

Mission opportunities are around us every day. It could be as simple as running an errand for a neighbor or cutting someone's grass for them. Sunday I found out that the ladies at High Point are in the process of making quilts for all the children at the TN Baptist Children's Home in Chattanooga. This will give each child a quilt that they can take with them when they leave the Children's Home and remind them that a group of ladies cared about them. Mission trips are also fantastic opportunities as they help spread the news about Jesus Christ. The Golden State Mission Offering is a great way to give money as it is specifically for missions in the state of Tennessee. The money is used to assist struggling churches, start new churches, and have summer mission opportunities. What is your church doing? Let me know! Mission Opportunities: The Children's Home is in need of food items to feed the kids this summer while school is out as they will be serving three meals a day instead of just two. Also, remember to save Box Tops for our schools. Thank you for all you do!

Tennessee Baptist Adult Homes
Father's Day Offering
 2015 Goal: \$350,000
www.tnbaptisthomes.org/FDO.html



Thank you so much for your generous donations of water bottles, ice, salvation bracelets, money, and time to the TVBA Strawberry Festival Ministry and Outreach. Over the course of two days, we were able to show Christ's love on behalf of our churches and the association by giving away 1,700 bottles of water to festival attendees – by far the most we have ever distributed! We sincerely appreciate your partnership and willingness to give in this endeavor as you helped in making a powerful impact on festival goers in Jesus' name. Thank you!

June Birthdays
 9th Mike Breeden, Garrison
 24th Bob Schafer, Cranmore Cove

June Wedding Anniversaries
 1st Milton and Judy Knox, Dayton First
 9th Dan and Mary Mouw, Union Fork
 10th Herman and Jeanine Fox, Grandview
 15th Jerry and Karen Levengood, Walden's Ridge




Upcoming Dates to Remember

- 6/13 SBC Crossover, Columbus, Ohio
- 6/14-15 SBC Pastors Conference, Columbus, Ohio
- 6/16-17 SBC Annual Meeting, Columbus, Ohio
- 6/20-21 The Main Event, LifeWay Conf. for Men, Nashville
- 6/21 SBC Baptist Men's Emphasis Day
- 6/21 Father's Day, Offering for TBAH
- 6/28 SBC Mission Dignity Sunday
- 6/28 SBC Citizenship and Religious Liberty Sunday
- 7/2 TVBA Office Closed (Independence Day Holiday)
- 7/4 Independence Day
- 7/14 TVBA Executive Board, Assoc. Office, 7 p.m.



Please pray for the SBC Annual Meeting on June 16th-17th in Columbus, Ohio. Information and a live video stream of the sessions can be accessed at www.sbcannualmeeting.net.



A list of Vacation Bible School dates, times, and information for our churches can be found on the VBS page of our website. Directors can also access the Summary Report Form that needs to be submitted to the TVBA Office.



Meet the Pros Night / Fish Fry
 Sat., June 6th - FBC, Soddy Daisy - \$10
 Exhibits at 4:30 p.m., Dinner at 6:00 p.m.
 Reserve tickets by calling 423-332-2814 or order online at www.firstbaptistsoddydaisy.com.

JOIN US FOR
FIGHT BACK WITH JOY
 A NEW STUDY BY MARGARET FEINBERG.

Ladies' Bible Study led by Tammy Grant
 Mondays starting June 8 • 7 pm
 Pairs & Spares Classroom

All ladies are invited to attend this new Bible study beginning Mon., June 8th at Lake Drive Baptist Church in Sale Creek. For more info, please call the church office at 423-332-5100.

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Register soon if you are planning to attend this NAMB Conference in Nashville on August 3rd-4th. Registration rates are currently \$129 per person through June 3rd. Learn more and register at www.sendconference.com.

Minute with Mike

This year where I live there have been an abundance of wildflowers which my grandfather years ago called bluebells. They were everywhere. Most have died or been mown down now. On the way down to my pasture I noted a few bees on the hillside. My neighbor had bees for several years and they died from mites or an empty hive syndrome that scientists talk about. He has new hives of bees. A few bees were there the first day. More were there the second day until finally after a few days the hillside was covered with honeybees gathering nectar from the bluebells. Honeybees will fly as far as eight miles in search of nectar. When they find a source of it they fly back to the hive, do a little informational dance, so that all the honeybees can share in his good news and go get some nectar. He never keeps the news to himself as we often do the Good News we have to share as Christians. We should be excited about the privilege we have to share the Good News of the Gospel.

Phil Taylor in a recent newsletter from his association also reminded us that the best work that the honeybee is doing he knows nothing about. While the honeybee is busy getting nectar to make honey he is pollinating a large variety of plants, which he knows nothing about. I have reflected on that. Is the best work I am doing what I likely know nothing about? In eternity we may fully comprehend the scope and meaning of this. I am, we are, making a difference if we are committed disciples, even in ways we do not see in the short term. Many are significant in the long term. There are decisions made in our churches in response to our sharing the Good News. Some we are made aware of and some we are not. We influence lives that we touch knowingly and unknowingly. Maybe all of us need “A Wonderful Life” experience to see what the world would be like without us. In eternity as we are made aware of our best work it will be something which will evoke humility in us and gratitude that we made a difference in the world for Christ in ways we never knew. To be aware of them here and now would probably make many of us prideful. Too many of us as Christians already think we know everything and are God’s gift to the ministry and church. We need to plan for our work as Christians but God’s plans often include interruptions, diversions, accidents, and mistakes which are not our plans and in which we may do our best work for we must depend on him during those providential situations. I plan just to continue to serve him through all sorts of plans, goals, and ambitions and in the “accidents” of life. In the process I will gather nectar along the way and honey for the Master eventually. I have the privilege to be one his worker bees and I hope to hear one day, “Well done” from our King and Master.



Mike Young, D. Min., Associational Director of Missions

TVBA Financial Report for May 2015

CHURCHES	MONTH	YEAR
Bethel	\$197.00	\$716.74
Central	\$670.91	\$5,673.52
Clear Creek	\$371.20	\$1,608.20
Concord Union	\$150.00	\$750.00
Cranmore Cove	\$0.00	\$1,090.49
Dayton First	\$436.68	\$2,490.73
Garrison	\$50.00	\$100.00
Grandview	\$40.00	\$200.00
Graysville First	\$0.00	\$200.00
High Point	\$52.00	\$342.00
Lake Drive	\$0.00	\$1,438.54
Mercy Missionary	\$75.00	\$375.00
Mt. Vernon	\$100.00	\$500.00
Mt. Zion	\$57.09	\$352.65
New Union	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Ogden	\$200.00	\$1,000.00
Old Washington	\$200.00	\$1,000.00
Pilgrim’s Rest	\$0.00	\$300.00
Saint Clair	\$165.61	\$748.67
Sale Creek First	\$185.00	\$925.00
Salem	\$208.28	\$1,061.03
Smyrna	\$160.00	\$804.00
Spring City First	\$926.11	\$5,184.47
TBC Supplement	\$1,345.00	\$6,725.00
Union Fork	\$50.00	\$250.00
Walden’s Ridge	\$459.00	\$2,587.00
Wolf Creek	\$908.00	\$4,633.00
Yellow Creek	\$160.04	\$896.56
*Operation Reaching Out Donation	\$1,000.00	\$2,293.00
*Strawberry Festival Donations	\$447.00	\$447.00
Total Received for May:	\$8,613.92	
Total Expenses for May:	\$9,784.81	
Ending Month Balance:	\$19,444.92	

