

The North Jefferson Baptist Association Newsletter

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The Missionary's Message

We are in the early time of fall when everyone is getting back to school and to the routine of things. It is also a time when people get through with vacations and traveling and become more regular in church attendance. Let us seize the opportunity to invite people to attend church with us... our neighbors, friends, and acquaintances. Be pro-active to get people under the preaching of the gospel! I'm thankful for the fact that our churches are evangelistic and disciple-making. For the majority of our people, it is a time of fellowship, praise, and worship that results in ministry and missions. When this does not happen—we need to look inward, within ourselves to ask what can I do to help my church become more the church God wants it to be. If we just play the blame game and say it is the fault of someone of something else, we do the church as a whole a disservice by not looking at our own failures first. Be humble and ask God how we can serve better.

The annual meeting will be upon us before we know it. It is at Republic Baptist Church this year on Monday, October 13th starting at 3 PM. It will be my last one as your Associational Missionary; and, hopefully, we will be introducing my successor to you at that time. Pray for this meeting.

~ Bro. Steve ~



Pastors' Conference

1—HOLIDAY

8—Rev. Tim Thompson

15—Rev. Percy Byrd

22—Dr. Herb Thomas

29—Rev. Greg Davis

Churches	Association Gifts		Cooperative Program Gifts	
	July 2025	YTD	July 2025	YTD
Beechwood	753.82	4,927.27	3,166.00	20,902.75
Black Creek	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Calcedonia	0.00	215.00	0.00	0.00
Castle Heights	100.00	600.00	0.00	0.00
Cedar Mount	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Central	0.00	3,600.00	2,100.00	4,200.00
Clay	32.00	243.00	0.00	0.00
Enon	2,500.00	15,000.00	8,437.50	50,625.00
Gardendale	1,625.00	11,375.00	0.00	0.00
Glennwood	100.00	700.00	100.00	700.00
Haig	0.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
High Point	0.00	1,666.64	0.00	1,624.98
Kimberly	50.00	350.00	0.00	0.00
Liberty	1,475.48	5,093.80	2,950.96	10,187.60
Mt. Olive	1,250.00	7,500.00	6,217.91	42,173.37
Mt. Pisgah	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mt. Zion	1,975.92	15,290.73	6,502.10	44,220.21
New Beginnings	100.00	700.00	0.00	0.00
North Gardendale	366.67	2,566.69	408.34	2,858.38
North Highland	500.00	3,500.00	100.00	700.00
Oak Grove	147.90	732.68	887.40	4,396.10
Partridge Cross	140.70	1,110.24	234.50	1,850.40
Pawnee	0.00	131.00	0.00	131.00
Pineywood	100.00	432.00	50.00	350.00
Republic	1,048.00	6,500.00	2,670.00	9,519.00
Sharon Heights	2,906.85	15,875.62	1,700.90	13,208.45
Smoke Rise	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trafford	100.00	700.00	100.00	700.00
Union Chapel	129.06	825.21	258.12	1,650.42
WaterStone	1,201.83	9,115.21	2,670.73	18,907.16
SBOM	235.00	1,175.00		
Totals	\$16,820.23	\$110,225.29	\$38,554.46	\$229,204.82

CARING Center News

Cyndi Calhoun, Director

When people face hunger, they often struggle to meet other basic needs as well. Paying their bills, or buying their medicine; clothes and shoes for their family or healthcare. The CARING Center is committed to more than providing food. With the support of some of our churches, we are able to assist with some utilities through our Good Samaritan Fund. Last year, we were able to provide financial assistance to 57 families.

Many families have benefitted from our clothes closet – thanks to so many of you who have contributed. Spiritual guidance is always available at the Center. We have wonderful volunteers who are there just to pray with those needing encouraging words. We always have bibles available to give – thanks again to all the churches that give us their used literature and bible study guides. We put them in our monthly food bags.

Currently we are feeding over 300 family members each month and our numbers grow every month. Thanks to our churches that continue to support the CARING Center food pantry. We could not operate without you!

So, we ask for your continued support and especially your prayers for our ministries!

If you would like to continue supporting the CARING Center, please send your tax-deductible gift designated for the CARING Center Fund to:

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3396 Mt Olive Road
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DISASTER RELIEF

Anyone interested in joining the Disaster Relief ministry, the 2026 training schedule is now available! Classes begin on March 14th. There is no charge for training. For more information and to register, go to alsbom.gm.org.

100 Oaks Ministry News

Rebekah Reach, Director

The backpack outreach was held on August 2nd. Many of the people that we served were new. The Holy Spirit was very present, loving on the families. We were able to share the gospel bilingually and every backpack included a New Testament and gospel card in Spanish. We will continue to give out backpacks as people need them. Please continue to pray for this special ministry within our association. God is working in amazing ways! For more information on the ministry, please contact the associational office @ 205.631.4126.



12 — Tim Thompson - Pastor, Glennwood
15 — Jimmy Moore - Pastor, Union Chapel
16 — Judy Mabry—Ministry Asst, Glennwood
16 — Billy Martin—Pastor, Haig
19 — Brandon West - Music Minister, North Highland
20 — Brian Rice - Children's Pastor, Enon

Happy Anniversary

Omitted last month		
Jacob Elliott	Aug 2019	Mt Zion
SEPTEMBER		
Darryl Jolley	2005	Mt Olive FBC
Brian Burdette	2013	Central
Betty Howell	2017	Pineywood
Callie Holcombe	2018	Pineywood
Zac Reno	2021	Enon



LOCAL Church Events

***Mount Zion Baptist Church.** Mount Zion Baptist Church's senior group, known as "The Amazing Grays" will travel to Kentucky to visit the Ark Encounter and creation museum on September 15-17th. **Jacob Elliott is the pastor.**

***Central Baptist Church.** Central Baptist Church will have a ladies brunch on Saturday, September 20th @10 am. All ladies are invited! The church will also be tailgating at the Gardendale Civic Center before the football game on September 26th at 5:30 pm. **Brian Burdette is the pastor.**

***Liberty Baptist Church.** The Liberty Baptist Church WMU will meet on September 2nd @ 7pm. All ladies are welcome. The churches 'Cookie' ministry for our schools and 'watering the band' for another football season starts in September. On Sunday, September 21st. **Luke Criss is the pastor.**

If you would like for your church events to be featured in the August edition of our newsletter, please email Dawn Grill at dawn@njba.net.

We would love for the community to know what special events you are having!

