



The Challenger

April 2017



Register Today

FOR THE 2017 BGCOWOMEN'S RETREAT

APRIL 21-22, 2017

\$75 PER PERSON UNTIL THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017

\$35 PER PERSON (AGES 13-18) UNTIL THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017


\$85 PER PERSON (ALL AGES) UNTIL MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2017

NO REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER APRIL 3

FOR REGISTRATION, SCHEDULE, AND UPDATES VISIT:

BGCOWOMEN.ORG

The BBA Cabins are available for all BBA groups. If you are interested, or have already registered, and would like to use our cabin, please let us know. For the Women's Retreat, contact Robin Bowen at 405-444-0274. For the Men's Retreat, contact the BBA Office at 580-924-2351.

	<h1>ADVANCE</h1> <p>Rewired Men's Conference 2017</p>
FALLS CREEK CONFERENCE CENTER	April 28th-29th, 2017
EARLY REGISTRATION	
OCTOBER 1, 2016 - DECEMBER 31, 2016	
Adults: \$60.00 Youth (13-18): \$50.00	
NORMAL REGISTRATION	
JANUARY 1, 2017 - APRIL 14, 2017	
Adults: \$70.00 Youth (13-18): \$60.00	
AT EVENT REGISTRATION	
APRIL 28 - 29, 2017	
Adults: \$80.00 Youth (13-18): \$70.00	
FOR MORE INFO VISIT: WWW.MENREWIRE.COM	

Upcoming Meetings:

- Apr. 03** Falls Creek Org. Mtg. 6:30 p.m., BBA Office.
- Apr. 14** VBS Clinic 5:30 p.m. BBA Office
- Apr. 17** BBA Executive Board 7 p.m. (meal, 6 p.m.), Armstrong Baptist

Please plan to attend these meetings if you are involved with any of these committees or events.

What's Going on in Our Churches

Birthdays

Cindy Ford	April 01
DeeDee Pena	April 03
Robin Self	April 03
Shelby Gardner	April 04
Peggy Tadlock	April 06
Anthony Williams	April 10
Laura Stephens	April 18
Vangie Wingfield	April 19
Jacob Toews	April 26
Monty Wood	April 28

Wedding Anniversaries

Joey & Carrie Gosnell	4/07/08
Jacob & Sharon Toews	4/07/79
Lee & Shelley Clark	4/12/87
Danny & Lesa Spoon	4/23/93
Wayland & Shawn Shirey	4/24/82

Ministry Anniversaries

Roddy Arnold	4/01/12
Danny Spoon	4/02/08

Western Meadows is seeking a P/T Worship Minister. Send resumes to: j6420@yahoo.com

Streetman Rd is in search of a Music Leader/Pianist. If you're interested in leading our services, please contact us! We would love to hear your God given talent. Kent Moore 1-405-623-6666

FBC Cartwright is searching for a Bi-Vo Worship Minister. Please send resumes to: stacierphillips@yahoo.com or P.O. Box 264 Cartwright, OK 74731

Utica is seeking a P/T Youth Minister. For more information, contact Leann Bishop. 580-920-9929

Stone Creek is seeking a Bi/Vo Pastor with a family to help us grow in God's grace. Send resumes to: Pastor Search Committee P.O. Box 1262 Durant, OK 74702

Senior Adult Luncheons

April 12 at Brown
May 10 at Cobb

Please pray for our pastorless churches:
Albany, Kenefic, Brown, Utica, Stone Creek

Pastor/Staff Conference

Apr. 04	Micah Tennison
Apr. 11	Andy Hanson
Apr. 18	Alvie Thornton
Apr. 25	Tim Bowen
May 02	Darel Bunch

Ahoy from LTBRM! Our associational mission week will be July 5-9! If any churches or individuals would like to be a part of it, let us know as soon as possible as space is limited at the Helm. If you want to be involved but do not want to stay on the grounds, you may also attend each day and be a part of the mission team, impacting Lake Texoma for God's Kingdom. Also we still have a few open weeks this summer for your church events, mission trips, or retreats. If you would like to plan something, give us a call at 580-579-1671
--Pete Richards

I read in the **OCC Special Report** about ten-year-old Emma. She was hospitalized for a rare form of bone cancer. When asked by friends what to bring, she wanted items for shoeboxes. Between the six weeks when she was diagnosed and collection week, Emma filled 110 boxes. She said, "I love packing them. It's a lot of fun for me. It makes me feel really good inside. I love helping others." I hope none of you are hospitalized; but you will have a birthday or another special day. Why not ask for items for shoeboxes? I do!
--Dolores Kiser

From the BBA Prayer Ministry Team Leader

One of the worst things to happen in this election has been the division among followers of Jesus. Pray for healing of relationships and for the desire of Jesus for unity among His disciples to be fulfilled. This election has revealed the depths of division in our nation. Opposing world views that fought over the ballot box will continue to battle unless the Lord steps in and brings His peace. Pray especially for the true tolerance that allows for opposing views to be expressed freely. Pray for wisdom for our new president. Leading this nation through these perilous times requires wisdom that only God can give. Pray especially for the choices for the cabinet and key advisors. For many, the selection of Supreme Court justices became a key part of this election. Pray for wisdom for the president and the senate as they make choices that will impact our nation for many years. Pray for a spirit of truth to cover the media and that reporters and news networks would see their role as givers of information and not as shapers of thought. An election season such as this past one brings great uncertainty to an economy that was already unsteady. Ask the Lord to steady our economy so that His people can continue to give generously toward helping the poor and advancing the kingdom of Christ. One of the greatest benefits of this confusing election season has been the increasing awareness within the church that we desperately need revival. Pray for God to send another revival and Great Awakening to our nation that would awaken the church, bring salvation to millions, and transform the culture of our nation. (Dave Butts, 7 Key Things to Pray Now that the Elections are Over, Herald of His Coming, with permission).

In His Grip, Bro. Anthony

April 30-May 7 is Carrell Hooper Mission Fund Week of Prayer in our association. For this week, members of BBA churches have the opportunity to pray for the missionaries and ministries supported by the Carrell Hooper Mission Fund. On the last day of the emphasis, each church is asked to receive an offering to go into the fund for distribution as needed.

The fund supports many. Students from SOSU Baptist Collegiate Ministries receive help to go on mission around the world, especially in the summer. Our partnership with Beacon of Hope Baptist Church in Grand Island, NE is supported. Associational mission trips are helped and future associational mission endeavors, whether local, state, national, or global, will be helped in a variety of ways. Every penny received stays here to help with mission work which has a direct Bryan Baptist Association connection.

At the suggestion of the BBA Mission Strategy Team, week of prayer and promotional materials will be made available for churches this year. These will be ready April 11 for pick up at the associational office. If preferred, electronic copies can be emailed and churches may print their own materials. For more information about these items, feel free to contact the associational office.

Brother Carrell Hooper was the first full time Director of Missions for Bryan Baptist Association. He was a man of God with a heart for missions until the day he went to be with the Lord. The fund bears his name in honor of him and his life of ministry. But the goal of it is far greater in scope. It is intended to be a useful tool in the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ at home and around the world.

Please join in observing this time of emphasis in your church and giving to this fund.

Please join Kemp Baptist Church for the 15th Annual Easter Pageant! April 12-15 with a free meal starting at 5 p.m. nightly. For more info, call 580-838-2344.

Streetman Road Baptist Church invites you to join them on April 23rd for their 30-year homecoming celebration! Starting at 10:30 a.m.



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Director of Missions----- Tim Bowen
 Admin. Assistant ----- Chloe Richards
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 Vice-Moderator----- James Robinson
 Clerk----- Jessie Hopkins
 Treasurer----- Faye Boydston
 Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 - 4:30

We love to have your church's events in the Challenger. If you or your church have any announcements or news you would like to be included in next month's Challenger, please contact the BBA office before **April 19th.**

HE IS NOT
 HERE
 HE HAS
 RISEN
 JUST AS HE SAID
 MATTHEW 28:6

April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Falls Creek Organizational Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.	4 Pastor/Staff Conf. 10:30am at Calvary	5	6	7	8
 10		11 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30am at Calvary	12 Sr. Adult Luncheon @ Brown	13 Budget & Finance Comm. Meeting 5:30 p.m.	 14	15
 17	BBA Exec. Board Meeting @ Armstrong	18 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30am Calvary	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30am at Calvary	26	27	28	29
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