

HERALD

MAY 2024



May Men's Conference 2024

Friday, May 10
Conference at 6:30 p.m.
Feel free to join us in praying for this event
at 5:45

Men of all ages are invited to fellowship, pray, and worship together as one

<u>Lineup</u>
Danny Sinquefield
Josh Sinquefield
Open Q&A

Munford Baptist Church 1253 Munford Ave, Munford, TN

> For questions, contact the church at 901-837-6325 or munfordbaptist@gmail.com



Big Hatchie Baptist Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, May 9
7:00 pm at BHBA Office

APRIL 29 6:00 pm—8:00 pm

Ellendale Baptist Church 3861 Broadway Rd, Bartlett TN

Breakout Sessions 6:00-6:50pm Education

- Winning Children: Vicki Hulsey
- Winning Women: Donna Blaydes
- Winning Young Adults: Ryan Keaton
- Winning Students: Jay Barbier
- Discipling New Believers: Mark Miller
- New Churches: Reaching the Lost through Church Planting: Lewis McMullen/William Burton

7:00-8:00pm Inspiration and Participation: Roc Collins

Contact Mark Miller, TBMB for more information

Email: mmiller@tnbaptist.org

FREE EVENT



From Our Director of Missions, Clay Gilbreath

Are you a planner, or a go-with-the-flow type person? My wife would say I am way too much a planner, and not nearly enough a spontaneous kind of guy. In the words of The Three Stooges: "I resemble that remark."

If I wanted to take scripture out of context, I would cite for you Proverbs 16:9a "A man's heart plans his way." I could say "see there, we need to plan and prepare!" That is true. Certainly to fail to plan, and to just go with the flow, can often carry us off course and downstream. Plan your work and work your plan!

But there's a second part to this verse that I need today, and you need today, and we all will need as the world continues on it's wayward path. Here's the entirety of Proverbs 16:9: "A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps."

Does anyone know what is to come, with the wars and rumors of wars that are happening now? No. Does anyone know what is coming so that we can prepare? Not really. Does anyone know when Christ will usher in the end of this age? Looks like it's all falling into place, but no one knows the day or hour.

What we DO know is that the Lord is in charge, and He ultimately is directing not only our steps but our future. His plan and His will advances.

Our world may crash and burn, but His sovereign plan prevails. Personally, I am planning (see what I did there?) to lean more on Him than on my own frail and feeble plans. Won't you join me?

WMU NEWS - WMU Director, Harriet Cannon

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"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12

Big Hatchie WMU Prayer Retreat and Brunch is scheduled for **Saturday**, **April 27th** at First Baptist-Ripley Family Life Center (108 Lafayette Street). We hope you will come and hear an inspiring message from **Laura Macfarlan** with Cross My Heart Ministry. Brunch will be served at **9:30AM** with the program following at **10:00AM**.

Mother's Day is May 12th and not only a day to honor our mothers, but the day we give to the Mother's Day Offering for the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home. Your support of The Mother's Day Offering allows The Ranch at Millington and two other Children's Home across the state to provide Christ-centered homes for children in hard places across Tennessee through compassionate on-campus homes and foster families. Because children matter.....

Dates to Demember:

Quarterly Meeting – June 11, 2024 6:30PM – First Baptist, Covington Speaker: Bill Gruenewald, President-Treasurer TN Baptist Foundation; Mission Project: Myra Short Scholarship donations and Dyersburg State Food Pantry Items; Leadership Team Installation

Monthly Budget \$ 14,294.17

Oct 2023-Mar 2024 Fiscal Yr Gifts \$ 79,394.05

Fiscal YTD Shortfall - \$ 6,370.97

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Unrestricted	March	Date Oct 2023
Gifts	2024	to Mar 2024 0.00
Ashport Beaver	0.00	1,000.00
Brighton	1,004.33	5,822.26
Calvary	0.00	3,181.00
Calvary Hill	125.00	1,125.00
Central	0.00	0.00
Charleston	743.40	4,781.70
Covington First	0.00	7,875.00
Cross View	0.00	0.00
Crossway Cowboy	150.00	200.00
Durhamville	0.00	2,340.00
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Genesis	0.00 505.70	0.00
Grace	225.00	2,896.75 1,350.00
Hope Keeling	125.00	264.00
Liberty	408.00	2,448.00
Mason First	589.38	1,200.36
Mt. Lebanon	0.00	370.56
Munford	415.00	2,490.00
Oak Grove	0.00	3,226.85
Olive Branch	0.00	0.00
Pleasant Grove	0.00	5,253.00
Ripley First	583.33	2,916.65
Salem	0.00	276.15
Servant's Heart	0.00	75.00
Smyrna	494.33	2,257.66
Spirit Filled	0.00	500.00
Trinity	175.00	975.00
True Life	0.00	1,582.38
True Word	486.80	980.17
Victory	0.00	0.00
Walnut Grove	0.00	0.00
Western Valley	0.00	0.00
Woodlawn	1,000.00	1,000.00
ТВМВ	626.00	3,912.00
Other	150.20	751.15
TOTAL	10,753.51	79,394.05

Thank you for your generous spirit of giving. It is because of your sacrifice that we exist to connect churches on mission.

Big Hatchie Baptist Association

Physical Address: 1390 Hwy 51 N Mailing Address: PO Box 646

Covington TN 38019

May 2024 Calendar of Events			
2		NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER Thursday, May 2, 2024	
6	10:30 A.M.	Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office Lunch to follow at a local restaurant. Speaker: Pastor Chris Garner, Holly Grove Baptist, Bells	
9	7:00 P.M.	Big Hatchie Baptist Association Board of Directors Meeting BHBA Office	
10	6:30 P.M.	May Men's Conference Munford Baptist Church, 1253 Munford Avenue, Munford For details contact Munford Baptist.com *Details on front page.*	
12		Mother's Day Offering for Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes For details visit TennesseeChildren.org	
13	10:30 A.M.	Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office Lunch to follow at a local restaurant. Speaker: Pastor Derek Westmoreland, First Baptist, Millington	
20	10:30 A.M.	Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office Lunch to follow at a local restaurant. Speaker: Pastor Leon Jones, The Dwelling Place, Memphis	
27		Memorial Day BHBA Office will closed in observance of Memorial Day.	
27	Please Note	The Ministers Fellowship will not meet.	

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MAY 19 -Statewide emphasis, encouraging churches to pray for VBS and Backyard Kids Clubs. Learn more at https://vbs.lifeway.com

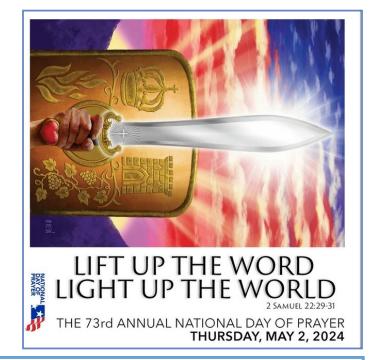
Oak Grove Baptist Church

in Covington, TN is looking for a bivocational youth leader. This individual will oversee and coordinate the church's ministry to grades six through twelve. They will be responsible to coordinate events, teach and disciple students, lead volunteers, and develop relationships with students and their families. Please send resumes to

Oak Grove Baptist Church

to shelby@oakgrovecovington.org.

We will be accepting resumes until May 15, 2023.





Southern Baptist Convention 2024

Don't forget that messenger pre-registration is now open for you to join us in Indianapolis, June 9-12, for the 2024 Annual Meeting and Pastors' Conference. Let's celebrate how God is working in and through churches around the country and the world to accomplish the Great Commission.