

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.



Strengthen the Power of Your Ministry

Union University
Shelby County
Christian Studies
Courses
Fall 2008

Enroll now for the fall semester courses at Union University's beautiful Stephen Olford Center. There are now two educational options available for those desiring to gain biblical insight coupled with ministry skills. All classes are taught at night. The fall semester begins right after Labor Day. Call 901-757-7977 now for class schedules.

Graduate Courses for Master of Christian Studies

Bible Study Preaching and Teaching (Tues.)
Christian Leadership (Tues.)
Communicating Biblical Truth (Thurs.)
Introduction to Christian Ethics (Thurs.)

Undergraduate Courses for Associate of Divinity

Studies in the Tentateuch (Thurs.)
The Life of Christ (Thurs.)
Essentials of Expository Preaching and Teaching (Mon.)



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!

Wild Game Dinner Held at First Baptist Church, Millington

Over 1,000 men and boys jammed into the First Baptist Church Family Life Center on Monday, August 18, for the Men's Wild Game and Fish Fry Dinner. The Boy Scout Troop from Atoka 60 started the night by leading in the pledge to the American flag, and James Markle sang the National Anthem. After the opening prayer, men lined up to fill their plates with fish, deer, elk, quail, dove and even some Arkansas wild boar. Most plates had very little room left for the extra sides of slaw, biscuits, green beans, chili and gumbo.

Following the meal, everyone was dismissed to the church worship center to hear the guest speaker, Russell Thornberry. Russell is a master storyteller, songwriter and professional outdoorsman. One of the highlights of the night was when he played his guitar and sang some funny, light-hearted songs. But things did get serious, and he shared many of his personal experiences that God used to transform his life. When the gospel was presented, several men and boys indicated that they had received Christ as Lord and Savior.

The giveaways and prizes took up the final part of the night. Several sponsors of the event provide hundreds of dollars worth of merchandise to give away. Tommy Goforth won the grand prize – a Browning A-Bolt 30.06 rifle with a Nikon scope and case. Because of the many vendors and over 100 volunteers, both men and women, the night was a tremendous success.



Opportunities Within Our Churches

Pastor

Forest Hill Baptist Church
Mail resume to Pastor Search Committee,
3645 Forest Hill Irene Rd., Germantown, 38138
Hartland Baptist Church
Contact James Shivers at 901-388-2040, or
mail resume to 1820 Hartland, Memphis, 38128
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

Berclair Baptist Church (P/T) God Called
Send resume to 4584 Summer Ave., Memphis,
TN 383122, Attn: Personnel Committee.
Grace Baptist Church (Music/Youth)
Contact Rev. Bill Harrahd, 901-872-4294 or
901-849-0252.
Oakland First Baptist Church (Bi-vocational)
Contact J.R. Doyle at 901-485-0625.

Keyboardist/Pianist

Balmoral Baptist Church (Sundays and Wed. night)
Send resume to church at 2676 Kirby Rd.,
Memphis, TN 38119, or call 901-754-2300.
Cordova Baptist Church (P/T Sunday and Wed. night)
Contact Pastor Jim Muston at 901-754-1064 or
e-mail at jmuston@hotmail.com.
Magnolia Baptist Church (Sunday morning only)
Contact Pastor Vaughn Denton at 662-890-0680.

Pre-K Lead Teacher

Bartlett Baptist Church
Contact Pam Crawford at 901-373-8919 or
bbps@bartlett baptist.org.

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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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.)



Mid-South Baptist Association Annual Meeting

Monday, October 20, 2008

Colonial Baptist Church

1503 Colonial Rd. • Memphis, TN

Dinner at 5:00 p.m. (with reservations 901-373-6161)

Meeting begins at 6:45 p.m. with music by the Mid-South Singers.



Mid-South Ministry Profile

Casey Park, International Mission Board Student Mobilization by Stuart McCollough

Casey Park is spending her Summer and Fall in Memphis mobilizing students for missions. As a Journeyman (J3) for the International Mission Board (IMB), she works to encourage students to pursue God's heart for the nations in their own lives – whether that be in the states or on the foreign field. Casey is currently serving at Faith Baptist Church in Bartlett and at the Baptist Collegiate Ministries at the University of Memphis.

Casey was born and raised in Nashville, TN. When she was in third grade, her parents divorced, and Casey struggled with feelings of rejection and being unloved. During this difficult time, God brought some friends into her life from a Christian family who encouraged her to attend church with them. It was there that she first heard about Jesus and how His love is perfect. This was the love for which she had been searching. At the age of 12, Casey asked Jesus to be her Lord and Savior. The church became the place Casey felt loved and accepted, so she spent as much time there as possible anytime the doors were open.

During the summer after her junior year in high school, Casey was working at an inner-city ministry with kids in Nashville, and for the first time she shared the gospel with someone who had never heard it before. She was hooked. She then went to a camp where there also happened to be a missions convention going on. She knew God was calling her out for something more but she wasn't sure what it was yet. The next summer after she graduated from high school, she served with the Sojourner program with the North American Mission Board (NAMB). That summer she never felt more challenged or changed. After that first experience, she knew that summers were no longer hers. During her college career, Casey got the opportunity to serve each summer in some capacity as a Sojourner as well as take several national and international mission trips.



Casey Park (far right) is pictured with a mission team from Faith Baptist Church to Uruguay this Summer.

Casey graduated in May, 2004 from Austin Peay State University with a degree in Education. She still wasn't sure what direction God wanted her to go. Even with a degree in Education, she had no desire to teach. She served with the Semester Missions Program through NAMB and prayerfully considered her next steps. At the beginning of that semester, she went on a mission trip with the Tennessee Baptist Convention to Greece. It was there that she had her "light-bulb moment." In the middle of a totally different culture, Casey began feeling God working on her heart to move her out of the country. She began the application process with IMB. She went on to serve a term in Mexico City as a missionary-kid teacher and assisting with church planting. So even though she had no desire to teach, God was showing her that He had higher plans for her life. Casey has recently begun the application process to become a career missionary with the IMB.

Casey's assignment this summer and fall is to encourage local students to get involved with missions. She is available for students who have questions about the application process or anything else involving students and missions. Most of all, she's here to encourage students to go. She is available for conferences, mission fairs or to speak to your student group about missions. You can contact her at caseymichelle19@hotmail.com or call her at 615-504-2753.



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

September

- 1 Labor Day – No Pastors' Conference
MSBA Office Closed
- 5 Baptist Hospital Auxiliary
Baptist Women's Hospital– 10:30 a.m.
- 8 MSBA Staff Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
- 8 Pastors' Conference
(Dr. Kenny Hodnette, speaker)
Ministers' Wives Fellowship
Ministers of Music Fellowship
Bellevue B.C. – 11:30 a.m.
- 8 *Mid-South Baptist* articles due
- 11 MSB Foundation Board Meeting
MSBA Office – 8:30 a.m.
- 15 Administrative Leadership Council
Bellevue B.C. – 10:00 a.m.
- 15 MSBA Executive Board Meeting
Bellevue B.C. – 11:30 a.m. - lunch
Noon - meeting
- 22 Pastors' Conference
(Dr. Bob Pitman, speaker)
Bellevue B.C. – 11:30 a.m.
- 29 Pastors' Conference
(Rev. John Bomar, speaker)
Bellevue B.C. – 11:30 a.m.

Missionaries Needed

Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes

The 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.



Whitten Memorial Baptist Church Celebrates 60th Anniversary 6773 Macon Rd., Memphis

Sunday, September 7, 2008
10:30 a.m. - Service
Followed by a fellowship meal and
time of remembrance.

All former staff, members and friends
are invited to join us.

Please call the church at 901-386-5444
to make reservations for the meal.

WMU HAPPENINGS

Sippin' With the Sisters

Women Empowered by Women of the Bible
September 8, 2008 • 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Union Ave. Baptist Church

Leah and Rachel and Mary and Martha will **teach** you. Fellowship with mission-minded ladies from diverse backgrounds will **reward** you. Refreshments will **sweeten** your spirit. There is no cost, but an offering will be taken to support mission work in Memphis. **All** mission-minded women are invited to this fourth-annual Sisters Who Care event. Contact Jeanette West at 901-362-7642 or Martha Pitts at 901-270-3994 for more information.

Children's Mission Celebration

Saturday, September 27, 2008
Contact Titus Mason at 901-377-6866 for
more information.

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.

Contact Julie Binford at 901-373-6161 if you
have any questions about upcoming events.

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. until 2:00 p.m. The church is located at 6773 Macon Rd. in Memphis.

The Mothers' Day Out Program will be taught by qualified teachers. Parents will share areas that the child might need help, such as reading, multiplication, etc. The teachers will spend time with the child in that area. 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.

First Baptist Church, Lakeland presents Judgment House '08 - Final Destination on October 22-25, at 6:30 p.m. nightly. The cost is \$5 per person and the church is located at 4500 Canada Rd., in Lakeland. Call 901-542-5777 to make reservations for your group.



Ronnie Tullos Evangelistic Association Golf Tournament

September 5, 2008

The Ronnie Tullos Evangelistic Association is sponsoring the Sean Tullos Memorial Golf Tournament to benefit the New Promise Land Camp. The tournament will be held Friday, September 5, at Wedgewood Golf Club in Olive Branch, MS. The cost is \$100 per player, which includes golf, dinner and door prizes. Registration deadline is August 27. Contact Susan Tullos at 901-358-6778 or info@rtea.net for more information.

Tell THE Nations

Isaiah 12:4

ESLebration English As A Second Language

September 25-27, 2008
Tennessee Baptist Convention
Brentwood, TN

ESLebration will include training times for worship, testimonies, sharing of resources, updates on ESL Ministries, breakout sessions, panel discussions, fellowship and a 14-hour workshop. Two tracks will be available: track one is for those who have some experience in ESL ministry; and track two is for those who have little or no experience, but wish to get some initial training in how to lead such a ministry in the local church. The cost is \$65 if registered before September 19 and \$75 after September 19. Register online at www.tnbaptist.org. For more information, contact Tim Hill at 800-558-2090, ext. 2032 or e-mail thill@tnbaptist.org.



IRS Changes on 403(b) Regulations

Guidestone will be conducting conferences to help pastors and staff learn more about regulations for compliance with the new IRS 403(b) that go into effect January 1, 2009, as well as how the Church Retirement Plan can be a benefit for all the employees on your church's staff.

The conference to be held in the Mid-South Association will be at Faith Baptist Church, 3755 N. Germantown Rd., on Friday, September 26, from 9:30-11:00 a.m.

If you cannot attend a morning session, a session will be held at Hardeman County Association at 755 Vildo Rd., in Bolivar on Thursday, October 2, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. A third possibility is the Gibson Baptist Association at 1275 Hwy. 45 Bypass N. in Trenton on October 6, from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

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 irose@tnbaptist.org or 615-371-2008.

Mid-South Baptist Association Executive Board Meeting

Monday, September 15, 2008

11:30 a.m.
Lunch at Bellevue Baptist Church

12:00 Noon
Meeting at Bellevue Baptist Church