



**Fourth-Annual
Sean Tullos
Memorial Golf Tournament**

Saturday, June 4, 2011
Wedgewood Golf Club
1:15 p.m.
Cost: \$80 per player

All proceeds benefit Promised Land Camp
for inner-city children.

Contact Susan Tullos at 901-258-6778 for more information.
Ronnie Tullos Evangelistic Association

OUTDATED LITERATURE

Outdated literature can be dropped off at QS Moving & Storage, 1492 S. Rozelle in Memphis, Covenant Warehouse, 6235 Hwy. 305 in Olive Branch, MS and Broadmoor Baptist Church, 3824 Austin Peay Highway in Memphis. For further information on church pick-up sites, contact Bob Noel at 270-886-5316.

HOUSEPARENTS NEEDED

The Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes Double- "B" Boys' Ranch in Millington is seeking a married couple over the age of 25 to serve as full-time houseparents to up to eight teenage boys in a cottage setting. Contact Campus Manager Troy Styers at 901-872-0839 for more information.



Christian Women's Job Corps (CWJC) Mentor Training Conference

Monday, May 16 • 6-9 p.m.
MSBA Office • 6896 Highway 70

Facilitated by Mid-South Christian Women's Job Corps to encourage women:

- to personally share Christ's redemptive love with other women
- to further train Christian women to mentor other women
- to connect Christian women with women in need of a Christian mentor

Background:

Christian Women's Job Corps (CWJC), a ministry of Woman's Missionary Union, is a nationally accredited organization with individual sites in 38 of the 50 states offering job skills training combined with one-on-one mentoring. Clients and mentors sign covenants agreeing to a mentor relationship as well as a minimum of one hour per week of Bible study.

What can you expect from the training?

- What is a mentor?
- Are you already mentoring?
- Do you have a mentor style?
- How can I be better equipped to mentor?
- Where am I needed to mentor?

Contact for more information:

Julie Binford, Site Coordinator, Mid-South CWJC at 901-428-2802 or www.midsouthcwjc@gmail.com.

Opportunities Within Our Churches

Pastor

Berclair Baptist Church (bi-vocational)
Mail resume to: Pastor Search
Committee, 4584 Summer Ave.,
Memphis, TN 38122.

Associate Pastor/Minister of Music

Whitten Memorial Baptist Church (P/T)
Send resume to church attn: Search
Committee, 5773 Macon Rd.,
Memphis, TN 38134.

Minister of Music

Berclair Baptist Church (P/T)
Send resume to: Personnel Committee,
4584 Summer Ave., Memphis, TN 38122.
Hartland Baptist Church (P/T)
Contact the pastor at 901-870-6834.

Children's Minister

Highland Heights Baptist Church (P/T)
Mail resume to 675 National Ave.,
Memphis, TN 38122.

Minister of Youth

Highland Heights Baptist Church (P/T)
Mail resume to 675 National Ave.,
Memphis, TN 38122.

Piperton Baptist Church

Send resume to: Search Committee, 205
Old State Line Dr., Collierville, TN 38017,
or e-mail to pipbap@bellsouth.net

Richland Baptist Church (P/T)

Contact the church office at 170 N. Oak
Grove Rd., 38120 or 901-683-2451.

Minister of Youth and Recreation

Covenant Baptist Church
Mail resume by April 15 to Personnel
Committee, P.O. Box 1165, Collierville,
TN 38027-1165.

Pianist

Cordova Baptist Church (P/T)
Call the church office at 901-754-1064
or mail resume to P.O. Box 174,
Cordova, TN 38088.

Elliston Baptist Church

Contact the church office at 901-743-
4250 or elliston@comcast.net.

First Baptist Church, Lakeland

Contact Mike McCrory at 901-494-2276
or e-mail MHMcCrory@ftb.com.

Gateway Baptist Church

Contact Phil McKibben at 901-837-8087
or 901-937-9682.

Childcare

Balmoral Baptist (M-F; 9 a.m.-6 p.m.)
Contact Connie at 901-754-2302.

Nursery Worker

Cordova Baptist Church (P/T)
Call the church office at
901-754-1064.

Gracepoint Baptist Church

Contact the church at 901-755-7660
or info@gracepointmemphis.com.

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Mid-South Ministry Profile

Pastor Billie Bell and Temple of Praise Baptist Church by Stuart McCollough

Rev. Billie Bell Sr. has served as pastor of Temple of Praise Baptist Church in South Memphis for 22 years. He and his wife, Teresa, have two grown sons and a daughter Janiceya that still lives at home.

Bro. Billie was born and raised in Gilmore, AR. He was saved in 1957 and called to the pastorate on August 24, 1985. He attended Brewster Theological Seminary. After the then-pastor of Temple of Praise passed away, the pastor search committee asked Bro. Billie to serve as pastor and he has been ministering there ever since.

Although a small congregation, Temple of Praise has worked with several prison ministries, including the Federal Prisons in Memphis and Millington and the Marshall County Correctional Facility in Holly Springs, MS. Bro. Billie hopes to soon start a ministry working with the poor in the neighborhood around the church to help meet physical needs and open doors to meet the spiritual needs of their community also.

Church Planting

by Dr. Greg Spears, Church Planting Strategist

The Bible sets forth the practices of church planting in the early church. While there are many models and methods around today for planting a church, this practicum seeks to equip the worker with the basic essentials. Charles Brock develops the practice of planting a church around four essentials: the **Spirit, Seed, Sower** and **Soil**.

Church planting was the missiological strategy for evangelization of the early church. The early leaders, like the men of Cyprus and Cyrene, Paul, Barnabas, Silas and Timothy (**the Sowers**) went about bearing the good news of Jesus Christ (**the Seed**). And God was working (**the Spirit**), moving in peoples' hearts (**the Soil**) as many believed and were baptized. As they gathered together for worship, teaching, prayer and fellowship, the assembly that was established in each city became "the church."

The Christian mission of church planting is not a human enterprise, but it is a divine operation, directed and controlled by the Holy Spirit. The clearest example of this is found in Acts 13, where the direction and control of the Holy Spirit is demonstrated in the Church at Antioch. "While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said: set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them... So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia... to Cyprus" (Acts 13:2-4). These missionaries as a first church planting team were sent out by the Holy Spirit. Later in their missionary journey, the Holy Spirit used them to "make disciples" and to "plant churches" in different towns (Acts 13:52; 14:22). The direction and control of the Holy Spirit is clearly seen in the ministry of the evangelist Philip (Acts 8). The Holy Spirit was actively involved in the selection and sending of men and in using them for planting churches.

The Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) of greater Memphis touches on eight counties in three states and encompasses a population of approximately 1.4 million souls. The local chambers of commerce estimate that there are slightly over 800 houses of worship in Shelby County alone. If we doubled that number and rounded up to 2000 houses of worship for the surrounding counties and if we agreed that the average attendance in them would be about 100 souls on Sunday, then on any given Sunday only 200,000 souls can attend church! That leaves an estimated 1.2 million unchurched people living in our mission field. The means available to reach this great mission field is the Biblical means — planting new churches!



Church Resources

Rugby Hills Baptist Church has a Rodgers Model 770 Exeter organ for sale. It is in excellent condition. Retail price in 1980 was \$18,480. They were asking \$4000 but have reduced the price to \$3250. Call the church office at 901-358-9321.

New Church Memphis has church pews for sale. They have red, padded seats and a cross on the end of the wood. Pew sizes are: (2) 18' 3"; (2) 17' 3"; (2) 16' 3"; (2) 4' 1" preacher/deacon pews and (2) 9' 10" prayer benches. Asking \$1500 for all. Contact the church office at 901-767-4380. You must pick up.



Coaching 507

May 10-11, 2011

Brunswick Baptist Church

Cost: \$50 per person

(Pre-requisite: Coaching 501)

Call 901-373-6161 to register.



Sunday School Training

August 20, 2011

Kirby Woods Baptist Church

For: Church staff, Sunday School Directors and teachers

Register at:

www.lifeway.com/event/360

Upcoming Associational Events

Senior Adult Tune Share will be held Monday, May 9, at Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary. Reservations must be made by Wednesday, May 4 by call 901-373-6161. Cost of the meal is \$7.50 per person. Checks should be made to MABTS and can be paid at the door.

The monthly associational prayer gathering will be held Thursday, May 12, at 1:00 p.m. at Bellevue Baptist Church. It is a sweet time with the Lord. Everyone is welcome.

The MSBA Office will be closed on Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day.

Important Dates for May

- 2 Pastors' Conference
Bellevue Baptist Church - 11:30 a.m.
John Bomar, speaker
- 2 Ministers' Wives Fellowship
MABTS - 11:30 a.m.
- 2 VBS Clinic
First Baptist Millington - 6:30 p.m.
- 3 Leadership Development Team Mtg.
MSBA - 1:30 p.m.
- 6 Baptist Hospital Auxiliary
Women's Hospital - 10:30 a.m.
- 8 Mothers' Day
- 9 Sr. Adult Tune Share
MABTS - 10:30 a.m.
- 9 Pastor's Conference
Bellevue Baptist Church - 11:30 a.m.
Tommy Vinson, speaker
- 10-11 Coaching 507
Brunswick Baptist Church
- 12 MSBA Foundation Board Meeting
MSBA Office - 8:30 a.m.
- 12 Prayer Gathering
Bellevue Baptist Church - 1:00 p.m.
- 16 Administrative Leadership Council
Bellevue Baptist Church - 10:00 a.m.
- 16 MSBA Executive Board
Bellevue Baptist Church - 11:30 a.m.
- 23 Pastors' Conference
Bellevue Baptist Church - 11:30 a.m.
Mid-South Singers Spring Concert
- 28-6/3 Opportunity Camp - The Grove
- 30 Memorial Day Holiday
MSBA Office closed
No Pastors' Conference

Did You Know?

Baptist Memorial Hospital has five parking spaces reserved for clergy. They are located on the third floor of the main parking garage near the walkover bridge and main elevators. If you need assistance in any way when making visits to the hospital, please come by the Pastoral Care offices on the first floor, just inside the main entrance, or call us at 901-226-5025.

MSBA Secretaries Association Quarterly Luncheon

Thursday, May 12, 2011

Noon-1:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church Millington
5010 West Union • Millington, 38053

Please R.S.V.P. to 901-872-2264 by
Monday, May 9.

Lifeguard Training Offered

The Grove at Red Oak Lake will be offering lifeguard training on June 3-4. Cost is \$200 and includes lodging and meals. Call 901-729-7292 for more information or to sign up.



Opportunity Camp 2011

May 28-31(boys) • May 31-June 3 (girls)

The Grove at Red Oak Lake

Cost: \$175 per child

Refugee children (grades 1-5) are invited to attend this camp, and many will hear about Jesus for the very first time. Everything needed to operate camp is given through the generosity of churches, WMU groups, SS classes and individuals in the association. Checks can be made to MSBA (designate Opportunity Camp in memo) and sent to the association office. Visit our www.opportunitycampmemphis.com, or e-mail Beth Cox (jgcox6@aol.com) for more information.

Adventures in Missions Girls Camp 2011

June 27-July 1, 2011

The Grove at Red Oak Lake, Cordova
Overnight Camp - \$50 (grades 1-3)
Weeklong Camp - \$150 (grades 3-6)
Deadline for Registration - May 15, 2011

Contact Julia Binford at 901-428-2802 for more information. Visit www.msbac.org/wmu to download a registration form.

Prison Ministry Update

There have been some major changes in care packages for the female inmates at the Shelby County Division of Corrections. Trial-size items only (3.5-4 oz.) for deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, lotion and soap will be accepted. They have to be packaged in clear Ziploc bags.

Other items that can still be accepted are: personal hygiene items (external only), socks in packages only, white, cotton briefs (small, medium and large sizes) in package only, greeting/note cards, postage stamps and new towel and washcloth sets. Used robes and towels are acceptable in good, clean condition.

Plastic store bags can no longer be used to place items in. Please do not bring any items not listed for they cannot be accepted. These changes are necessary for security reasons. If you have any questions, contact Kaye Burkhardt (901-362-1785). Thank you for your generous giving and cooperation.

Tips for Preparing for a Mission Trip

With summer and its many church mission trips just around the corner, now is a great time to stop and make sure everyone on the team understands the "mission" of your trip. Every mission trip will have its own unique purpose. Making sure everyone on the team understands the purpose and their role in ensuring the trip accomplishes it is the key to a "successful" mission trip.

1. Define Your Mission.
When determining the "mission" of your trip think about who will be served while your group is on mission. Write your "mission" down and talk about it with the team frequently.
2. Leadership Matters!
It is critical that you consider who the leaders will be and to choose leaders with the skills needed to ensure success. Select a passionate leader with good organizational skills, who has the respect and admiration of church members and senses a call from God to the ministry as a mission leader.
3. Where is God Leading You?
Answer the following questions:
How far are you willing to travel?
What skills does the project require?
What is the cost of the trip and the project?
Does the project have clearly defined goals and objectives?
What evidence do you have that this is a project God is leading you toward?
Is this a project that arouses the passions of your church or group?
4. Preparing the Team Members.
Three areas of preparation for team members are: (1) spiritual preparation, (2) skills preparation, and (3) equipment preparation.
5. Involving the Entire Congregation.
Prayer - Divide the mission trip participants up among the members of the congregation who will not be traveling with the team. Assign each at least one member of the team to pray for daily.
Training - Have members unable to go to share skills with those who will be going.
Provision - There will be equipment and resources the team will need. Give the church members the opportunity to provide these resources.
Plan a commissioning service - Dedicate a time of worship to the setting aside of the team missions.
Make provision for communication between the mission team and the remaining congregation.
Plan a time of reporting so the congregation can participate in the celebration of the work God did through the mission team.
6. Outlining the Details of Your Trip
When you have determined when, where, who and what you are ready to get down to the details of planning. Some items to be included are:
 - How much will it cost each individual?
 - Will there be scholarships available?
 - When will you leave - return?
 - What transportation do you need?
 - What happens in case of an emergency?
 - Do you need insurance coverage for participants? Who will pay for it?
 - Do you need chaperones?
 - Where will you stay?
 - What participants should bring with them?
 - Where will you eat?
 - What equipment do you need to bring?
 - Who will lead group worship?

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7. What Does a Chaperone Do?
 - Chaperones are to ensure the safety of teenage participants.
 - Chaperones are responsible for maintaining discipline.
 - Chaperones provide spiritual counsel to the teenagers.
 - Chaperones are expected to work alongside participants.
 - Chaperones are expected to follow leadership of the Mission Team Leader.
8. Pre-Project Site Visit
A pre-project visit can be one of the major factors in a successful mission trip. Before you leave for the pre-project visit prepare a list of questions. Take lots of pictures. Build a relationship with the host staff.
9. When Things Go "Really" Wrong
Being flexible and adaptable are the keys to managing the unexpected. The most effective tool for handling challenges that arise is prayer.

Check out the association's website at www.msbac.org for a list of upcoming mission trips with various churches. Contact names and telephone numbers are also provided.