

Hello, Goodbye, and See You Soon!

Dear Beloved Churches,

It was so good seeing you all last month at our Semi-Annual meeting at Jackson Ave. Baptist in Lovington. We are grateful for Pastor Dave Rouser and all of his wonderful congregation for being such great hosts. Having come to executive board meetings for the past 5 years, this one was truly my favorite. Let me give you some highlights.

First, we did not leave the New Mexico Baptist Children's Home disappointed. Through your generosity, we packed out the trailer and truck to capacity once again. Having spoken to their representative, Malcolm, at Taos last week at the State Convention, we were told that your support went above and beyond expectations. Thank you so very much for your generosity to the children's home.

We also heard from our agencies. We were blessed to have Mrs. Lori Bova, board member of the Ethics and Religious Liberties commission and member at Taylor Memorial Baptist in Hobbs, give a report. We were also excited to hear of the new family ministries vision for the Children's Home. Wayland Baptist made a report through Pastor Matt Thackerson of FBC Lovington. Truly this was a great time. I also shared a dream of mine to get SEBA churches involved in an international mission work in Kenya.

One of my greatest joys was seeing every position in our administrative team filled. This is the first time in my history of the association that every leadership position has been filled. We welcome Pastor Larry Wood of New Hope Baptist to the position of Church Planting Team Leader, Pastor Matt Thackerson of FBC Lovington to Vice-Moderator, Pastor Stewart Sherrill of FBC Hobbs to the position of Moderator, and Pastor Matt Price of Monument Baptist to Trustee. We of course are grateful for our existing team leaders and trustees who do such a great job on our Administrative Team. **"Hello" to all of you.**

Sadly, **we had to say, "Goodbye"** to some precious brothers in ministry this month. Pastor Andy Lareau stepped down as Pastor of Trinity Baptist in Lovington. He and his wife will be moving to Roswell with hopes to engage in ministry there. Also, Pastor Wayne Brazil of First Baptist Tatum resigned on October 16. Both of these men were friends of mine and brothers in ministry. We will miss you all and send you with our prayers.

Hopefully everyone received their annual church profiles. You are welcome to send them back to the association office for entry, or you can follow the instructions and do it directly yourself.

I would be amiss if I didn't say, **"See You Soon"** to the Pastors of our association. At our annual meeting, you were given a copy of Center Church by Tim Keller. **All Pastors are welcome and encouraged to join us for a book discussion on November 19, 2016 at 8 AM at IHOP in Hobbs.** We will discuss the first section of the book called, "The Gospel." The breakfast is free, and if you need a book let me know. Finally, on that same day we welcome the WMU to our associational office for a time of study and fellowship. I could go on but I am out of space. May God richly bless you, and know I am here for you all.

—Dr. Danny Kirkpatrick

Associational Coordinator

Missions Education Tour - WMU

WMU Luncheon—Saturday, November 19, 2016 at the Southeastern Baptist Association Office

Attention Ladies,

We welcome you to join the fellow Women on Mission in Lea County for the Missions Education 10 City Tour. Led by Connie Dixon, State-wide Director for the Women's Missionary Union, this missions education seminar will encourage you and your church to be on mission for Jesus Christ.

Beginning at 11:00 AM on Saturday, November 19 at the SEBA Office, Connie will share "What's New with the WMU." God is doing incredible things in the field of missions, and He is beckoning you to be a part of it. Come at 11 AM and find out how.

SEBA will also provide a luncheon for all who attend beginning at noon. If your church does not have a WMU or Missions Education program, do not fear! Connie will lead a special breakout session at 1:00 PM just for people in that situation.

This 10 City Tour covers all areas of New Mexico. It includes Silver City, Albuquerque, Alamogordo, Tucumcari, Portales, Las Cruces, Artesia, Hobbs, Carlsbad, and Farmington.

The event is free but registration is strongly encouraged. For questions, or to register for the event, contact Rebecca Davis at (575) 392-6840. We hope to see you there!

Pastor Breakfast and Book Discussion

Pastors,

You are encouraged to join us for a free Pastor's Breakfast on Saturday, November 19 at 8 AM. We will meet at IHOP in Hobbs. We will have a time of fellowship and book discussion. At this breakfast, we will discuss the first section of Tim Keller's book, *Center Church*, called The Gospel. This is chapters 1-6.

Free copies of this book were given out at our October semi-annual meeting. If you did not get a copy and would like one, we have just a few left. If you would just like to join us for breakfast as well, you are still most welcome to do so. We hope to see you there hungry for good food, fellowship, and discussion.



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Pictured left is Pastor Wayne Brazil preaching this year's SEBA Semi-Annual meeting at Jackson Ave. Baptist Church. His message was entitled, "Preaching the Powerful Gospel" with his focus text being Romans 1:14-16. Pastor Wayne served as Pastor of First Baptist Church of Tatum on two different occasions. He resigned from FBC Tatum on September 16. We wish Pastor Wayne very well as he continues to Preach the Powerful Gospel.

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