



August 24 was the first day of classes for DSCC students. Their first week is virtual so we had a virtual Wednesday lunch that included Bible trivia, devotional and some giveaways. We are prepared to have our first Wednesday lunch in person but are really praying about when that should be. A welcome back event will be held the first Tuesday after that lunch. Any updates will always be posted to our Facebook and Instagram pages (@theb.dsc) and you can also visit our new website dscbcm.org.

Properties Committee is beginning renovations very soon with a new roof! We are excited to show our building much needed attention! Your donations to BCM Capital Improvement have helped us be able to do this! Thank you! If you ever feel led to give designate your offering to BCM Capital Improvement.

Thank you for your continued prayers for our students and BCM!

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Newbern First — The next Mobil Food Pantry distribution will be Monday, September 28. Volunteers are needed from 8:30 am until 1:00 pm. Gloves and masks are provided. The church has called Bro. Jeff Hall as interim pastor.

Springhill — Rev. Randy Crews has resigned as pastor, effective the end of August. He is available for supply to the churches. You may contact him at (662) 224-4241.

Parrish Chapel — Rev. Clyde Thompson reports the church has added two new members to their flock.

The Path — Has been conducting services each Sunday at 11:00 AM on FM Radio 88.9. Thanks to Bro. Charles McKendree and the Macedonia Baptist Church for lending the necessary equipment to make this possible. We have been averaging 15 on Sundays.

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DYER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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Dyer Baptist Association

Annual Meeting



Monday, October 19, 2020

Hillcrest Baptist Church
825 Hillcrest Ave., Dyersburg

3:00 PM — 5:40 PM

There will be no evening meal this year.
There will be no afternoon session this year.

(See Director of Missions article for further details.)

**2020-21
TENNESSEE
MISSIONS
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*See & Tell
TENNESSEE*

*'Return home and tell how much God
has done for you.' Luke 8:39a*



GoldenOffering.org

Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions
Theme: *See & Tell Tennessee* (Luke 8:39a)
Statewide GOTM 2020-2021 Goal: \$1,800,00

Week of Prayer for State Missions
September 1, 2020 - August 31, 2021

For a link to promotional items please visit
www.dyerbaptistassociation.com

Notes Along The Journey

The Annual Meeting of the Dyer Baptist Association

Rationale for an abbreviated meeting

On October 19, 2020 our association will meet at Hillcrest Baptist Church for our annual meeting. In order to prepare for this meeting, I recently met with our Program Committee as per our By-Laws and Guidelines. The primary function of this committee is “to work as a unit in planning an order of business for the Board of Directors/Annual Meeting.”

During our meeting, which included the Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Director of Missions, and the Time, Place, and Preacher Committee, we discussed the time frame for this year’s meeting. We discussed the continued spread of the COVID-19 virus and how it is currently affecting our churches and communities. We discussed the logistics of having a two session meeting with a meal. We also discussed the need to practice safety measures such as social distancing, wearing masks, and providing hand sanitizer. We wanted to create an environment that was as safe as possible and still be able to include all of the parts of the Annual Meeting as provided in our By-Laws.

After much discussion, we agreed to plan the Annual Meeting but condense it to one session. We agreed it would be safer not to have an evening meal and another session. We believed we could adequately include all aspects of our Annual Meeting as per our By-Laws in one session. We also believed both the meal and the evening session would only provide additional exposure to the possibility of spreading the virus.

The Committee is currently in the process of finalizing the agenda. We have begun contacting personnel who will be a part of the program. When this is finalized, we will send a complete order of business to those on the agenda as per our Guidelines.

We are asking that all program participants prepare a written report to be included in the agenda and be prepared to provide additional remarks, if needed. We want to allow our messengers adequate time to review your reports and ask questions.

I believe the Program Committee is preparing an Annual Meeting that will be inspirational, informative, and help us see what the Lord has been doing among us during this very challenging year. I trust you will continue to pray for us and plan to attend this year’s meeting.

Enjoying the Journey,
Dr. Dennis R. Jones, your DOM

Attention Church Clerks and Pastors



The 2020 Annual Church Profiles have been mailed. Pastors, if your church clerk has not received their packet please call Vickie at the association office. If your church has a new clerk, please let us know ASAP by text or email, as they will need the packet.

Please Note !!!

- ◆ All information is due back into the office by **October 1st !**
- ◆ All chairpersons should have a their Book of Reports article into Vickie by October 1.
- ◆ *New Information from Lifeway and TBMB just in:*
 - 1) Continue to use the same time period that have you have used in prior years.
 - 2) Calculate any fields using an average (average worship attendance, etc.) using only the Sundays that you actually met in person. This will include Sundays after your started meeting again.
 - 3) Do NOT include any online attendance numbers for worship or Sunday School. You may want to retain those in your own records.
 - 4) Any fields requiring a total count (Baptisms, financial amounts, etc.) should include the entire 12-month period you are recording, including weeks that you did not meet or met virtually.

Elected Messengers: According to Article III in the By-Laws, “ ... Each church is entitled to at least three Messengers and an additional Messenger for each fifty members above the first fifty, subject to a maximum of ten Messengers from any one church.”

Board of Directors: According to Article VII in the By-Laws I need the name of the Executive Board Member elected by your church so I can include it in the Book of Reports. That information is inside the Leadership Profile of the ACP. The By-Law reads: “The business of this organization shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of the pastor and one lay representative of each member church together with the officers of this corporation. The Directors to be chosen for the ensuing year shall be listed by each member church at the annual meeting and shall serve for a term of one year.”

Vickie Shelton, 731-445-0600 or vshelton@att.net.

Tennessee Baptist Mission Board
Weekday Early Education Conference
Saturday, September 19, 2020 from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

- This year’s Weekday Early Education Conference has moved to an online platform. The state has approved training via Zoom for 6 hours of continuing education credit hours.
- This conference is for directors and teachers of any part-time or full-time preschool program, regardless of the type of program or curriculum used. Register online at www.tnchildhood.org or contact Caitlin Witt at 615-371-7933 or cwitt@tnbaptist.org.

Treasurer’s Report
October 2019—September 2020
Undesignated Receipts

Church	August	YTD
Beech Grove	136.00	1,632.00
Beech Grove Viar	0.00	1,050.00
Bogota	188.44	2,400.64
Calvary Chapel	0.00	200.00
Church Grove	0.00	1,375.00
Curve	235.00	2,726.00
Dyersburg 1st	2,500.00	27,500.00
Dyersburg 2nd	130.00	1,040.04
Elon	0.00	25.00
Emmaus	0.00	1,200.00
Enon	129.99	2,513.12
Evansville	14.54	547.33
Fairview	175.90	2,289.15
Finley	542.00	5,962.00
Ft. Hudson	150.00	1,650.00
Fowlkes	150.00	1,050.00
Gates	38.23	599.94
Halls First	878.80	4,690.20
Halls Westside	265.65	2,330.75
Harmony	182.75	2,637.18
Harvest	0.00	1,118.71
Hillcrest	10.32	17,927.30
Lenox	0.00	1,000.00
Macedonia	903.24	5,311.48
Mary's Chapel	925.00	5,554.00
McCullough	0.00	1,466.62
Miston	0.00	250.00
Mt. Tirzah	82.13	1,275.09
Mt. Vernon	1,132.32	6,511.44
New Hope	0.00	50.00
New Mitchell Gr	0.00	500.00
Newbern First	1,473.72	20,335.33
Parrish Chapel	10.00	110.00
RoEllen	171.06	2,334.76
Southside	183.87	2,562.30
Springhill	1047.10	5,817.65
The Path	0.00	0.00
Three Oaks Chap	0.00	600.00
Trimble First	350.00	3,500.00
Westside	30.00	130.00
Williams Chapel	150.00	1,650.00
Woodville	0.00	200.00
Zion Hill	492.25	2,460.33
Total	12,678.31	144,815.74