

Baptist Center News

Special note from Sheila.....

I cannot put into words how much it has meant to me to be able to serve at the Baptist Center for almost 15 years. I have experienced so many blessings over the years. None of which would have happened without your support and prayers. From the bottom of my heart, I deeply appreciate each of you.

Don't miss out on the Ladies Day Bible Study led by Nada McDonough. The next sessions begin on Thursday, March 5, 10:00 AM at the Center.

It will be Beth Moore's *Beloved Disciple*.

Thank you for your quick response to our need for food at the center. The shelves went from bare to overflowing! We do give out boxes year-round & appreciate all that you give us continually, as well.

God Bless You,
Sheila

Have you signed your children and youth up for summer camp at Schafer? Forms are available at the Baptist Building.



Save the day...
Workday at
Camp Schafer

April 18

Stay tuned for details

Don Spencer, Director of KBC Church Financial Benefits Department, will be with us on Thursday, April 2.

For: Ministers, Treasurers, Church Employees, regarding retirement

Call Leslie for more info and to schedule time with Don.

NOTE: Church Retirement Plan Participants will need to bring a copy of their most recent statement OR know how to access their account online.

Congratulations to Sheila Cobb on her retirement, effective February 29

Thank you for your service!

2020 Executive Board Meeting Schedule

March 9	Sacramento
May 11	Bellevue
July 13	Calhoun
September 14	Panther Creek

Meal is at 6:15 PM and the Meeting begins at 7:00 PM

Nathan's Notions.....

As the weather starts to warm during March and April our minds begin to catch fire of all the things we want to do. We have Spring cleaning in the house that we must address, yard work that must take place, and a thousand other little things to do that we put off until it got warmer. I ask you to consider one more thing to do: make sure you commit your life to the Lord. Why? I'm so glad you asked!

When we commit our lives to the Lord we experience so many blessings; many of which appear in Psalm 119:1-24. We can live a life involving purity of heart that can bring so much peace as we practice integrity of heart (vv.1-2, 10, 20), and diligently seek to please the Lord (vv. 3-4, 17). We can experience the blessing of salvation from evil as we commit our lives to Lord; from the evils of sin (vv. 11, 22), shame (v. 6), and condemnation (v. 21).

We can experience the blessing of sacred joy (vv. 14, 24) as we live our lives for the Lord. The joy of staying steadfast in our walk with God (vv.5-9), the joy of an open mind for which God to fill with His presence (vv. 18-19), the joy of effort in kingdom work (v.16), the joy of time with God in prayer (vv. 15, 23), and the joy of learning and teaching (vv. 12-13).

Have you committed your life to the Lord? This Spring make sure that with all the other things you must do, you do not neglect this one thing: making the Lord Jesus Christ primary in all of your decisions and actions. Spend some time in prayer asking Him to reveal to you how you can fully commit your life to the Lord. Listen to what He tells you, and then act on it immediately. Rick Warren once said, "delayed obedience is disobedience." Let's do this together as an association and watch to see what God calls us to do and accomplish for His glory!

As of February 9th, I have had the privilege to attend twelve of our great churches in the Daviess-McLean Baptist Association; preaching at Maceo Baptist and Calhoun Baptist, attending the ordination service of David Hall at Hopewell Baptist Church, and speaking at missions night at Eaton Memorial Baptist. I intend to visit every church every year, and to serve in any way I can to help churches heal, grow, and thrive in kingdom work. Please let me know how I can assist you, and I will do my very best to help.

Dr. Nathan A. Whisnant

***DMBA Executive Board Meeting
January 13, 2020
Living Faith Baptist Church
Randy Bratcher, 1st Vice Moderator***

Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order by Randy Bratcher. Steve Kibbons welcomed everyone, read from Eph. 4 and opened with a prayer. Larry Birkhead shared a couple of prayer request for the Norma Ward family with her passing away and Carson Bevil who has had a stroke.

Members and guests were encouraged to sign in.

Recognition of New Staff and Board Members: Lewis Lane Baptist announced their Pastor Shan Taylor. Nathan Whisnant, our new AMS was also introduced.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Board Meetings: The Minutes were approved upon a motion from Dennis McFadden and a second from Shea Hicks.

Finance Committee Report: Farrell Isenberg presented the finance report. The report was approved. Farrell also expressed appreciation for the prayers for his wife and his family.

AMS Report: Nathan began the first of January and has been very active in meeting pastors and learning of the work of the churches. He will be moving February 7, to Owensboro. If you need his assistance, please call the office.

Ministry Reports:

KY Changers 2020: Chad Rafferty shared that the date of June 13-19, is the scheduled time for KY Changers to come to Daviess & McLean counties. Churches will be needed for hosting groups. He introduced the coordinators and shared about opportunities for churches to be involved. Please contact him with any questions.

Camp Schafer: Cortney Brown reported they camp had 8 Fall Retreats. Six weeks of Camps are scheduled for 2020. Tim and Cortney are setting up a booth to promote the camp at Conclave, a youth convention in Chattanooga, TN. The annual workday will be announced soon. The new fees for the camp and rental of camp is attached to the report that was handed out at the board meeting. Please call if you need any assistance and they would love to speak at your church about the Camp.

WMU Report: Cathy Chinn reported about the success of the National Day of Prayer. If your church needs help getting your mission program going, just call.

Old Business – None.

New Business- George Chinn presented a motion from the AMS Search committee to approve the Housing allowance for Nathan Whisnant. This Motion passed.

Cortney Brown Presented 3 motions from The Camp Development Committee;

1. The Schafer Camp Endowment Fund and Camp Schafer Building Fund be combined and renamed, The Schafer Camp Emergency and Repair Fund. This Motion Passed.
2. Motion Concerning the Schafer Camp Emergency and Repair Fund. Schafer Camp Administrator in collaborations with the Camp Schafer Development Committee, The DMBA Trustees and AMS may spend up to \$3,500 for each repair using the Schafer Camp Emergency Repair Fund and may spend an unrestricted amount for emergency purchases (AC unit, furnace, water heater, etc.) while leaving a \$5,000 minimum balance. Requests for withdrawal of invested funds from the Kentucky Baptist Foundation (KBF) for said usage are to be deposited into the Dan Hughes Memorial Fund for payment to the vendor. This Motion passed.
3. The Dan Hughes Memorial Fund gives churches and individuals an account to contribute for unbudgeted needs at Camp Schafer. A minimum balance of \$1,000 must be left in this fund. This Motion Passed.

Trustees: Chad Rafferty gave an update of the Baptist Building repairs. He also reported that they are receiving bids for the 2020 Mowing Season for the Camp. This will give the committee time to evaluate the hiring of the grounds keeper.

Jerry Carter gave a report about the Christmas For Kids for the Jail Ministry. He also encouraged the use of the Travis Estate Fund that would be of help for prescription medicine and healthcare. Please call the office for further information.

Correspondence to the Executive Board- None.

Adjourn- The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Wendell Wood and a second from Marshal Hatfield. Charles Thomas closed with a prayer.

Next Executive Board Meeting
March 9, 2020
Sacramento Baptist Church

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Webb, Associational Clerk

2019 Assoc. Annual Minutes are at the Baptist Building. There are 2 copies per church available.

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March

1 – 8 Week of Prayer for North American Missions & Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

8 – Daylight Savings Time Begins

9 – Executive Board Meeting @ Sacramento Baptist

April

2 – Don Spencer @ Baptist Building

10 – Good Friday - Office Closed

12 - Easter

May

10 – Mother's Day

11 – Executive Board Meeting – Bellevue

17 – 24 Associational Mission Emphasis Week

25 – Memorial Day – Office Closed



Kentucky Changers
Owensboro Project
June 13 – 19

Host churches and other volunteers are still needed. Call the office for more info and to sign your church up.

270-684-2377

Beginning soon, Prayergrams will be emailed out for this project.

In case of inclement weather, the association closes the office if the Owensboro City Schools close. AND, if it is a board meeting night and not in the Owensboro area, an email will go out pertaining to whether or not the meeting will go on. It will also be announced on our Facebook page.