

# **Primary Election Day**



# Important Election - PLEASE VOTE!

# Thursday, August 2, 2018

The primary election for state and federal offices (governor, senator, representatives) is Aug. 2nd.

All are important positions needing your attention and vote. For more information on the Governor's race, the Family Action Council of TN has provided a five minute interview with each of the candidates, both Democrat and Republican. Here is the website: <a href="https://tnvoterguide.org/">https://tnvoterguide.org/</a> Please take this opportunity to acquaint yourself with the candidates.

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And so much MORE!



It's finally here!!...the time to generously give to those in need! The Johnson City Baptist Center is in need of supplies for this year's celebration\*.

<u>School supplies</u> such as: glue, scissors, glue sticks, markers, tape, colored pencils, and mechanical pencils.

<u>Hygiene bags</u>: shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and toilet paper.

We also need <u>snacks</u> for the children and adult Bible studies, such as: Kool-Aid, CapriSun, wrapped snacks, mac/cheese, cookies, chips, crackers, peanut butter, tea, cups, plates, napkins, etc.

\*drop off site: HBA office

# CARNIVAL WORKERS MINISTRY

### **Needs:**

- Any Sweetened Cereal (Fruit Loops, etc.)
- " Honey Buns
- " Peanut Butter
- " Grape Jelly
- " Pre-sweetened Kool-Aid in canisters
- Little Debbie Cakes Snack size chips-Assorted
- " Bottled Water
- " Styrofoam Bowls, Plates and Cups (16oz. cups)
- " Toiletry Items
- Towels, Sheets, Blankets and Wash Cloths
- " Pillows
- "Jeans, Shorts, T-shirts, Socks, Tennis Shoes, Work Boots, Underwear, Hats, Ponchos
- " Black pants or shorts for work

Please contact Randy or Kay Scalf at 423-341-6239 regarding any of the following:

- \* Know a restaurant that would like to donate a breakfast or lunch?
  - \* Are you or your church interested in doing a cook out?





# JACOB'S WELL BOOTH



# August 20-25, 2018 @ Appalachian Fair

### **Needs:**

- volunteers to serve cold water (call to reserve a 2-hour time slot for your group
- 5-6 oz. cups to serve cold water
- Materials to use during your time slot: puppets, face paint, balloons to make animal balloons, etc. Nurses can do blood pressure screenings.

"But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18

It's so hard to believe that summer activities are coming to a close and school is gearing up to start. We have enjoyed the weeks of church mission teams leading us at the Johnson City Baptist Center. The days of VBS, Backyard Bible clubs, sports, and block parties have all helped to continue our purpose of sharing the love of Jesus with the children and families in our neighborhood.

Our work is ongoing with the resident house, even though much headway has been made in the remodeling. We are still looking for volunteers to complete the work before our new residents move in the middle of August.

To welcome the new couple as resident volunteers, we would like to ask you to help give them an old-fashioned "pounding". Just donate "a pound of this or a pound of that", (sugar, flour, canned goods, peanut butter, etc.) to help stock the pantry for Katie and A.J. This couple who will be ministering with us at the Baptist Center attends ETSU. The "pounding" would be a great blessing to help them get started in their ministry. Please deliver your pounding supplies to the Holston office.

### Please pray for:

- Volunteers and donations to complete construction.
- Children as they grow in learning about Jesus.
- The families who are facing difficulties.
- Katie and A.J. as they begin working with the JCBC and their "pounding".
- Christmas in August school supplies

Serving Christ Together, Anna Huggins Join the TBMB for their first annual Collegiate Day of Prayer!

"We are simply asking you to think of our ministry
and pray for us as school starts."

# **SUNDAY, AUGUST 12**COLLEGIATE DAY OF PRAYER



# COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

Spend time in prayer for campus ministers, college students, and university faculty.

# BEN BRAGS ON THE SAVIOR... WRITTEN BY: BEN PROFFITT

Nationwide, like churches, many Associations are struggling to re-purpose and retool in a changing culture and climate. For such a time as this, we must reinvent ourselves to increase our value to churches, intentionally developing more effective equipping resources, communications, collaboration, edification, etc.

Last year, SBC commissioned a nationwide study of Association Missions, and a wonderful analysis and booklet of recommendations was presented in Dallas recently. Holston has been working toward such strategic retooling for some time already, and I am so thankful that state and national entities are finally beginning to place as much emphasis on "Association Revitalization" as we have lately seen for "Church Revitalization."

TBC recently asked all TN DOM's whether each has a strategy, and if so, to write it down for them. You have heard me speak endlessly about prayer for Spiritual Awakening, the pursuit of holiness, practicing the spiritual disciplines, and plain-and-simple obedience and abiding in our First Love, etc. as the most basic posture necessary for God to initiate a mighty work through us. This is the essential foundation of our strategy. But we do have additional layers as well.

Among these is "Paradigm Next," which I have alluded to recently. In a nutshell, this is a simple disciple-making model for every leadership function in the local church. It can be effective whether simple and small, or large and complex...just make leadership disciples.

So let's talk about the next layer. We are currently writing high-expectation job descriptions for a dozen or so "Leadership Champions" – Senior Pastor, Bi-Vocational Pastor, Worship Leader, Ministers' Wives,



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Small Groups Leader, Deacon/Elder, Disciple-Maker, Spiritual Disciplines, Evangelism, Marriage/Family/Parenting Leader, Students, Missions/Community Impact, Compassion Ministries, Church Health/Strategy Planning, Trauma/Transition, Revitalization/Replanting, etc. – every church leadership role.

The potential development of additional (leadership role) sub-groups is essentially endless, but we hope to launch one of these networks every month or so in the coming year(s), kicked off with a conference on that leadership role, and connecting like-minded leaders across the counties from the start.

The next layer is where the action is. We propose that each Leadership Champion, for example, the leader for the Worship Leaders networks, would enlist two Worship Leaders in each of four counties, and those eight worship leaders would, in essence, become his discipleship small group. This group would gather regularly (monthly is the preference), iron sharpening iron, in-service training, mutual care, discovering and engaging resources, becoming "family," etc.

The two worship leaders in each respective county would then enlist their own discipleship small group, composed of all the worship leaders in their own county...and they would gather regularly to engage in the same iron sharpening iron, discovering and engaging resources, becoming family, etc.

All the worship leaders in the churches of each respective county would then do the same thing – develop disciples of worship, some in small groups, some individually, etc. Some would be Apprentice Worship Leaders, some would become small group leaders of specific aspects of worship, custom designing vision and methods, etc.

I have got to stop here, but wait 'til you hear the next layer, as all these groups start changing church cultures and we all start working in unity and partnerships!!! But that's for September...or my sermon at Annual Gathering, LOL.

Have you noticed the shortage of worship leaders in our churches? a shortage of musicians? a shortage of Spirit-filled worshipers in the pews? We can do some intentional things to address such.

We can raise the bar so much higher – in EVERY LEADERSHIP ROLE IN EVERY CHURCH. We can place ourselves in a posture that causes God to want to pour out Spiritual Awakening in us and through us!







Reverend Frank Proffitt died after his courageous battle with cancer on July 1, 2018 in Jonesborough, Tennessee at the age of 85.

Frank served the following churches over a career of 53 years: Flag Pond Baptist; Fordtown Baptist; Director of Missions, Lawrence County, TN; Director of Missions, Sevier County, TN; First Baptist Erwin; First Baptist Greenville; Ninth Street Baptist; Clear Branch Baptist; First Baptist Baileyton; Oak Dale Baptist. He was an active member of Trinity Baptist Church.

# SPECIAL 'ACTS OF KINDNESS'





Pastor Craig Ponder and the congregation of New Salem Baptist in Limestone recently welcomed members of the **Acts of Kindness (AOK) Biker's Fellowship** out of Atlanta, Georgia, under the leadership of Randy Dodd.

On Sunday July 15th, Dan Arsenault taught a combined Sunday School Class on the subject of the Trustworthiness of the New Testament and then concluded the teaching during the Sunday evening service. (To listen to the teachings of Bro. Dan, visit his YouTube channel entitled "Church For Skeptics".) Brian Cunningham and Joe Watkins lead praise and worship in both services with Brian delivering a stirring arrangement of "Blessed Assurance" on the trumpet.



Then on Monday the entire team visited the home of one of New Salem's members where they built a new back-door deck, cleaned gutters, trimmed hedges, and other yard work.



# CHEROKEE BAPTIST CHURCH (143 MAYBERRY RD. JONESBOROUGH, TN)

will observe their <u>235TH ANNIVERSARY AND HOMECOMING</u> SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9,

2018 at 10 AM. The singing group *SANCTIFIED* will sing at the 10 O'CLOCK hour and special music during the morning worship. Our Guest Speaker will be BROTHER MARK SIROIS. Following these two services, you are invited to join us for DINNER on the grounds at the PICNIC PAVILION at NOON!

As part of this celebration CHRISTIAN ELIZABETH TRIVETTE (VOCALIST) will be in Concert SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 2018 AT 11 PM

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!



Welcome Bill Murray as new pastor to Greenwood Baptist Church, along with his wife, Kristi and their two daughters, Morgan and Mallory.

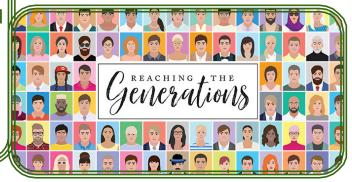
# **Regional Discipleship Conference**

August 28 @ Chinquapin Grove - 6PM

\* Reaching the Generations

Practical Helps for Leaders and Teachers

<sup>t</sup> Plenary Sessions and Breakouts on GenZ, Millennials, Busters and Boomers





LOOKING FOR A **Piano**? JUNE K PADGETT FROM

Minth Street Baptist IN ERWIN HAS A PIANO AND BENCH AVAILABLE FOR A SMALL CHURCH OR FAMILY. YOU'LL NEED TO HAVE A WAY TO PICK IT UP; NO DELIVERY AVAILABLE IF INTERESTED. PLEASE CALL JUNE AT 423-341-0107



# Central Baptist Church (JC)

is looking for a Preschool and Children's Minister. If you you are interested, please go to our website for qualifications and responsibilities.

www.cbcjc.faith

### Cherry Grove Baptist Church

is seeking a full time **Music/Childrens Minister**. The Music/Children's Minister will be responsible for planning, organizing, conducting and evaluating a comprehensive music ministry, and managing, overseeing and directing all aspects of the children's ministry (birth through sixth grade). Contact us at 423-753-2033, fax 423-753-0905 or email cherrygrovesec@hotmail.com with resume and salary requirements.

### OAK GROVE

is looking for a **bi-vocational** worship leader.

Please contact Rev. Sherrel Nave at 423-483-8269

## Mountain View Baptist Church

in Johnson City needs part-time **office help**. Applicant should be proficient in MS Office, Snapchat, Facebook and Instagram.

Please send resume to <a href="mailto:sandy@mtnviewbaptist.com">sandy@mtnviewbaptist.com</a>

# First Baptist Church of Jonesborough

is prayerfully seeking a **Pastor**. Interested, experienced candidates must have a degree from an accredited Southern Baptist Seminary. Candidate must also have a heart for working with a church that needs development and direction in growth. Send resume and sermon link or CD to Pastor Search Committee, First Baptist Church, 201 E. Main St. Jonesborough, TN 37659



# August 17th

• David Crockett High School Tailgate Service at 6:00PM

# August 18th

- Cherry Grove Baptist Church 104 Cherry Grove Rd, Jonesborough.
- 5:00PM-7:00PM Kickball, Basketball, Volleyball Tournament, Free Food & Drinks.
- Service at 7:00PM





MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018 Knoxville association of Baptists

7709 Westland Drive, Knoxville, TN

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2018

HOLSTON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 207 University Parkway, Johnson City, TN

Open to churches of all sizes & denominations

### **SESSIONS INCLUDE**

MissionMap® Strategy Planning
On-site Architectural Masterplanning
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### SPEAKERS INCLUDE

Gary Nicholson AIA

Principal, Gary Nicholson Architecture

Steve Newton AIA

Principal, Cornerstone Collaborative

John Burke PhD

CEO, Rethink Ministry

Chris Kelly

Vice President, TN Baptist Foundation

### FOR MORE INFO

Contact John Burke

### 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

FEE INCLUDES MATERIALS & BOX LUNCH

REREGISTRATION THRU JULY 31, 2018

\$35.00 per person\* or \$150.00 per church (up to 5 from same church)

\*BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2018

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# INSIGHTS FOR GROWTH

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### Good day friends!

I am purposefully keeping my article brief this month but that does not mean it is not important. As a matter of fact, the link I am resourcing in my article is an incredibly valuable tool that each church should download and use. Vital Signs of a Healthy Church is a 7-part survey your ministry can use to assist you in determining the areas that need the most attention. I would ask that you print off the document, complete the survey and contact me regarding the results. I will be more than happy to meet with you to interpret these results and assist you in developing a strategy that will turn these areas around. This is the link

http://media.mobaptist.org/public/church-revitalization/vital-signs-new/smh-assessment-all-color(rev1).pdf and look forward to speaking with you soon!

Also, I wanted to pass along a post by Thom Ranier, President of LifeWay. The title is: Top Ten Ways Churches Drive Away First Time Guests. You may find yourself saying "Ouch" on a few of these!

- 1. Having a "stand up and greet one another" time in the worship service.
- 2. Unfriendly church members.
- 3. Unsafe and unclean children's areas
- 4. No place to get information.
- 5. Bad church website.
- 6. Poor signage.
- 7. Insider church language
- 8. Boring or bad service.
- 9. Members telling guests that they are in their seat or pew!
- 10. Dirty facilities

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

# AUGUST'

- 12 Carnival Workers Ministry Begins
- 15-18 Raceway Ministries
- 17-18 Compel, Cherry Grove
- 20-25 Jacob's Well Ministry
- 28 Discipleship Conference @ Chinquapin Grove 6:30PM

# SEPTEMBER

- 3 LABOR DAY HBA Office Closed
- 11 Ministry Team Meeting @ HBA 8:30AM
- 18 Executive Board Meeting @ HBA 10:00AM
- 26 Hospital Ministry Luncheon @ HBA noon

# **OCTOBER**

23 - ANNUAL MEETING!





# September 14-15, 2018 Replicate Disciplemaking Training

How to be a Disciple who Makes Disciples

Boone Trail Baptist Church 1985 Carroll Creek Rd. Johnson City, TN 37615

Replicate is a ministry helping local churches make disciples who make disciple-makers. Robby Gallaty began this ministry and has continued it in his current setting as pastor of Long Hollow Baptist Church in Hendersonville, TN. Todd Cox, Men's Pastor at Long Hollow, will lead us in the training.

The cost is only \$10 per person with dinner provided Friday evening and light continental breakfast offerings on Saturday morning (the conference will conclude by lunchtime on Saturday).

Please gather a team from your church and join us. Register by going to <a href="www.boonetrail.net">www.boonetrail.net</a>, calling the church office at 282-1341, or emailing <a href="mailing-djenkins@boonetrail.net">djenkins@boonetrail.net</a>.



# What's New?

### COMING SOON TO OUR WEBSITE!

A <u>list of resources</u> available from our Library—we have great studies available for your church to check out and use in your small groups or Sunday schools. Don't buy new material without checking with us first!

Job Postings—if you are a church looking for a pastor, worship leader, youth minister, etc, we will help you get the word out by making that information available to our web-guests. Simply email Claudia (claudia@holstonbaptists.org) with your post and the best way for interested candidates to contact you, and we will post it on our site! All we ask is that you please let us know as soon as the position has been filled.

Church Swap! They say one man's trash is another man's treasure! If your church is upgrading...anything! - if your "used" items are still in great shape, we will list it on our site for a few weeks—if another church is in need of what you have, (or maybe they do missions in other countries that could benefit from your used microphones, sound systems, etc) you can work out how to connect and pick it up. The idea is to bless our churches, so we ask that you consider only giving good quality items, and that it be a donation (no sales). Ideas: desks, office equipment, computers, sound systems (cords, mics, stands, etc), instruments, chairs, benches, etc.

# WANT TO INCLUDE SOMETHING IN THE MESSENGER?

We now have a Submission/Approval deadline! To submit your information for September 2018, please email <a href="mailto:claudia@holstonbaptists.org">claudia@holstonbaptists.org</a> by the deadline: Monday, August 27th. Please be aware we <a href="mailto:will not">will not</a> be accepting submissions <a href="mailto:after">after</a> this date. This will help us get The Messenger into your hands as soon as possible. Thank you!



# Office Hours Monday thru Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm\* 423.929.1196

\*On Wednesday mornings we will not be available to answer phones

due to our weekly staff meetings

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