

Breezes



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Bulgaria Mission Trip



Please pray for the mission team
departing for Bulgaria on Saturday, March 3rd
and returning on Friday, March 16th.

Mission Team Members

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Jeanne Newsom

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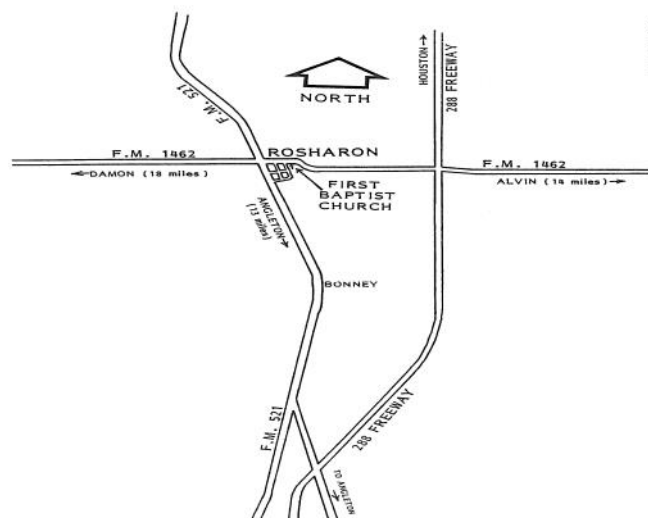
In 1999, my first year of full-time ministry, the Billy Graham Crusade was in St. Louis. It was exciting to be a part of the planning and follow up to the crusade and to get to hear Dr. Graham preach each night during the crusade. I took this picture from the floor of the TWA Dome as he was conducting the invitation, and it came to my mind last week when I learned of his death. As many have noted, Billy Graham is probably the most influential person in the 20th Century. He preached the gospel to hundreds of millions around the world and counseled every U.S. president from Harry Truman to Barak Obama. He is known as a man of integrity.

It's safe to say that Billy Graham was probably the best-known person in the world during his day. But do you know the name Mordecai Ham? A fiery evangelist in his own right, he preached revivals across the country, including Houston, Galveston, Bay City, and the Golden Triangle area. It is estimated that over 300,000 people came to Christ under his preaching. One of those was Billy Graham. We remember Dr. Graham, but few remember Dr. Mordecai Ham.

Our personal ministry might not produce the next Billy Graham...but then again it just might. What we need to remember is that we are called to love God, love people, and share the good news of Christ, and that every single person we meet is important. Jesus tells us in the parable of the lost sheep that "there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent" (Luke 15:7). If we are going to impact the lostness in our world, then we must guard ourselves against the temptation to focus on the 99 and ignore the 1. It is the gospel that changes hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit. As Paul wrote, "How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" (Romans 10:14-15).

Friends, keep preaching the Word. Keep making disciples. Keep raising up leaders. Continue to cooperate together and to send your people out to preach the Good News. Who knows, God might just call the next Billy Graham as the fruit of the ministry of GCBA. And like Mordecai Ham, nobody will remember our name either. But that will be just fine with me, because God will get all the glory!

TEAM MEETING
March 13 at 11:30 a.m.
First Baptist
Rosharon
281-369-3011



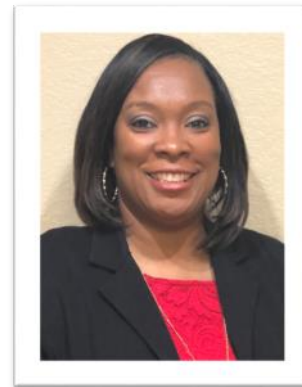
GCBA Pastorless Churches

First Baptist Church—Angleton
South Park Baptist Church—Alvin
First Baptist Church—Rosharon
Second Baptist Church—Lake Jackson
Fist Baptist Church—Richwood

Upcoming Hispanic Events

April 10th—Hispanic Pastor's Mtg., 7pm -GCBA Office
April 15th—Hispanic Fellowship, 3pm -Oyster Creek Park

March Church Humor



We would like to welcome Dianne Jones to the GCBA team. She will serve as our Ministry Resource Coordinator

MARCH

03/01-03 GCBA Annual Pastor/Staff/Wives Retreat, South Shore Harbor Resort & Conference Ctr.
03/02-03 African-American Leadership Workshop, Waco (BGCT)
03/03 VBS Training, 8:30—3:300, Spring (SBTC)
03/04-11 Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong Easter Offering and North American Missions
03/11 Daylight Savings Time Begins, Set your clocks forward
03/13 GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30 a.m., FBC Rosharon
03/23-25 Micah 6:8 Conference, Sugarland (BGCT)

APRIL

4/1 Easter Sunday
4/10 GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30 a.m., FBC Brazoria
4/10 Hispanic Pastor's Mtg., 7:00 p.m., GCBA Office
4/14 [un]Apologetic Conf., Granbury (BGCT)
4/15 Hispanic Fellowship, 3:00 p.m. Primera Iglesia De Brazoria
4/17-18 Texas Mega Conf., Austin (SBTC)
4/25 Administrative Professionals Day

MAY

5/3 National Day of Prayer
5/3-5 Breathe Deep Retreat, Grapevine (SBTC)
5/4-5 Hispanic Pastor/Wife Retreat, Summer Mills
5/7-9 Administrative Assistant Retreat, San Marcos (SBTC)
5/13 Mother's Day
5/15 GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30a.m., FBC Pearland
5/28 Memorial Day