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The Monthly Newsletter of the Cumberland Baptist Association



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*Our Mission is
Strategically Resourcing
Churches to Carry out the
Great Commission*

**Cumberland Baptist Association
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VBS PREVIEW BRUNCH

WHO: VBS DIRECTORS & PASTORS

WHEN: SAT, FEB 11TH 9-11 AM

WHERE: TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

REGISTER BEFORE FEB 8TH BY SCANNING QR CODE



**Sunday
March 12, 2023**

**Daylight
Savings Time
Begins**

From the Missionary



CBA Church Family,

One of the prayer habits I have picked up from more than one ministry or mission organization is the habit of praying for human resources to help in ministry. Luke 10:2 is a great passage in reminding us of the value of time and the need for us to ask God for workers for the Harvest. I have

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heard these ministries make it a point to pray at 10:02 AM or PM for God to send workers. That is a great regular way to connect with the Lord and His plans for assistance in ministry. I want you to think about one further aspect of this prayer theme. We need to be praying Luke 10:2 regarding pastoral leadership.

Recent statistics have revealed that the median age of a pastor in a Southern Baptist church is about 58. Likewise, only 8% of churches are over 250 in attendance. The median size for a typical SBC church is around 57 in attendance. Times have really changed in our family of churches. With those realities, many churches are going to need to rely on bi-vocational pastors to fill the role of pastor. There are not a lot of younger men headed into pastoral ministry. Many of those that do are choosing church planting or being on staff of a larger church. This brings us to a prayer need and a practical application. We need to pray for the Lord to send workers for the harvest. We also need to be very intentional about asking people questions that will enable us to highlight the reality that God is still calling people to ministry. Some national ministry leaders have summed it up by saying we need to “call out the called.” In the future, we will need to be creative about encouraging people to answer God’s call, while making some part of their income from other sources. We have always had bi-vocational pastors. Many of them have been wonderful servants of God working out of the limelight. We need to pray today that God will continue to point people to service in an increasingly secular age. Oh, by the way, our God is a generous and resourceful God. He can call people to service. Are we capable of hearing and obeying?

We are excited to step into February and the next few months. There are exciting things going on in many of our churches. We are also looking forward to DNow, Mission Trip preparation and preparation for ministries like VBS in the coming days. It is a joy to serve with CBA churches with all the opportunities that are open to us in these days!

In Christ,

Bro. Rick Stevens

Churches Without Pastors

*FBC Ashland City, Erin, Legacy,
Little West Fork & Lone Oak BC*

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

DRAW NEAR

SATURDAY
MARCH 18
6 - 9 PM

\$35/ticket (includes dinner)

LIVING HOPE CHURCH
SANGO CAMPUS



**GUEST SPEAKER:
TRILLIA NEWBELL**

FOR TICKETS & MORE INFORMATION:
WWW.LIVINGHOPESANGO.ORG/WOMENS-MINISTRY/



KEVIN EZELL *Luncheon*

PRESIDENT OF NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD

MARCH 30 | 11:30AM | FBCT.ORG/LUNCHEON

FIRST BAPTIST CLARKSVILLE



Chosen Children
MINISTRIES

Nicaraguan Mission Trip
Interest Meeting



Hilldale Family Life Center
Sunday • February 12th • 2:00PM

Pastor / Staff Lunch
Thursday • February 16th
@ 11:30AM
Spring Creek Baptist Church
Guest Speaker Erik Maloy
Join us for conversations on
Church Planting & Revitalization.



LeAnn Fambrough
Memorial
Scholarship

We will be accepting applications February 1st through March 15th. To apply, you must be a member of a cooperating Cumberland Baptist Association Church. The Application can be found under the "resource" tab at www.cbatn.org. Please mail completed application to: P.O. Box 3837 Clarksville, TN 37043 or email to cba@cbatn.org.



North American Mission Board

Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering
FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

Ladies' Valentine Coffee

Saturday, Feb. 4
10:00 - Noon



APSU Baptist Collegiate Ministry Bldg. (BCM)
Located on the corner of College & Drane St.

God is doing amazing things with children, youth and college students in our Association. Learn what is happening and how you or your church may help. Join us for fun, fellowship, and door prizes!

♡ **Guest Speakers** ♡

- Lynn McAllister, Dir. of Greater Clarksville Child Evangelism Fellowship (Good News Clubs & Christian Youth in Action)
- Stacy Murphree, APSU BCM Minister, with Kenzie Greenwood, BCM Leadership Team President, APSU, and IMB Summer Missionary to Asia

God uses ordinary Women to achieve Kingdom purposes!

Deadline to Register: Friday, January 27
(If it snows, we'll meet Feb. 18)
Call or text Pam Miller (after 5pm), 931-237-4357 or Sandra Mackens, 931-449-0083
Email: womensoutreach.cba@gmail.com

Sponsored by Women's Outreach Team, Cumberland Baptist Association

CBA Summer Missionary Program

***Time Frame: June and July**
***Application Period February 1st - March 15th.**
***Explore different types of ministry and service.**
***Work with children, students and explore missions.**

College students, what does your summer look like? We have a way for you to stay based in Clarksville with a measure of flexibility and explore God's call on your life, while helping churches and beyond! You will get to learn about sharing your faith, see what ministry looks like in several settings, and get to meet some great people. We do provide a small weekly stipend for our missionaries. Our missionary program last year was a great success! If you would be interested in applying, check out the CBA website or contact the Cumberland Baptist Association office to learn more about this opportunity.

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Prayer
BOOT CAMP
with Claude King

Sunday, February 19th | 3:00 - 7:30 pm
Laida Fellowship Hall

FIRST BAPTIST CLARKSVILLE

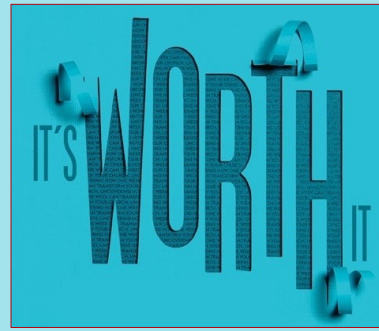
Christian Counseling

We are here to help.

Dr. Bowie sees clients on
Mondays from
8:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.
by appointment.
Call (931) 358-9036

Dr. Felts sees clients on
Tuesday/Thursday
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
by appointment.
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Mark Your Calendars!



**VBS
Training
Clinic
& More!**

**Saturday,
April 15th**



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Schedule of Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
February 1st - March 15th	Accepting LeAnn Fambrough Memorial Scholarship Applications	CBA	
February 1st - March 15th	Accepting Summer Missionary Program Applications	CBA	
February 4, 2023	Ladies' Valentine Coffee	BCM	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
February 11, 2023	VBS Pastor & Director's Brunch	Trinity BC	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
February 12, 2023	Nicaraguan Mission Trip - Interest Meeting	Hilldale FLC	2:00 p.m.
February 16, 2023	Pastor/Staff Lunch	Spring Creek	11:30 a.m.
February 17 - 19, 2023	DNOW - DiscipleNow 2023	Main Sessions @ First Clarksville	Contact the CBA for Schedule
February 19, 2023	Prayer Boot Camp with Claude King	First Clarksville	3:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
March 10 - 11, 2023	Youth Evangelism Conference - YEC	New Vision BC	See Website for Times
March 18, 2023	Draw Near Women's Conference	Living Hope	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
March 30, 2023	Kevin Ezell Luncheon - NAMB	First Clarksville	11:30 a.m.
April 25, 2023	Executive Board Meeting - Guest Speaker Roc Collins	Trinity BC	6:30 p.m.