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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 May 2023

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June 9-11 will be a weekend of Kingdom impact as you and your church serve hurting communities in New Orleans. There are multiple ways to get involved.

By partnering with Louisiana Baptists, New Orleans Baptist Association, Bayou Baptist Association, and Northshore Baptist Association, Send Relief is making it easy for you and your team to have a real, lasting impact in the lives of New Orleans' most vulnerable.

Register your team now for early access to get started with free access to resources like prayer guides, online trainings and more!

SERVE TOUR CROSSOVER

NEW ORLEANS



NEW ORLEANS 2023 PASTORS' CONFERENCE

JUNE 11-12

Join us June 11-12, 2023 at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center to hear faithful expository preaching around the theme "Character Matters in Ministry: Beatitudes of a Pastor."

June 13 - 14, 2023

2023
Annual Meeting

NEW ORLEANS

Serving the Lord Serving others

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The CBA office will be closed Monday, May 29, 2023 for Memorial Day.

From the Missionary



Rick Stevens

CBA Church Family,

What a beautiful season spring can be! However, some of you may be like me. When the weather is pretty in spring, my allergies have a party! Oh well, the days are good for lots of great things and in my neighborhood, I have noticed lots of people outside taking advantage of the season. With that in mind, let me remind you of our Block Party Trailer. The CBA owns a block party trailer that is equipped with lots of items that could help you set up for an outdoor event that may help you connect with your community. The trailer was damaged last year but has been completely replaced and is available for your use. We ask our churches to pay a \$75 fee, which just goes in the fund to replace equipment as it wears out. If you are doing a children's focus with your event, we can also make some suggestions about places where you can rent blow up items that can add a lot to the attraction. What could you do with the trailer this year? Call the office to get on the calendar.

The month of June is a big month for the Southern Baptist Convention. The annual meeting happens in June in New Orleans this year. Because of this, we all should be praying for our convention. Cooperative Missions has always been the common purpose, but there are currently issues that have brought significant tensions in the relationships between the churches and the denomination. In Southern Baptist life, there are four entities. The most important entity is the local church. The National Convention, the Tennessee Convention and the local Association are all independent of each other. A church can be a member of one, two, or all three of the larger groups. Most of the big issues that are concerning to people in the local church have been focused on the National Convention. We can be much better together, and we can accomplish a great deal, but there is concern on many hearts today.

Let's pray for these meetings that will take place in June!

Finally, as we seek to serve our churches, let us know how we can serve you better! God is at work in some great ways across our Association. Our newest church is Real Life Ft. Campbell. They began this replant church in January with Erik and his wife Sara and a community group from Real Life Sango. For Easter, they had 105 in attendance and baptized 4. That is exciting news. God is doing great things. Let's join Him in what He is doing!

In Christ,
Bro. Rick Stevens

Churches Without Pastors

*FBC Ashland City, Erin,
Little West Fork,
Spring Creek & Northeast*



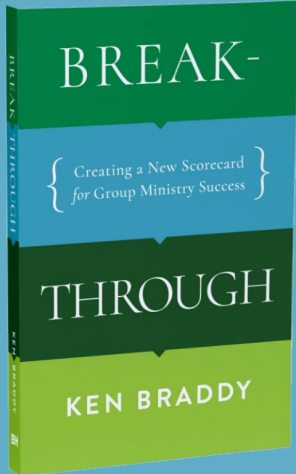
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Nicaraguan Mission Trip

The Cumberland Baptist Association has partnered with Chosen Children this summer as we take a team of 29 from our associational churches to Nicaragua. Please be in prayer as they travel July 14 - 21, 2023.

Join us for these two great opportunities!



Sunday School & Small Group Training

FBC St. Bethlehem

Monday

August 14, 2023

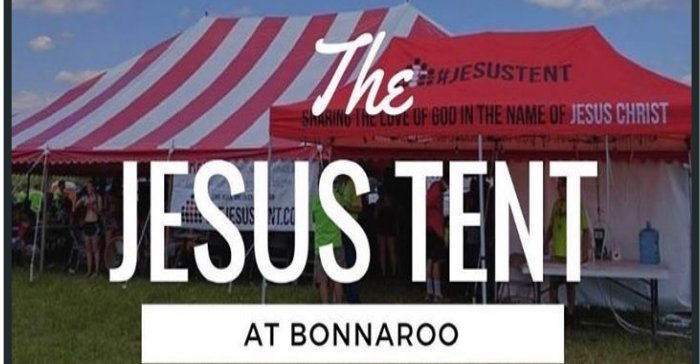
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Additional Opportunity for Age Specific Training

If your church would like to participate in an additional training on Saturday, August 5th that is age group specific, one is being planned in partnership with the TBMB.

Please contact the CBA office for details.

JUNE 15 - 17, 2023



The JESUS TENT

AT BONNAROO

A Network of Area Churches Sharing the Love of God in the Name of Jesus Christ to the Bonnaroo Community.

<https://www.ameresources.org/>

DEVOTIONAL PRAYER GUIDES FOR CHURCH REVITALIZATION



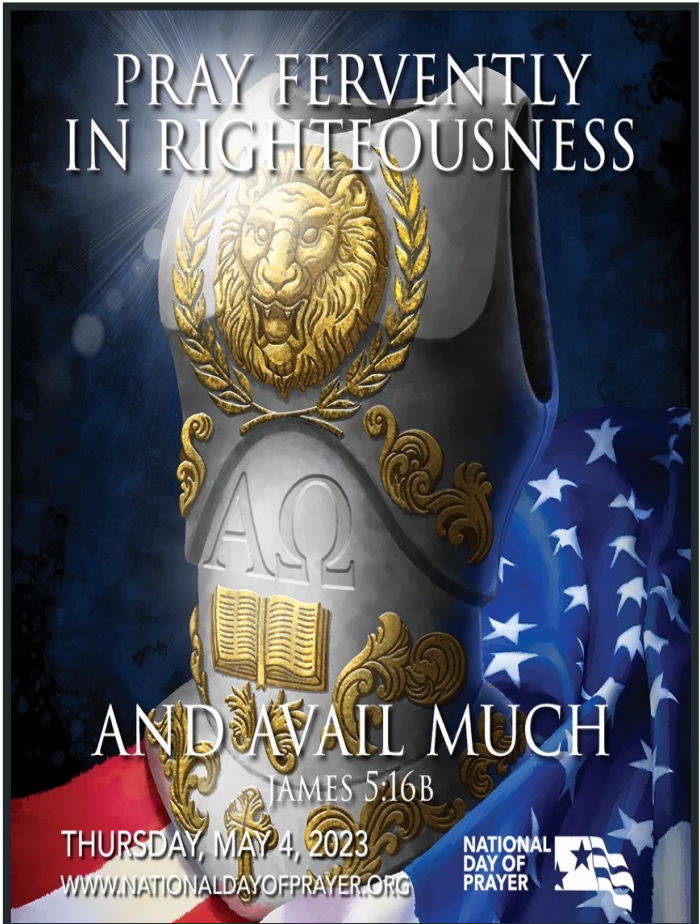
May 14 - 22, 2023

A FOCUS OF

The Week of Prayer for The Cumberland Baptist Association



PRAY FERVENTLY IN RIGHTEOUSNESS



AND AVAIL MUCH

JAMES 5:16B

THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023

WWW.NATIONALDAYOFPRAYER.ORG

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER



Christian Counseling

We are here to help.

Dr. Bowie sees clients on
Mondays from
8:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.
by appointment.
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Dr. Felts sees clients on
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Schedule of Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
May 4, 2023	National Day of Prayer		
May 14, 2023	Mother's Day		
May 14 - 20, 2023	CBA Week of Prayer		
May 20, 2023	Jesus Spring Fling Thing	Mt. Hermon BC	11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
May 29, 2023	Memorial Day	CBA	Office Closed
June	ASAP Staff	APSU	TBA
June 9 - 11, 2023	Crossover	New Orleans, LA	See Website for Details
June 11 - 12, 2023	SBC Pastor's Conference	New Orleans, LA	See Website for Details
June 13 - 14, 2023	SBC Annual Meeting	New Orleans, LA	See Website for Details
June 15 - 17, 2023	Bonnaroo - The Jesus Tent	Manchester, TN	
June 18, 2023	Father's Day		
June 19, 2023	Juneteenth	CBA	Office Closed