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HOW OPEN ARE YOU TO NEW IDEAS?

The title question may automatically create some uneasiness for some readers, but please allow me to share a recent experience that just might be a possibility for some other churches in our Association. The fact is that we have 15 churches that are currently served by bi-vocational pastors. That simply means that it's necessary for these pastors to have an outside source of income in order to support their families. This is also a trend that is becoming more prevalent across our nation.

Now, let me share with you my recent experience. At Waples Baptist Church, one of our bi-vocational churches, we ordained a man (Scott Dix) who has given outstanding evidence of a heart for pastoral ministry and serving a local church. He now has the title of Associate Pastor, working alongside current Pastor, Lindsay Luedeker, and they make a great team. My point is that many of our similar churches might consider seeking the Lord for such an addition to assist their current Pastor, sharing the load and increasing the joy and effectiveness for those who are carrying the whole load of ministry. There may be just such a person already in your congregation—just as there was at Waples—who senses that God may be calling them to fill such a position in your church. Could you be open to such a partnership in the pastoral ministry at your church? Are you willing to pray about it and seek the Lord's wisdom and direction regarding such a plan?

Now that schools are back in full swing, may the Lord bless our students, faculty, administrators and all support staff, giving everyone a great year under His direction and blessing!

Please mark your calendars for our PBA Annual Meeting on October 22, to be held at FBC Glen Rose, beginning at 5:00 pm, dinner at 6:00 and second session at 7:00. It's always a wonderful time of hearing about some of the great things the Lord has done through our churches this year and looking forward to even more great things in the coming year! May the Lord bless you all as we serve together!

I'm so glad to be your DOM,

Glenn



Future PBA Dates and Opportunities

PBA ANNUAL MEETING—October 22 (5 PM) at FBC Glen Rose

PBA STAFF APPRECIATION CHRISTMAS DINNER—December 3 (6:30 PM) at Tolar Baptist

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

VBS Reports are due to the Association Office at earliest convenience.
Watch for the **ACP** (Annual Church Profile) Report booklets to arrive in the mail this week.
A copy is due back to the Association Office by **Oct. 8th**.

The PBA Office will be open again on Fridays beginning Sept. 7th.

Churches Needing Staff

Cottonwood Baptist — Music Leader, Ph. 682-250-1013

Bluff Dale—Sunday morning Nursery worker. If interested email morphewtrio@gmail.com.

Southside Baptist - Nursery worker for Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Pay is \$12. an hour and approximately 5-6 hours per week. Ph. 817-573-1462

Cleburne Community Church -

a church plant will be officially launching on September 9, 2018. Please be praying for their team, and church as God continues to build His church.

Pastor is Ryan Michels, address is 1108 N Anglin St., Cleburne, TX 76031. Services are being held in a public school, where they set up and break down each Sunday. Service time is 10am for coffee and donuts, then 10:30 worship service.

Can contact Ryan at 817-894-2461 (cell) for further information.

September Birthdays

- 6 Lonnie Short—Granbury Baptist
- 8 Mark Fulmer—Brozos River
- 10 Josiah Thompson—Rivers Baptist
- 11 Tanya Rue (Jeremiah) - Arise Baptist
- 19 Connie Leonard (Gary) - Triple Cross
- 26 Tina Samples (Dave) - Tolar Baptist
- 30 Jesse Reuterskiold - Fairview

September Anniversaries

- 5 Erick & Alma Anaya—Nueva Creacion
- 6 Dave & Tina Samples—Tolar
- 26 Raul & Blanca Sandavol—Vino Nuevo

Prayer Corner

CLEBURNE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Families who have lost loved ones

Our Pastors

PBA Churches needing Staff

Missionaries and their protection

**Unity and Peace in U.S., Israel,
and all Nations**

President Trump and Leaders

MISSION TRIPS IN SEPTEMBER:

FB Glen Rose

Ecuador

Sept 27-Oct 7



September Calendar & Events

- 3 LABOR DAY - PBA Office closed
- 4 PRAYER Meeting at Southside Baptist, 11:00am Everyone welcome to pray for grandchildren. Contact-Janie Walker
- 9 CLEBURNE COMMUNITY CHURCH officially opens their doors.
- 9 National Grandchildren Day - Please remember them in prayer at your church.
- 10 Hood County Community Prayer Meeting, Calvary Church of Granbury, 1107 Weatherford Hwy, 7:00-8:15pm
- 11 NEVER FORGET, Memorial Lane at Firefighters Memorial Park, , 561 N. Travis St., Granbury, 7pm
- 13 Latham Springs Fall 50+ Adult Day, 8:30am-3:00pm, RSVP for meal (\$8) to 254-694-3689
- 15-16 Three2One Marriage & Family Conference led by Sherman & Tammy Aten, Waples Baptist
- 18 Planning Meeting for The Gathering 2019, Cristo Roca Viva at 6:30 pm. All Ladies welcome!
- 22 JOSEPH'S LOCKER DRIVE DAY sponsored by First Baptist Granbury, GET FREE SNOW CONE with donation
- 23 REBOOT COMBAT RECOVERY Support Group begins, 406pm, ACTON BAPTIST CHURCH
- 24-28 Builders for Christ working at Riverbend Retreat Center, 817-343-5377 (See more info below to volunteer)
- 28-29 "This is My Story..." Women's Conference, Generations Church, Ph. 817-326-5378.



**CHURCHES -
September 9th - Please
remember the
grandchildren in
prayer on this day.**



"GATHERING 2019" MEETING

There will be a Planning Meeting for The Gathering 2019 on Tues., Sept. 18 at Cristo Roca Viva at 6:30 pm. Anyone interested in helping with the planning is welcome to attend. 315 Holly Hills Cemetery Road, Granbury. Contact-Janie Walker

Please join us for a **Three2One Marriage & Family Conference**, led by Sherman & Tammy Aten, which will be held at Waples Baptist Church, [1200 Temple Hall Highway](#), on Saturday, September 15th and Sunday September 16th. This event is FREE and childcare will be provided. Couples of all ages are welcome (married, engaged, dating, etc...). The conference will start on Saturday at 9 am and go until 4:00 pm with breakfast and lunch being provided. Sunday will start at 9:30 am and run until approximately 12:00 noon. You can register for this event by sending an email to waplesbaptistchurch@gmail.com and providing contact info (names, phone #, email) and if you need childcare (# of kids and ages) or you can register on the Aten ministries Facebook page as well.

FOOD & DIAPER DRIVE FOR JOSEPH'S LOCKER

Members of First Baptist Granbury church are holding a collection drive for items needed for Joseph's Locker. Needs include baby related items (diapers, wipes, baby food, onesies-toddler's clothes, blankets, etc.) and personal care items for adults. Monetary donations can also be made at josephslocker.org.

If you would like to help, donations can be made through the church now OR deliver in person to Joseph's Locker, 1612 Weatherford Hwy, Suite 100, on September 22nd from 9-3 AND RECEIVE A FREE SNOW CONE!

Let's ALL pitch in and help! Church address is 1851 Weatherford Hwy.

September 23– December 9 at ACTON BAPTIST

REBOOT
COMBAT RECOVERY

Join us for a new 12 weeks focusing on the spiritual aspects of Combat Recovery. REBOOT is a course-not a support group-providing practical help for service members, both men & women, and their families dealing with the after effects of combat. This begins on Sunday evenings, September 23rd from 4-6 pm at Acton Baptist Church in the Fellowship Hall. Light Snacks served and Childcare provided. More information coming soon. For more information contact Charley LaFontaine at 817-300-8326 or the church office, 817-326-4693.

Builders For Christ will be working at Riverbend Retreat Center on various projects, September 24 – 28, 2018. If you are interested in helping please contact Willie Evans, 817-343-5377 or wevansbfc@gmail.com.

PBA Statement of Cash Flows

January 1 to July 31, 2018

	JULY	Year to Date	Monthly Budget	Annual Budget
General Fund:				
Receipts:				
From Churches	\$ 10,631.33	\$ 81,169.04	\$ 12,026.83	\$ 144,322.00
Other	\$ 5.48	\$ 30.82	\$ -	\$ -
Total Receipts	<u>\$ 10,636.81</u>	<u>\$ 81,199.86</u>	<u>\$ 12,026.83</u>	<u>\$ 144,322.00</u>
Expenses:				
Missions	\$ 1,737.50	\$ 12,162.50	\$ 1,737.50	\$ 20,850.00
Support Ministries		\$ 3,354.00	\$ 1,375.00	\$ 16,500.00
Personnel	\$ 6,994.91	\$ 48,873.74	\$ 7,272.67	\$ 87,272.00
Office	\$ 5,192.63	\$ 11,990.49	\$ 1,641.67	\$ 19,700.00
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 13,925.04</u>	<u>\$ 76,380.73</u>	<u>\$ 12,026.83</u>	<u>\$ 144,322.00</u>
Receipts Over (Under) Expenses	\$ (3,288.23)	\$ 4,819.13		
Bank Balance -- Beginning	<u>\$ 128,296.39</u>	<u>\$ 120,189.03</u>		
Bank Balance -- Ending	<u>\$ 125,008.16</u>	<u>\$ 125,008.16</u>		
Designated Accounts:				
Receipts	\$ 3,070.90	\$ 16,930.05		
Expenditures	<u>\$ (3,588.75)</u>	<u>\$ (14,427.49)</u>		
	\$ (517.85)	\$ 2,502.56		
Bank Balance -- Beginning	<u>\$ 34,603.02</u>	<u>\$ 31,582.61</u>		
Bank Balance -- Ending	<u>\$ 34,085.17</u>	<u>\$ 34,085.17</u>		

MISSIONS TEAM NEWS

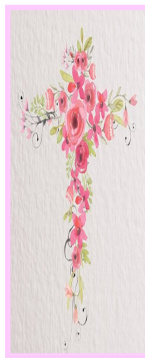
Back-to-School affects everyone, even if you are not in a classroom. This is a perfect time to pray for kids, teachers, and staff of all schools. Here's a simple and helpful prayer guide, whether in private or group prayer times (adapted from Rebecca Barlow Jordan):

- 1. PEACE** -- Lord, I pray that my kids (grandkids, teachers, staff) will experience the peace of God this year that exceeds all understanding. I pray they will not worry about things they cannot control, but that they will keep trusting in You. I pray they will not only enjoy the peace of God, but peace with God. (Isaiah 26:3; Philippians 4:6-7; Romans 5:1)
- 2. PROTECTION** - Lord, I pray Your emotional, physical, and spiritual protection over my kids (grandkids, teachers, staff). Keep evil far from them, and help them to trust You as their refuge and strength. Grant them discernment to recognize truth. Help them to find rest in Your shadow, as they live in the spiritual shelter You provide for them. (2 Thessalonians 3:3; Psalm 46:1; John 17:15; Psalm 91)
- 3. PURITY** - Lord, I pray that You will create in my kids (grandkids, teachers, staff) a clean heart and renew a right spirit within them, keeping their thoughts and actions pure and motivated by love. Guard them from temptation, and let them know You are always faithful to give them a way out and help to endure. (Psalm 51:10; Mathew 5:8; 1 Timothy 1:5; 1 Corinthians 10:13; Psalm 19:14)
- 4. PASSION** - Lord, I pray that my kids (grandkids, teachers, staff) will develop a passion for the things of God. I pray they will hunger and thirst for You and Your Word and will love You with all of their heart, soul, and mind. Give them compassionate and generous hearts to love others as much as You love them. I pray they will desire a servant spirit of greatness, rather than a worldly lust for success. (Psalm 42:1; Matthew 22:37-39; John 13:34-35)
- 5. PERSPECTIVE** - Lord, I pray that our kids (grandkids, teachers, staff) will develop an eternal perspective and purpose, not an earthly one. Help them to see life – and every challenge – through Your eyes. I pray that they will set their minds on things above, not just what's going on here, and that they will be rooted and grounded in Your love. I pray they will be filled up with You from morning 'til night. (Galatians 2:20; Matthew 28:18-20; Philippians 1:21; Colossians 3:1-2; Ephesians 3:17-20)

Paul Rummage

PBA Missions Team Leader

Lakeside BC Pastor of Missions & Engagement



WOMEN OF PBA PRAYER & PRAISE

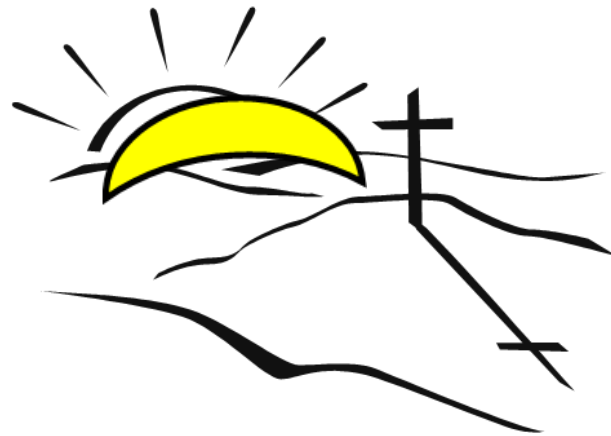
"Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you." Psalm 73:25

Contact Lue Chadwell or Janie Walker

Paluxy Baptist Association

Annual Meeting

**October
22nd**



Hear the Word of God and testimonies of what God is doing
in our community and beyond!

Churches need to elect Messengers, as their voting representatives, prior to the Annual Associational meeting. The Messengers shall be elected on the following basis: four (4) from each church, with one (1) additional messenger for every twenty-five (25) church members or fraction thereof above the first fifty (50) members, with the provision that no church shall have more than twelve (12) messengers. Everyone may attend, but only the Messengers are allowed to vote.

- **Held at First Baptist Church of Glen Rose**
- **5:00 PM Session I**
- **6:00 PM Meal**
- **7:00 PM Session II**
- **RSVP Association Office 817-579-5111**

EVERYONE WELCOME!