



I-40 Zone Churches Global Involvement Conference



Conference Lunch featuring Bobbye Rankin
Ridgeway Baptist Church • Saturday, October 4 • 11:00 a.m.
Tickets are \$8 for adults, and children eat free.
(There will be a special program for children in K - 6th grades.)

Global Emphasis Missions Fair

Cherokee Baptist Church • Saturday, October 4 • 1:30 p.m.
Dessert Buffet and
"Meet Our Missionaries"



Sunday Morning, October 5

International Missionaries will be speaking at each church in the I-40 Zone, including
Dr. Jerry Rankin, President of the International Mission Board.
(See your coordinator for your specific speaker arrangements.)



Bellevue Baptist Church to Host Church Security Conference

Thursday, October 16, 2008 • 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Purpose:

To provide church security related information including cost-effective ways to enhance the physical security of your church and guidance to surviving an active shooter incident.

Who should attend:

Security directors, ministerial staff and key lay leaders

For more information:

Contact Jerry McConnell, Outreach Minister, Center for Personal Protection and Safety at 509-252-8533 (www.safe-travels.com) or Ralph Anderson at 901-347-5231.

Visit Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary

On Friday, October 31, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the faculty and staff of MABTS invite you to attend their annual Fall Preview Day for prospective students. You will have an opportunity to tour the campus and seminary housing, meet the president and faculty, sit in on classes and attend chapel. For more information or to register online, go to www.mabts.edu or call 800-968-4508 ext. 3072. Remember, a call to ministry is a call to prepare. . . consider Mid-America!



The Mid-South Baptist Secretaries will meet Tuesday, November 11, at Noon, hosted by Baptist Memorial Hospital. They will meet in Rooms A-C at the Baptist Women's Hospital. Lunch will be provided by the hospital, however, our normal \$5 cost for lunch will be donated to Operation Outreach Mobile Van Ministry to the homeless. Brings hats, scarves and gloves to be used by the ministry. Beth Turner, Director of the Women's Health Center will be the guest speaker.

Opportunities Within Our Churches

Pastor

Forest Hill Baptist Church
Mail resume to Pastor Search Committee,
3645 Forest Hill Irene Rd., Germantown,
38138

Highland Heights Baptist Church
Mail resume to 675 National St., Memphis,
38122

Union Avenue Baptist Church
Contact Mike Elkins, 183 Marrakesh Circle,
Memphis, TN 38103 or e-mail
melkins@trojungbrannen.com

Wells Station Baptist Church
Contact the church office at 901-682-2295,
or e-mail djar3435@aol.com.

Minister of Education

Covenant Baptist Church (F/T)
Mail resume to Dr. Sam Brassell, P.O. Box
1165, Collierville, TN 38027 or e-mail
office@covenantontheweb.org.

Minister to Young Adults

Eudora Baptist Church (P/T)
Contact the church office at 901-888-7800.

Music Minister

Grace Baptist Church (Music/Youth)
Contact Rev. Bill Harrald, 901-872-4294 or
901-849-0252.

Gracepoint Baptist Church (Music/Youth)
Contact Rev. Aaron Armstrong at
901-755-7660.

Oakland First Baptist Church (Bi-vocational)
Contact J.R. Doyle at 901-485-0625.

Keyboardist/Pianist

Balmoral Baptist Church (Sun./Wed. night)
Send resume to church at 2676 Kirby Rd.,
Memphis, TN 38119, or e-mail to
balmoralchurch@bellsouth.net, or call
901-754-2300.

Cordova Baptist Church (P/T Sun./Wed. night)
Contact Pastor Jim Muston at 901-754-1064
or e-mail at jmuston@hotmail.com.

Magnolia Baptist Church (Sun. morning only)
Contact Pastor Vaughn Denton at
662-890-0680.

Childcare

Balmoral Baptist Church
Two positions are available: Infant Class –
7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., M-F; and Three-Year-
Old Class – 6:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m., M-F. Call
Connie Concklin at 901-754-2302 for
more information.

*If your church has filled a position, please call
901-373-6161 to remove it from the list.*

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Tennessee and additional entries.

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Mid-South Baptist Association ANNUAL MEETING



Monday, October 20, 2008
Colonial Baptist Church • 1503 Colonial Rd.

Registration begins at 5:30 p.m.
Dinner at 6:00 p.m. (with reservations: call 901-373-6161)
Meeting begins at 6:45 p.m.

Highlights of the Meeting

Mid-South Singers
Message by Moderator Dr. Rick Isbell
Executive Director's Report
Report from Property Task Force

Testimonies

Union University
Mid-South Church Planters
Missionary Willie Jacobs

(If you did not receive representative cards, please call our office at 901-373-6161.)

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Mid-South Ministry Profile

Pastor Steve Jacobson, Pastor, Elliston Baptist Church by Stuart McCollough

Pastor Steve Jacobson and his family have recently returned to the Memphis area to pastor at Elliston Baptist Church. Although he's only been on the field at Elliston since January of this year, Bro. Steve is no stranger to the Memphis and the Mid-South area.

Born in Stamford, Connecticut, Bro. Steve grew up in northern New Jersey. His dad was a fireman and his mom was a homemaker. His father died at the age of 48, and his mother went to work for the U.S. Postal Service.

In 1956, when he was eight years old, Steve and his immediate family all came to know the Lord at the same time. He made his public profession of faith at a Billy Graham Crusade in Madison Square Garden in 1957.

Bro. Steve married his wife Mary Lee in 1972 and God has blessed them with two sons – David, 22 and Timothy, 17. In 1986, he graduated from St. Joseph College in St. Joseph, MO following a 15-year career in television news and sports. It was during this time while serving as a deacon and Sunday School teacher at King Hill Baptist Church in St. Joseph, MO, Bro. Steve felt God calling him into the ministry. After six months of fervent prayer and seeking the counsel of men in ministry whom he deeply respected, he accepted God's call on his life and enrolled at Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary in Memphis. He graduated from Mid-America in 1992 with a Master of Divinity degree.

After graduating from Mid-America, Bro. Steve served for two and a half years as

Pastor of Amanda Baptist Church in Middletown, OH. His family then returned to Memphis where he served on staff at Memphis Union Mission for two and a half years before serving as Pastor of Frayser Baptist Church for five years. He most recently served as Pastor of Friendly Hope Baptist Church in Jonesboro, AR for five years.

Bro. Steve is excited about what God is doing at Elliston Baptist. They are offering RAs, Children's Church and an active Vacation Bible School in the summer reaching out to the children in their community. One of their deacons is conducting a firehouse ministry. They also share their facilities with a Hispanic church, Evangelica Bautista

Buenas Nuevas, under the ministry of Pastor Humberto Mendez.

One of the main goals for the future is the continued revitalization of Elliston Baptist Academy which serves grades K-12. Bro. Steve believes that the key to reaching their very diverse, transitioned community is the viability of their Christian school. Parents with children, who are not inclined to attend church, are interested in good schools. By getting them enrolled in school and developing relationships and activities that expose them to the ministry of the church, they feel they will have an open door to reach families for Christ and bring them into the church. The prayer is that the revitalization of the school will lead to the revitalization of the church and make a huge impact on the community around them.



Pastor Steve Jacobson, wife Mary Lee and sons David (center, back) and Timothy are serving at Elliston Baptist Church.



134th Tennessee Baptist Convention Annual Meeting FBC, Hendersonville, TN • November 11-12, 2008

Tennessee Baptist Convention Annual Meeting information (including housing information) is available at www.tnbaptist.org. Click "About Us" on the left-hand side of the home page, then click on "Annual Meeting," and "Download Housing Brochure" or a link is provided from the Mid-South Baptist Association website at msbac.org.

Upcoming Important Dates in October

- 3 Baptist Hospital Auxiliary
Baptist Women's Hospital- 10:30 a.m.
- 6 Pastors' Conference
(Brad Thompson, speaker)
Bellevue B.C. - 11:30 a.m.
- 8 *Mid-South Baptist* articles due
- 9 TBCH Quarterly Meeting
Bartlett Campus - 9:30 a.m.
- 14 Administrative Leadership Council
Bellevue B.C. - 7:30 a.m.
- 20 No Pastors' Conference
- 20 **MSBA Annual Meeting**
Colonial Baptist Church
- 24-26 Tri-State Camp-O-Ree
Linden Valley Camp, Linden, TN
- 25 TBC Library Training - Bellevue B.C.
- 25 World Day of Prayer Brunch
TBCH Bartlett Campus - 9:30 a.m.
- 27 Pastors' Conference
(Dr. Phil Glisson, speaker)
Bellevue B.C. - 11:30 a.m.

Missionaries Needed

Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes

Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes Bartlett Campus at 6896 Highway 70 and the Double "B" Boys' Ranch in Millington are taking applications for Houseparents, a married couple whose primary work assignment is to maintain the day-to-day ministry of a campus home and its residents. Please contact Troy Styers, Ranch Program Director at 901-872-0839 or Darren Andrus, Bartlett Program Director at 901-386-3961.

TBC to Host Ministers' Wives Events During TN Baptist Convention

TBC will be hosting two events for ministers' wives during this year's convention in Hendersonville. During the Pastors' Conference on Monday, November 10, from 1:00-3:30 p.m., at FBC, Hendersonville, "The Good Cup" Meeting Place will occur. Special guests include: Holly Thompson, Channel 4 Anchorwoman, Nashville; Kay DeKalb Smith, Comedian/Speaker, Brentwood; and Bill Choate, Collegiate Specialist, TBC.

A Ministers' Wives Luncheon will be held Tuesday, November 10 from Noon-1:30 p.m., at the Long Hollow Baptist Church Hendersonville Worship Center. The featured speaker will be Kay DeKalb Smith. Tickets are \$15 and you can register online at www.tnministerwives.org, or send a check to TBC, P.O. Box 728, Brentwood, TN 37024, attn: Joyce Harvey. Please include your name and church. For more information, contact Lana Rose at lrrose@tnbaptist.org or 615-371-2008.

WMU™ HAPPENINGS

Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer Brunch

Saturday, October 25, 2008 • 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Baptist Children's Home Activities Building
6896 U.S. Highway 70
Contact LouAnn Bennett at 901-725-0634 for more information.

2008-2009 Mid-South Baptist WMU Resource Guide Now Available

Your guide to ministry and mission involvement opportunities in the Mid-South area is now available. Please call Julie at 901-373-6161 or pick up a copy at the association office.

Church Happenings

Whitten Memorial Baptist Church will be starting a Mothers' Day Out Program for homeschooled children, grades one through six on Tuesdays and possibly Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The church is located at 6773 Macon Rd. in Memphis.

Cost is \$20 per day per student and they will need to bring a lunch. Drinks will be provided. Classes will be limited to 20 children. Contact Suzanne Lindsey at 901-386-5444 for more information.

West Frayser Baptist Church will celebrate their 52nd anniversary with a Homecoming on October 12, 2008. Pastor Mark Vigus invites all members, present and past, to join them for this special day. They will have a great day of singing, potluck dinner, and The Crains will be singing in the afternoon. West Frayser Baptist Church is located at 835 Whitney Ave. Call the church office at 901-357-5815 for more information.

Whitten Memorial Baptist Church is sponsoring a "Pumpkin Patch," from October 13 through October 30, from noon-8:00 p.m. This is not only a place to buy your pumpkins and fall decorations, but a place to bring your family for other fun activities.

They are also inviting day cares, schools and churches to bring groups for a field trip. Call Suzanne at 901-386-5444 for more information or to schedule your group.

Whitten Memorial Baptist Church will begin XAO Cafe on Monday, October 6, at 7:00 p.m. XAO Cafe is a contemporary Bible study. The first study will offer a broad overview of the nature of science and the relevance of Genesis, with special emphasis on introductory geology and astronomy. Everyone is invited to join us on the first and third Mondays of each month. Call Bill Allen at 901-386-5444 for more information.



Tennessee Librarians to Hold Team Training Event

Church library workers will be given a chance to receive special training at Bellevue Baptist Church during the October 25, 2008 Fall Library Team Training Event sponsored by the Tennessee Baptist Convention. Emphasis will be placed on providing quality library skills.

Highlighting the event will be several conferences led by leaders known for their flair and expertise in the many areas of library work. There will be classes on classification, cataloging, automation, promotion, processing materials, selection, as well as others. For a list of specific classes offered, visit www.tnbaptist.org and search for library training.

A LifeWay Christian Store will be on site from 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m. for the convenience of the attendees in purchasing books and supplies (at a 20% discount!).

The schedule for the day will begin at 8 a.m. with registration and a continental breakfast. The day's activities will conclude at 4 p.m. The theme for the event is "Teamwork." Conference fees are \$25 if registered seven days prior to the event. First-time attendees will receive a \$10 rebate with help from the Todd Scholarship Fund. Late registrations and walk-ins are \$35.

Squire Parsons in Concert



Sunday, November 23
Cherokee Baptist Church
5340 Quince at Estate • Memphis
10:30 a.m.

A love offering will be taken.
Call 901-683-7344 for more information.



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6:30 NIGHTLY

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First Baptist Church Lakeland
4500 Canada Rd. Lakeland, TN 38002