

Breezes

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Church planting efforts are really blossoming in the GCBA. The Church Planting Team is looking forward to the March 21st TEAM meeting where we will:

- ◆ Celebrate what God is doing
- ◆ Update on Plants, Planters, and the Church Planting Residency, and
- ◆ Discuss some exciting and creative new Church Planting opportunities.

It is exciting to be a part of the GCBA; working together to start churches locally.

Come and celebrate, come and get involved!

Currently Funded Church Planters

Cary Perrin, CityView Alvin
 Cory West, Connexus Community Church, Friendswood
 Jim Martin, Creekside Community Church, Oyster Creek
 Johnathan Sublet, Crossover Community Church, Freeport
 Tim Atwood, Damon Community Church
 John Elkins, Sovereign Grace Fellowship, Brazoria

Church Planting Residents

Lee Peoples, Journey Church, Pearland
Our Church Planting Team will present a new resident in the near future.

New Church Plants

(We will vote to fund these at our March TEAM Meeting)

Chris Clemons, Way of Life Church, Pearland
 Malcolm Griswold, South Houston Reformed Baptist Church, Sunnyside Houston
 Clemens Prison Field Ministry

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The Director Speaks . . . Donald Hintze

For the last few weeks I have been going through the Book of Acts as a part of my time with our Lord each morning. In the first chapter and in the first 8 verses Dr. Luke relates to us the last earthly activities of the risen Jesus. Three things jump out to me. I think that these three things are at the core of what is essential for the church.

The first is Jesus “*gave many proofs that He was alive.*” A living Jesus ought to be at the heart of who we are in our church and individual lives. We can see the following chapters of Acts give ample evidence that Jesus was alive and with the disciples as they went about His business.

The second thing was “*he instructed them about the Kingdom.*” The Kingdom was at the core of Jesus’ message and training. The Kingdom is what our focus should be. Not just the growth of our particular church but the expansion of the Kingdom as being the job of the church. Retaking lost ground (lives) for our Lord.

The third thing is that he gave instructions. First he told them to “*wait for the Holy Spirit*”. Good advice for us. We need to follow His path and leadership and do God’s work in His power. The other instruction is “*You shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and the ends of the earth.*” May these things be at the very heart of who we are and what we do.

The March 21st TEAM Meeting will focus on Church Planting in Brazoria County. Our Church Planting Team will present what we are doing and relate some plans for the future. We will also welcome and vote on some new churches that we will be funding. The meeting will be held at Calvary Baptist in Pearland but CityView Pearland will be the host. They do not have a building but Calvary had agreed to let them use their building.

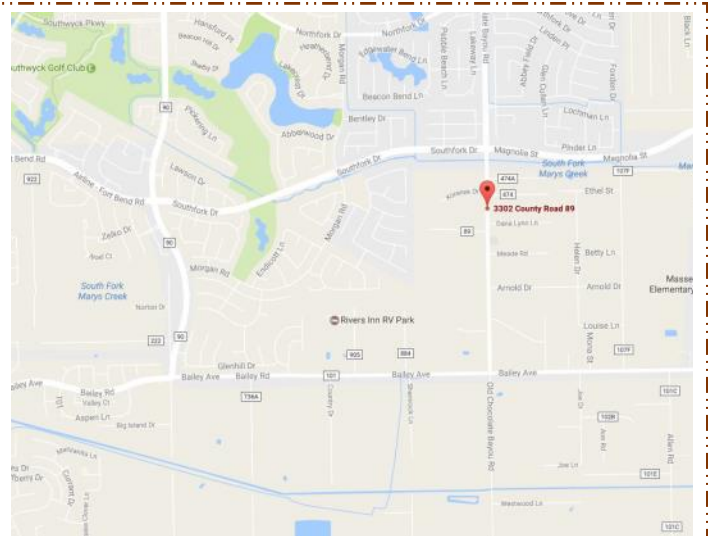
Special note: We will meet at 11:00 a.m. instead of the usual 11:30 a.m. time.

Bulgaria News

We have a team that will be in Bulgaria the second week in March. I will be on that trip. Grozdan and Slavica Stoevski will come back with the team and be in our county for a week. This is the time of the year that the 10 sponsoring churches plan future trips. You are welcome to any of the activities of the week. We will put a schedule of activities in this Breeze.

Donald

TEAM MEETING
March 21st at 11:00 a.m.
Hosted by CityView Community
Church at Calvary Baptist Church
3302 CR 89
Pearland
713-204-0692 (CityView)



HISPANIC EVENTS

- March 3-4 Hispanic Regional Conference, Houston (SBTC)
April 11 Hispanic Pastors' Mtg. at GCBA at 7 pm
April 16 Hispanic Fellowship at Oyster Creek Park from 3-8 pm
April 28-29 Hispanic Pastor/Wife Retreat, Belton (SBTC)
April 28-29 Congreso, Ferrell Center, Waco (BGCT)

Grozdan and Slavica Stoeski, our in country coordinators for the Bulgaria Partnership will be with us March 18 to 26. We have meetings planned throughout the week. Please contact the GCBA office if you would like to arrange an appointment.

There will be a gathering of those interested in the work in Bulgaria on Saturday night, March 18th at 2nd Baptist Church in Angleton at 6 pm. We will be talking about the next steps in the work and funding those step. You are welcome to come if you have any interest. We will have refreshments.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR North American Missions

March 5-12, 2017 | Goal: \$70 Million



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GCBA Pastorless Churches

Heights Baptist—Alvin
Shadycrest Baptist—Pearland



SHIPPING THE GOOD NEWS AROUND THE WORLD

7th Annual Fundraising Banquet

"A Story to Tell"

Thursday, April 6, 2017

Lake Jackson Civic Center
333 Hwy. 332

Silent Auction begins at 5:30 pm
Dinner and Program begin at 6:30 pm

Table Sponsorships are available at \$200 per Table
(Includes 8 tickets for you to invite your friends to partner with you in support of Texas Port Ministry)

Tables can be reserved by contacting Bobby at 979-233-5641, by email bobby@texasportministry.org or by using your credit card or checking account [here](#). Please consider making a donation even if you can't attend the banquet. All donations, big or small, help to ensure continuous ministry to the Freeport Harbor Community.

Items can be donated for the Silent Auction by contacting Bobby or Dara at 979-233-5641.

MARCH

- 03/03-04 Hispanic Regional Conference, Houston (SBTC)
03/03-04 African-American Leadership Workshop, Truett Seminary (BGCT)
03/04 VBS Training, Spring Baptist Church (SBTC)
03/05-12 Week of Prayer for North American Missions
03/12 Daylight Savings Time Begins (Spring Forward)
03/21 GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:00 a.m., Hosted by CityView Community Church of Pearland at Calvary Baptist Church
03/24-25 Leader's Edge Summit, Houston (BGCT)

APRIL

- 04/06 Texas Port Ministry Banquet, Lake Jackson Civic Center
04/11 GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30 a.m. at Nueva Vida, Freeport
04/16 Easter
04/24 Texas Baptists Golf Classic, Houston
04/26 Administrative Professionals' Day
04/28-29 Sent Conference, Hyde Park Baptist (SBTC)

MAY

- 05/01-04 May by the Bay Adult Retreat, Texas Baptist Encampment
05/04 National Day of Prayer
05/14 Mother's Day
05/16 GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30 a.m. at New Shores Baptist Church
05/19-20 Send 2017 NAMB Conference, Frisco
05/29 Memorial Day