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RESURRECTION SUNDAY

We have just celebrated Resurrection Sunday, or Easter as some prefer to call it. Much like Thanksgiving Day, we really need to celebrate it every day! Without the resurrection of Jesus Christ, none of the Bible would have the significance or truth that it does because of it. Much like Christmas, there are usually cantatas, or at least some special musical presentations and special sermons, and even some dramatic presentations helping us rejoice over what Jesus did for us in His cross and empty tomb. Actually there is no other historical event that has impacted our world any more than the resurrection of Jesus Christ!

As an Association of Baptist churches, primarily in Hood and Somervell Counties, it is such a blessing to know that we are participating together to impact our area with the truth of God's Word—specifically that Jesus Christ is alive forevermore to save all who will repent and receive Him by faith and follow Him as Lord and Savior! Thank you for your ministries that present the love and grace of our Lord to those in your local area, and to the ends of the earth! The Risen Lord is still able to touch and change lives today, and most of the time He chooses to use His people to do so! Aren't you glad that He is alive in and through you and your church?

May He continue to bless and use you and your church to let the world know that we serve a risen Savior and that He is in the world today—and as the Body of Christ, we will represent Him well in all that we do for His glory!

I'm so glad to be your DOM,

Glenn



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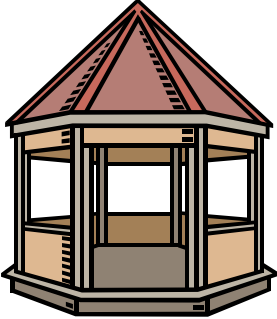


PALUXY BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION
OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri 9:00 am—3:00 pm

Lifeway's Priscilla Shirer LIVE Simulcast—April 30, 9am—4:30 pm

Acton Baptist Church is honored to host this event. Registration is required. Cost is \$20 which includes a listening guide, complimentary breakfast, boxed lunch, snacks and coffee, tea and water. To register go to www.actonbaptist.com Registration ends on April 24th so REGISTER TODAY! Will be held in church sanctuary at 3500 Fall Creek Hwy. Questions, please contact the church office at 817-326-4693. There is NO childcare for this event.



Annual Event since 2003

Bible Reading Marathon in Granbury-April 29—May 5

Begins in Genesis 1 on Fri., April 29, 7:00 am and will conclude reading Rev. chapters 21-22 at noon Thurs., May 5—the National Day of Prayer. Will meet and read in the Gazebo at the Hood County Courthouse. There will be a short prayer, praise, and worship time beginning at 12:10 pm to honor our Lord. Go online (www.biblereadingmarathon-granbury.org) to sign up to read for 15 minutes any time between 7 am and 9 pm. Bring your Bible and expect a miracle. “So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.” Romans 10:17

The National Day of Prayer - May 5

“Shout it aloud, do not hold back. Raise your voice like a trumpet.” Isaiah 58:1a.

The National Day of Prayer tradition predates the founding of the United States of America, evidenced by the Continental Congress' proclamation in 1775 setting aside a day of prayer. In 1952 Congress established an annual day of prayer, and that law was amended in 1988, designating the first Thursday in May as the National Day of Prayer.

News from our Association



The JUAREZ TRIP team, March 12-19, consisted of five from Acton, three from Lakeside, three from Bear Creek, one from Waples and one from Venezuela. Projects included building cubicles in the school and preschool area, shelving for a warehouse, installing a board to hang guitars in the music room, replacing and painting fascia, removing trash and weeds, relocating materials to the new warehouse.

STUDIES AND WORSHIP were held throughout the week—Sat. there was preaching at the youth service. At the Sun. service at La Mision, Bro. Glenn preached. Mon. Bro. Glenn held a neighborhood Bible study where two women prayed to receive Christ. A women's Bible study was also held on Mon. and Tues. Three afternoons, the children who came to the school were ministered to, entertained and fed. Bible studies were held Wed., Thurs. and Fri. evenings at La Mision with a fellowship meal following. Sunday afternoon, four seminary students were taken back to the campus after they had assisted in various ministries during the weekend.

VICTORIOUS POWER—The Gathering 2016 Report — Rebecca Carrell did an outstanding job. Her sweet spirit, love for the Lord and knowledge of His Word were evident. She encouraged us with the truth that The Power of God is working in us, who are believers. God's power is creative, as shown in Genesis 1 and 2; God's words have power and God's power is life-giving. We are God's handiwork and He created us to do good works. Therefore, He empowers us to fulfill His purpose for us. We are: (1) A Holy Agent of Peace, (2) A Kingdom Advancement Specialist, and (3) A Prime Minister of Reconciliation.

We heard wonderful reviews from those who attended the breakout sessions. Thank you, to all our teachers for preparing and sharing as the Lord directed. We appreciate Tina Samples for her organizational skills and work to make The Gathering a blessing to each of us, who attended. Please keep her in your prayers, as she is facing heart surgery. Thank you, Sandy Bigge, the kitchen staff and the many volunteers at Lakeside Baptist. They were very helpful and diligent to meet our needs; we so appreciate them hosting our event. The ladies from Tolar Baptist set up our breakfast and snacks, which were delicious—Thank you. Also, contributions to the Mary Hill Davis Offering helped fund part of our expenses. Thank you for giving to this Mission.

April Calendar

- 7 Spring 50+ Senior Day at Latham Spring 8:30am-3pm, RSVP for meal (\$8) to: 254-694-3689
- 7-9 Texas Baptist Ministry Assistants Conf., San Antonio. Check website www.tbma.net to register or call PBA office for info.
- 8-9 WMU of Texas Annual Meeting and Missions Celebration, Austin Baptist Church, Austin. Ph. 214-828-5150 for info or contact Janie Walker for van ride.
- 9 Sandi Patty Farewell Tour, Contact Columbus Ave. Baptist Church, Waco, TX for tickets.
- 12 Senior Adult Retreat, Riverbend. Call 888-269-3473 or email sradult@riverbendretreat.org
- 16 Living SENT 2016 Conference on Missions, April 16 in Arlington, April 23 in McAllen. Learn how to share Christ with people next door and around the world. www.sentconference.com
- 21 Women's Community Prayer Group will be meeting to pray for our community and churches. All Ladies Welcome! PBA Conference Room, 10:00am
- 26 Decision America Tour with Franklin Graham in Austin, TX. Holding rallies in all 50 states. For more info, visit www.DecisionAmericaTour.com.
- 30 Acton Baptist hosting "Lifeway's Priscilla Shirer LIVE Simulcast,." Register at www.actonbaptist.com. (See Pg 2)
- 30 International Commission Celebration, Pecan Plantation Country Club. Ph. 214-488-2555 or visit www.ic-world.org.

Up-coming Events

- May 5 National Day of Prayer "Wake Up America"
- May 5-7 "Breathe Deep" Retreat for Church Associate Staff & Spouses, Gaylord Texan, Grapevine. For more info www.sbtexas.com/breathedeep.



Pray that the Bible will once more become the standard for holy living in Granbury & America.

Mission Trips

- PRAY for the Volunteers and those who will hear the Gospel.
- Mar 30-Apr 16 Sherman & Tammy Aten to Ukraine
- June 2-9 Central Mexico—Lakeside
- June 12-18 Fort Collins, Colorado—Lakeside
- June 16-27 Serbia—Lakeside
- July 30-Aug 6 Juarez—PBA
- Aug. 1-12 Zimbabwe (Africa) —Lakeside
- Sept. 23-Oct 1 Cuba—FBC Glen Rose
- Sept 29-Oct 10 Paraguay (South America) - Lakeside

Birthdays

- 3rd Dale Moore, Mambrino
- 3rd Dora Sims, FBC Lipan
- 3rd April Wells, Red Door Baptist
- 4th Angela Duncan, Mambrino
- 6th Jessica Jimenez, El Buen
- 9th Dawn Weeks, Lakeside
- 13th Janet Flippin, Lakeside
- 24th Bishop Helsley, Southside
- 27th Scott Eudaley, Acton



Anniversaries

- 8th Jim & Terry McNew, Brazos River

Pray One For Another

- Last Frontier Missionaries
- Jerry & Tina Barnwell - England
- Jonnie & Juanita Brawley - Mexico
- Kacy C. - South America
- Benjamin & Barbara Herrera - Mexico
- Kent & Michelle Mundhenk - Papua New Guinea
- Matt Noble - Alaska
- Emory & Charlotte Patterson - The Horn of Africa
- Jeff & Barbara Singerman - Congo Basin & West Africa

President Obama, our Nation & Israel
2016 Elections



Churches Needing Staff

El Buen Pastor—Bi-vocational Pastor

FBC Granbury—Creative Arts Worship Pastor

FBC Glen Rose—Pastor

Rainbow—Pastor

Paluxy Baptist Association Statement of Cash Flows January 1 to February 29, 2016

	February	Year to Date	Annual Budget
General Fund:			
Receipts:			
From Churches	\$ 7,834.58	\$ 22,037.72	\$ 135,415.00
Other	<u>.85</u>	<u>1.74</u>	<u> </u>
Total Receipts	<u>\$ 7,835.43</u>	<u>\$ 22,039.46</u>	<u>\$ 135,415.00</u>
Expenses:			
Missions	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 15,900.00
Support Ministries	979.60	2,179.60	20,000.00
Personnel	\$ 6,715.84	12,794.74	81,815.00
Office	<u>853.09</u>	<u>1,604.06</u>	<u>18,600.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 9,798.53</u>	<u>\$ 19,078.40</u>	<u>\$ 136,315.00</u>
Receipts Over (Under) Expense	\$ (1,963.10)	\$ 2,961.06	
Bank Balance--Beginning	<u>\$ 108,293.71</u>	<u>103,369.55</u>	
Bank Balance--Ending	<u><u>\$106,330.61</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 106,330.61</u></u>	
Restricted Accounts:			
Receipts	\$ 3,593.26	\$ 4,798.32	
Expenditures	<u>(2,788.46)</u>	<u>(3,288.46)</u>	
Bank Balance—Beginning	<u>804.80</u>	<u>1,509.86</u>	
Bank Balance—Ending	<u><u>19,258.22</u></u>	<u><u>18,553.16</u></u>	
Bank Balance—Ending	<u><u>\$ 20,063.02</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 20,063.02</u></u>	

Honor the Lord with your possessions,
And with the firstfruits of all your increase.

Proverbs 3:9



praise be to our Faithful God!