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Summer is finally here, and with that comes summer mission opportunities! As most of your churches think about going far off in an effort to spread the gospel I want to remind you that the BSM is a mission organization right in your backyard, with an opportunity that is here year round. I covet your prayers for us. Pray for Alex, Oscar, Mickey, and Joe as they spend their summer figuring out what life looks like as new believers. Pray for Benjamin and Leah as they move on to other schools next fall. There are many others I could name but those are a few that stand out in my mind at this moment.

Thank you all so much for your continued support. I appreciate those who have called and let me know you are praying for the BSM and for those who have already donated to our summer renovation projects. Unfortunately, we are still in need. We have received \$1,000 toward our \$5,000 dollar goal. You may be wondering why is it so necessary that we update the bathrooms? Well, if you have never been in our building here is a visual: imagine walking into a dimly lit restroom where only one of the stall doors close, or worse there is no door at all... would you feel safe? This is what our students are seeing as they enter our building. We want everyone to feel they are walking into a safe and clean environment and right now I can't in good conscience say that. Will you help us?

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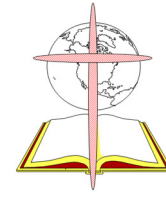
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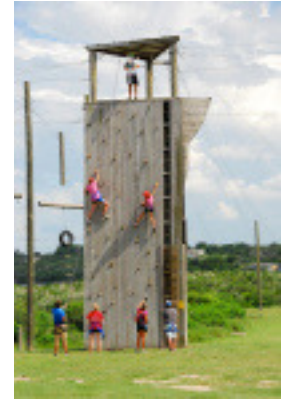
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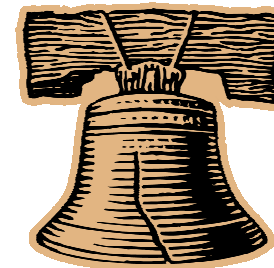
# Blanco Blessing

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## Summer camps



## July 4th



## Hot dogs



## Swimming Pools



# Executive Board Meeting

During the Executive Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, the Association Strategy Team presented changes to the By-Laws that the team has been working on for several months.

Changes would be: The Board will be composed of 15 members; terms to initially be, 5 members for 3 years; 5 members for 2 years and 5 members for 1 year. Officers to be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, to be nominated by the Board. The Director of Missions to serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member. Board would form sub-committees for: personnel, missions development, Baptist Student Ministry, properties and other areas as needed. They would recommend trustees to Zephyr Baptist Encampment and present the annual budget for approval at the annual meeting.

A couple of areas of concern were the interval between the annual meeting and when the Board would elect officers, especially the position of Treasurer; and the Board dominating its own members.

The nine member Strategy Team is still working in eliminating any problems with changing the By-Laws so that a seamless change may take place. Continue to pray for them.

## CHURCH NEWS

Pray for our churches and their Search Committees who are seeking for new pastors or other staff members. Churches without pastors are El Calvario, Edroy; Friendship BC, La Esperanza, George West; Bethel & First, Ingleside; PIB, Odem; Emmanuel, Pawnee; Salt Lake, Rockport; La Hermosa, Skidmore; PIB, Taft; Good Hope BC Three Rivers. FBC Beeville is seeking a Worship Leader.

## Calendar of ACTIVITIES



- 2 Worship Concert, 4-8 PM hosted by Primera Iglesia, Mathis
- 3 2:30 pm Companerismo Maranta, PIB Mathis  
– Host church is La Hermosa Skidmore
- 10-13 SBC & National WMU annual meetings in Dallas
- 11-15 Youth Camp-Session One, Zephyr Camp
- 14 Regional Criminal Justice Board of Directors meeting at Garza East @ 4:30 pm
- 18-22 Youth Camp-Session Two, Zephyr Camp
- 17 Father's Day



- 1-4 KIDS Camp, Session One, Zephyr Camp
- 4 July 4th– Independence Day
- 4-7 KIDS Camp, Session, Two, Zephyr Camp
- 8-11 KIDS Camp, Session, Three, Zephyr Camp
- 11-14 KIDS Camp, Session Four, Zephyr Camp
- 16-20 Youth Camp, Session Three, Zephyr Camp
- 23-27 Youth Camp, Session Four, Zephyr Camp
- 28 Annual Hispanic Rally, Arlington Convention Center, Arlington
- 29-31 Texas Baptist Family Gathering (Annual Meeting) Arlington Convention Center Arlington

# Companerismo

June 3 3:00 PM at Primera Iglesia Bautista Mathis. La Hermosa Skidmore is host for the meeting.

Reported by Ron Flores, Secretary

## Congratulations to: Church Anniversaries for June & July

**Pastors:** Jesse Berthold—22 yrs; Roman Encinia— 19 yrs; Tommy Stogner— 15 yrs; Jay Fleming— 10 yrs; Jose R Abad— 5 yrs; **Church Staff:** Jane Curlee— 30 yrs; Verna Ashcraft— 19 yrs; Ed Gaither— 18 yrs; Joyce Orta— 16yrs; Cindy Hatfield— 14 yrs; Andy Barlow— 10 yrs; Jordan Mims— 9 yrs; Dianne Ferguson— 8 yrs; Maria Seaman— 4 yrs; Karen Perkins— 3 yrs; Patricia Roggy— 2 yrs; Marcia Peterson— 1 yr; Association Office: Myrtle Andrews— 8 yrs and Todd Malvano— 1 yr.

## Birthdays for June

Vernon Andrews, Wesley Tew, Hollie Mims, Crystal Norris, Debe Allen, Jeff Bewer, Theresa Allen, Polly Buchanan, Jordan Mims, Myrtle Andrews, Chauncey Newberry, Laura Lanningham and Cindy Hatfield.

## Birthdays for July

Maria Seaman, Mary T Flores, Rosie Roman, Sherri Miller, Isabel Encinia, Kevin Muilenburg, Joyce Orta, Bruce Irving, Patty Killam, Patty Albin, Rosemary Stewart and Rachel Stogner.

## Wedding Anniversaries for June

Steve and Esther Trout, Alcides and Arcelia Guajardo, T Wayne and Fay Price, Jack and Theresa Allen, Maria and Joey Seaman, Tonya and Randy Davis, Ron and Bonnie Earley, Jeremy and Kelsey Johnson, Jimmy and Jerri Hisel, Greg and Nancy Traylor, Roman and Isabel Encinia, Cecily and Clay Parish, Jesse and Deanne Berthold and Tommy and Rachel Stogner.

## Wedding Anniversaries for July

Joyce and Oscar Orta, Jordan and Hollie Mims, Jordan and Chauncey Newberry, Crystal and Terry Norris and Steve and Melinda Perez.

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Happy reading!!