptist churches in good standing, cooperating with and supporting the work of the Panhandle Baptist Association; said messengers having been elected by the churches and whose letter of election (Associational Letter-CARD provided in Registration Packet mailed to each church) is in the hands of the Associational Clerk or Moderator. Section 2. Each participating church having a membership of twenty-five (25) or less resident members may send their pastor and three (3) messengers. Churches having more than twenty-five (25) members may add one (1) additional messenger for twenty-five (25) members or fractions thereof, providing that no church shall have more than ten (10) messengers.*

**Inform us of your Messengers and numbers for the Meals and Child care by 10-10: 580.338.6259 or [pbaok221@gmail.com](mailto:pbaok221@gmail.com)**

**BCM Needs:**

We are planning to replace people mover with a 15 passenger Ford Transit Van; estimated cost will be \$23,000.

**Please feel free to call David Coffey for more details:  
580.651.1851**

Donations may go directly to the BCM: PO Box 70, Goodwell OK 73939.

Thank you for your support of this vital ministry.

**BIBLE TRIVIA QUESTIONS:**

1. How many books in the Bible are named for women?
  2. Who had 4 wives, 12 sons and one daughter?
  3. Who was given his choice of any gift by God?
  4. Which 2 wicked cities were destroyed by God in Genesis?
  5. What are the names of the 2 people in the Bible who never died?
  6. Who was married to King Zerxes, but refused to honor him and was banished?
  7. To whom did God give a vision of the valley of dry bones?
  8. What is the shortest chapter in the Bible?
  9. What were the names of the Three Wise Men?
  10. Who married Ruth after her husband died?
  11. What is the longest chapter in the Bible?
  12. According to Revelation, Chapter 21, how many pearly gates are in Heaven?
- See answers next month

**Please send all mail for Gibson Baptist Camp to the PBA office, 221 NE 12th St, Guymon OK 73942.**

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Eddie Knight, Interim Associational Missionary  
Moises Avalos, Hispanic Liaison  
Lula King, Ministry Assistant

Office hours: 9-noon & 1-5  
Monday—Thursday

Mission Statement: "The mission of Panhandle Baptist Association is to strengthen, assist, and resource the church and produce itself here and around the world."

Vision Statement: "The Panhandle Baptist Association has a vision to strengthen the church here and around the world."

What will you give,  
how will you pray,  
when will you go,  
to spread the love  
of Jesus to our own  
state?

Oklahoma is our Judea, included in Acts 1:8 "... you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

