

## **Summers Are Always A Busy Time For Our Churches**

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Summer is always a busy time of year. There are families headed out on vacation. There are Churches from which the Youth go to Summer Church camps, and then there are mission trips. For the first time in many lives, the message of Jesus will be shared with total strangers in other locations. It's so rewarding to see that the vast majority of all the summer activities will involve serving the Kingdom of GOD. Generally speaking everybody returns home with suntans, dirty clothes, and the expressions of happy exhaustion written on their faces. Not to mention, hearts full of joy and excitement.

In the midst of all of this activity, may I take a moment to call your attention to several upcoming Association events that will be happening right here in our Association once all of the Summer Activities subside.

First of all, our association is planning the first ever Fall Men's Rally. This event is scheduled for Saturday, September 21 and will include great food, wonderful music, exciting testimonies, and challenging preaching. The theme is "Iron Sharpens Iron," based on Proverbs 27:17. More details headed your way soon.

Secondly, our P.B.A. yearly meeting will be held at Waples Baptist Church on Monday, October 21st. Session One will be at 5:00 PM, Evening Meal at 6:00, and Session Two at 7:00 PM. Waples Baptist Church is located at 1200 Temple Hall Hwy, Granbury. The Pastor of Waples, Lindsay Luedeker, will deliver the annual message.

Our Association is partnering with The Palo Pinto Baptist Association of Churches and The International Commission to share in Phase Two of Operation Andrew. The dates set for our evangelism effort are May 2-8, 2025. If your church would like to be involved, please let me know so that I can get the training materials into your hands as soon as possible. We are part of a "first in the nation" ministry project that will combine the efforts of churches from two Baptist Associations, working together on one giant evangelism effort. Last year, was the beginning of a great effort as we worked with the out-of-state missionaries from International Commission in our quest to fulfill the Great Commission.

Finally, let me remind you that many of our churches plan their budgets for the new year during the summer months, please pray about what your church will contribute to evangelism, discipleship, missions, and the Paluxy Baptist Association.

GOD bless You, and please continue to pray for our churches and our beloved Paluxy Baptist Association.