



The Newsletter of Maury Baptist Association, Inc.

“Restoring Lives - One At A Time”

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Growing up, I remember every year that my parents made a special effort to be at our home on Christmas morning but that afternoon, we usually began a busy two-day road trip. First, off to see one set of grandparents that evening and then the other set on December 26 (which happened to be my birthday). The memories were mostly positive but I always dreaded that ride home late in the evening on my birthday. Today, that two-hour ride home is nothing but to me as a young child, it seemed forever.

When Kim and I became parents, we made a special effort to be home on Christmas day as much as possible. Home was and still is such a special place for us. We formed our memories there. We raised our children there. We remembered our past and made plans for the future there. Nothing like sitting around the fireplace after telling the Christmas story, opening presents, and enjoying a great meal together.

But what happens when your home is destroyed by a storm? I realize this statement is quite abrupt and changes the mood drastically. Similarly, no one planned for Hurricanes Harvey, Florence, Michael, and Typhoon Yutu to disrupt their lives as so many abruptly discovered but nonetheless, it happened.

MBA has had the privilege of responding in recent days to these unplanned disruptions of lives.

In late October, we responded to the aftermath of Hurricane Michael by sending a chainsaw team to Albany, Georgia.

In November, I was privileged to join a team of specially trained volunteers through Samaritan's Purse as we deployed to the Pacific Islands of Saipan and Tinian in response to Typhoon Yutu (Category 5). Nearly every home was hit; almost every roof blown away and everyone was without clean water and electricity. We distributed tarps for roofs, emergency lights, generators and water filters. We shared the Gospel with everyone who came to our distributions. It sometimes felt like trying to fill the ocean with a thimble but nonetheless, God intervened and without exception, we were received with gracious smiles and thankful hearts.

December 7-15 a team will be deploying to Pearland, Texas (Houston area) to help rebuild homes damaged during Hurricane Harvey.

Additionally, On December 6, a small team helped build a wheelchair ramp in the Leipers Fork area for a needy family through a partnership with Tucker's House ministries.

Our theme this year, Restoring Lives – One at a Time, certainly applies to the above examples. We do what we can to help those in need physically, mentally, and spiritually as we exemplify the Gospel in both word and deed.

Isn't that what we're here for anyway?

Blessings and Merry Christmas!

Bro. Dale

Pulpit Supply List:

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Church News



Churches without Pastors:

Cross Bridges &
Highland Park

Hampshire Baptist Church

Organist needed to join the worship team
Contact Pastor Dustin Laster for details.

931-446-6198

Riverview Baptist Church

Columbia TN seeks a Youth Director...If interested pray about it and if God leads you...
please send resume to jtlaws01@charter.net or mail to:

Youth Committee
2978 Fly Road
Santa Fe TN 38482

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL MINISTRIES....

Discipleship House—Under new management - Craft Memorial Methodist Church partnering with Discipleship House for the next year. - Walter & Betty Clot— 931-379-9609

Family Center—In need of Hygiene Products, Laundry Detergent, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Blankets, Socks, Peanut Butter, Canned Goods, etc.

Maury Chaplain Ministries—Contact Marie Cline at maurychaplainministriestn@gmail.com —Need women and men to minister to inmates.

Maury United Ministries (MUMS)—Contact Randy Nichols MUMs needs couples who can volunteer just one morning or afternoon, per month! You drive your own car and help others get to work and back, or to the grocery store, or to the doctor, etc. Randy schedules all the rides and is in contact with you, by cell phone, while you're driving!

MUMs also needs mentors who can to donate one hour per week for 13 weeks to help local citizens overcome PayDay Loan debt! MUMs will provide training and alongside assistance throughout the process!

Call Randy at 931-626-2611 or visit www.mauryunited.org for more information!

Pregnancy Centers of Middle Tennessee—Needs for both the Columbia and Spring Hill locations are for Diapers (Size 4 & 5) and Baby Shampoo, Wash and Lotion, Sunscreen and Baby Wipes. Contact Kathy Cook or Stephanie Stanfill—931-381-4024. www.pcofmt.org



2019 Church Prayer Calendar

January 27, 2019 - Pleasant Heights - Rev. John Mark Harris

February 3, 2019 - Primera Iglesia Hispana - Rev. Gustavo Castillo

February 10, 2019 - Riverview - Rev. David Buffaloe

February 17, 2019 - Rock Springs - Rev. Richard VanCleave

February 24, 2019 - Santa Fe - Rev. Brian Talley

March 3, 2019 - Southside - Rev. Matt Beard

March 10, 2019 - Spring Hill First - Rev. J.C. Christian

March 17, 2019 - The Church @ Spring Hill - Rev. Jess Rainer

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**MBA Office will be closed
December 24th - January 1st.**



**Merry
Christmas**