

On Thursday, November 19th, starting with a light supper at 6:30 p.m., we have a missionary couple from Poland, Ted and Beverly Holmes, scheduled to speak at First Baptist Church in Dayton. They are currently on furlough and living in Knoxville during their furlough period. Please join us to hear about our Southern Baptist work in Poland! If you are planning to come, please let the Association Office know so we can assure we have enough food prepared.

November is also when we focus on foreign missions and Lottie Moon. Lottie Moon was a missionary in China in the late 1800's. She gave everything she had to the people of China, even all her food to prevent them from starving during their time of famine and wars. As a result, she died on the ship, on her way home. She cared enough to give her life for them, which is what Christ did for us. We need to support the Lottie Moon offering so our missionaries have what they need to reach the lost. What better way to reach hungry people than to feed them as Lottie Moon did? Would you be willing to do the same? As a result, when China opened their doors to let people come back into the country, we found that the Christian Church still continued. The people of China worshiped in homes, etc., and continued to spread the Word.



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THE GATHERING OF TENNESSEE BAPTISTS
November 9-11, 2015
First Baptist Church
Millington, Tennessee
www.tbcs Summit.org

November Birthdays

5th Brian Price, Spring City First
25th Emory Layne, Mt. Vernon

November Church Anniversaries

2000 Mike Young, TVBA
2005 Barry Walls, Salem



Upcoming Dates to Remember

- 11/7 WMU Baptist Women's Prayer Focus Day, First Baptist Church, Spring City, 9 a.m.
- 11/9 TBC Pastors Conference, FBC Millington, TN
- 11/10-11 TBC Annual Meeting (The Summit), Millington
- 11/11 Veteran's Day
- 11/17 TVBA Pastors Conf., Assoc. Office, 11 a.m.
- 11/19 TVBA WMU Missions Conference, First Baptist Church, Dayton, 6:30 p.m.
- 11/24 Community-wide Thanksgiving Service, First Baptist Church, Dayton, 7 p.m.
- 11/25 Operation Christmas Child Processing, Atlanta
- 11/25-26 TVBA Office Closed (Thanksgiving Holiday)
- 11/29-12/6 SBC Week of Prayer for International Missions, Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- 12/1 TVBA Pastors & Wives Christmas Dinner, Association Office, 6:30 p.m.



National Collection Week for Operation Christmas Child is November 16th-23rd. Our local drop-off location is First Baptist Church in Dayton. Please take your boxes there before November 22nd.

For promotional materials, a list of suggested gift items, packing instructions, labels, and other information, visit: www.samaritanpurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child

The Association Office has scheduled a trip to the Atlanta Processing Center for Wednesday, November 25th. We have eight spaces reserved for anyone who is interested in participating in this opportunity to serve. The shift will be from 1:00-6:00 p.m., and volunteers must be at least 13 years old. Please contact the Association Office as soon as possible to reserve your space and receive additional details and info pertaining to this ministry opportunity.

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TVBA Financial Report for October 2015

WMU Baptist Women's Prayer Focus Day

All ladies are invited to attend this event at First Baptist Church in Spring City on Saturday, Nov. 7th from 9:00 a.m. – Noon. International attire may be worn if desired, and refreshments will be served.

Please join us for the TVBA Missions Conference!

Thursday, November 19th
Hosted by First Baptist Church, Dayton
6:30 p.m. Light Supper, 7:00 p.m. Missionary Speaker
Ted and Beverly Holmes, IMB Missionaries to Poland

Community-wide Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 24th
7:00 p.m.
First Baptist Church, Dayton



Guest Speaker: Rev. Brian Conley
Sponsored by the Dayton Ministerial Association



Upward Basketball and Upward Cheerleading Registration is currently taking place at the following three TVBA churches:

Central Baptist Church, Spring City
First Baptist Church, Dayton
Lake Drive Baptist Church, Sale Creek

See the Current Events page on our website or contact the individual churches for registration info.

I recently enjoyed some time away at Panama City Beach. Sandra and I love to walk on the beach in the evening just before sunset, barefoot at the water's edge. This trip on our beach walks we were joined by Khloe, one of our granddaughters. Being a three year old, everything was wonderful and she never met a stranger. I found her several shells, and we came upon a piece of driftwood about a foot long. She did not really understand why I stopped and observed this driftwood. To her it was just a stick. To me it was much more. I wondered where it had originated, how long it had drifted on the ocean, and what path it had taken to get where it lay on the beach. I reflected that humans often have much in common with that piece of driftwood. It is so easy to drift, to just go with the flow of culture, etc. Church members often just drift away from church. Most people do not make a conscious decision to drift away into a sinful lifestyle. When we allow ourselves to drift we usually drift toward sinful things. Like that piece of driftwood, how can we keep from drifting on life's sea? How do we stay on course? We must stay focused on an object as a mariner does the North Star and the Southern Cross. Jesus is who we must stay focused on. Focusing on Him will keep us on course. We also have to check our course and progress regularly. I remember as the Apollo missions made their way to and from the moon. Each way they scheduled a mid course correction, if needed, to reach their destination. We need to check our course each day by spending time in the Word. The truths contained there can help us make course corrections and prevent our drifting off course. I left that piece of driftwood on the beach hoping that others might think on these things. I have a piece of driftwood from Hawaii which reminds me of these things. Someday Khloe and I will have a discussion about driftwood on some ocean beach. I tried to convince her this time that she could hear a sizzle as the sun set into the ocean if she listened really hard. Even at age three Khloe felt that Granddad did not know what he was talking about. Apparently, there is a limit to the age of wonder for a child. I still listen and hope to hear it.

Continue to pray for our four churches seeking pastors. They are Clear Creek, Mercy Missionary, Old Washington, and Pilgrim's Rest. Clyde Fitzgerald has recently been called as Pastor at Yellow Creek.

Mike Young, D Min.,
 Associational Director of Missions

CHURCHES	MONTH	YEAR
Bethel	\$101.77	\$1,363.49
Central	\$0.00	\$8,403.86
Clear Creek	\$0.00	\$2,283.00
Concord Union	\$150.00	\$1,500.00
Cranmore Cove	\$298.24	\$1,681.98
Dayton First	\$457.70	\$4,809.26
Garrison	\$0.00	\$200.00
Grandview	\$40.00	\$400.00
Graysville First	\$50.00	\$450.00
High Point	\$52.00	\$573.00
Lake Drive	\$322.41	\$3,441.26
Mercy Missionary	\$100.00	\$775.00
Mt. Vernon	\$300.00	\$1,000.00
Mt. Zion	\$68.91	\$775.42
New Union	\$600.00	\$3,800.00
Ogden	\$200.00	\$2,000.00
Old Washington	\$200.00	\$2,000.00
Pilgrim's Rest	\$0.00	\$600.00
Saint Clair	\$205.28	\$1,682.86
Sale Creek First	\$185.00	\$1,850.00
Salem	\$213.96	\$1,927.73
Smyrna	\$187.00	\$1,754.00
Spring City First	\$1,034.25	\$10,210.88
TBC Supplement	\$1,345.00	\$13,450.00
Union Fork	\$50.00	\$500.00
Walden's Ridge	\$371.00	\$5,133.00
Wolf Creek	\$954.00	\$9,797.00
Yellow Creek	\$194.12	\$1,832.41

Total Received for October: \$7,680.64
 Total Expenses for October: \$9,237.19
 Ending Month Balance: \$13,029.29

