

The Newsletter of Maury Baptist Association, Inc.

## “Serving Together”

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In just a few days, we celebrate the birth of our Savior. It’s always such a joyful and festive time of year for our family. In fact, for the first time ever, we have TWO trees up in our house. I had bought a small live tree thinking we’d lessen the decorating task before us but my dear wife was inspired and we put up the large artificial tree as well. I must say, it does make the house very warm and inviting.

I just returned from West Virginia this past week where we had a small team building and repairing homes from the floods back in June. With the floods in Louisiana, the hurricane up the east coast, and now the devastating fires we had in Sevier County, TN we have almost forgotten that numerous people lost their lives and even more lost everything across 44 counties in West Virginia.

I’m heading over to Gatlinburg this week to work as an assessor and chaplain with our TBC Disaster Relief teams. Not sure what will transpire but God’s word tells us to help those in need and who are hurting.

As we sit around the family dinner table and open presents this Christmas in our “warm and inviting homes” let’s take time to remember and pray for those who are hurting having lost everything in these recent disasters. Let’s especially remember those who have empty places at their dinner table in the years to come as well.

I expect we’ll have need for trained Disaster Relief volunteers after the holidays so if you have some time, please contact the MBA office and let us know of your availability.

Merry Christmas

**Bro. Dale**

### **Pulpit Supply List:**

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John Boyle	615-302-0801
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Michael Burgett	931-379-7698
John Caldwell	931-374-0229
Walter Clot	931-381-2191
Gary Cowen	931-486-0839
Ron Gleaves	615-624-0987
Danny Grooms	931 334 4404
Thomas Hagerty	615-591-1816
Randy Harness	931-797-8458
Mark Heslep	931-824-3301
Robin Jackson	931-334-7202
Roger Kennedy	931-363-3037
Matthew Lemay	931-540-0923
Michael Lawler	931-982-1843
Dennis Lewis	931-964-4946
James Moore	931-334-6322
Allen Moseley	931-490-0778
Randy Nichols	931-626-6867
Bruce Peltier	931-682-3017
Jerry Price	615-714-6779
Kevin Roe	931-446-2944
Ezell Rose	931-388-7513
Timothy Scott	931-638-7201
Thomas Smith	615-790-9523
Jack Taylor	931-379-9438
Bob Vassar	931-380-3649
Mike Washington	615-310-9988
Guy Yeager	931-201-3056

### **NEEDED**

West End Baptist Church is seeking to hire a **PT Children's Ministry Director**. Information about the position and how to submit a resume can be found on our website: [http://www.webccolumbia.org./](http://www.webccolumbia.org/)

**Organist needed to join the worship team at Hampshire Baptist Church.**

Contact Pastor Dustin Laster for details. 931-446-6198

**Cross Bridges Baptist Church** in need of a Part-Time Music Minister...

Call Dwayne Crumley at 256-320-5778 if interested

### **YOUTH DIRECTOR NEEDED**

**Riverview Baptist Church** in Columbia TN seeks a Youth Director...If interested pray about it and if God leads you... please send resume to [jtlaws01@charter.net](mailto:jtlaws01@charter.net) or mail to:

Youth Committee

2978 Fly Road

Santa Fe TN 38482

## GAITS TO HEAVEN SUMMER REVIEW 2016

We left Tennessee on May 26<sup>th</sup> for the Pine Ridge Reservation in SD. The next two weeks we had Horse & Bible Camps in the day and Women's Bible Study in the evenings. It was a record attendance of 85+ the first week. I am afraid our Team was unprepared for such a large number as usually we prepare for 40-50. Praising God for all they did and the Kingdom work we accomplished! Our Teams were from Pleasant Heights Baptist Church in Columbia, TN and Salem Springs Baptist Church of Elkmont, Alabama.

Bonnie and I left Pine Ridge when the last camp was over and headed to Hard Rock Arizona on the Navajo Nation about a day and a half drive. We picked up our other 2 other team members at the Albuquerque airport.

Hard Rock is a very unique mission in the heart of the Nation. Surrounded by sheep ranches we spent 4 nights there with NO locks on our doors. We had TREMENDOUS response from the women for our Riding Free program – Victory Over the Past. This is about healing from our past hurts. Here is what some of the women said: “I been running it feels like from my problems. But today I know I have things I need to change in my own lifestyle. I found the teaching very powerful.” “I like how you suggested to stand in front of the mirror and say some verses, especially when dealing with anger.” “Thank you! You have helped me to see myself in so many ways. Thank you Jesus for sending these ladies.” “I thank you for this ministry. I was struggling with a lot of things that were covered today.” We had 2 afternoons of a family horse program with my Pastor friend, Mike Hudson. On Monday one of the husbands thanked us in front of everyone for how much we had helped his wife! He also said we challenged him to do something for the men of his community. We had ONE 60 yr old traditional Navajo woman make a first time profession of faith in Jesus! We then moved the hour and a half to FBC Tuba City where we presented our Women's program on Saturday with equal success. Most of the women had never attended a women's program before! What an honor and privilege it is to carry His Healing Word to them. I arrived home late June 21 with a full blown case of the Shingles! The first doctor who saw me said it was the worst she had ever seen. The enemy does not like our taking back The Sheep and pushing him out of God's territory!

Plans are for me to leave TN on Sept 7 for Deadwood, SD as I will be the speaker for the Native American Women's Conference Sept 9-11. I will go from there to the Pine Ridge Reservation for 2 weeks of ministry.

This is our SEVENTH Year of ministry with our First Nations people. We have now provided ministry on 8 reservations and have been invited to a 9<sup>th</sup> for next year. Thank you for helping to make ALL this possible through your prayers, participation and financial support!

Ride with Jesus!

Linda Grajewski— Gaits to Heaven—931-334-4399 - [www.gaitstoheaven.org](http://www.gaitstoheaven.org)

# CONCLAVE

**JANUARY 26-28, 2017  
CHATTANOOGA, TN**

**YMCONCLAVE.ORG**

Questions? Contact Kasey Van Horne at (800) 558-2090 X 7905

Late fees of \$50 will be applied after January 6, 2017.

ALL Conclave Exhibitors are required to turn in a signed copy of the Rules and Regulations form for your registration to be complete. Scan and email to [kvanhorne@tnbaptist.org](mailto:kvanhorne@tnbaptist.org) or fax to Attn: Conclave (615) 371-2014.

All ads are due January 6 to have time to be printed in the Conclave program.

Contact Bruce Edwards ([bedwards@tnbaptist.org](mailto:bedwards@tnbaptist.org)) or visit <http://www.ymconclave.org> for further information.

***SUPPORT OUR LOCAL MINISTRIES....***

**Discipleship House**—Contact Walter & Betty Clot— 931-379-9609— Shepherds are needed—training available.

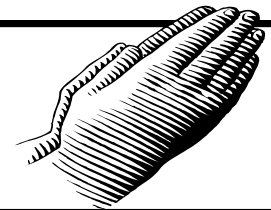
**Family Center**—In need of Hygiene Products, Laundry Detergent, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Blankets, Socks, Peanut Butter, Canned Goods, etc.

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

**Maury United Ministries**—Contact Randy Nichols—931-626-6867—Maury United Ministries needs people who will drive those who do not have transportation to work and other important errands. Visit [www.mauryunited.org](http://www.mauryunited.org) for more information.

**Pregnancy Centers of Middle Tennessee**—Needs for both the Columbia and Spring Hill locations are for Large size diapers (4,5 & 6) and Baby shampoo, wash and lotion. Contact Victoria Koloff —931-381-4024. [www.pcofmt.org](http://www.pcofmt.org)

**2016—2017 Church Prayer Calendar**



**December 18th— Mooresville Pike—Rev. Steven Heard**

**December 25th— Mooresville—Rev. Bob Rush**

**January 1st —Mt. Pleasant FBC—Rev. Frank Webb**

**January 8th —New Life Baptist—Rev. Chad Roland**

**January 15th—New Song Baptist—Rev. Peter Sierson**

**January 22nd—Northside Baptist—Rev. Matt Travers**

**January 29th —Pleasant Heights Baptist—Rev. John Mark Harris**

**February 5th—Riverview Baptist—Rev. David Buffaloe**

**February 12th—Rock Springs Baptist—Rev. Richard Vancleave**

## 2017 EXECUTIVE BOARD

**January 16th**—Knob Creek Baptist Church—6PM Fellowship Meal / 7PM Meeting

**March 20th**—VBS PREVIEW—Highland Park Baptist Church—6pm

**April**—Need Host Church

**July**—Need Host Church

**October 24, 2017**

**95th Annual Meeting**  
**Riverview Baptist Church**  
**798 Santa Fe Pike**  
**Columbia, TN**

**5:30—6:15** Fellowship Meal with Pastors, Executive Board Members and Messengers.

**6:15—6:45** Business Meeting

**7pm** Corporate Worship with Special Guest Speaker—Rev. Richard VanCleave, Pastor from Rock Springs, Baptist Church—**EVERYONE INVITED**

**December 1st** —Christmas Fellowship Banquet - Location TBA

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: Have any church news or event you want to share? Please email the  
: information you need posted by the 10th of each month. Send the information  
: to [rosemary@maurybaptist.org](mailto:rosemary@maurybaptist.org) and we will be happy to help get the  
: information out to our members.... Email to [rosemary@maurybaptist.org](mailto:rosemary@maurybaptist.org)  
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# EAST TN FIRES RELIEF FUND

Financial Contributions are currently being accepted for the following designations.

East TN Fires Relief Fund (These funds will be used in the response to 2016 fires in East Tennessee, including Gatlinburg, consistent with the TN Disaster Relief Gift Policy.)

2016 Hurricane/Tropical Storms Fund (These funds will be used in the response to 2016 hurricanes & tropical storms, including Haiti, consistent with the TN Disaster Relief Gift Policy.)

2016 Louisiana Flooding Fund (These funds will be used in the response to the 2016 flooding in Louisiana, consistent with the TN Disaster Relief Gift Policy.)

General Disaster Relief (These funds will be used for DR equipment and otherwise keep the TBC Disaster Relief Ministry equipped and prepared for the next disaster.)

Missions Mobilization Center Fund (These funds will be used in the maintenance of the Tennessee Baptist Missions Mobilization Center.)

Mail a Check

Send your check, made payable to the Tennessee Baptist Convention, to:

**TN Baptist Disaster Relief**  
**PO Box 728**  
**Brentwood, TN 37024**

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