

The Messenger

STRONGER TOGETHER: STRONG LEADERS, STRONG CHURCHES, STRONG COMMUNITIES

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A NOTE FROM OUR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS STRATEGIST

"Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His steadfast love endures forever." (Psalm 107:1)

That verse reminds me of a song that has been on my heart this summer—Don Moen's God Is Good All the Time. Whether life is joyful or difficult, one truth never changes: God is good...all the time!

We've certainly experienced that truth across our Association this summer. While many think ministry slows down during these months, our churches have been busy with Vacation Bible Schools, mission trips, summer camps, and sharing the Gospel. We're only halfway through the summer, and I believe God still has great things in store.

So far, 13 of our churches have hosted VBS, reaching more than 400 children, with 42 professions of faith in Jesus Christ. What a reason to celebrate! But those decisions are just the beginning. Jesus called us not only to make disciples but to teach them to follow Him. The DBA is here to help your church disciple these new believers, so please let us know how we can serve you.

Our quarterly Executive Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, July 14, at Bogota Baptist Church, with a BBQ meal at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Thank you for your faithfulness and partnership in the Gospel. It is a privilege to serve alongside you as we strengthen leaders, strengthen churches, and strengthen communities for the glory of God. I truly believe our best days are ahead because our God is still at work. Let's continue making disciples together. We truly are Stronger Together because God is good...all the time!

SAVE THE DATES

JULY

- 4 Independence Day
- 14 Executive Board Meeting

AUGUST

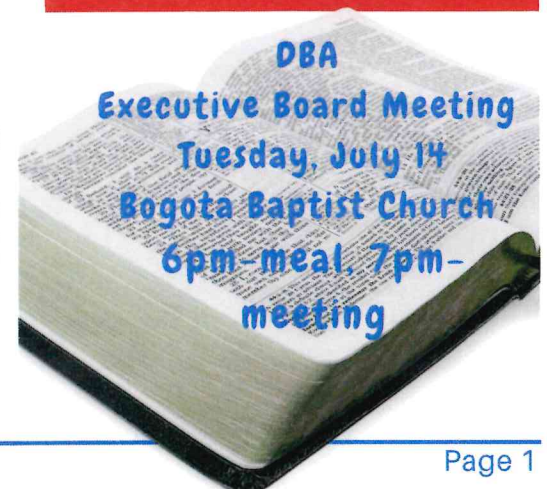
- 1 Pastors and Wives Fellowship
- 1 TBMB WMU Christmas in August
- 10 Pastors & Wives Breakfast
- 12-14 Elements of Revival
- 15 DBA Womens Ministry Trivia Day
- 22 Kingdom Kids Camp
- 24 Pastors & Wives Breakfast
- 24-27 BCM Welcome Week

SEPTEMBER

- 7 Labor Day- Office Closed
- 14 Pastors & Wives Breakfast
- 19 Childrens Ministry Day
- 23 See you at the Pole - Prayer
- 28 Pastors & Wives Breakfast
- 29 Annual Church Profiles Due

OCTOBER

- 19 Annual Meeting 101st - Finley Baptist Church 3:30





Join Beech Grove Baptist Church for the Elements of Revival

BCM & Children's Ministry Update

This summer has been busy, exciting, and filled with opportunities to see God's hand at work throughout the Dyer Baptist Association. We have witnessed His love, mercy, and grace in incredible ways, and we are thankful for all He is doing through our churches.

One of the highlights of the summer has been serving alongside churches through our VBS Travel Team. So far, our team has partnered with Southside Baptist Church, Second Baptist Church, Tatumville Baptist Church, and helping lead the Worship Rally at Beech Grove Baptist Church. It has been a blessing to see children hearing the Gospel, growing in their faith, and lives being impacted for Christ.

A special thank you goes to our amazing VBS Travel Team:

● Matt & Nan Warden ● Brad & Courtney Babbitt ● Jerry & Alicia Cantrell ● Jennifer Madrey ● Robby & Amber Byler ● Christy Pledge ● Alex King
Thank you for your servant hearts, your willingness to invest your time, and your commitment to helping churches throughout our association. Your dedication has made a tremendous impact, and we are grateful.

Looking ahead, we are excited about our upcoming Kingdom Kids Day Camp, taking place on August 22nd from 9:00 AM-2:45 PM. This event is open to children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade and promises to be a fun-filled day centered on God's Word. Children will learn about Jesus, the true King, and discover how the Armor of God equips believers to live faithfully every day. We encourage churches and families to mark their calendars and join us for this exciting opportunity.

As summer comes to a close, we are also preparing for the start of a new semester at the BCM. We will kick things off with our annual BCM Block Party on August 26th from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM in front of the BCM building. Students can enjoy music, games, snow cones, hamburgers, hot dogs, and fellowship as we welcome them back to campus and introduce them to the ministry opportunities available through the BCM.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support of the ministries of the Dyer Baptist Association. God is doing

Church News:

- **Mount Vernon** – is seeking applications for a full-time Associate Pastor of Student Ministries. Please visit <https://www.mtvbaptist.com/leadership/>
- **Newbern FBC** – Tyson Food Bank is July 27th
- **Tatumville Baptist Church at Mt. Tirza**– is in need of Children's and Nursery workers. Call FBC Finley @ 731-445-1927 to go on the rotation.

Submit all church news to Dyerbaptistassociation@yahoo.com





May-June VBS Schedules

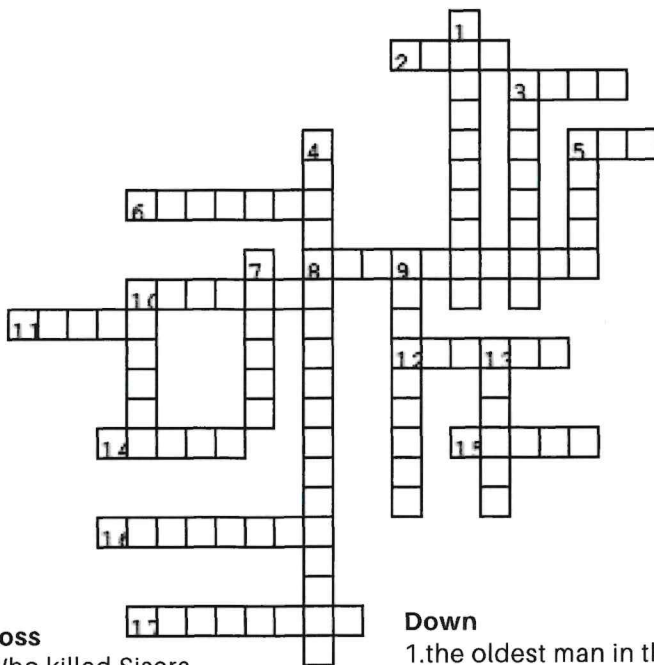
May 31 st - June 3 rd	Newbern FBC	6-8:30 pm	Illumination Station
May 31 st - June 3 rd	Trimble FBC	6-8:30pm	Rainforest Falls-Group
June 1 st - 3 rd	Zion Hill BC	TBD	Partnering with Friendship
June 7 th - 10 th	McCullough Chapel	6-8:30pm	Illumination Station
June 7 th - 10 th	Macedonia BC	6-8:30pm	Illumination Station
June 13 th	Southside BC	9am-2:30pm	Illumination Station
June 14 th - 17 th	Finley FBC	6-8pm	Answers in Genesis
June 20 th	Second BC	9am-2:30pm	Illumination Station
June 22 nd - 26 th	Mt. Vernon BC	6-8:15pm	Answers in Genesis
June 22 nd - 26 th	Halls FBC BC	6-8:15 pm	Illumination Station
June 27 th	Tatumville BC @ MT. Tiriza	9-2:30 pm	Illumination Station
June 14-17	Beech Grove Bruceville	TBD	Wonder Junction

July VBS Schedules

July 13 th - 15 th	Dyersburg FBC	6-8:30pm	Rain Forest Falls
July 19 th - 23 rd	Hillcrest BC	6-8pm	Emerald Crossing
July 25 th	Evansville BC	9am-1pm	Jesus is the Light

Fall Break VBS Schedule

Oct. 5th- 7th	Church Grove BC	TBD	TBD
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Across

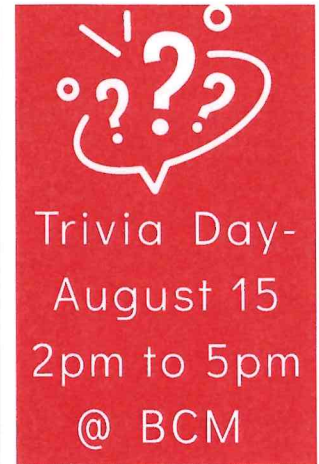
2. Who killed Sisera
3. son of Kish
5. who shut the door of the Ark
6. an animal mentioned in the Bible
8. last book in the bible
10. first book in the bible
11. David's father
12. a New Testament book
14. the shortest reigning king
15. what Adam and Eve ate
16. Middle book of the Old Testament
17. wife of Moses

Down

1. the oldest man in the bible
3. books in the bible
4. The longest word in the Bible
5. the 1st color mentioned in the Bible
7. longest book in the Bible
9. husband of Naomi
10. name of Elisha's servant
13. language most of the Old Testament originally written

Dyer Baptist Association Women's Ministry

DYER BAPTIST WOMENS MINISTRY INVITES ALL WOMEN TO ATTEND OUR MEETINGS AND EVENTS. MEETINGS ARE HELD THE SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE BCM STARTING AT 5:30PM.



Bible Study
Next Bible Study
Book of Romans
 Starting August 20th
 Contact Christy Pledge
 731-334-2120



Answers to Crossword:

Across	Down
2. Jael	1. Methuselah
3. Saul	3. sixtysix
5. God	4. Mahershalalhashbaz
6. cheetah	5. green
8. Revilation	7. Psalms
10. Genesis	9. elimelech
11. Jesse	10. gehazi
12. Matthew	13. Hebrew
14. Zimri	
15. fruit	
16. Proverbs	
17. Zipporah	

We hope you enjoyed the Bible Crossword!



Somewhere Hidden in this Newsletter is this Cross. Can you Find It?



IMB Missions Report

First known believer baptized among people group
Help the gospel get to people and places like the Embera people of Colombia



Wading into the rushing waters of the jungle river, Sarah looked at the bank filled with members of her Indigenous tribe. She was about to make a bold statement — one that not only transformed her life but could change eternity for the Embera people of Colombia.

She nodded to International Mission Board missionary Travis Burkhalter to proceed.

"In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I baptize you," the missionary said in Sarah's language before lowering her into the river, raising her and offering a hug.

Sarah, the first known follower of Christ among her tribe, couldn't stop smiling as she explained her decision with the community. This moment was years in the making. In fact, you began specifically praying for this three years ago.

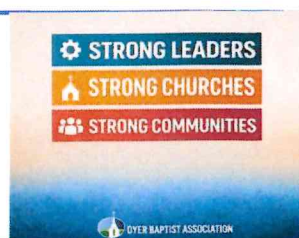
Travis and his wife, Beth, have served with the IMB in Central and South America since 2010. In those years, their Spanish language skills improved, and they conversed easily with most people in their city of Medellin, Colombia.

Then, the couple felt a clear calling from the Lord to serve among Indigenous people groups. Three years ago, they asked you to pray for gospel access that led to gospel belief for those who fled violence in their home region to live in the city.

Access came through a ministry Beth established, the Embera Bead Project, sought to break a cycle of poverty by providing jewelry workshops where the Embera can make a fair wage and acquire new skills to increase their quality of life.

When you give, you help transform lives. Will you give today so that more have access to the gospel?

Pray for your missionaries as they persevere in getting the gospel into hard-to-reach places.



Annual Church Profiles are Due Tuesday, September 29th

