

Bryan Baptist Association

The Challenger - September 2007

From the Desk of the DOM

As many of you know, the BGCO is currently in partnership with the states of Utah/Idaho, in which, for the next two years or so, Oklahoma will be sending teams to do various types of mission and evangelistic work. In September, in keeping with this partnership, our Association will be sending several of our pastors and staff to conduct revivals in churches in the Lewis & Clark Baptist Association in Idaho. We are thrilled about going to this rapidly growing area where there is very little authentic gospel witness. Only approximately 5% profess to be evangelical Christians.

For the benefit of being able to pray specifically, the following is a list of those going:

Terrell Suggs - BBA

Ray Early - Cartwright

Darren Wallace - Streetman Road

Garry McCain - Streetman Road

Bethany Wallace - Streetman Road

Alex Benito - First Hispanic

Darrell Edwards - Western Meadows

Scott Melton - Faith Bokchito

Kerry Groce - Mead

Buddy Johnson - Silo

We will leave on Wednesday, September 5 and return on Tuesday, September 11.

Thank you for your prayerful support.

In His service, Terrell Suggs

The churches in which we will be ministering are:

FBC - Orofino

Orchards Baptist - Lewiston

Tammany View Baptist - Lewiston

Trinity Baptist - Clarkston

Sonrise Baptist - Clarkston

Mountain View - Pierce

Highland Baptist - Craigmont

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July 2007 Financial Report

Achille:	Bushnell - Kim McGehee ----- \$ 0	Stone Creek -- Fred Resz ----- \$ 0	Silo -Buddy Johnson ----- \$ 0
Community -Bob Stevens----- \$ 184.00	Caddo - Charles Loyd ----- \$ 0	Sunset View-Harry Boydston -\$ 147.99	Utica --Jay Perry ----- \$ 197.36
First -Larry Metts ----- \$ 0	Calera - Jacob Toew----- \$ 643.91	W. Meadows-Darrell Edwards \$ 490.36	Wade - Charles Williams ----- \$ 39.50
Albany:	Cartwright - Ray Earley ----- \$ 275.00	Hendrix - Roddy Arnold ----- \$ 0	Yuba -Joe Smith ----- \$ 258.58
Albany - Jackie Robinson ---- \$ 85.41	Cobb - Bruce McLaughlin----- \$ 76.18	Kemp -Roger Speer ----- \$ 0	Account Balances as of
RRV Cowboy - George Toma - \$ 45.40	Colbert - ----- \$ 475.71	Kenefic - Royce Couch ----- \$ 0	July 31, 2007:
Armstrong -Monty Wood ---- \$ 251.59	Durant:	Mead:	BBA Checking ----- \$ 6583.62
Bennington--HeathMurray-- \$ 2907.85	Calvary -Darel Bunch ----- \$ 545.51	Mead - Kerry Groce ----- \$ 368.88	Falls Creek ----- \$ 5659.95
Blue - ----- \$ 83.44	Fairview - Bill Ledbetter ----- \$ 677.00	Emmanuel-James Wigginton-- \$ 620.22	Disaster Relief ----- \$ 3986.94
Bokchito:	First -James Robinson----- \$ 0	Streetman Rd-Darren Wallace-\$ 308.66	Carrell Hooper Mission ---- \$ 2314.45
Faith -Scott Melton----- \$ 0	Grace - Anthony Williams---- \$ 1037.42	Platter, 1st ----- \$ 144.11	Sunset Cove ----- \$ 5712.73
First- Preston Burns----- \$ 267.63	Iglesia Bautista -Alejo Benito----- \$ 0	Roberta - Bud Jenkins ----- \$ 195.55	Roadrunners ----- \$ 2382.91
ReynoldsChapel-Bob McLean \$ 258.70	Lake Point - Jared McIntire----- \$ 0	Robinson - Donald Ford ----- \$ 89.43	
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.



Church News

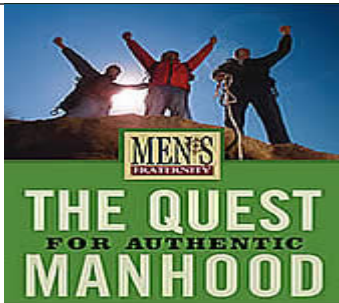
Attention all church leaders, members, and attendees. **October is Pastor Appreciation Month.** We encourage every church to take this opportunity to express their love and appreciation for their pastors. God's Word reminds us that pastors "...who rule well are to be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching." (1 Timothy 5:17) Start making plans now to honor your pastors.

Welcome to **Trevor Riddle** and his wife Amy as the new youth minister at **Calvary Baptist Church.** He has actually been here since March. Hope you are enjoying Durant. May God bless you in this ministry.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I have been completely overwhelmed by the outpour of compassion and generosity that has been impressed on me and my family. The extremely generous offerings to the Carrell & Pauline Hooper Mission Fund have blessed me more than you will ever know. May God Bless you all. Thank you

Bro. Carrell Hooper

Calvary Baptist Church will begin this powerful series by "Men's Fraternity" **September 5th** on Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:30pm. Call Mark at 931-9002 or 214-4545422 for more information or to register.



DIVORCE Care

There aren't many people around you who understand the pain your separation or divorce has caused. That's the reason for **DivorceCare. Durant**

First Baptist Church, September 5th at 6:00 will be the start of a new series but we keep the "E.R." open year around, so people can attend as needed. Call Katherine Brown, 924-1472 or Stacy Shepard, 931-6336 for more information. Child care is provided for preschool children.

Bible Conference with Matthew Skariah at Grace Baptist Church Sept 16th - 21st.

Sunday 10:55 & 6:30 Monday - Friday 7:00
Daniel Wesley will be leading the musical worship.



First Baptist Church of Caddo will host a tribute to Bro. Bud Jenkins on September 30th from 9:45 until 3:00. Lunch will be provided. Everyone is invited to participate in tributes, testimonies and singing. For more information call Charles Loyd 367-2880 or Tommy Edwards 367-2891.

Oklahoma Baptist **Homes** for CHILDREN

Making a Difference... one child at a time



Back -to-School Style Show

Saturday, October 6, 10am - Noon
First Baptist Church, Ardmore
225 First Avenue SW

Call Greg or Donna Duncan at 580-564-2218 for more info.
This year's theme is "Celebrating Oklahoma's Centennial: Over Ten Decades of Child Care"



You are invited to join **Brown Baptist Church in a Homecoming Celebration on October 7th.** The celebration service will begin at 10:00am with special music. Lunch will be provided following the service. Due to the recent flooding there will be new landscaping, paint and floor covering. So come see all the improvements.

Come celebrate with us at **Hendrix Baptist Church for our 95th Homecoming on October 21.**

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.

Oklahoma Baptists are working together to share the life-changing message of Jesus through many venues across our state. We share the Word of God so others can experience the fulfilling life He has chosen for them. Although we make a difference individually, we can vastly multiply our efforts when we share God's Word. By giving to the Oklahoma State Missions Offering we are working together as a body to reach people for the cause of Christ!

Our statewide goal is \$1,000,000. Through the offering, Oklahoma Baptists are impacting war torn regions in the Middle East, starting new churches, equipping bi-vocational pastors and assisting churches with construction and remodeling. Begin praying today and ask the Lord how He would have you support the Oklahoma State Missions Offering because "Changing the World Starts at Home!" Let's make a difference in our state and see our world changed!

Utica Baptist Church has several items from their old building that are still good and they would like to **give** them to anyone that might be able to use it. Below is a list of some of the items. Call 847-2574 or 283-3711 for more information.

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| 11 Covered pews, 2 wooden pews (both handmade) | Window unit |
| 10 Florescent lights (3 four foot, 7 seven foot) | Gas heater (3bricks) |
| 7 ceiling fans (no lights, 5 blades) | 2 gas heaters old (5 bricks) |
| Dearborn heater (7brick) | Chalk board |
| Privacy rail | Computer |
| 8 2x4 windows | 2 toilets |
| Breaker box (8switches, 4 small, 4 big) | 2 sinks |
| Thermostat 2 | 2 2x3 windows |
| a/c unit inside & outside | 2 3x3 windows |
| 10 wood interior doors | |
| 2 small metal cabinets | |
| Podium | |
| Water Cooler | |
| Breaker box (6 small switches) | |

FREE STUFF!

PRAYER WALKING ALL SCHOOLS IN BRYAN COUNTY

Bring the protection of God upon all schools. YOU can be used of God to bring His protection. Pastors, Youth Leaders, Praying People PLEASE gather a group to help visit the school in your area and place the protection of God upon the school property.



Satan will be working to disrupt. We can and must stop his activity by walking and praying over all the school grounds. The prayer of faith routes the enemy and sends him down the road in defeat. This will allow teachers to teach and pupils to learn in a peaceful place. There are materials at the BBA office to give you

directions how to prayer walk if you need help. Bro. Suggs or I are available to share on the how tos of prayer walking if you desire. Just give either of us a call.

MOST OF ALL, "CALL UPON GOD FOR HIS DIVINE PROTECTION, GUIDANCE AND HELP FOR THE SCHOOL IN YOUR AREA.

Gerald Kelly, BBA Prayer Leader 924-2148



Five Disaster Relief volunteers from the Bryan Baptist Association's Feeding Unit journeyed to Miami, Oklahoma July 22nd to help in the flood aftermath. Four volunteers from the Pittsburg Association joined us there.

The numbers being fed had dropped from around 1,600 a day in the beginning to an average of 120 to 130 people a day by the time we arrived. The ones being fed while we were there were members of the mud-out crews. We fed mud-out team members from North Carolina, Missouri, Kentucky, and Tennessee as well as from Oklahoma.

We took our trailer but used only some of our equipment since we had access to the church's kitchen. Our trailer has been used more this year than any before.

We stayed in the First Christian Church. It had been a Wal-Mart before being renewed as a church so you can imagine its size. The facilities were very nice and we had a most comfortable week. The pastor and the church members were wonderful. Praise the Lord for Christian's every where.

As always, there were a few problems to overcome but the team members responded in a truly marvelous way. Sometimes we have to work outside the areas we are trained for, or have experience in, but that is all part of it. Flexibility is a word that comes up often when we are out. At night, before bedtime, we like to recall special things from the day where we have seen God's hand in the events. The fellowship is always a special blessing and it is not just with our own team members but with members of other associations and states as well as with the local people. We can find an opportunity every where to be a good witness for our Lord.

Remember, our next training session will be October 13th at the First Baptist Church of Durant at 8:00 a.m. The primary training will be on the Feeding Unit but training on chainsaw, child care, shower trailer, mud-out, and medical teams will also be made available. The only requirement is a willing heart. Come join us. Please contact the BBA office at 580-924-2351 if you wish to participate.

Clark Harp, BBA DR Blue Cap

Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary !!

Birthdays

9/1 - Fred Broder

9/3 - Betty Robertson

9/5 - Bill Ledbetter

9/15 - Gayle Kinnett

9/19 - Andy Anderson

9/19 - Sharon Toews

9/20 - Shirley Paddock

9/20 - Darren Wallace

9/28 - Jared McIntire



9/3/06 - Landon & Staci Pena

9/22 - Jay & Tammy Perry

9/27 - Gary & Carla Robbins

Ministry Anniversaries

9/1/02 - Dennis Bowen - Emmanuel

9/1/03 - Joey Gosnell - Durant, First

9/1/01 - Betty Robertson - Fairview

9/2/96 - Kerry Groce - Mead

9/90 - Jane Loper - Armstrong

9/99 - Cora Holoway - Faith

9/02 - Daniel Wesley - Grace

9/00 - Clint Whitehurst - Grace

9/16 - Bruce McLaughlin - Cobb



Wedding Anniversaries

9/3/93 - Daniel & Cynthia Wesley

Upcoming Senior Events

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

September 21 - Turner Falls to eat

Oct - TBA

Luncheons:

Sept 12 - Emmanuel

Oct 10 - Kemp

Nov 14 - Utica



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

September 17th. 580-924-2351



Positions Needed

Please pray for our pastorless churches:

Colbert & Blue

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.

Youth Ministers Western Meadows Baptist Church is searching for a **part-time youth minister**. Please send your resume to Western Meadows BC, 53 Shawna Dr., Durant, OK 74701 or call 580-924-6006.

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

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GATHER. UNITE. PRAY. come together.



John 17:20-23

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Fri. 8:30 - 1:00



September 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Pastor/Staff Conference at Fairview BC at 10:30am every Monday beginning the 17th						1 	
2	3 LABOR DAY BBA Office Closed	4	5	6	7	8	
Season of Prayer for State Missions & Edna McMillian Offering			Idaho Simultaneous Revival Team in Idaho Sept 5th - 11				
9	10	11	12 Roadrunners Luncheon at Emmanuel BC	13	14	15	
Idaho Simultaneous Revival Team in Idaho Sept 5th - 11			16	17	18	19 FFF Meeting @ 10:00	20 21 22 Work Day @ Falls Creek
23 	24	25	26 <i>See You at the Pole</i> & Post Rally at Durant FBC	27	28	29	

ACP Reports DUE
Please get them in
ASAP