



## Church News:

**Country Estates, Midwest City**, had a groundbreaking service on February 3.

**First Southern, Del City**, dedicated the newly renovated Event Center on January 20. The Oklahoma Baptist State Evangelism Conference was held there on January 28-29.

**Oakdale, Edmond**, construction is underway for their new church facility at Sooner and Hefner.

**Western Avenue, OKC**, The Amani Children's Choir from Africa will perform Sunday, February 17 in the 10 a.m. Worship Service. Composed of talented young people dressed in colorful African attire, the group has performed all over the world giving audiences an sample of how Africans praise and worship God in a program that includes children's songs, hand clapping, traditional spirituals, and contemporary Christian music.

Based in Kampala, Uganda, the choir is a ministry of Light Africa Ministries and Kampala Community Church. Donations received support Light Africa Ministries and the children's school in Uganda. The free musical program is open to the public, but seating is limited.

**Quail Springs, Oklahoma City**, has called Dr. Stephen Rummage as their new Senior Pastor. Dr. Rummage will be in the pulpit beginning March 3rd.

**Lakewood, Oklahoma City**, has called Rick Cordova as their new pastor.

# CBA News

## From the Desk of Harry Black . . .

Because of Valentine's Day, February is often associated with love. In his book, *People Lovers*, William Teagel described three kinds of love: **If Love** is conditional - it says, "I will love you *if*... you satisfy me/please me/etc."; **Because Love** is a responsibility - it says, "I love you *because*...I have to/God said I should/etc."; and **Anyhow Love** is unconditional - it says, "I love you *Anyhow* - regardless of who you are, what you say, or how you act."

In a seminar I attended at Gateway Baptist Seminary, Dr. Ron Hornecker spoke about the love of the father in the story of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15). He pointed out that Agape (the biblical word for "anyhow" love) "means that we accept other persons without judging or condemning them."

We need to be reminded that Agape, anyhow, 1-Corinthians-13 kind of love is not only for family members and church folks. Jesus' followers are to love and accept ALL PEOPLE without condemnation or judgment.

The apostle John wrote, "Let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth. This then is how we know that we belong to the truth..." The world will celebrate *if love* and *because love* this month. What a great time for us, as believers, to show the world God's *anyhow kind of love*. Let's work on it together.  
Agape, Bro. Harry

## New York City April 13-20

We're putting together a mission team to assist Canaan Baptist Church with Easter promotion and evangelism. Located in Queens, NY, Canaan Baptist Church is leading the way in church planting among Latinos in the community of Corona. The purpose of this trip is to bring a group to assist with Easter promotion, conduct community services, and participate in community evangelism.

Members of the mission team do not need to be able to speak Spanish. While we love to have Spanish speakers join our groups, we also have translators that work with us to make it possible for all members of the team to have the ability to communicate effectively.

There will be multiple ministry opportunities. Some of it will be children's evangelism. Some of it will be preaching and teaching in the church (and church plants). We will also have evangelism opportunities (both in homes and in public areas), and we will be promoting Easter services within the community. Once we get the team filled the next step will be a detailed ministry schedule.

The total cost of the mission trip is \$1,500.00 per person which includes airfare, meals in NYC, and hotel. The \$200 initial deposit is due ASAP.

Email Matt Hofeld at [matt@gointhename.com](mailto:matt@gointhename.com) for more information.



## Pray for Pastorless Churches:

Please pray for the following Pastorless Churches and their search committees, as they seek God's direction in calling a new pastor:

- MWC, Soldier Creek
- Newalla, Countryside
- OKC, Chinese
- OKC, Northwest Mandarin
- OKC, Bethel
- Piedmont, First
- Yukon, Trinity

For more information on events listed here, visit

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## A Ministry of Interruptions

Jesus was interrupted from what he was doing so many times, and miracles always seemed to follow:

- He was enjoying a wedding when his mother told him about the wine shortage; He turned the water into wine.
- He was stopped on his journey by a Roman Centurion because his son was sick, and he was healed.
- He was called out by the blind man, and He gave him sight.
- Four friends tore through a roof to let a crippled friend down while He was teaching in someone's home, and he was healed.

Jesus' ministry was constantly interrupted, and lives were impacted as a result.

You never know when your routine activities may be interrupted with an opportunity to minister to someone.

So be ready. Don't get annoyed. Use the circumstance to make a difference in someone's life!

Okay, now to the point...



### BAPTIST MISSION CENTER

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I was at lunch at a popular restaurant around the corner from the mission. While enjoying their culinary delights the general manager stopped by to say hello. We are on a first name basis so it was not unusual to see him stop by. What was unusual was him asking if he might join me for a few minutes. I said sure, and motioned for him to sit down.

As he slid into the booth, he began to explain that he had an employee that he was very concerned about. He was a brittle diabetic who didn't have the money to see a doctor or purchase his insulin regularly. So he took the insulin he did have sporadically to make it last longer. As a result, he has missed some shifts and has been in and out of the hospital. The manager desperately wanted to help this waiter so he was asking about the services we provide at the Baptist Mission Center.

I told him his timing was perfect. We had a clinic scheduled for the next day that we could get him in. He would be able to be examined by a physician, and get all the necessary lab

### Mission Needs:

*Twin Fitted Sheets and Twin Flat Sheets (preferably white)*

***It's our month to bring food for the Food Pantry at the Baptist Mission Center!***

March	April
Branches Cherokee Hills Iranian Church of Light Circle of Life Native Fell. Dickson OKC, Chinese OKC, First Hispanic Olivet El Olivar Plainview Praise of Zion Putnam City Rancho Village Solomon Temple	Bethany, First Calvary Missionary Central Chisholm Heights Grand Blvd. Ig. Bautista Central Newalla, First NewChurch Prospect Roca Fuerte Shields Blvd Victory Wheatland, First

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work drawn. He would get medications/insulin dispensed, as well as all of the blood sugar tracking supplies.

The manager asked what he needed to do to get him signed up for all of this? I told him, "nothing, you just did it!" Almost with tears in his eyes he said he'd personally take him over and thanked me for everything.

I told him, "I thank God and the generosity of our Southern Baptist churches who support this ministry."

Your continued support of these ministries helps us meet needs in our community. Whether it's saving a physical life or a spiritual life, your support helps us step up when God puts an interruption in our path.

Thank you for partnering with us!

That young man is now on the Prescription Assistance Program and has his insulin and other diabetic meds sent to us directly from the drug company at no cost to us, or the patient. His lab work has stabilized and he hasn't missed any shifts at work. That was a good interruption!

What about you? Are you ready for your next interruption/opportunity?

I Love This Ministry!  
Bro. Scott



### Church Development

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**Join the Capital Baptist Association for an incredible Kid-Friendly Environment designed to EXPLORE MISSIONS through hands-on learning and involvement!**

The day starts with a Mission Rally showcasing the Mission Activities of boys and girls across our state. Following the Rally, kids (grades 1-6) and their leaders rotate through a series of zones where they will have the opportunity to see and hear Missionaries share firsthand experiences on the mission field.

**Mission Ignition is a great opportunity to get kids EXCITED and INVOLVED in MISSIONS as well as give them a glimpse of how they can be involved in SHARING GOD'S LOVE close to home and around the world.**

**MISSION IGNITION OKC  
SATURDAY—MARCH 2, 2019  
9 A.M. TO 3 P.M.**

**Southern Hills Baptist Church  
8900 N. Pennsylvania—Oklahoma City  
\$10 per person—includes lunch**

**Registration REQUIRED by February 24 at  
[www.bgco.org/missionignition](http://www.bgco.org/missionignition).**

**For more information or to serve as a volunteer, call Gina McKean at 405-942-5539**

— Bro. Keith

### Upcoming Events

#### February

**21 2:00 p.m.**  
**Building and Property  
Committee Meeting**  
Association Office

**22 3:00 p.m.**  
**Deadline for Mission  
Ignition Registration**  
See article this page

**26 11:00 a.m.**  
**Pastors' Conference**  
Association Office

#### March

**2 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**  
**Mission Ignition**  
Quail Springs Baptist



**SAVE THE DATE!**

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the 50th Anniversary of Worship Arts Camp for Kids (W.A.C.K.), August 5-7 at Chisholm Heights Baptist Church in Mustang.