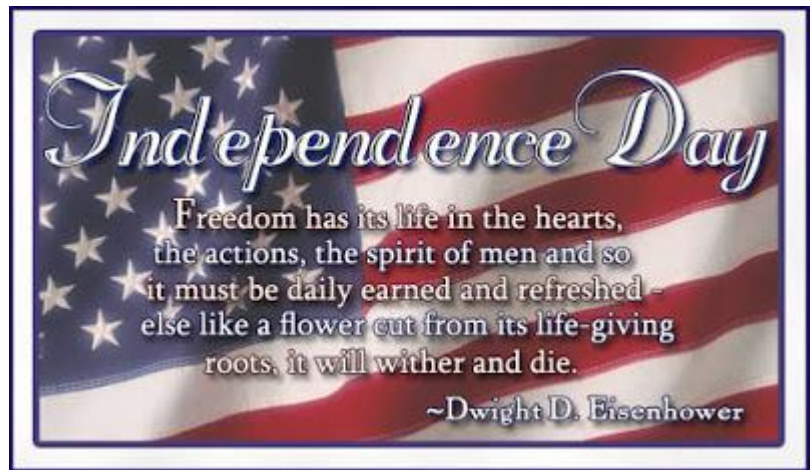


Breezes

Inside This Issue . . .

The Director Speaks	2
Announcements	2-3
Calendar	3



It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.
Galatians 5:1

J
U
L
Y

SUMMER CAMPS

[OneCamp Youth Camp](#)

July 10-14

Texas Baptist Encampment at Palacios

[Youth Week \(SBTC\)](#)

July 17—21

Texas Baptist Encampment at Palacios

The Director Speaks . . . Donald Hintze

In my column in the June Breezes article I talked about the challenges of the place that God has put us. *"There are no blessings without battles"*. In Joshua we read about our hero looking at Jericho when he is confronted by the Captain of the Lord of Hosts. Joshua asked the question *"Are you for us or against us?"* The response was "Neither". God does not appear in our situations and challenges to help but to take over. The first instructions are not how to take the city but to take off your shoes. No shoes on a rocky ground conjures up images of walking on Legos. God wanted him helpless and dependent. Joshua became powerful when he took off his shoes and got on his face before God. I believe that we are in that place today. Outnumbered and outgunned but when we acknowledge our helplessness and humble ourselves before a great God we become victors.

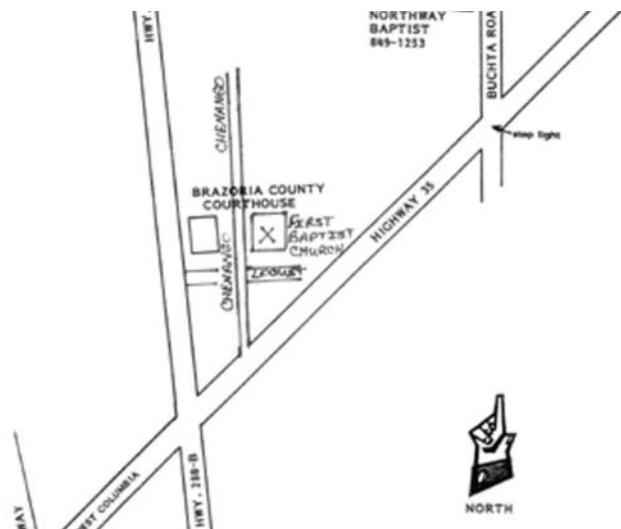
July TEAM Meeting will feature **Robert Clark, recently retired IMB missionary** to the Philippines. He will be talking to us about how he trained and equipped church members to live out their faith in the workplace. Those workplaces were in Arab countries where it was illegal to share your faith. I think that you will profit by hearing what he has to say.

Our **TEAM Meetings** are not just for pastors and staffs. Please invite your leaders to these meetings. I think that they will benefit from hearing from our speakers.

Welcome to Lena Weldon. Lena has started training for her new position as Financial Administrator. Tina will be training her in July and August. Tina's last day will be the last day of August. Lena is the wife of Brent Weldon, pastor of Temple Baptist in Clute.

Donald

TEAM MEETING
July 11th at 11:30 a.m.
First Baptist Church
237 East Locust
Angleton
979-849-4311



HISPANIC EVENTS

July 11—Hispanic Pastors' Mtg at GCBA at 7 p.m.
July 16—Hispanic Fellowship at Iglesia Esperanza in Brazoria at 4 p.m.
Sept. 8-9—Hispanic Men's Retreat, Glen Rose (BGCT)
Sept. 23—Hispanic Women's Conference, Houston (SBTC)

The GCBA office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, July 3-4.

August GCBA TEAM Meeting
Tuesday, August 15th, 2017 @ 11:30 a.m.
Covenant Community Church, Pearland

GCBA Pastorless Churches
Heights Baptist—Alvin
Shadycrest Baptist—Pearland

501(c)(3) Info for Churches

Recently we spoke with an SBTC rep who told us that a church has to request to be covered under their 501(c)(3). You can be an SBTC church without being covered by their 501(c)(3).

According to the BGCT, "In order for a church to qualify to come under the group ruling of BGCT for 501(c)(3) status the church must contribute to the Cooperative Program at least once during the current or prior year. A church can still be considered a BGCT church without contributing they just cannot come under our umbrella for the 501(c)(3)."

If you need more information, contact our office and we will try to help you.

Search Committee to Be Named

A Search Committee for a new Executive Director of GCBA will be named at the next TEAM Meeting on July 11. The current director, Donald Hintze, will be retiring in January of 2018.

JULY

07/04	Independence Day, GCBA office closed
07/10-14	OneCamp Youth Camp, Texas Baptist Encampment
07/11	GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30 a.m. at FBC Angleton
07/11	Hispanic Pastors Mtg at GCBA at 7:00 p.m.
07/16	Hispanic Fellowship at Iglesia Esperanza in Brazoria at 4:00 p.m.
07/17-21	Youth Week, Texas Baptist Encampment (SBTC)

AUGUST

08/10-12	Equip, Houston (SBTC)
08/10-12	Church Planter Basic Training, Champion Forest Baptist (SBTC)
08/11-12	Childhood & Family Ministry Summit, Dallas Baptist Univ. (BGCT)
08/15	GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30 a.m. at Community Church of Pearland

SEPTEMBER

09/04	Labor Day, GCBA Office closed
09/08-09	Hispanic Men's Retreat, Glen Rose (BGCT)
09/10-17	Week of Prayer for Texas Missions and the Mary Hill Davis Offering
09/12	GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30 a.m. at Texas Port Ministry
09/17-24	Week of Prayer for Reach Texas (SBTC)
09/23	Hispanic Women's Conference, Houston (SBTC)
09/27	See You at the Pole