

From the Desk of the DOM

We continue to move toward this year's Texomaland Crusade, with Master's Voice. Again, we will meet at the Durant Middle School Auditorium at 6:30 the evenings of September 29 - October 2. Preparations continue to be made regarding all the facets of this evangelistic endeavor. I trust you will put it on your calendar and make plans to attend each service. We will undoubtedly be challenged and encouraged by the Lord. We will also have the opportunity to see folks set free through saving faith in Jesus Christ. In other words, the intent for these services is not to just get together for good music and preaching. The intent is to provide a venue for the proclamation of and response to the gospel of Jesus.

A venture such as this must be immersed in prayer to Almighty God. He alone can bring the victorious results I have described above. With that in mind, the Evangelism Strategy Team of our association is asking you to join in a concerted time of prayer for all things associated with the crusade. Right now we can be praying for Master's Voice as they lead us in worship through music. We can especially be praying for Ricky Capps, as he prepares to preach the Scripture each evening. But the EST has another request. Would you be willing to join others across the association in setting aside one day per week from August 1st throughout the services themselves for fasting and prayer for the crusade?

This is a call to fast in such a way as to provide the most time for praying. It might be a fast from television, the internet, or a favorite pastime. It might be a fast from eating or something I have not named. Whatever the case, the goal is to set aside something so as to allow optimal time to pray for the crusade.

I am making this request known now so that we all have plenty of time to pray and consider what course of action would be best for each of us. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to call the BBA office and I will do my best to answer. In the meantime let's all pray and prepare our hearts for a work of God to take place.

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<u>Birthdays</u>		Ministry Anniversaries		Wedding Anniversaries	
Troy Phillips Jim Hodson Tammy Wood Cindy Bunch Wes Schreier Philip Wesley Shirley Thornton Bill Horn Ida Peevyhouse	July 01 July 08 July 17 July 18 July 20 July 21 July 24 July 27 July 30	Billie Robinson Troy Phillips Charles Williams Garry McNeill	7/—/— 7/03/12 7/07/88 7/23/19	Greg & Sunny Thralls Bob & Adine Stevens Craig & Sherri Whisenhunt Charles & Peggy Williams Jeremy & Bethany Dunegan Bill & Sharon Ledbetter Tom & Ashton England Tim & Robin Bowen	7/05/97 7/09/— 7/09/88 7/10/55 7/19/97 7/22/78 7/27/13 7/29/82

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. Jody Shires 580-931-3086

Grace Baptist is seeking a Bi-Vo Youth Pastor. Send resumes to lifeplus@simplynet.net



Please pray for our pastorless churches:

Achille Community,
Armstrong, Blue, Brown

James Robison reports he has some spots open for a men-only Double Honor retreat at Lake Eufaula on July 15-19. The retreat is cost-free to ministry leaders, compliments of Double Honor Ministries (doublehonorministries.com). You can contact James for more details at (580) 916-0603

Weekly Pastor/Staff Conference will resume on September 10.

Upcoming Events:

July 20-27: Associational Mission Trip to Western Kansas

Aug. 03: Back 2 School Bash @ FBC Durant Family Life Center

Sept. 29-Oct. 02: Texomaland Crusades @

Durant Middle School

VBS Schedule

Bokchito Community VBS @ Faith: June 30-July 3

Silo: July 15-19 **Yuba:** Aug. 02-03

Upcoming Meetings:

July 08Order of Business Mtg.1:30 p.m.,July 08Budget Planning Mtg.5:30 p.m.,July 11BBA Executive Team5:30 p.m.,

July 29 BBA Executive Board 7 p.m. (meal at 6),

@ Robinson 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

From the BBA Prayer Team Leader

Think with me for just a moment. What is our responsibility as believers, as members of the BBA? I am sure we all could think of several ways to answer the question. Let me give you four that I am thinking of at this time. 1. We have a duty to worship the Lord in the church of our choice. 2. We have a duty to remember our salvation and the change it made in our lives. 3. We have a duty to live righteous, holy, turning from sin. 4. We have a duty to fear the judgment for the lost and share the Good News. May we pray for each other that we will carry out our responsibilities to the fullest. Pray beloved!

In His Grip, Bro. Anthony





The Style Show is the main fundraiser for the girls' clothing, and provides for clothing needs all year long for current residents, in addition to those who may come later on during the year. Besides getting to show off their modeling skills and their good taste in clothes, the girls also benefit from a boost to their self esteem.

Mark your calendar and join us for this year's Style Show. **You won't want to miss it!**

For more information on sponsoring our event or purchasing tickets, call Barbara Davis at (580) 319-4301.

Greetings from LTBRM!

We are in the middle of our busy season. The lake level is up, so that has hindered swimming. But we still have fruitful ministry taking place. One of the groups that stayed at the Helm in June was a mission team from Central Baptist in OKC. They taught VBS and held revival services at Grace Indian Baptist. Bro. Wayne Bailey was excited to report that there were three salvations through this endeavour! Praise be to God! Please continue to pray for us throughout July, as we have several ministry groups scheduled to stay with us.

Blessings, Monty Wood



This year, we wanted to think outside the box (or maybe INSIDE) for Vacation Bible School! There are so many possibilities to do VBS your way. Maybe you don't have enough man power or funds? Maybe your church isn't in the ideal location or you don't have a full week to pull it off? Maybe as a parent or grandparent, you are trying to find a way to teach your kids to serve? This Backyard Bible Club Kit is the perfect answer! All the information you need in one box—Bible stories, snack cards, rec cards, and music! You can design your Vacation Bible School in a way that works best for you! The Bryan Baptist Association has four kits on hand for anyone who needs them. There are plenty of parks, backyards, and kids waiting for you; so what are you waiting for?! Contact Kimberly Moore for any questions. 580-230-5057 or kimberly.moore0313@yahoo.com



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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 **July 23rd**.



