

Carroll-Benton Baptist Association

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Just a thought....

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Linda asked me several weeks ago about a friend and why she and we were such good friends. As I contemplated the question, the answer came to me. I was serving as interim pastor of the church where she and her family attended. Conversations with her led to discussions of her past. She was involved in AA and talked about her addiction and how God had brought her to this point in her life. Over the course of a few weeks, several people began to share with me about their backgrounds and how God had delivered them from various problems. The more I thought about these circumstances, God led me to have a "Victorious Celebration" service at the church. I personally went to several of the people in the church and asked what they thought about it and asked if they would share their story. All agreed to do so.

We set a date for the celebration. Everyone attended with anticipation and I attended with a bit of skepticism not knowing how this would turn out. The entire service was given to this celebration with those involved doing the speaking. I only got it stared. I had worked with the music director to coordinate the music with the different speakers. As the service began, we were all excited but unsure of where it would take us. As the service progressed, you could hear a sniffle here and there. Further along in the service, tissues were being passed around. As the service came to an end, every person in the building had been touched. It was a wonderful, spirit led, moving of God's spirit as we celebrated with those who shared about their struggles and how God had led them through it. For months after the service, people were still talking about the wonderful time we had in the Lord.

I write this here to maybe encourage some of our pastors or other pastors to try a day of celebrating what God has been doing in the lives of the people of the congregation. Many will come to the pastor's mind as this is being read. If planning is done ahead of time, great experiences can come from it. The service may touch many others in the congregation that are struggling as well. After all, who says the preacher has to preach all the time? Hearing about the victories from those who have gone through a difficult time may help someone else. After all, they can say it better than we.

Just a thought.

CBBA WMU Meeting April 16, 2012

East Side Baptist Church Camden, TN

Speaker: Frank Green, Royal Ambassador Leader from TBC

Please Encourage your RA Leaders and Workers to attend

The Meeting will start at 6 pm with an add a dish meal.

CBBA Evangelism
Rally
Huntingdon FBC
May 6th
6:00 pm
Rev. Willie McLaurin,
speaker

Please consider moving your evening services to Huntingdon FBC for this time of worship, praise and challenge.

CBBA Executive Board Meeting April 16, 2012 East Side Baptist Church Camden, TN

6:00 pm Meal Provided by the WMU

Jacob Ketchens will be sharing about church planning in the Metro East Baptist Association In Illinois

Disaster Relief Training April 13 & 14 Huntingdon FBC

Introduction to Disaster Relief-\$36 Recertification to Disaster Relief-\$36 There will be no charge for specialty classes but must be certified to take them. Must be 18 years of age. There will be a \$6 cost for lunch.



Baptist Doctrinal Study April 15-21, 2012 Baptist Essentials

Biblical authority (Mat 24:35;1Pet 1:23; 2Tim 3:16-17)

Autonomy of the local Church (Mat 18:15-17; 1Cor 6:1-3)

Priesthood of all believers (1Pet 2:5-9;1Tim 5)

Two ordinances (believer's baptism and the Lord's supper) (Acts 2:41-47; 1Cor 11:23-32)

Individual accountability (2 Peter 3:9; Matthew 12:36)

Salvation only in Christ (John 3:16; Acts 4:12; 2 Pet 3:18; 1Peter 1:18-19)

Two offices of the church (pastor and deacon) (1Timothy 3:1-13; Titus 1-2)

NATCHEZ TRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

278 Natchez Trace Rd., Camden, TN 38320

40th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, April 22, 2012 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Former Pastors, Deacons, members come help us rejoice! Friends and Visitors welcome! Good preaching and singing. Message by former pastor, Rev. Greg Stanford. Lunch will be served. Afternoon concert, 1:30 to 3:00 by:

Weaver Believer Survival Revival

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CBBA
Bible Drill
&
Speakers
Tournament

April 22 2:00 pm McKenzie FBC



CBBA Vacation Bible School Clinic April 9th Huntingdon FBC

5:30-6:15 Meal Family Life Center 6:15-6:30 Opening Rally Worship Center

6:30-8:15 Conferences

8:15-8:30 Open House & Snack Display In all rooms and Family Life Center

Please call the Mission Center (986-8818) by April 4th to sign up for the meal.







April, 2012

April 3, West TN Pastors Conference, Union University, 10 am

April 6, Good Friday, CBBA Office Closed

April 8, Easter

April 9, CBBA VBS Conference, Huntingdon FBC 5:30 pm

April 13-14, Disaster Relief

April 16, CBBA Executive Board Meeting, East Side Baptist, 6:00 pm

April 22, CBBA Bible Drills and Speakers Tournament, McKenzie FBC

April 23, CBBA Pastors Conference, Mission Center, 10:30 am Dr. Todd Brady, Union

April 28, Regional Bible Drills and Speakers Tournament, Martin FBC

April 30, Pastors Conference, Mission Center, 10:30 am

Approaching Dates and Events of Interest

May 1, West TN Pastors Conference, Union University, 10 am

May 6, CBBA Evangelism Rally, Huntingdon FBC, 6:00 pm Rev. Willie McLauren

May 7, CBBA Pastors Conference, Mission Center, 10:30 am

May 13, Mother's Day

May 21, CBBA Pastors Conference, Mission Center, 10:30 sm

May 28, Memorial Day, CBBA Office Closed



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