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One Hundred Ninety Sixth Annual Meeting

Charleston Baptist Church 8624 Highway 179 E - Stanton, TN 38059

TUESDAY OCTOBER 22, 2024 / 4:00 P.M.



The BHBA WMU initiate and organize an array of ministries to serve our communities and beyond. One ministry to highlight this month is the BCM-Baptist Collegiate Ministry, Jimmy Naifeh Center. The BHBA WMU coordinates with DSCC & BHBA Churches to serve this ministry to students. Various BHBA Churches answer the call to serve during the planned dates coordinated throughout the semester periods. Most recently, on Tuesday, September 17th, First Baptist Covington welcomed the students and provided 7 dozen donuts as well as coffee. Brighton Baptist donated goodie bags.

Remember students, staff and all BCM's volunteers at various campuses in your prayers. What a beautiful mission field!

Pictured: A fairly new mission opportunity to students at the DSCC-Jimmy Naifeh Center is donating pantry items for the feeding stations set up in each building. A cup of noodle soup or a snack item is a way of showing our love to the students and serving a community need.

From Our Director of Missions, Clay Gilbreath

Hey Big Hatchie!

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! I know you appreciate all he does to lead your church on mission for Christ, but it sure is nice when we let them know. It can be a simple card or small gift, or something extravagant! Let's honor the pastors the Lord has blessed us with.

It's time to gather for our Annual Meeting Celebration on October 22. Meeting will be held at Charleston Baptist, 8624 Highway 179 E. in Stanton, TN. First session starts at 4PM, then a meal will be provided, followed by the 7PM session.

One of my favorite parts of our annual meeting is to hear some good preaching! This vear will be no exception – we have pastors Dustin Kitchens of Central and Andy Nolen of Oak Grove bringing our theme interpretations from Philippians 1:27: "Only let your conduct be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel." The annual sermon will be brought by Pastor Jim Holcomb of Ripley First Baptist. Pray for these brothers as they lead us in the Word.

We will hear from our missions work and be inspired to be on mission for our Lord. We have some exciting special announcements and I can't wait to join together at Charleston Baptist. Elect your messengers, come to the meeting, and be revived and renewed! Guests are welcome too.

Our theme is "Striving Together." Truly that is one thing that makes your association great – brothers and sisters from various communities being stronger together and striving for the gospel of Christ together in a dark world. I don't know of any better place to be than striving together with believers in Big Hatchie!

See you on the 22nd.



WMU News and Events: WMU Director, Diane Sorrell

dianehsorrell@comcast.net Cell: 901-482-2236 "Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well". ~ I Thessalonians 2:8

Thank you, Pleasant Grove BC for hosting the September Quarterly Meeting. Mission Project: Christmas gifts for the children at Head Start. There will be smiles and tears when they see the many items that were given. Thank you! Attendance: 33 represented by 10 churches. Patricia Henning, Assistant Program Director and Olivia Ethridge, Center Director shared information about what their mission is and the many programs they have through "Save the Children". Not only do they assist the children but also the parents.

October focus is the Motorcycle Ministry. WMU Emphasis is "JOY". What is Joy? Readiness to invest in the lives of the lost. Joy is <u>Jesus</u> by having a relationship with him.

October is Pastor Appreciation month. The Leadership Team will acknowledge and thank the Pastors with lunch on October 7.

October 22: Baptist Collegiate Ministry at DSCC with Trinity BC hosting. Brighton BC will host on Nov, 19.

October 21-23: Christmas Backpacks may be dropped off 9am - 3pm. At West Jackson BC (580 Oil Well Rd, Jackson). More information may be found at www.tnbaptist.org/backpacks.

November 4: Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer at Oak Grove BC with refreshments at 9:30 am and meeting at 10 am.

Monthly Budget \$ 14,294.17

Oct 2023-Aug 2024 Fiscal Yr Gifts \$ 155,882.24

Fiscal YTD Shortfall - \$ 1,353.63

		Fiscal Year to
Unrestricted	August	Date Oct 2023
Gifts	2024	to Aug 2024
Ashport	0.00	0.00
Beaver	0.00	2,000.00
Brighton	1,114.81	11,198.38
Calvary	0.00	6,901.00
Calvary Hill	125.00	1,750.00
Central	200.00	200.00
Charleston	542.72	7,738.80
Covington First	1,375.00	14,750.00
Cross View	0.00	0.00
Crossway Cowboy	300.00	500.00
Durhamville	460.00	5,438.00
Faith	1,666.66	9,166.63
Fellowship	589.81	6,971.19
First Indian	0.00	0.00
Forerunner	40.00	440.00
Fulton	0.00	0.00
Garland	500.00	5,500.00
Gateway	1,136.23	11,667.24
Genesis	0.00	0.00
Grace	548.39	6,409.05
Норе	225.00	2,475.00
Keeling	0.00	400.00
Liberty	408.00	4,488.00
Mason First	0.00	2,093.40
Mt. Lebanon	977.21	2,267.75
Munford	415.00	4,565.00
Oak Grove	0.00	4,444.32
Olive Branch	0.00	0.00
Pleasant Grove	1,362.00	12,317.00
Ripley First	583.33	6,416.63
Salem	408.31	940.42
Servant's Heart	0.00	300.00
Smyrna	386.01	3,920.18
Spirit Filled	100.00	1,100.00
Trinity	175.00	1,850.00
True Life	0.00	0.00
True Word	317.00	1,719.57
Victory	500.00	1,000.00
Walnut Grove	563.09	3,410.66
Western Valley	0.00	0.00
Woodlawn	2,000.00	3,000.00
ТВМВ	626.00	7,042.00
Other	150.00	1502.02
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TOTAL	\$21,288.05	\$155,882.24
Thank you for the generous gifts to your association. $ \\$		

Golden Offering Allocation 15% \$ 3, 493.48

Big Hatchie Baptist Association

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OCTOBER 2024 Calendar of Events

OCTOBER IS		Cooperative Program Month - The Cooperative Program is Southern Baptists' unified plan of giving through which cooperating Southern Baptist churches give a percentage of their undesignated receipts in support of their respective state convention and the Southern Baptist Convention missions and ministries. 8 Pastors Appreciation Month	
7	10:30 A.M.	Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office WMU Pastor Appreciation Program & Luncheon	
14	10:30 A.M.	Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office Lunch to follow at a local restaurant. Speaker: Jeff Gautney, Gateway Baptist Mission Pastor	
21	10:30 A.M.	Ministers Fellowship will not meet—Annual Meeting week	
20-26		Week of Prayer for Local Baptist Associations	
22	4:00 P.M.	BHBA 196th Annual Meeting Big Hatchie Baptist Association Location: Charleston Baptist Church, 8624 Hwy 179 E., Stanton, TN 38069 1st Session, 4:00 PM, 2nd Session 7:00 PM Meal Provided between sessions. Annual Theme: "Striving Together"-Philippians 1:27	
28	10:30 A.M.	Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office Lunch to follow at a local restaurant. Speaker: Jay Hardwick, TBC President	

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Church Clerks or ACP Contacts, Just a reminder that **ACP's (Annual Church Profiles)** are due at your association office next week. Let us know if we can assist you in any way. BHBA Staff

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Checks may be made out to Tennessee Baptist Convention and mailed to Bank Lockbox Service, PO Box 306339, Nashville, TN 37230-6339



Save The Dates!

2024 Adult Sunday School Training November 1, 2024, Covington First Baptist Church, Covington, TN 6 pm / Led by **Ken Braddy**

Summit-The gathering of TN Baptists, November 10-12, 2024-Murfreesboro TN



YEC '25 –West TN, March 14-15, 2025 -Union University, Jackson TN

<u>Senior Adult Banquet</u>, April 14, 2025 at 5 pm., First Baptist Church, Ripley TN 38063 / <u>Special Guest:</u> **Kenny Evans**

The **BHBA Office** will close at noon on Tuesday October 22 to prepare for annual meeting and the office will be closed the Wednesday, October 23 following the meeting.