



## REHOBOTH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

# THE RECORD

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### What Do You Do?



From time to time I get the proverbial question, “What do you do each week as a DOM?” Well, for those interested, it’s a good question and one I didn’t know the answer to until I actually became a DOM! Each week is different, just like for a Pastor, but here is a sample week last month that give you an idea about the ministry of a DOM:

- Wrote and Emailed the Weekly RBA Update to over 200 people.
- Met with a man from out of town with a difficult bipolar relative situation negatively affecting the entire family. Offered prayer, counsel, and referral help.
- Visited with a Pastor Search Team Chairman about a recommended candidate and pulpit supply.
- Arranged a meeting related to a possible new Hispanic Church start here in RBA involving convention and local leadership.
- Met with two people serving on a Deacon Ordination Team at an RBA church.
- Attended Pastors’ Prayer Meeting with the Hopkins County Christian Alliance.
- Studied and prepared two sermons for preaching assignment that next Sunday.
- Attended a week-night dinner with leaders of an area Bible Conference for future planning.
- Handled an out-of-state call and contact to arrange for ministry to a Prison inmate in another association.
- Met on Saturday with leaders of an out-of-town Christian ministry organization.
- Attended and preached two services at an RBA church.

DOM’s across Texas are different according to the need of a particular locale. I have found the vast majority of DOM’s very well educated, experienced, devoted to Christ, and capable. Each wear the hat of strategic planners, consultants, preachers, missionaries, counselors, educators, or conflict mediators from time to time. One thing is true of every DOM, they are in essence at-large “Pastors” with a varied and scattered congregation no matter where they serve.

Thanks for trusting me and calling me as YOUR DOM! I pray every week at least once that God will help me be a better “Pastor” among the Pastors, Staff, and People I serve!

Yours for His Glory!

*Kent Pate*

Executive Director



**A word from our Director of Hispanic Ministries**

On July 15 – 16 we had David Alexander for Part #1 "Planting Churches Conference." Ten people were present. It was a refreshing time for me and others, to never come to the end of learning on how to plant churches. If you have not been to one lately, don't guess, it is time for a wake-up call. Why? Because in our area (RBA) we need to get back into doing just that - "planting churches." Having 7 counties with just five Hispanic churches is not good on our part. Let me repeat something I have said in the past, we, the Hispanic people, cannot do it ourselves, we need our anglo churches to seriously help out. Naturally, the Lord has the power and wisdom to move those who are really saved to help us out. Otherwise, it will be in vain.

August 5 - 6 we will have our Part #2 "Planting Churches Conference". Again, it has to be people who are really saved by the resurrected gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Only the Word of God can do just that. Paul says in **2 Corinthians 2:14 - 17**

***"Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savor of his knowledge by us in every place... For we are unto God a sweet savor of Christ, in them that are saved, and in them that perish: to the one we are the savor of death unto death; and to the other the savor of life unto life. And who is sufficient for these things? For we are not as many, which corrupt the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ."***

Prayer: Oh God! Please help us to come together in these last days to give life as living epistles to those who are spiritually dead! Please help us to present the gospel clearly to those who are blinded by the god of this world. In Jesus name.

*Eloy Gonzalez*

# August

- 8 ~ Church/Denomination Dev. Team Mtg. 2 p.m. @ RBA Office
- 10 ~ Community Ministry Dev. Team Mtg. 11:30 a.m. @ RBA Office

# September

- 5 ~ Labor Day - RBA Office Closed
- 13 ~ Spiritual Dev. Team Mtg. 11:30 a.m. @ RBA Office
- 20 ~ Administrative Dev. Team Mtg. 2 p.m. @ RBA Office
- 22 ~ RBA Gathering @ New Beginnings Fellowship, Sul. Spgs. Meal @ 6 p.m. - Meeting @ 6:45 p.m.
- 26 ~ Missions Dev. Team Mtg. 7 p.m. @ RBA Office
- 27 ~ Leadership Dev. Team Mtg. 11:30 a.m. @ RBA Office

## Annual Church Profiles

It's almost that time of year again for the Annual Church Profiles. Church clerks/secretaries should begin gathering info on your church officers for the coming year with their current mailing addresses, phone numbers, etc.

You should be receiving your church profiles in the mail soon!

Please complete the ACP's as soon as possible so that we can prepare information for the Annual Meeting.

## SBTC WEEK OF PRYAER

September 18-25



## BGCT Week of Prayer



September 11-18

# THE RESPONSE:

*a call to prayer for a nation in crisis*

Based on the book of Joel...

*Consecrate a fast, Call a sacred assembly; Gather the elders And all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the LORD your God, And cry out to the LORD. Joel 1:14 NKJV*

Our Governor, **Rick Perry** has made a proclamation calling for a

**National Day of Prayer and Fasting for America.**

In response to the proclamation, a National Prayer Rally is scheduled on August 6, 2011 at Reliant Stadium in Houston, Texas.

**The Simulcast will be broadcast at  
FBC of Sulphur Springs**

**in the Conference Room next to the Offices  
10 am - 5 pm ~ "Come and Go" opportunity  
Come spend part of your day in prayer for America  
with thousands of other  
Christians from across the State!**

# "Awakened to His Glory"

August 28-29, 2011

Sessions will be on Sunday/Monday Evenings Luncheon on Monday for Pastors/Staff and Spouses in the County.

Every Church is invited as we praise, proclaim a timely message and pray for REAL REVIVAL in Christians, Churches, communities, cities, counties, country.

Six County-Wide Spiritual Awakening Conferences

Third year in the 2020 VISION for AMERICA  
"Transforming America – One County at a Time"

**Ministry Leader & Facilitator:  
Dr. Jack Robbins, Lovem Ministries**

## TRANSFORMATIONAL CHURCHES

### WORKSHOP

Saturday, August 20, 2011

at

FBC, Sulphur Springs

9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Lunch Provided by **RSVP ~ 903-885-2868**

Facilitator: Larry Golden of Lifeway

**BRING KEY LEADERS!!!**

# RBA Annual Meeting 2011

November 6, 2011

First Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon

Guest: Dr. David Allen

Dean of School of Theology, SWBTS

Registration ~ 4:45 p.m.

Business Session ~ 5 - 5:45 p.m. - Vote on RBA Restructure

Dinner/Fellowship ~ 5:45 - 6:30 p.m.

**\*\*RSVP for the meal - 903-885-2868\*\***

Worship ~ 6:45 - 8 p.m.

Plan to elect your messengers for the Annual Meeting also...the formula is "The Pastor of each church shall be a member. In addition, each church is entitled to one messenger for each 25 resident members, provided that no church shall have more than 10 messengers."

## September RBA Gathering

**Thursday, September 22, 2011**

at New Beginnings Fellowship Baptist Church

Meal at 6 p.m.

Meeting will start at 6:45 p.m.

## Church News

If your church has a special event or information you'd like to share in the newsletter, please email [info@rebothonline.org](mailto:info@rebothonline.org) or call the office, 903-885-2868. The Newsletter deadline is the 15th of each month.



*Please be in prayer for our:*  
**Pastorless Churches**

**Enloe**  
**FBC, Como**  
**FBC, Cumby**  
**Journey Baptist**  
**Ridgeway Baptist Church**  
**Chapel Hill Baptist Church**  
**Center Grove Baptist Church**

## 2011 VBS Reports

Here are some of the great reports we have received!

**Weaver Baptist Church** ~ 61 kids enrolled  
1 profession of faith

**Mt. Olive Baptist Church** ~ 31 kids enrolled

**FBC, Mt. Vernon** ~ 211 kids enrolled  
22 decisions for Christ

**Pine Street Baptist Church** ~ 168 kids enrolled

**Posey Baptist Church** ~ 31 kids enrolled

**FBC, Sulphur Springs** ~ 660 kids/workers in attendance  
33 decisions for Christ

### VBS 2011

Attn: All Churches that conducted VBS

Please email or call in your VBS reports to the RBA Office. We want to hear and report the results of all your hard work!

Your response is greatly appreciated!!

## 2011 Vacation Bible School

First Baptist Church, Yantis ~ August 1-4

New Life Baptist Church, Cooper ~ August 1-4

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### Mission Statement

*The mission of Rehoboth Baptist Association is to offer leading edge assistance in creating healthy New Testament churches that honor Jesus Christ by their very existence.*



*Changed lives through Christ-centered churches*

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday 8:30AM - 4:30PM  
Friday 8:30AM - 2:30PM