

Bryan Baptist Association

The Challenger - November 2007

101st Annual Meeting

BAPTIST GENERAL CONVENTION OF OKLAHOMA

First Baptist Church, Moore

November 12-13, 2007

Theme: Finishing the Task

And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

Matthew 24:14 (NIV)

Business sessions are scheduled Monday evening and Tuesday morning and afternoon.

The meeting will conclude Tuesday evening with

"A Night of Praise and Prayer for Spiritual Awakening."

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September 2007 Contributions

Achille:	Bushnell - Kim McGehee -----\$ 0	Stone Creek -- Fred Resz -----\$ 0	Silo -Buddy Johnson -----\$ 0
Community -Bob Stevens-----\$ 0	Caddo - Charles Loyd -----\$ 0	Sunset View-Harry Boydston -----\$ 0	Utica --Jay Perry -----\$ 131.52
First -Larry Metts -----\$ 0	Calera - Jacob Toew-----\$ 0	W. Meadows-Darrell Edwards-----\$ 0	Wade - Charles Williams -----\$ 51.80
Albany:	Cartwright - Ray Earley -----\$ 519.37	Hendrix - Roddy Arnold ----- \$ 119.35	Yuba -----\$ 217.53
Albany - Jackie Robinson ----- \$ 0	Cobb - Bruce McLaughlin-----\$ 0	Kemp -Roger Speer -----\$0	Account Balances as of
RRV Cowboy - George Toma --\$ 48.28	Colbert - -----\$ 488.52	Kenefic - Royce Couch -----\$ 159.49	September 30, 2007:
Armstrong -Monty Wood ----\$ 102.85	Durant:	Mead:	BBA Checking ----- \$ 5269.22
Bennington--HeathMurray-- \$ 538.89	Calvary -Darel Bunch ----- \$ 236.37	Mead - Kerry Groce -----\$ 360.28	Falls Creek -----\$ 4843.72
Blue - -----\$ 0	Fairview - Bill Ledbetter ----- \$ 579.00	Emmanuel-James Wigginton-----\$ 0	Disaster Relief ----- \$ 4276.67
Bokchito:	First -James Robinson----- \$ 0	Streetman Rd-Darren Wallace-----\$ 0	Carrell Hooper Mission ---- \$ 4546.00
Faith -Scott Melton----- \$ 0	Grace - Anthony Williams----\$ 748.02	Platter, John Heath-----\$ 110.05	Sunset Cove ----- \$ 6347.16
First- Preston Burns-----\$ 560.80	Iglesia Bautista -Alejo Benito-----\$ 0	Roberta - Bud Jenkins -----\$ 0	Roadrunners -----\$ 2332.91
ReynoldsChapel-Bob McLean\$ 251.76	Lake Point - Jared McIntire-----\$ 0	Robinson - Donald Ford -----\$ 86.55	
Brown -Dale Ballard -----\$ 0			

Attention: This report reflects only what was received by the BBA during the reported month. Churches contribute however they choose: weekly, monthly, quarterly or annually.

SUNSET COVE

In August, the Sunset Cove committee voted to hire architect, Steve Pierce (whom happens to be on the committee and has developed many drawings already) to draw up plans for a multi-purpose building if he would.

In the October meeting it was decided to use the materials from the Falls Creek building that was given to the BBA to build a 30x35 building with room to store the tractor under the roof. Progress is being made but we still lack the funds to build the complete unit. Thank you all for the past contributions and please pray for additional funds to complete the current project. Thank you and God bless you all.

Dennis Pena, Chairman



“Walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.” Col. 1:10 NKJV

This is our second year of the emphasis “Live the Call”. God has given each of us a unique call that only we can answer. This past year in WM&M we have tried to answer that call by hearing how to be an active prayerwalker at the WMU Focus Week Banquet. State President, Pat Wagstaff, shared with us practical tips and guidelines on prayerwalking. We were involved in S.W.E.E.T. Saturday and assisted in the first ever Indian Conference for Women in Oklahoma City and at Indian Falls Creek. Several participated in a ministry outreach at Crescent Creek Apartments sponsored by the association. Plans are being made for Baptist Women’s Day of Prayer, Focus Week and Ladies Retreat at the Helm for this coming year. We appreciate your prayers and support this past year as we have not been able to accomplish what we feel we should have. Please let us know if there is any way we can be of assistance to your women’s groups.

In His service, Ethel Gray and Betty Stout

Church News



**Land of the Free, Home of the Brave
A soldiers journey home**



**Calvary Baptist Church
715 W Louisiana, Durant, OK
Oct. 29, 30, 31 & Nov. 1, 3**

Call to pre-register for groups

Open 6:00 - 9:00 nightly & 1:00 - 4:00 Saturday afternoon

No cost (\$2 donation suggested and appreciated)

Achille First Baptist Church will have a Revival beginning **November 4th through 8th**. Kim Schmidt will be the speaker. Everyone is welcome to come join in!

If you would like to bless some very worthy people call Barbara Summitt at Reunion Plaza -924-3777. She is looking for volunteers to come entertain the residents there. Some of these people get very lonely and would love a visit of any kind. Thank you.



Impact Oklahoma

Did you know that the Baptist Messenger has a total circulation of 82,000 with 146 churches and 13 associations having special editions? Research has shown that churches who subscribe to the Messenger give more per capita to world missions through the Cooperative Program than those who do not provide the Messenger to their membership. The Cooperative Program provides assistance annually to the Baptist Messenger.

The Bryan Baptist Association is one of the associations now having this Challenger inserted in the Messenger. If your church would like to begin subscribing your members to the Messenger contact Stella Rawlins at 1-800-480-3644 ext. 4350.



From an OCC volunteer: "We had been hosting packing parties in our neighborhood and had really been blessed by being part of Operation Christmas Child. When we reached the collection center to drop off our boxes, we saw many people had brought a lot more boxes than we had. It inspired me to involve more families for the next year.

I loaded my two boys, ages 3 and 4, in the car to drive home. We had just pulled onto the highway, and I heard the voice of my youngest son from the back seat. He told me that he wanted to ask Jesus to live in his heart. I was so surprised and tried to keep focused on my driving! I knew that the Lord had touched his heart. We prayed right then, and he received Christ as his Savior.

Through the packing of gifts for children in need, my son got to see the Lord's hand at work. Many prayers and circumstances prepared him for this. However, Operation Christmas Child played an important role in his salvation. This program ministers to and blesses all those who participate, whether preparing boxes or receiving them. Thank you for allowing the Lord to minister through your example of His sincere love."



How to pack a shoebox

1. Use an empty shoe box (standard size, please) or a small plastic container. You can wrap the box (lid separately), but wrapping is not required. Or get shoeboxes from BBA.
2. Determine whether your gift will be for a boy or a girl, and the child's age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. Print out the appropriate boy/girl label shown below (*instructions for printing provided below*). Mark the correct age category on the label, and tape the label to the top of your box.
3. Fill the box with a variety of gifts that will bring delight to a child.

GIFT IDEAS

TOYS

small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS

toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

OTHER

Hard candy and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

A PERSONAL NOTE

In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

DO NOT INCLUDE:

Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snowglobes or glass containers; aerosol cans

4. Please donate **\$7** or more for each shoe box you prepare to help cover shipping and other project costs. You can write a check to Samaritan's Purse (note "OCC" on memo line) and place it in an envelope on top of the gift items inside your box. If you or your family are preparing more than one shoe box, please make one combined donation.
5. Place a rubber band around each shoe box and lid and drop off at the Bryan Baptist Association before Nov. 16.

Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary !!

Birthdays

11/13 - Kevin Gibby

11/18 - Norma Fuller

Wedding Anniversaries

11/1/82 - Elaine & Daniel Lashley



11/2/74 - DeeDee & Dennis Pena

11/16 - Gene & Gail Jackson

Ministry Anniversaries

11/24/04 - Gerald Kelly - Fairview

Upcoming Senior Events

Trips: (Please call the BBA office to reserve your place on the bus, leave your name and phone number.)

Nov - 9 - Beavers Bend to Folk Festival & Craft Show

Nov - 16 - The Dock in Hendrix

Dec - 7 - Lights in Ardmore

Luncheons:

Nov 14 - Utica

Dec 12 - Bennington



Please
come join

If you or your church has any announcements or news you would like to be in next month's Challenger, please call the BBA office before

Nov 16th. 580-924-2351



Positions Needed

Please pray for our pastorless churches:

Colbert, Blue and Yuba

Youth/Music Ministers Albany Baptist Church is searching for someone that could possibly do **music and/or youth**. Please send your resume to Albany Baptist church, PO Box 97, Albany, OK 74721.

Music Ministers Faith Bokchito is searching for a **part-time music minister**. Contact Scott Melton at 580-295-3488.

Kitchen Manager needed **part-time**. Must be able to cook as needed for 125-300 people. Clean kitchen on nightly basis, assist in food orders, pickup and menus. Assist in various food service areas as the need arises. 580-775-0015

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 Fri. 8:30 - 1:00



November 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Collection Ends for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes on the 16th.			1	2	3
4 Daylight savings time ends "Fall Forward"	5 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30 Fairview	6	7	8	9 Roadrunners to Beavers Bend	10
11 Statewide Day of Prayer for Revival & Spiritual Awakening	BGCO Annual Session		14 Roadrunners Luncheon at Utica BC	15 Sunday School Coaching Lab	16 Roadrunners to The Dock in Hendrix	17
18	19 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30 Fairview	20	21 FFF Meeting @ 10:00	BBA Office Closed	23	24
25	26 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30 Fairview	27	28	29	30	