

# Baptist News

## Margaret Lackey State Missions Benefits JCBA

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For many years, the **Margaret Lackey State Missions Offering** has greatly benefited the Jackson County Baptist Association (JCBA). Below are a few ways:

**Disaster Relief:** Following Katrina, churches in our association greatly benefited from the resources provided from the State Missions Offering.

**Mission Trip Assistance:** This year, mission volunteers from JCBA were assisted with funds to go to Alaska, Uganda, and Ethiopia.  
**Hispanic Ministries:** The JCBA Hispanic Ministry in was launched as part of the Cross Cultural Missions Strategy.

**Port Ministry:** For many years, funds have been directed to the ministry offered at the Port of Pascagoula through the two Seamen's Centers.  
**Baptist Student Union:** This Summer, four BSU Summer Missionaries that attend the Gautier Campus of MGCCC benefited from these funds. Joe Luna, BSU Intern, was given partial financial support that allowed him to minister through the association this summer.

Additionally, the State Missions Offering has provided grants for outreach events, English as a Second Language Classes, and the local prison ministry.

These are just a few of the many ways the Margaret Lackey State Missions Offering has been used to benefit JCBA. Please pray about what God would have your church give. Also, please remember these funds are granted, as available, to churches and their members who participate in the offering regardless of the amount given.

If you would like a speaker to help you promote the offering, please contact JCBA. Also, you can find promotional materials on the MBC website at [www.mbc.org](http://www.mbc.org).

## Prayer Conference Scheduled for Sept. 28

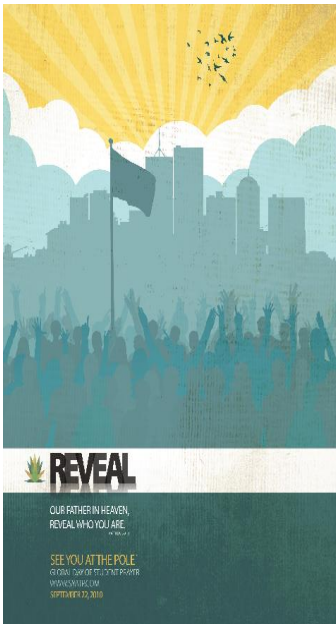
At the Baptist Center on Tues., Sept. 28 at 6:30 PM, David Michel will speak on the subject, "Developing an Effective Prayer Ministry." Pastors, Church Prayer Coordinators, and anyone interested in establishing a strong prayer ministry in their congregation are encouraged to attend.

This event is in preparation for the "Covering Mississippi in Prayer" emphasis for 2011.

In support of this prayer focus, a prayer rally will be held in Beach Park in Pascagoula on Feb. 1, 2011 at 4:00 PM. Jim Futral, Executive Director of the Mississippi Baptist

Convention will be the key speaker.

In addition to the training, plans for implementing a prayer strategy to intentionally pray for all of the Jackson County will be discussed. If you have any questions, contact JCBA or Associational Prayer Coordinator Muriel Farmer at (228) 826-5239.



## “Saw” You at the Pole Rally, Sept. 22

The annual international day of student prayer, **See You at the Pole** (SYATP), will be observed on the morning of September 22, 2010 at schools around the country and world.

To help support and encourage students to make a positive impact for Christ upon their campuses, a SYATP Rally will be held at the Gautier Convention Center on Wed., Sept. 22 at 6:30 PM

This national emphasis began in 1990. A small group of teenagers in Burleson, TX, came together for a DiscipleNow weekend. During the weekend, the students were burdened for their friends. So, that night, they drove to three different campuses, gathered around the flagpoles at each site and prayed. This simple act of obedience was used by God to establish SYATP

as a national and global observance. In the US, more than two million students from all 50 states participate in SYATP. Additionally, students in more than 20 countries take part.

A planning meeting on Tuesday evening August 31, 6:30 pm at Singing River Mall in front of Chick-fil-A. For more information, contact, Wayne McMahan at 228-355-0242.

## Ministers Meetings to be held in Sept. and Oct.

Pastors and staff ministers will gather for monthly meetings in September and October.

On September 13 at 10:00 AM, the ministers will gather at the Baptist Center. The featured speaker will be Dionne Williams, Church Development Strategist for the Gulf Coast Baptist Association. Dionne is the Regional Sunday School

Consultant for the Mississippi Baptist Convention. He will share information regarding resources available from the Sunday School Department.

On October 11 at 11:00, all ministers are invited to gather at the **Home of Grace** in Vancleave for a presentation and lunch. The Home of Grace is a Christian Alcohol and

Drug Recovery Program. Billy Barton, Director of the Home of Grace, will speak regarding the services the ministry provides. Also, there will be a time to answer any questions regarding the ministry.

For more information, including directions, please call the Baptist Center or Rev. Steve Cirlot at (228) 475-3527.

## W.M.U. Annual Meeting

Riverside  
Baptist  
Church  
(2211 Canty Street  
Pascagoula, MS)

Sept. 16,  
2010

6:30 PM

Guest Speaker:  
Kay Cassibry,  
Exe. Director,  
Mississippi WMU

## Volunteers Needed for JCBA Booth at Fair

For many years, the JCBA has featured a booth at the Jackson County Blue Ribbon Fair. This year the fair will be held October 17-24.

Volunteers are needed to staff the “Watering Well” and assist in

providing free coffee and ice cold water. Also, evangelistic materials are distributed.

Churches are encouraged to provide literature to promote their ministries.

The booth will be in operation from 10 AM to 9:30 PM Monday through Saturday.

Scheduled time slots are divided into 3 to 4 hour increments.

To volunteer, contact Helen Rabby at the Baptist Center at (228) 769-7101.

## From the Director, Philip Price

JCBA is sponsoring a Uganda Mission Team this fall. From October 30 to November 13, fifteen individuals will be traveling to Uganda for the third year to fulfill our partnership with Missionaries George and Geraldine Smith.

Nine members of the mission team are from the Jackson County Baptist Association. I am excited to be one of the members of the team. Also, included on the team are Charles Rodgers, former DOM of JCBA, as well as individuals from Grenada and Union Counties.

The team will be working with people living on the islands of Lake Victoria, who have proven to be open to the Gospel, but have had limited exposure to a Christian witness. For the first time, the children on the islands will be offered a Vacation Bible School. Also, the team will minister in villages, prisons, and the area hospital. Additionally, evangelism teams will witness to villagers and the pastors on the trip will train local pastors. Prior to the team's arrival, Pastor David Williams (Temple Baptist) will venture into the Congo beginning

October 18 with Missionary George Smith and Kevin Smith from Missouri to explore starting a ministry to the Pygmies, an unreached people group.

Please pray for the team. There is great spiritual oppression in this area. So, we greatly need your prayers before and during the trip. If you would like more information about the trip and/or specific prayer requests, please contact me or Rev. David Williams at (228) 588-6245.

## Annual Meeting to be Held on October 12

The Eighty Seventh Annual Session of the Jackson County Baptist Association will meet on Tuesday at Martin Bluff Baptist Church, 7417 Martin Bluff Road in the Hickory Hills Community. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:30 PM.

The session will include a celebration of the many mission endeavors undertaken in the past year. Also, Tim Patterson, Lifepoint Global Director, from Smyrna, TN. Tim serves as missions pastor for the congregation who ordained Ruben Menjivar,

current pastor of the Hispanic Congregation that meets at Calvary Baptist Church in Pascagoula. All churches are encouraged to elect and send the appropriate number of messengers to ensure they are represented.

## Haiti Partnership Being Fulfilled

Since 2004, Wade Baptist has supported an orphanage in Haiti. Following the devastating earthquake and tremors in January 2010, the Executive Team voted to partner with the orphanage to provide assistance. Trips have been taken to Haiti in the last several months to

help minister and provide for the more than 100 children in the orphanage. On October 14-17, a team from Wade Baptist and representatives from JCBA plan to travel to Port-Au-Prince to further assess the needs and determine the possibility and feasibility of assisting the orphanage in

obtaining more suitable housing and cooking arrangements. Please remember this team.

If you desire more information and/or would like to be involved, please contact L.C. Drawdy at (228) 588-3356.

### Thank You Mission Teams

We thank the many volunteers who traveled to Arkansas, July 31-Aug. 7 to assist in constructing a church in Mammoth Springs, AK.

Also, we thank the team that traveled to Kirksville, KY to complete a construction project as a part of our Mission Partnership with Tates Creek Baptist Association.

### Churches Practicing Redemption: Developing an Effective Response to Homosexuality

**Sept. 16, 2010**

**2:30-8:00 PM**

**FBC Gulfport  
12190 Hwy 605  
Gulfport, MS  
Cost \$10.00**

**Register by Sept. 6.**

*Sponsored by the  
Christian Action  
Commission of the  
Mississippi Baptist  
Convention Board*

### September & October Events

#### September

- 6** Office Closed-Labor Day
- 13** Ministers Conference  
10:00 AM, Baptist Center
- 16** Bible Drill Clinic, Laurel
- 16** Churches Practicing  
Redemption Conference  
FBC Gulfport
- 16** WMU Fall Meeting  
6:00 PM, Riverside Bapt.
- 20** ACP Deadline
- 22** Saw You at the Pole Rally  
Gautier Conv. Center  
6:30 PM
- 23** January Bible Study  
Preview, William Carey U.
- 28** Prayer Conference  
6:30 PM, Baptist Center
- 29** Budget/Finance Team  
9:30 AM, Baptist Center  
Operations Team  
10:00 AM

#### October

- 10** World Hunger Day
- 11** Ministers Conference  
11 AM, Home of Grace
- 12** JCBA Annual Meeting  
Martin Bluff Baptist  
6:30 PM
- 16** Area 9 WMU Meeting  
6:30 AM, FBC Gulfport
- 26-28** MS Baptist Convention  
FBC Jackson
- 30** Uganda Team Leaves

**October 17-24**  
**Blue Ribbon Fair**  
Volunteer for the  
**Watering Well**

Call 769-7101

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