

Please Note: **DATE CHANGE**



Board of Directors

Meeting

Thursday, September 19

7 P.M. @ BHBA Office

1390 Hwy 51 S., Covington TN 38019

Come join us at BHBA on Thursday, September 19 beginning with specialized training in Social Media for your church

5 pm-6:30 pm followed by the BHBA Board of Directors

Meeting beginning at 7 pm.

FREE SEMINAR!
Please call to register
901-476-6759

BHBA
Big Hatchie Baptist Association

SOCIAL MEDIA
The Importance of Social Media,
The Benefits for Your Church,
and How to Connect with Younger Audiences

Sept. 19, 2024
5:00PM – 6:30PM
Big Hatchie Baptist Association
1390 Highway 51 N - Covington, TN 38019

TMB
Tennessee Baptist
MISSION BOARD

Mark your calendars...for the 195th BHBA Annual Meeting-Oct. 22, 2024

The 195th Big Hatchie Baptist Association Annual Meeting will be held at Charleston Baptist Church, 8624 Hwy 179, Stanton, TN 38069 / **Schedule:** 1st Session -4 p.m. , Meal between sessions, 2nd Session—7 p.m.

Annual meeting theme this year is "Striving Together" based on 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"

Church ACP Contacts, Call the BHBA Office 901-476-6759 if you have not received your (ACP-Annual Church Profile) packets by mail or email. Many of you received yours by email and others were mailed. We can get another packet to you upon request, if needed.

Connection
A MISSIONS AND DISCIPLESHIP EVENT FOR TEEN GIRLS

September 13-15, 2024
Tennessee Tech BCM, Cookeville

Save The Dates!

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

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

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

War Room / Christian Bands / Youth Events / Testimonies

THE GREAT CHRISTIAN GATHERING

COYOTE RUN ARENA
4393 GAINESVILLE RD
MASON TN
SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 8, 2024

For more information contact:
Terry Hilliard 901.626.3367

Enjoy Freedom in Praise & Worship, Prayer, Fellowship!

From Our Director of Missions, Clay Gilbreath

Like it, love it, or hate it, social media is something we all have to contend with. I know you are aware that it is prevalent in our society and communities. Using social media as an outreach tool could be a great opportunity for your church, but many feel inadequate or ill-equipped to know what to do. I am so excited to offer you a workshop for this very purpose: to educate on how to use social media for the gospel. We will have representatives from the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board here at the BHBA office on Sept 19 who will explain how to get the most out of facebook, twitter or other platforms. See the front page of this Herald for details!

Here at BHBA, September and October are two busy months. On September 19th we have an important Board of Directors Meeting where we always hear from various committees and receive certain recommendations that will be presented at the Annual Meeting in October. Your church has two board members, your pastor and one other appointed church member. All board members are needed to represent each of our churches!

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It is a joy, a privilege, and a responsibility for us all as believers to strive together and stand fast together for the sake of the good news of the gospel. Thank you for standing and striving with your brothers and sisters throughout our association!

Annual reminder: Each church should elect your messengers to the Annual Meeting Oct 22 at Charleston Baptist Church. From our Constitution & Bylaws, here is how to determine how many messengers you may have:

Each church shall be entitled to six (6) messengers for the first one hundred (100) members or fraction thereof and one (1) additional messenger for each additional twenty-five (25) members, provided that no church shall be entitled to more than fifteen (15) messengers.

In addition to messengers, guests are always welcome at our Annual Meeting! Hope to see you then!

Monthly Budget \$ 14,294.17
Oct 2023-July 2024 Fiscal Yr Gifts \$ 138,087.46
Fiscal YTD Shortfall - \$ 4,854.24

Unrestricted Gifts	July 2024	Fiscal Year to Date Oct 2023 to July 2024
Ashport	0.00	0.00
Beaver	1,000.00	2000.00
Brighton	1,115.40	10,083.57
Calvary	990.00	6,901.00
Calvary Hill	125.00	1,625.00
Central	0.00	0.00
Charleston	557.10	7,196.08
Covington First	1,375.00	13,375.00
Cross View	0.00	0.00
Crossway Cowboy	0.00	200.00
Durhamville	1,098.00	4,978.00
Faith	0.00	7,499.97
Fellowship	726.92	6,381.38
First Indian	0.00	0.00
Forerunner	80.00	400.00
Fulton	0.00	0.00
Garland	500.00	5,000.00
Gateway	910.07	10,531.01
Genesis	0.00	0.00
Grace	741.77	5,860.66
Hope	225.00	2,250.00
Keeling	0.00	400.00
Liberty	408.00	4,080.00
Mason First	400.44	2,093.40
Mt. Lebanon	242.10	1,290.54
Munford	415.00	4,250.00
Oak Grove	0.00	4,444.32
Olive Branch	0.00	0.00
Pleasant Grove	2,286.00	10,955.00
Ripley First	583.33	5,833.30
Salem	0.00	532.11
Servant's Heart	75.00	300.00
Smyrna	334.20	3,534.17
Spirit Filled	100.00	1,000.00
Trinity	350.00	1,675.00
True Life	0.00	0.00
True Word	0.00	1,402.57
Victory	0.00	500.00
Walnut Grove	612.37	2,847.57
Western Valley	0.00	0.00
Woodlawn	0.00	1,000.00
TBMB	626.00	6,416.00
Other	150.00	1351.81
TOTAL	16,026.70	138,087.46



WMU News and Events: WMU Director, Diane Sorrell

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"Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well". ~ 1 Thessalonians 2:8

A new year has begun for WMU. The Leadership Team met and have a lot of great ideas for the upcoming year to share. Remember, the Leadership Team is here to assist in answering questions or help begin a Women's Ministry in your church. We have a mission plan and that is to do the Lord's Work as He has plans.

September 8-15: Week of Prayer for Tennessee State Missions & Golden Offering.

Theme: "All Things Tennessee". Scripture "Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." 1 Corinthians 13:7

Tuesday, September 10: WMU Quarterly Meeting at Pleasant Grove (4625 Hwy 59-South, Covington) at 6:30 am. Speaker: Patricia Henning, Head Start Assistant Program Director. Mission Action Project: Celebrate Christmas for Head Start Children (ages 1-5 years) of Tipton and Lauderdale Counties. There are 108 children that we want to bless. New Directories will be available at the meeting.

Tues. September 17: Collegiate Ministry at Dyersburg State Community College-Covington hosted by Covington-First.

September 21: Children's Missions Day 2024: Neighbors

October 6: Cooperative Program Sunday. Theme: *"Cooperation: We Are Better Together"*.

October 20: Day of Prayer for Associational Missions.

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

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September 2024 Calendar of Events

2		<p>BHBA Office Closed for Labor Day Holiday</p> <p>No Minister's Fellowship on this date.</p>
8-15		<p>The Week of Prayer for State Missions—GOTM</p> <p>GOLDEN OFFERING FOR TENNESSEE MISSIONS</p> <div style="text-align: center;">    Tennessee Baptist MISSION BOARD </div>
9	10:30 A.M.	<p>Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office</p> <p>Lunch to follow at a local restaurant.</p> <p>Speaker: Ronnie Tullos, Evangelist, Memphis</p>
10	6:30 P.M.	<p>WMU Quarterly Meeting, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Covington, TN / Mission Project: <u>Supplying Christmas gifts for Tipton and Lauderdale Head Start children</u> (*See page 4 for details.)</p>
16	10:30 A.M.	<p>Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office</p> <p>Lunch to follow at a local restaurant.</p> <p>Speaker: Danny Sinquefield, TBMB</p>
19	5:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.	<p>Social Media Seminar for churches / Location: BHBA Office</p> <p>Led by TBMB Specialists</p> <p><i>Please call the BHBA office to register at 901-476-6759.</i></p>
19	7:00 P.M.	<p>Big Hatchie Baptist Association Board of Directors Meeting</p> <p>Association Office, 1390 Hwy 51 N. Covington TN 38019</p>
23	10:30 A.M.	<p>Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office</p> <p>Lunch to follow at a local restaurant.</p> <p>Speaker: Jeff Gautney, Gateway Baptist Mission & Family Pastor</p>
30	10:30 A.M.	<p>Ministers Fellowship, BHBA Office</p> <p>Lunch to follow at a local restaurant.</p> <p>Speaker: Amy Simmons, Operation Christmas Child</p>



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Headstart Christmas List

- Dolls
- Trucks
- Action figures
- Puzzles
- Bubbles
- Drawing paper
- Coloring books
- Crayons/markers
- Playdough/slime
- Hats/gloves

Big Hatchie WMU Quarterly Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 10th

6:30pm

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church
4625 Hwy 59 S. Covington

The mission project:

supply Christmas gifts for Tipton and Lauderdale Head Start children. There are a total of 108 children currently enrolled, ages 1-5 years old. Head Start asks for age appropriate toys with a \$10 max value.

*Before you turn the page on **VBS 2024**, would you please take 60 seconds to report your VBS? We all need to be encouraged by how God has been at work through VBS this year!*

*It's quick and easy! All you have to do is go to <https://vbs.lifeway.com/church-report/> and fill in each of the required fields. **Please complete the report regardless of the curriculum used.** There is a space for you to list your curriculum publisher. This info helps us to better serve your church and to celebrate what God has done in Tennessee and around the world! We can't wait to share how many lives were changed for eternity through VBS 2024.*

"LOVE BEARS ALL THINGS, BELIEVES ALL THINGS, HOPES ALL THINGS, ENDURES ALL THINGS."
1 CORINTHIANS 13:7

ALL THINGS Tennessee

ANY WAY YOU SLICE IT...TENNESSEE IS A MISSION FIELD.

2024–25 State Missions Emphasis Theme:
All Things Tennessee

Theme Verse: "Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." 1 Corinthians 13:7

Statewide GOTM Goal: \$2,700,000
Challenge Goal: \$3,000,000

The 2024-25 Golden Offering begins on September 1, 2024 and ends on August 31, 2025.

Visit: GOLDENOFFERING.ORG