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Mountain View Baptist Church
4005 Bristol Hwy, Johnson City, TN 37601

OUTDOOR EXPO

FUN FOR
THE WHOLE
FAMILY

KIDS
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DOORPRIZES
AND
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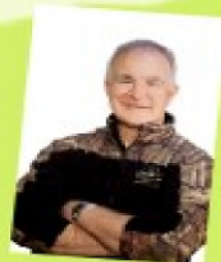
BBQ
MEAL



AUGUST 24TH
5PM - 8PM

VENDORS: EAST TN OUTDOOR YOUTH,
TWRA HUNTER SAFETY, TN CHRISTAIN
BASS ANGLERS, AND MORE!!!

HEAR FROM
SPEAKER AND
OUTDOOR
ENTHUSIAST



TONY BOLTON



Pastor Luka Temaj of Faith Fellowship, Ben Proffitt and the rest of us here at HBA, want to wish a very special congratulations to Scott Albright and Kagen Childress on their ordination. We pray that you would be blessed and that God would use you for His glory!



Ben Brags on the Savior...

"Jesus, The Gospel Conversationalist."



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Sam Greer says that Jesus, very simply and very routinely, engaged the Lost in everyday life by just being observant and focused enough to see obvious things about an individual's behavior, appearance, body language, etc., and one person at a time. He was simply friendly and outgoing enough to ask a good question and remain available enough to have a "gospel conversation," which ultimately testifies of "good news" and declares that we are saved by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone.

In fact, I think He walked about life studying people...and praying, listening to the Holy Spirit, and earnestly searching for one-more to engage in conversation. He demonstrated for us how to live out the abundant life, one faith-adventure after another, one conversation after another...because He was friendly and outgoing, focused and observant, seeking and available for the Lost.

How did we come to neglect this simple disciple-making approach? — so simple that any Christian at any maturity

level with an ounce of faith and social skills could do it...and most certainly, anybody indwelt and led by the Holy Spirit and abiding in His Word and prayer could do it.

"Follow Me...and I will make you...fishers of men." Matt. 4:19

Jesus didn't call us to obsess with ABC's — attendance, buildings, cash. He commanded us to Follow Him, and not IF but WHEN we follow Him, He will make or transform us, so our priority and delight will become... fishing for men. Implied: Anyone who is not a (transformed) fisher of men is not following Jesus.

The greatest impact on church culture (inside the Body) and church influence (outside in the community) happens when "fishers of men make fishers of men," as "gospel conversationalists make gospel conversationalists," as disciples make disciples who make disciples.

How can any and every church experience renewal of focus and tangible steps toward more impactful disciple-making by simply

prioritizing the equipping and sending of gospel conversationalists?

Enlist and Send your church's leader/representative for Discipleship to the next monthly Disciple-Making Network that is scheduled for your county. TOGETHER — we will gain skills and develop strategies to very deliberately enhance "the culture and

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Matt. 4:19

influence for disciple-making" in each of our respective churches.

Sullivan

Aug. 5, Piney Flats, 6:30pm

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Aug. 6, Ninth Street, 6:30pm

Greene

Aug. 12, Tusculum, 6:30pm

Washington

Aug. 30, Heritage, 6:30pm

You may have recently received an email from Dr. Randy Davis about the need to make a strong Tennessee Baptist statement to our state legislature about Senate Bill 1236, the Fetal Heartbeat Bill. While this petition is not specific about that bill, it is a campaign by our Tennessee Baptist Mission Board and Dr. Davis to get 10,000 Tennessee Baptists to stand for life in advance of the August 12-13 Summer Study Committee that will decide the fate of the bill. If we are ever going to stand united in the face of evil, this the time and this is the issue! **Here is a look at the video and petition.** www.istandforlife.org



A Tennessee Baptist Initiative

Sign the petition

HERE

Bivocational Pastor & Minister Meeting

August 19, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.
Mountain View Baptist Church
4005 Bristol Highway
Johnson City, TN

This meeting is being held to create relationships amongst the bivocational “Iron Men” In our association. Our plan is to discuss critical topics such as revitalization, joint community evangelism and outreach, relevant leadership training, and other topics that may be important to your ministry. We know that time is precious for those in bivocational ministry, so we are planning on being finished no later than 8:00.

If you or any of your church staff serves bivocationally, we would like to encourage you to attend this preliminary meeting, as we work together for the good of the Kingdom and for the glory of the King.

Summer Of Praise!

Hebrews 13:15-16 (NIV) "Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise- the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

Thanks be to God for the blessings He has bestowed on us this summer at the Johnson City Baptist Center. Through the mission teams that faithfully served, we received the Good News of Jesus and other good works in His name. Two received salvation, many new friendships were formed, and doors were opened for new possibilities. A large number of children regularly attended activities this summer, showing clearly that the work at the Baptist Center is flourishing and much needed.

Our mission teams sacrificed time, travel, expense, personal comfort and energy to serve with us. We are so thankful to all who have willingly gave this summer, and praise God for the work of His Kingdom. The teams hailed from several hours away to right here at home. Blessings and much thanks for: Lantana Road Baptist Church, Union Grove Baptist Church, Big Rock Baptist Church, Mountain Springs Baptist Church, Faith Fellowship Baptist Church, Trinity Baptist Church, and faithful JCBC volunteers who also served.

But, wait! The summer is not over.

You also have a chance to "...do good and share with others..." (Hebrews 13:16). With "Christmas in August", you can help us continue the work at the Baptist Center. Your contributions of school supplies and hygiene items will be dispersed throughout the year. These gifts are a big help because many families have difficulty being able to afford these necessary items. (See accompanying lists in ad.)

Also, and very soon, the Appalachian Fair is coming your way on August 19th to 24th. We need volunteers to help with the Carnival Workers Ministry (contact Randy and Kay Scalf), and with the Jacob's Well Ministry (contact Anna Huggins). You may also make donations to either of these ministries in the coming weeks. (See accompanying lists.)

How is God leading you to offer a sacrifice of praise this summer? Please consider sharing in the work of one of these ministries. You are a part of Holston Baptist Association, and these are just a few avenues we have for you to take part in making Jesus known in our community. Thank you!

Blessings,

Anna Huggins
Director of the
Johnson City Baptist Center



WAYS TO SERVE!

Carnival Ministry

Needs:

Jacob's Well Booth

Needs:

• **volunteers** to serve cold water (call to reserve a 2-hour time slot for your group)

• 5-6 oz. cups to serve cold water

• Materials to use during your time slot: puppets, face paint, balloons to make animal balloons, etc. Nurses can do blood pressure screenings.



- Any Sweetened Cereal (Fruit Loops, Sugar Pops, etc.)
- Honey Buns
- Peanut Butter
- Grape Jelly
- Pre-sweetened Kool-Aid in canisters
- Little Debbie Cakes
- Snack size chips-Assorted
- Bottled Water
- Styrofoam Bowls, Plates and Cups (16oz. cups)
- Toiletry Items
- Towels, Sheets, Blankets and Wash Cloths
- Pillows
- Jeans, Shorts, T-shirts, Socks, Tennis Shoes, Work Boots, Underwear, Hats, Ponchos
- Black pants or shorts for work

Please contact Randy or Kay Scalf at 423-341-6239 regarding any of the following:

- Know a restaurant that would like to donate a breakfast or lunch?
- Interested in doing a cook out?
- Need volunteers to work the clothes closet, talk with the carnival workers, etc.
- If you have any tables for clothing we could use during the 2 week ministry.

**THANK YOU FOR HELPING US BE THE HANDS
AND FEET OF OUR SWEET JESUS!**

CHRISTMAS
IN AUGUST



The Johnson City Baptist Center is in need of supplies for this year. School supplies such as: glue, scissors, glue sticks, markers, tape, colored pencils, and mechanical pencils. Hygiene bags: shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and toilet paper. We also need snacks for the

children and adult Bible studies, such as: Kool-Aid, CapriSun, wrapped snacks, mac/cheese, cookies, chips, crackers, peanut butter, tea, cups, plates, napkins, etc.

Cherokee Baptist Church

...celebrates 236 years...

on September 8th at 10:00 AM

YOU are invited to join us as we celebrate our Homecoming - 236 years of sharing the Gospel. We will have special music, guest speaker Bro. James Cambron, and will follow our morning celebration activities with dinner at our church picnic pavilion...you can even bring your favorite dish to share!

We look forward to seeing you.
Let us praise Jesus together in
fellowship and love.

Annual Gathering 2019

Tuesday, October 15th
@ Virginia Avenue, Bristol



FOLLOW ME

AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN.

Your presence is so important at this Gathering!
Please make sure to attend -
we would love EVERY Holston Church to be represented!

With Guest Speaker:
Mr. Larry Stamm

HELP WANTED

Cherry Grove Baptist Church is seeking a part-time music director. The music director would be responsible for planning, organizing, conducting and evaluating a comprehensive music ministry. This is a paid part-time position. For more information or to submit a resume please contact us at cherrygrovesec@hotmail.com or by fax to 423-753-0905.

Shepherd's Pasture Preschool is currently looking for 2 teachers, one full day (7:30-2:30) and one half day (7:30-12:30). For more information please contact the director at campbellkmiller@gmail.com



Who's Your One Overview

Imagine if every member of your church could answer that question with the name of a person—a person for whom they're praying and with whom they're sharing the gospel. How would it change your church? How would it change the world?

God's people don't merely need another method for evangelism. What they need is a white-hot passion to see people who are far from God experience the new life He offers through Jesus Christ.

It doesn't matter how many buildings we construct, churches we plant or sermons we preach if we're not intent on doing everything so that lost men, women, and children will experience the transforming work of God. Without that one thing, we fail.

That's why we're launching Who's Your One. This effort is designed to mobilize every Southern Baptist to identify one person in their relational network to pray for and share the gospel with in 2019. At The Summit Church, we tried something similar. We kept asking our members, "Who's your one?" It's not an elaborate or complicated idea, but this simple idea led to our most evangelistically effective year to date. Because of this intentional push toward evangelism, we ended up baptizing over 650 people that year. What an incredible joy it was to have people come up to me at church and say, "Pastor, this is my one." Or to see them stand in the baptistery with someone and tell me later, "That was her! She was my one!"

As you launch "Who's Your One?" and pray for God to use your church members to reach those who are lost, pray also about what God wants to do through you. If we're going to move the evangelism needle in our churches, we've got to be modeling what we're preaching. By God's grace, we can all partner to reach our one.

J.D. Greear

President, Southern Baptist Convention

www.jdgreear.com



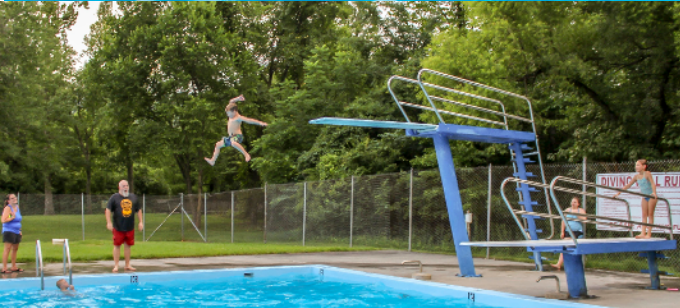
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how to throw a party!





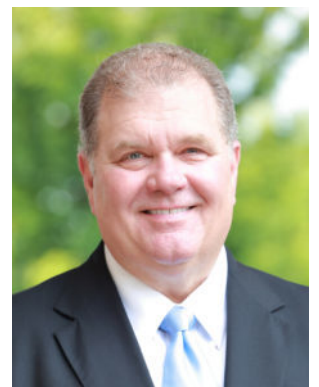
Thursday, August 22 at 10AM @ HBA

Please join us as Holston hosts a Listening Session with Randy Davis, president and executive director of the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board, one of 24 sessions he will be leading across the state.

"As we begin our 10th year together (Davis became executive director in 2010), I want to hear from pastors, directors of missions and laypeople about what God is doing in their communities, discuss the future opportunities of the Tennessee Baptists Convention, cultural issues facing our state and the upcoming Summit in Knoxville," Randy Davis stated in the most recent *Baptist & Reflector*.

Mr. Davis will be in the Tri-Cities area with **Holston Baptist Association** on **Thursday, August 22 at 10AM**. Please do everything you can to attend this session.

Mark your calendars and SEE YOU THERE!





ACP's ARE NOW READY!!!

Why are ACP's important? First and foremost, it is your church's history! If 2, 5 or 45 years from now you want to know how many baptisms your church has had or how many people attended your worship service or how much your church has given to missions, you could access that information. Your ACP also helps the TBMB understand trends, providing information on what is happening in the general church culture and providing vital information on how our churches may be better served. And finally, ACP's help Holston keep track of who is doing what at your church, which is *essential* in helping us get vital information to the right person when needed (you know what they say, "communication is key")!

PLEASE take the time to complete your church ACP's as soon as possible. You have two (2) options in filling them out: 1) fill out online (login info provided on the ACP itself, or 2) fill out manually and we at Holston will make sure it gets submitted online for you. It's that simple!

Please be on the look out for your ACP; we will be mailing them on August 6th (but you are welcome to stop by and pick yours up before then, if you prefer!)

Thank you!!

HBA Admin Staff



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• APOLOGETICS
CONFERENCE

AUGUST 24
2019

NASHVILLE
ZOO

*Starts at 8:30am
and includes an
ALL DAY PASS
to the zoo.*

**Price of
Admission: \$10**



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[Listen Here](#)

Camp Radio

Hosted by tnbaptistcamps.org

Join our host Kevin Perrigan, as he interviews Church leaders as they share their strategies and methods in reaching the lost. Camp Radio was established to encourage Church leaders to think outside of the box in unique ways during our changing times. Check us out on iTunes, Soundcloud, and Google Play. In this episode, we talk with Brian Smith about the challenges that come with leading a discipleship program in a multi-site church. Brian shares his conviction, struggles and victories in the ministry he loves.

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**Carson Springs
and Linden Valley**
BAPTIST CONFERENCE CENTERS

adoration 2019

Saturday, September 28

Free and open to the public, Adoration 2019 is a day in the Fall when different church congregations, pastors, community leaders, outreach organizations, college students, families, and thousands of citizens come together for a common purpose: to celebrate the Lordship of Jesus Christ through prayer and worship and to collaborate on how to restore Appalachia from drug abuse.

Adoration 2019 Conference Schedule

1:30 PM - DOORS OPEN

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM: Public Prayer Service (inside the Mini Dome)

3:30 PM - 5:45 PM: Organization Expo (inside the Mini Dome)

3:30 PM - 5:45 PM: Block Party with Food Trucks (outside parking lot of Mini Dome)

5:45 PM - 6:00 PM: Public Reading of Scripture (inside the Mini Dome)

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM: MAIN EVENT (inside the Mini Dome)

www.adorationlife.com

A young boy is silhouetted against a bright sunset over a body of water. He is standing on a dark, rocky shore, holding a fishing rod that extends diagonally across the frame. The water is covered in shimmering, golden light from the setting sun, creating a bokeh effect. The boy is wearing a dark hoodie, a baseball cap, and sunglasses. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

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