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Arkansas Mission Trip Planned for July 31–Aug 7

Building the Kingdom can sometimes be literal. This will be the case in Mammoth Springs Arkansas, when the “Mississippi Nail Benders,” in conjunction with JCBA, will be constructing a new church building. This mission trip is open to any who wish to go meet the need in this community.

The total cost of the trip will be \$67 (food, travel insurance, a “Nail

Benders” T-shirt).

Participants will also need money for a Friday night meal, cash to help with gas expenses, and a suggested \$50 extra for any unforeseen expenses.

The mission team will be housed for free at Camp Hosanna, near the work-site. Transportation can be arranged through the Association office (228) 769-7101 or through Ben Carlisle (228) 990-4024.

The deadline to sign-up for the trip and pay the \$67 fee is Monday, July 19th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Association Office. There will be an interest meeting at that time to discuss further details about the trip.

Do not hesitate to reserve your spot with Helen Rabby today: (228) 769-7101.

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Mission Teams Ministering in Jackson County

Almost 200 missionaries spread out over seven summer ministry teams have been making a huge impact for the Kingdom of God in Jackson County.

Teams from the Mid-Delta Assn (MS); New Albany, MS; Smyrna, TN; Dothan, AL; Brunswick, GA; Berea and Richmond, KY; have been following the call of Christ to “go and make disciples.”

These mission teams have shored up the home front by providing

invaluable assistance with Vacation Bible School for churches such as; Graceland, FBC Moss Point, Lilly Orchard, and Cambridge. They have also been able to serve in this capacity at Hope House.

On the mission field nine apartment complexes have been touched by the word of God through these servants from other parts of the country. To date, Summer Ministry Teams have held Backyard Bible clubs in nine apartments.

Those apartments include; Bonaparte Square, Coast Meadows, Hartford Commons, Azalea Park, Williamsburg Square, Regency Woods, Monaco Lake, Edenwood and Bartlett. Other ministries to be touched by these teams include; Our Daily Bread, Mercy House, Hope House, The Seaman Center, Beach Park, The Haven, Men’s Home of Grace, Plaza Nursing Home, and the Singing River Rehab and Nursing Home.

Please continue to pray for these teams as they are meeting needs in our community.



Back to School Event Scheduled for July 31

JCBA is sponsoring an evangelistic Back2School party that is designed to reach out to the local community and see souls brought into the Kingdom of God.

The party is scheduled to be held in the large field across from the BSU building on the MGCCC Campus near the Gauthier/Vanceleave entrance on July 31 from 12 till 4pm. Activities will include; outdoor laser-tag, videogame theatre, river

rapids waterslide, sumo wrestling, jousting, various carnival style games, music, and a special guest speaker that will bring a challenging message from the Scripture.

The association also plans to provide hot dogs, popcorn, and snow balls. However, there is a need for churches to get involved by sponsoring an evangelistic booth. This booth could be anything from a testimony booth, to a designated skit area, to

a face-painting booth where the face-painter shares Christ with a student. This is not intended to be a simple party; this is why your help is crucial. Contact the association office to help! Please contact Joe Luna (985) 351-3943 or josephluna84@gmail.com for more info. You can also contact the association office at 228-769-7101. Please prayerfully consider taking part in this wonderful mission opportunity.

The BSU is still in need of a church to sponsor one Wednesday lunch outreach per month beginning in the fall.

Contact Joe Luna (985) 351-3943 or josephluna84@gmail.com for more details.

Baptist Student Union (BSU) Continues Growth

Summer Orientation is in full swing at the college and already the Baptist Student Union is making an impact for the Kingdom with incoming freshman. June 22 marked the start date for the droves of new students facing the prospect of starting the next chapter of their lives... college. Through good relations with the faculty, staff and administration of the

school, the BSU has been included in the introduction to campus life for these new collegians. Orientation groups have been coming through the BSU and learning of its ministry to the campus and the community. They have been made aware of opportunities to plug into various ministries and small groups that will enable them to build relationships on campus

and make an impact on their world. The BSU has also been invited to take part in the registration process which opens up a new front for the ministry in the year to come. For the first time in recent history, this ministry has been given a seat at the table of internal affairs. This is an exciting time for BSU. Please keep this ministry in your prayers.

Oil Spill Has Not Slowed Seamen's Ministry

Thank God for the faithful volunteers and van drivers who come to serve the Lord by serving the seafarers.

Currently, planning for Christmas is underway. The ministry is requesting the help of local churches to reach the crews of these ships and make an impact for Christ around the world.

2010 Christmas gifts will be personal hygiene items. If your Church or church group would like to bless the seafarers with gifts to celebrate the birth of our Lord, you may start now collecting personal sized items (not jumbo or hotel size) for delivery to Jackson County Baptist Association in August.

Items needed: Toothpaste, deodorant, bath gel, shampoo, hand lotion, razors, and shaving cream. We will purchase and include candies and Christmas tracts in their language.

If you have any questions about this project please call Adrian Turner at 228 623 0103.

From the Director, Philip Price

Recently, Bro. Ray McCorkle, Chaplain at Singing River Hospital told me "Sometimes our disappointments are appointments for God to do something great."

As we approach the 5th Anniversary of the devastating landfall of Hurricane Katrina, I can visibly see how this disaster led to many divine appointments. Many deep Christian friendships developed between the churches in the JCBA and churches all over the

country. Many of the groups who helped with rebuild projects during the last several months are now returning to assist us with community outreach projects, such as VBS, Backyard Bible Clubs, or "Block Parties." Just last week, a mission team from Kentucky saw the mother of a child they taught in a Backyard Bible Club accept Christ as Savior.

So, as the oil spill in the Gulf begins to make an impact upon the coast,

we must take the opportunity to help people turn their disappointments into appointments with God.

Praying for VBS

While I was unable to visit churches the week of the SBC, I have been able to visit over 20 Churches during their VBS. What a joy to see hundreds of children hearing the Gospel! Pray for the churches that will conduct VBS this month.

Growing Church Conference, July 30–31

The Growing Churches 2010 Conference will be held at Crossgates Baptist in Brandon, MS July 30-31. Churches of all sizes will have opportunities to discover various ways to reach their community. The Conference will provide information to better develop the following ministries at your church: Preschool Ministry, Children's

Ministry, Student Ministry, Adult Ministry, Men's Ministry, Women, Missions, Evangelism, Leadership, Personal Enrichment, Marriage and Family Ministry, Financial and Legal Issues, Worship/Creative Arts. Spanish Tracks will be provided. Also, a special track will be provided for church prayer

coordinators.

Registration begins on Friday, July 30 at 6:00 PM. The conference concludes early Saturday afternoon. To pre-register and to view detailed information on the workshops provided, view the conference website at www.gcmisissippi.org.

PROMISS To Be Highlighted at Luncheon

On July 15, at Noon, Ministry Assistants will gather for their biannual luncheon.

The guest speaker will be Jennifer Williams. She is married to Rodney Williams, pastor of Pathway Baptist Church on Lilly Orchard Road in Jackson County. They have two

daughters, Belle and India. Jennifer has been employed as an abstinence instructor for PROMISS since 2007.

PROMISS is a faith-based ministry that provides hope to women facing an unplanned pregnancy. PROMISS provides

pregnancy tests, prenatal education, material assistance and referrals.

For more information on the luncheon, contact Shirley Massey at the Baptist Center.

For more information on PROMISS, call Rachel Nilsen, Executive Director, at 228-81-4243.

In Appreciation

We are grateful to the Alaska Mission Team for their work on Prince of Wales Island. Also, we appreciate the many Disaster Relief volunteers from JCBA who worked in Yazoo County, MS following the devastating tornados and in Tennessee following the damaging floods.

Pastor/Staff Connections

(formerly New Staff Day)

**August 12, 2010
9:30AM–1:30PM**

Mississippi Baptist Conv. Building,
Jackson, MS

The MBCB offers this opportunity for **ALL** Mississippi Baptist pastors and staff to connect with their Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. Discover the many resources for your church's ministry.

If you need transportation and would like to attend, please contact the JCBA office.

July & August Events

- July 1** Student Ministers Lunch
Noon, Lenny's Subs,
Pascagoula.
For Info, Contact Joe Luna
- July 5** Office Closed
- July 14** Budget Planning
- July 15** Ministry Assistants Lunch
Noon, Baptist Center
- July 16** Mississippi Youth Night
Coliseum, Jackson
6:30 PM, Cost: \$5
- July 19** Arkansas Mission Trip
Meeting, 6:30 PM
Baptist Center
- July 20** Calendar Planning
10:00 AM, Baptist Center
- July 21** Personnel Committee
10:00 AM, Baptist Center
- July 22** Uganda Team Meeting
6:30 PM, Baptist Center

- July 28** Budget/Finance Team
9:30 AM, Baptist Center
Operations Team
10:00 AM, Baptist Center
- July 30-31** *Growing Churches
Conference,*
Crossgates Baptist,
Brandon, MS
Fri., 6-9 PM,
Sat. 8 AM - Noon
- July 31** Back to School Bash
Gautier, MGCCC Campus
Noon-4:30 PM
- July 31-Aug. 7** Ark. Mission Trip
- Aug 2** Executive Team Meeting
10:30 AM, Baptist Center
- Aug 12** Pastor/Staff Connections
MBCB, Jackson
9:30 AM – 2:30 PM.
- Aug 20** Pastors Workshop
Calvary Baptist
Starkville, MS
9:00 AM – Noon
Led by Arqile Smith

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