



**MAY 2024**

“Now the end of all things is near; therefore, be serious and disciplined for prayer. Above all, maintain an intense love for each other, since love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Based on the gift each one has received, use it to serve others, as good managers of the varied grace of God.” 1 Peter 4:7-10

## **Operation Andrew Report (One Man's Opinion)**

The International Commission missionaries who came to lead us in Operation Andrew have returned to their homes. The time they shared with us resulted in a tremendous amount of spiritually beneficial one-on-one encounters as well as life-altering events and activities. Of course, the sheer number of Gospel presentations, re-dedications, and first time salvation experiences top the list of benefits to our churches and this association.

From day one, our participating Pastors and churches knew that it would be a lot of work. However, I have yet to hear a negative word or a complaint about any of the process, procedures, or day to day practices. By all reports, those who gave of their time, talents, and energy to come to our beloved P.B.A. did exactly as agreed. They were kind, generous, encouraging, and “on their game” as they told our families, friends, and neighbors that there is hope in walking with Christ. They were part of a “heaven-sent” team of dedicated Christian witnesses, who were not ashamed to share their stories. In my humble estimation, the missionaries from International Commission went “above and beyond” the call of duty. They relished sharing the Good News with everybody they encountered. The Gospel was shared with people on the square, at gas stations, in private homes and in several care centers. The people of our community seemed to be hungry for the message of hope. We know how that happened because we had been praying for over six months. In other words, “the ground had been prepared”. The Operation Andrew process works, because prayer works and the people who came here proved that the investment of their time produced eternal results. Lives and hearts were changed. Troubled lives were healed. Broken people were made whole again, and best of all eternity will now host those who gave their lives to our Lord Jesus during this “life altering” process known as Operation Andrew.

Thank you to the missionaries who came. Thank you to Stephen Jumper and Shara Cowen who tirelessly labored on behalf of International Commission. And thank you to our participating churches, volunteers and pastors who grasped the concept and rolled up their shirt sleeves to labor alongside of each other, that's my opinion and I am sticking to it.

GOD bless You,  
Boots Hubbard

**“Peter said to Jesus, ‘Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters- one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.’” Matthew 17:4 NIV**

## **Mountain Top 243**

From April 19-25, 2024, 28 volunteer missionaries from the states of Texas, North Carolina, Missouri and Oklahoma assembled in Granbury and Glen Rose, Texas to work with 12 churches in the Paluxy Baptist Association to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The core process is called Operation Andrew (OA). With OA, church members write down the names of non-believers to pray for them, engage with them, invite them and share the Gospel with them.

The Holy Spirit showed up in a big way. Going out in 6 days of ministry in Hood and Somerville County with local churches, 243 made first time professions of faith (also 2 baptisms, 20 rededications and over 1349 people heard the Gospel). What an amazing experience to live out the Great Commission and see the Lord answer so many prayers.

If you have ever been on a short-term mission trip, then you know the spiritual “mountain top” experience it can be. As I traveled back on April 25 to my home in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, I was full of the Holy Spirit, felt so close to God and simply was on the “mountain top.” Having been on mission trips both domestically and internationally, I knew the spiritual experience wouldn’t and couldn’t last.

When Peter experienced the transfiguration, he simply wanted to stay on the mountain top by building shelters for Jesus, Moses and Elijah. Seeing the Lord and these two greatest prophets transfigured, Peter had to be filled with the greatest joy ever, and one could even say, he was as close to heaven on earth as possible. But Jesus brought the disciples down the mountain where everyday life occurred. They couldn’t stay on the mountain top. They had to go back to their work in the valley and maybe even bring some of that light on the mountain down into the valleys where darkness and sin reside.

Is it possible that we are supposed to bring this same light into the darkness of people’s lives simply by carrying out the Great Commission? Do we really understand that there are lost, non-believing and hurting people in the world who need the love of Jesus and to hear the Good News of the Gospel?

The Paluxy Baptist Association has been working in partnership with International Commission (IC) for more than 10 months to prepare for this work. And now through the hard work and dedication of so many, the PBA and IC are taking the next step in designating the association as an Operation Andrew Designated Association. This means that the PBA will be taking the lead next year in working with the Palo Pinto Baptist Association and the Parker Baptist Association to prepare for a bigger, broader partnership involving many more churches and volunteers. Please start praying for this work now.

If you are interested in learning more or getting your church involved, please call Boots Hubbard at 817-579-5111 or reach out to Stephen Jumper from IC at 336-971-2405.

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## **TBMA RETREAT**

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Lakeside Baptist Church for hosting the Texas Baptist Ministry Assistants Retreat this past weekend. It was great training for all who attended. The worship time and messages were very spirit-filled, and wonderful fellowship during meals and the time with many vendors. Thank you to the TBMA officers and everyone that was involved. What a GREAT time here in Granbury to be chosen to host this statewide 2024 event. God blessed us all!

## CARE CENTER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

One of the blessings that came out of Operation Andrew was the expression of Activities Directors for weekly spiritual worship services for the Residents of their facilities. It began with one facility desiring a thirty minute worship time for the Residents just before the lunch hour. Since then, five more Care Center Activity Directors have expressed the same interest.

If your church has a Team who might be able to fill one or more of these needs, please contact the PBA Office, (817) 579-5111 for more details and the name of the contact person at each Care Center.

"He told his disciples, 'I have been given all authority in heaven and earth. Therefore, **GO** and **MAKE DISCIPLES** in all the nations, **BAPTIZING** them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and then **TEACH** these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you; and be sure of this - that I am with you always, even to the end of the world.'"

Matthew 28:18-20

"For you must **TEACH OTHERS** those things you and many others have heard me speak about. Teach these great truths to trustworthy men who will, in turn, pass them on to others." 2 Timothy 2:2



First Baptist Church  
July 15-21, 2024  
[fbcglenrose.org](http://fbcglenrose.org)

**YOU MAY HAVE  
HEARD... IT'S THE  
CAMP WHERE THEY  
LEARN THE MUSICAL  
IN ONE WEEK!  
BUT TRULY, IT'S  
SO MUCH MORE...**

**What:** A camp preparing students to worship God and lead others to worship Him

**Who:** Children who have completed Kinder – 5th Grade

**When:** Monday – Thursday July 15 – 18 from 9am – 2pm

Friday & Saturday, July 19 & 20 from 9am – Noon

**How Much:** \$45 per child OR \$60 with meal option, **deadline July 1**

### OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

Friday Evening, July 19 5-7 pm – **GLOW Night**, where students will lead worship & CrossTrain families will have a **FUN FAMILY NIGHT** with prizes!

Sunday, July 21st – CrossTrain Children present **Star Quest**, 5 pm @FBC Glen Rose

### Optional Early Audition Date

For larger speaking parts in the musical, audition **June 11** @ FBC Glen Rose, 4-6 pm  
(Register or see our website for more information!)



## NEW PASTOR

Cottonwood Baptist Church has a new pastor, Brandon Mills. We want to welcome him into our family of Paluxy Baptist Association Churches! Larry York will be retiring from this position in July. We wish them both well in their new endeavors. GOD BLESS YOU!

## UPCOMING EVENTS - **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

Apr.26-May 1 - BIBLE READING MARATHON at Granbury Courthouse Gazebo

May 2 - NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

May 12 - MOTHER'S DAY

June 9-12 - SBC 2024 Annual Meeting and Pastors' Conference in Indianapolis, IN

Sept. 7 - NATIONAL DAY OF YOUTH MINISTRY TRAINING at FB Glen Rose, lunch included

## Vacation Bible Schools (VBS) -

**Acton Baptist** - June 17-21, 6-8:30PM, K-12th grade  
and Adult class also. Theme "Breaker Rock Beach"



**Granbury Baptist** - June 10-13

**Pecan Baptist** - June 17-21, 4-7PM, "The Great Jungle Journey: An Epic Cruise from Genesis to Revelation"

**Lakeside Baptist** - June 24-27, Theme "SCUBA Diving into Friendship with God"

## MAY PBA BIRTHDAYS

5 James Young - FB Granbury

7 Gary Leonard - Triple Cross Cowboy

18 Jan Harris (DeWayne) - Triple Cross Cowboy

19 Shawn Lutgen - Granbury Baptist

23 Roxie Turner (John) - New Prospect

28 Andrew Merquiz - FB Lipan



## ANNIVERSARIES

9 Scott & Cindi Pace - Bluff Dale

11 Jaron & Vicki Barrington - FB Granbury

19 Lindsay & Cindy Luedeker - Waples

20 David & Katherine McClure - Acton

21 Barry & Betty Baldwin - FB Lipan

**"SCRIPTURE SHARE" for the month**

**LUKE 18:1-8**

## JOB OPENINGS -

**Brazos River Baptist** - Bi-Vocational Pastor. Mail resume to PO Box 1726, Granbury TX 76048

**Southside Baptist Church** - Minister of Music, part-time. Call 817-573-1462 or email for more information. Send resume to [admin@southsidegranbury.com](mailto:admin@southsidegranbury.com)

For more details, [paluxybaptist.org/resources/church-openings](http://paluxybaptist.org/resources/church-openings)

**MISSION TRIPS** - Please cover these trips in prayer for safety and God's will to be done for everyone involved.

LAKESIDE - ORLANDO - June 1-7

TOLAR - SAINT JO - June 8-14

BEAR CREEK - June 8-14, Doing construction and VBS.

GRANBURY BAPTIST - June 13-24

LIPAN COWBOY - OKLAHOMA - June 18-22

JUAREZ - June 21-23 Open for **PASTORS** to make this short trip. Contact Haley Briggs.

LAKESIDE - July 6-13

FB GLEN ROSE - SOAR Trip - July 7-13

TOLAR - LAKE PROVIDENCE - July 8-12

LIPAN COWBOY - July 8-12

ACTON - NEW MEXICO - July 13-19

**PRAYER REQUESTS** -

Operation Andrew - Discipleship for new converts

Pastors and Congregations to keep looking to God...Don't Let Satan in!

Upcoming PBA and Church events

Mission Trips and summer VBS's

Bro. Glenn Ward and others who are continuing cancer treatments

**BLESSINGS** -

Discipleship training for those that have given their lives to Christ

Pastors preaching God's Word boldly and many surrendering to the Lord in baptism

To Lakeside staff for hosting the TBMA Retreat

Thank you to the ones who continually support our Association and Missions by praying and by giving. God bless you!



## **PBA RESOURCES -**

Have you looked at our Paluxy Baptist Association website lately? We have a lot of information listed that can help our PBA Association church members. Check it out... paluxybaptist.org.

- Have you met our PBA employees? Check out the latest from Director of Missions at "About Us"/"A Word from DOM."
- Would you like for us to pray for you? Click on "Prayer" and fill in information.
- Looking for a Pastor? Click on "Resources," go to Downloads (at bottom of page) and find the "Building Your Own Search Committee" booklet. Contact us if you have any openings in your church. We will list them for you. You can find *Books and DVD Bible Studies*, that are available for check-out, in our Resource Room also listed on this page or download the latest PBA BEACON newsletter here.
- Want to know the many churches in our Association? Click "Churches" and see their information.
- Need to check on an upcoming PBA event, e.g. VBS? Choose "Events," find the date, click on it for more information.
- Want to donate to our Association or Juarez Mission? Click "Donate" and "Donate Now."

### **HOW CAN WE HELP YOU? WE ARE HERE TO SERVE.**

Members of our Association are always welcome to use the PBA Conference Room for discipleship classes, team or staff meetings, etc. To reserve the room, call Darlene at 817-579-5111. Office hours are Mon.-Fri. 9AM-3PM.

The Resource Room is always open to check out Bible Studies or Books. Children's and Sunday School literature are free to take. Also available are Bibles for new converts or the discipleship classes being held. This is YOUR Association, so feel free to use the resources that are accessible. Questions? We are glad to help!

## **PBA FINANCIAL REPORT**

	<b>3/31/2024</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Monthly Budget</b>	<b>Annual Budget</b>
<b>Receipts:</b>				
From Churches	\$ 6,773.99	\$ 26,223.92	\$ 12,315.50	\$ 147,786.00
Missions	\$ 2,716.92	\$ 7,336.13	-	-
Other	\$ 18.02	\$ 839.37		-
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 9,508.93</b>	<b>\$ 34,399.42</b>	<b>\$ 12,315.50</b>	<b>\$ 147,786.00</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Partnership Ministries	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,862.50	\$ 845.83	\$ 10,150.00
Support Ministries	\$ 58.14	\$ 2,280.04	\$ 1,708.33	\$ 20,500.00
Personnel	\$ 7,033.20	\$ 21,806.62	\$ 7,628.00	\$ 91,536.00
Office	\$ 793.71	\$ 2,624.37	\$ 2,133.34	\$ 25,600.00
Missions	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 9,501.89	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 10,385.05</b>	<b>\$ 38,075.42</b>	<b>\$ 12,315.50</b>	<b>\$ 147,786.00</b>
Receipts Over (Under) Expenses	\$ (876.12)			
Bank Balance -- Beginning	\$ <b>210,448.43</b>			
Bank Balance -- Ending	\$ <b>209,572.31</b>			

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