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What exactly do the words in the title of this article really mean? Or have you stopped to consider that question? Some of us have heard the concept and even been involved in an Association as long as we've been in ministry. And I suppose the answer you might receive depends pretty much on who you ask the question!

For a few minutes, please allow me to share some thoughts about the subject. **First**, an Association of churches is merely a way for local congregations to cooperate together for the causes that are larger than any one of us. It has nothing to do with hindering or limiting the autonomy of any local church, but simply joining our efforts, energies and resources to strengthen and expand the witness for our Lord Jesus Christ.

A couple of examples that are still fresh on our minds are the response of our churches to minister and relieve suffering following the tornado on May 15 and the efforts to assist in Oklahoma, following the devastating tornado in Moore. Not only among our Baptist churches, but also with many other denominations, Christian ministries work together in times of crisis.

Second, there are things that we can do—and have done—to seek to expand the Kingdom of Christ, doing more together than going it alone! The new building at Brazos River Baptist Church and the varied efforts to assist them in operating their new after-school children's ministry are two good examples.

Third, it really doesn't matter about the size of your church. As you may have heard, the key is not equal giving but equal sacrifice! Everyone can participate and contribute to the task at hand—sometimes we are the givers and sometimes we are the recipients—but we're all in the work of the Lord together through our Association. Thank you for all you do to make it go!

I'm so glad to be your DOM,

Glenn

**Come, and let us return unto the Lord: for He hath torn, and He will heal us; He hath smitten, and He will bind us up.
Hosea 6:1**

Prayer Walking for Schools

Ladies, Youth and Children ~

Prayerwalk around the school of your choice.



Thursday, August 22 @ 7 PM
Pray for Students * Teachers
* Staff

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Get in the picture! Opportunities are awaiting YOU!

WMU Training in Plano - August 10th

If you are interested in attending the **WIFI, equipping event for Missions Leaders**, at Hunters Glen Baptist Church, please call Minnie (817-573-2863) for more information.

PBA-WMU/Women on Mission

Year-long Project - - -

INVESTING IN THE FUTURE.....

Store Treasures in Heaven - Matt. 6:20

The object is to partner with a school to take Christ back to the schools with our presence and our help, as we invest in the future and store treasures in heaven. Your WMU/ Women's Ministry Leader has the details. Call Minnie Molengraf @ 817-573-2863 for more information.

PBA 2014 THE GATHERING

It's time to think about our January women's Gathering. If you are interested in assisting with the planning, please call Janie Walker @ the Association Office, or just attend the planning meeting on Tuesday, August 13 @ 6:30 PM @ the Association Office.

Mission Ministry Team Report

The Mission Ministry Team of the Paluxy Baptist Association met Saturday, July 27 at the Associational Office to discuss mission plans for the association. It was our decision that the emphasis this year would be in two of the following areas:

A. That the churches would emphasize working with the educators including public, private, and home schools, to be of assistance in whatever way seemed acceptable. This might include mentoring children in different grade levels, praying for the faculty and staff of one particular school for the year, or just being available in whatever way the principal seemed appropriate. A letter was sent to the leader of Women's Ministry in each church with additional suggestions. The local church should contact the principal in an individual school for suggestions and help.

On Sunday morning August 25th all present and retired educators and support staff would be honored, and a special prayer should be offered for God's guidance and support for the upcoming school year. There will be an advertisement in the paper announcing this special time.

B. That we ask you to encourage your church members to be involved with the children's ministry that is beginning a Brazos River Baptist Church. They will be holding an after-school program two days a week for the children from the Mambrino Elementary School. They are in need of all types of volunteers.

One of the goals for this year is to make the local church members aware of the mission opportunities right here in this area. We also want people to experience the real joy in serving others. I feel that one of the most important things we can do is to help mold a child's life and possibly see him open the door to the greatest gift that the world has ever received.

I slept and dreamed that life was JOY. I woke and saw the Life was SERVICE. I acted and behold SERVICE was JOY.

Margaret Osborn,
Mission Team Leader

Bear you one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2

August Calendar

- 5th OneCry Prayer Meeting - 10am
at Generations Church
- 12th Registration for Christian
Women's Job Corps begins; see
more on page 4
- 15th Ministers' Lunch noon
- 22nd PBA Budget Meeting for Ministry
Team Leaders - 10am
- 23-25 TBM Cedars Prayer Retreat ~
Mt Lebanon
- 24th CEF Teacher Refresher at Gran-
bury Baptist Church 9am to 1 pm.
- 31st VBS Reports due; fax or mail to
the Association Office.

Sept. Calendar

- 2nd LABOR DAY - PBA Office closed
- 7th CEF - New Teachers Training at
Spring Creek Bar BQ, 10am-4pm
- 8-15 Week of Prayer for Texas
Missions

Mission Trips

- August 2-11 Lakeside - Belize
- August 5-11 PBA - Juarez, Mexico
Construction connected with an orphanage and
a mission outreach center. If you are interested
in going, please contact the association office.
- August 27-Sept. 5 PBA - Mexico
- August 29-Sept. 3 Lakeside - Quito, Ecuador

**I shall not die, but live, and declare the
works of the Lord. Psalm 118:17**

Praises to our Heavenly Father!



Rain in our area.

Generous donations from people in our community
for: Law Enforcement Officers
Disaster Victims
KidZone Project

BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Natalie Matthews - Cottonwood
2nd Julia Brockelman - Red Door
4th Tim Starnes - Rainbow
5th Blanca Sandoval - Vino Nuevo
6th Jeff Bise - Paluxy Baptist Church
11th Karla Chandler - Allison
12th Alvin Howell - First Thorp Spring
15th Donomie Lane - Triple Cross Cowboy
17th Christine Roath - Acton
18th Jason Turbeville - Acton
19th Ami Smith - First Lipan
31st Terry Jennings - Happy Trails Cowboy

ANNIVERSARIES

- 2nd John & Roxie Turner - New Prospect
8th David & Melissa Becker - Southside
10th Craig & Casey Odem - Tolar
11th Greg & Virginia Judy - Fairview
16th TJ & Traci Joyner - First Glen Rose
27th Reagan & Shelley Miller - FBC Granbury
31st Sherman & Tammy Aten - Acton



Pray One For Another

- Last Frontier Missionaries
Jerry & Tina Barnwell - England
Jonnie & Juanita Brawley (furlough) - Mexico
Benjamin & Barbara Herrera - Mexico
Kent & Michelle Mundhenk - Papua New Guinea
Matt Noble - Alaska
Emory & Charlotte Patterson - The Horn of Africa
Jeff & Barbara Singerman - West Africa



Our Nation & Israel



- President Obama & Leaders
Servicemen and women
Disaster Victims - local & across the United States

PBA Annual Meeting: Oct. 21, 2013 at Paluxy Baptist Church
Session 1 - 5:00 pm. Remember to select your messengers
for the meeting; each church may send four, plus one for
every 25 above 50; total allowed is 12.
Church Clerk - be watching for the Annual Church Profile
which will be mailed to you next week.



Christian Women's Job Corps

The Mission of CWJC of Granbury is to educate, motivate, and encourage success in women. Free job readiness and life skills training is available. The next session begins August 27 and will conclude Nov. 14, 2013. Call for an interview (817-573-6677) beginning August 12th.

Email: cwjc@cwjcgranbury.org
www.cwjcgranbury.org

Lakeside Baptist Church ~ Fall Bible Studies

Beginning Tuesday Sept. 3rd - 9:30am to Noon

Forgotten God by Francis Chan

Set Apart (The Beatitudes) by Jennifer Kennedy Dean

A Mary Heart in a Martha World by Joanna Weaver

A Mary Heart also on Wed. nights at 6:15 pm

Thursdays at 6 PM - Women's study "**Grace**" by Max Lucado
 held at Brazos River Baptist Church ministry center.

Paluxy Baptist Association Statement of Cash Flows January 1 to June 30, 2013

	June	Year to Date	YTD Budget
General Fund:			
Receipts:			
From Churches	\$ 9,012.53	\$ 61,218.90	\$ 61,288.00
Other	3.65	105.88	
Total Receipts	\$ 9,016.18	\$ 61,324.78	\$ 61,288.00
Expenses:			
Missions		\$ 4,500.00	\$ 6,750.00
Support Ministries		5,707.02	8,000.00
Personnel	\$ 6,179.50	37,138.25	38,873.00
Office	(543.38)	10,170.40	7,665.00
Total Expenses	\$ 5,636.12	\$ 57,515.67	\$ 61,288.00
Receipts Over (Under) Expense	\$ 3,380.06	\$ 3,809.11	
Bank Balance--Beginning	81,683.48	81,254.43	
Bank Balance--Ending	\$ 85,063.54	\$ 85,063.54	
Mission Support Fund:			
Interest	\$ 0.74	\$ 4.45	
Disaster Relief Receipts	960.00	6,408.00	
Disaster Relief	(2,448.00)	(3,448.00)	
Brazos River Baptist Project		(3,561.98)	
Change in Cash Balance	\$ (1,487.26)	\$ (597.53)	
Bank Balance--Beginning	20,187.19	19,297.46	
Bank Balanced--Ending	\$ 18,699.93	\$ 18,699.93	