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ADVANCING HEALTHY PASTORS, CHURCHES AND
COMMUNITIES

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Come Let Us Worship Together!

Sunday August 25th, 6pm

Join the Chilhowee Baptist family of churches as we encourage one another through a combined worship experience



Executive Board

Meeting. Noon

July 9, 2024

RSVP for LUNCH

Each Church is allowed to send a pastor and 2 additional representatives.

865.982.0499

Date Change !

The date of the **140th Annual Meeting**
Of The Chilhowee Baptist Associational
has been moved to **Thurs. November 21st.**

Save the date

ARE YOU READY?

TO GO OR NOT TO GO

**2024 - 2025
SERVICE
OPPORTUNITIES**

SPAIN

2025

CANADA

2024

THAILAND

2025

**WEST
TENNESSEE**

2024

MONTANA

2025

**MARYVILLE
ONGOING**

**TOWNSEND
ONGOING**

I grew up in a local Baptist church. I was exposed to missions regularly. I knew as a teen that I was called to serve on the mission field. However, as I made plans to "go", I got scared and backed out. I told God He would have to give me a different task; I couldn't do what He was asking me to do. My faith and trust did not extend beyond my own thinking.

Twenty-one years later, in 2010, I was invited to go to West Africa as part of a mission team. After prayerful consideration and God paving the way for me, I committed to go. I expected to be shocked by what I would see and learn on this journey, but I did not expect to be so deeply impacted and burdened for the Muslim people, particularly women, that I would meet. God placed another call on my life to develop personal relationships with these women and to share the gospel with them for five years. I am still passionate about sharing the gospel with the Muslim people, but safety issues have prevented us from being able to return there since 2020.

When God places a call on our hearts, He provides a way. I recently learned that Toronto is a massive hub for immigrants from many nations. Not only are there more than half a million Muslims in the greater Toronto area, there are Jews, Sikhs, Chinese, Hindus and Buddhists in large concentrations. God is bringing the world to our front door!

So, the question is, have you been called to share the gospel with the lost? The short answer is "Yes". The Great Commission commands us to go into all the world and share the good news of Jesus. There are MANY opportunities to serve both locally and abroad. Will you go?

HIGHLIGHTS FROM AVILA & MADRID,

SPAIN— MAY 2024

God organized a team of 10 people from two area churches, along with three translators that we did not know and created a beautiful ministry family. We began each day with prayer and a devotion in the hotel lobby each morning. This was such an encouraging time of connection and focus on our purpose. During our time of daily street evangelism, there was a precious, bold, Christian couple from the church that prayed constantly for us and for hearts to be opened. God answered our prayers and brought TWO new believers into the fellowship of the church. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness!

We also had a great time of fellowship and studying the Word with the children and adults during our nightly VBS. Sean and Jim shared a deep Biblical study on what it means to have a Godly marriage.

We look forward to seeing God at work through our continued partnership with this church.

Want to know more?

Contact us today for more information, including dates, costs and details of each ministry.



BAPTIST CENTER



<i>SPIRITUAL SERVICES</i>	No. of Souls
Shared Jesus the Word of God	272
Agreed to bible study while waiting for food	137
<u>Physical Services</u>	
Blankets	23
Food (867 Adults, 566 Child, 248 Seniors)	470
Clothing	124
Toiletries	457
Cleaning supplies	455
Furniture	2

We are extremely blessed to have been able to share the Word of God with 272 souls throughout April and May. Out of the 272 souls, 137 made the decision to have a brief bible study while they waited for their food orders to be filled. The total number of souls the gospel has been shared with throughout this year is 538; there were an additional 141 souls reached during the Resurrection Tote Distribution. This ministry is so thrilled to have had a total of 336 souls (out of 538) that have agreed to have the Word of God shared with them while they waited for their food orders to be filled. We need prayer for two souls that have confessed Jesus is Lord and desire to be baptized—it is unfortunate that we have been unable to contact these two ladies. Please keep them in your prayers in the hopes that they yield to the Holy Spirit. The Baptist Center has added 66 new families that total 198 people in the households for the months of April and May. We have added 166 new families or 529 individuals for the total number in households for the year. In order to feed all of these families, we spent \$3,345.39 in April and \$3,861.11 in May. We have managed to lower our cost to feed by \$300-\$400 by designating our canned meats for the individuals with restricted cooking facilities (the homeless/those living in hotels). To make up for the canned meat, we have added an additional package of frozen/raw meat to the client's food order form from rescue food (zero cost) that is donated from local grocery stores. This is only a temporary solution, but we are doing everything we can to maximize every dollar that is entrusted in our care. Each month the cost to feed is rising, our client load is increasing every day, and donations are low. Please keep the donations and support coming. This is a great ministry that has a great need; due to the cost of living soaring. There is a large portion of Blount County that is physically afflicted and is in desperate need of help. As these events (end-time hardships) unfold and more people seek assistance it gives the ministry more opportunity to expose spiritual affliction upon souls that are destitute of the divine life giving power of God; a good majority of the clients that have decided to join the bible study, have admitted this.

Thanks to everybody who donated towards the Beat the Heat Fan Drive. This awesome association has stepped up and donated over 180 fans & we will be able to share the Word of God to each of them. Due to the fact that we are not budgeted for toiletries and cleaning items. We are asking our churches to help us with that need. Instead of supplying food for the month you are scheduled, we are asking you to provide toiletries & cleaning supplies. Food donations are welcome but monetary donations will better serve the efficiency of the ministry for food because we can purchase food from Second Harvest significantly cheaper. The Baptist Center is in need of ongoing donations toward toiletries and cleaning supplies. This is not part of our budget and we rely solely on donations to supply these items to our clients, so please keep them coming. We are seeking volunteers such as young adults, college students, H.S. students, mature teenagers, stay at home parents, or anyone who is available to volunteer. Please contact Pauronica or Michael Buchanan by email: pbuchanan@cbalive.org. "But he answered and said, it is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God," (Matt. 4:4). In Christ, Michael & Pauronica Buchanan

Churches to bring toiletries and cleaning supplies in July: Mount Lebanon, Birchfield, Cold Springs, Keeble's Chapel, Oakview, Old Chilhowee, & Parkway. **Churches to bring toiletries and cleaning supplies in August:** Providence, Forest Hill, Happy Valley, Hillcrest, Prospect, Rocky Branch.

WMU

Church News

Greetings in the name of Jesus!

Just want to thank all of you for the cereal and cards for the Children's Home.

Thanks to all that prayed for me while I was recuperating from hip surgery.. I had a fall just after I was released from therapy for hip. Now I am facing shoulder surgery from tearing my rotator cuff in the fall. So keep praying for me. Hopefully after this I'll be fine.

Ok the next thing we need to start promoting is The Golden Offering for State Missions!

Thanks for your time until next time.

Kathy Neely

Forest Hill is seeking a part time Childrens Director. Send resume to Brittany Trentham btrentha@icloud.com. Contact her @865.256.5773. Full job posting/application blountareajobs.com/job/director-of-childrens-ministry.

Pleasant Grove is seeking a full-time pastor, to partner with us in growth opportunities. We are a conservative/mission driven Southern Baptist church that adheres to the Baptist Faith & Message, while supporting SBC cooperative program. Resume to: PGBC@PGBCTN.ORG. or 3736 Tuckaleechee Pike, Maryville TN 37804. PGBCTN.ORG.

Jesucristo es el Camino needs microphones, instrument cables, acoustic guitar, bass guitar. Call Gustavo Baez 865.249.4473.

Oak Street needs PT music director. 865.850.2264, jowebb15@msc.com

CBA EXECUTIVE BOARD

MEETING @ CBA OFFICE.

July 9, Noon. RSVP for meal 865.982.0499. RSVP Deadline is 7/8 before 11:00.

Each church is allowed to send a pastor and 2 additional representatives.

Missions



JOIN TEAM THAILAND



The initial plans are being made for a January 3-13 trip to Bangkok, Thailand



Our Team will work alongside partnering churches in Bangkok and neighboring communities. Estimated cost is \$2,900.

Please contact Jim Snyder, Director of Missions, by email if you are interested in being a part of this initial team. Praying for a multi year partnership.

jimsnyder@cballive.org

CAMP TIPTON



Camp Season is currently in full swing. We've had a busy summer and have quite a busy summer planned as well. We are having four nights of overnight camp again as well as two summer mission teams. Mission teams are going to focus on building a ramp/staircase up to the cabins to make it safer to walk up to them. They are also planning on expanding our playground at the pavilion and adding a small ropes course as well as some newer wooden playground equipment.

We are currently working to finish plans with an architect for the new bunkhouse. The plan is to have four downstairs rooms, two upstairs rooms, and a common meeting area with a small warming kitchen. Each room will have restrooms inside. This should allow us to house a group of around 30-40 people in the same cabin for retreats. Please pray that getting the plans approved by the county will go smoothly. After approved, I will share the plans with everyone in the annual meeting later in the year.

We are down slightly this year in overall registration for summer camp; however, we are still having a great turnout and the Lord is at work. Currently we are averaging 56 campers per week, and, by the end of summer I am hoping that number will increase to 60-65 campers per week. We are currently at five children accepting Christ or rededication their life to Christ as well. For photos of summer, we post weekly on Instagram and Facebook. Search Camp Tipton in the search bar and you should be able to find our profiles.

Continue to pray for the spiritual maturity and Christian mentorship of my staff members as well. I've had 20 counselors this year working in various positions ranging from maintenance, Counselor in training, Junior Counselor, Senior Counselor, and Day Camp and Middle School Camp Directors. If you would like to pray for them specifically by name, I'll list their names as well. Adara, Autumn, Bekah, Camden, Darius, Gavin, Grace, Jenna, Makinze, Mary, Matthew, Max, Nick, Ravyn, Ryan, Sammie, Sydney, Zac, and Holden.

We have also awarded close to 28k in scholarships for this summer. We have collected only a few thousand towards our scholarship fund for this summer. While we try not to turn children away for lack of funds, we are still needing donations to go towards campers on scholarships. To donate, you can mail a check to the Chilhowee Baptist Association at 341 E. Lincoln Rd. Alcoa, TN 37701. Please put Camp Tipton Camper Scholarship in the memo line to ensure it's used towards scholarships. You can also donate online through monthly donations or a one-time donation as well. The link to donate online is <http://www.campipton.com/donation-needs.html>. There are also other items that we could use for donation on this list as well.

Matt Fowler, Camp Tipton Director, 865.257.2288

CHURCH HEALTH/GROWTH OPPORTUNITES

FAITH & FAMILY COALITION
INITIATIVE PRESENTS

ANDREW WALKER

Sept. 29, 2024

7:00 pm

Broadway Baptist Church

2329 E. Broadway Ave. Maryville, TN



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Free Pastor/Wives Dinner Before The Conference

5:30 PM Sponsored by CBA

RSVP- lisasnyder@cballive.org or 982-0499 by Wednesday Sept. 25th

CHARM

Oh what a wonderful God we serve. We at Charm Ministries have seen the hand of God at work for many years. We have met so many people through the ministry and we continue to meet them whether it is in Charm Children's camp or in Family nights in the campgrounds.



Recently Steve Monroe baptized a young man who gave his life to the Lord in children's camp at the Little Arrow last year. His family scheduled their vacation a week later than the FBC Smithville week this year so he and his parents could ask if Steve could baptize him. It is a blessing to see seeds that were sewn in a child come alive in Jesus.

Also a lady in her 60's has been baptized knowing she has done this in obedience to the Lord. Another blessing was seeing her excitement in following our Lord. The recent monthly food giveaway was given out and many people ask for prayers for family, friends, health issues, our country. There is a great need for food in the community and we try to supply that but there is a great need to share God's love to those in need.

Charm camps are going on and being well attended. We have had teams from Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia and middle Tennessee so far. We are so grateful the leaders of the teams give up their time to train their teams to come and pour out Jesus to those that live work and play in Townsend.

The motel Ministry ladies continue to serve on Sundays and now they serve around 65 workers. Meeting people wherever they are. Serving! Mark 10:45. Four of our volunteers helped with the cooking for the Iowa Mission team who served in Blount County. One evening one lady ask what drew us to Charm. We shared that we all love people and want to share the good news of Jesus. The death, burial and resurrection. In a nutshell that is the gospel. Through prayers, love and sewing seeds we are seeing the blessings of our Lord God. If you invest in someone's life you too will be blessed. Step out in Faith and see what God will do for you. He has made a difference in our volunteers and we have seen such growth in each one of us. There is power in the Lord.

In His Love,
Steve and Sandra Monroe
Charm Ministries
865.300.8827

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many"
Mark 10:45 NASB

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Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes

Dear Chilhowee Baptist Association and Churches,

Wow! What a blessing each of you have been to your Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes' in Chattanooga for all these years. From supporting us through our Mother's Day offerings, donating food, praying for TBCH and showing love and care for the children in our care, truly has shown that you have lived out James 1:27 "Pure and undefiled religion before God the Father is this, to visit the orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world".

We at Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes' would like to thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ. We are available to speak to churches, womens groups, youth groups or mission fairs. Please contact us at 423-303-6777.

Sincerely,
Tony and Angie Cummings
House Parents

Coming Friday October 18th

A one evening Pastor's Retreat

5:30 pm
to
9:00 pm

Hosted by
Beech Grove
Baptist

Session 1 - 5:30
Bible Intake
*Dinner
Session 2- 6:45
Silence
& Solitude
*Desert
Session 3- 8:00
Prayer

Register by October 10th
info@cbalive.org
or 865-982-0499
No Cost plus Free Resources!!

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