

Wilson County Baptist Association

WCBA News

November 2022

Issue Eleven

Hallelujah! Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his faithful love endures forever (Psalm 106:1; CSB).

November 24, 2022, is Thanksgiving Day. I pray each of you will have the opportunity to stop and give thanks for the many blessings you have received from our Father in Heaven. I pray you can share time with your family and those you love as you return thanks. As the Psalmist writes, the Lord is good, and His faithful love endures forever. What more needs to be said of our Father in Heaven as we express our gratitude and praise?

I am grateful for a God Who loved me beyond my sin and sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to die to rescue me from sin's penalty, power, and presence. Second, I praise the Father in Heaven for the September 1965 Sunday morning when I heard God call my name for salvation. Thirdly, for the call I received in January 1976 to a ministry He had planned for me before the foundation of the world (Ephesians 2:10). I am also grateful for the opportunity I have been granted to serve with you, the Wilson County Baptist Association during these days of transition.

Each day, I give thanks for the blessing of my family, especially my faithful helpmate, Syble, our two children Jamie (Sarah) and Kelley, and my faith family that continues to influence who I am in Christ. I also thank the Gospel-preaching churches that seek the lost and have compassion for our community's broken. Thank you to the men and women who have and continue the fight for our freedoms. I am also grateful for those in public service who minister to people in their time of greatest need. Finally, I am thankful to call Mt. Juliet and Wilson County, Tennessee, home.

As I remember the Lord's faithful, loving-kindness, I pray for those who are without the blessings I know. As I give thanks this Thanksgiving Day, I pray that you and I will become more intentional in sharing our gratitude for the Father in Heaven as we share His love with those who need Him the most.

Blessings,
Brother Chuck



Dave Shelley recognized for 14 plus years as DOM at WCBA. Congratulations and we hope you enjoy retirement!



Dave receives standing ovation





Lebanon Christmas Parade

The Lebanon Christmas Parade is Sunday, December 4, 2022, at 2:00 PM. Several churches in the association came together last year and provided a float for the parade. More than 100 Wilson County Baptists walked with the float along the parade route distributing Gospel tracks and information about the churches in the association.

We want to invite all of our churches to join us for the parade this year. This year's theme for the parade is "Home for the Holidays." We aim to have 250 Wilson County Baptists dressed in red walk the parade route to share the Good News and assist our neighbors to "Find a Church Home for the Holidays."

We are asking for donations to produce materials to distribute and volunteers to walk the route with us. Also, please bring wrapped candy to share with the people along the parade route.

If you are interested in participating in this effort, contact the Association Office (615-444-8820) for more information.



When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. Our **Surviving the Holidays** seminar helps participants discover:

- How to deal with emotions
- What to do about traditions
- Helpful tips for surviving social events
- How to find hope for the future

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

Please join us for this encouraging seminar.



www.griefshare.org/holidays



Call for more information
(615) 444-5923

or visit www.hillcrestbaptist.org

Friday, November 3rd, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

SUMMIT

**ALL NATIONS
WORSHIP CELEBRATION
5:00 – 7:30 P.M.**

SUNDAY, NOV. 13, 2022

**BELLEVUE BAPTIST CHURCH
2000 APPLING ROAD
CORDOVA, TN**

Visit:

TNBaptist.org/Summit2022

**For updates on speakers,
registration, breakout sessions, exhibit
hall, special events, and more!**

**Housing information is on the site,
reserve your room early.**



State Evangelism Conference

January 29-30, 2023

**New Vision Baptist Church
Murfreesboro
1750 Thompson Lane**

**Let the Redeemed of the Lord say so!
Psalm 107:2**

For registration details and
more information, visit:

WWW.WINTN.ORG



**Starts with worship on Sunday at 5 pm and ends
Wednesday at noon.**

Bellevue Baptist Church at Cordova.

BILL BAILEY PRESENTS
MIDDLE TENNESSEE
Sings The Gospel!



GOLD CITY | KAREN PECK & NEW RIVER | JEFF & SHERI EASTER | DOWN EAST BOYS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18 | 7PM

NO TICKETS REQUIRED. DOORS OPEN AT 6PM. A \$15 DONATION WILL BE REQUESTED AT THE DOOR.
A LOVE OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED DURING THE CONCERT FOR FCC MINISTRIES.

Hillcrest Baptist Church
621 Hartsville Pike
Lebanon at 7:00 p.m.

www.BillBaileyConcerts.com

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IN CONJUNCTION WITH
THE ANNUAL GATHERING OF
TENNESSEE BAPTISTS

**NOVEMBER 15, 2022
5 - 7 P.M.**

BELLEVUE BAPTIST CHURCH
2000 APPLING ROAD
CORDOVA, TN 38016

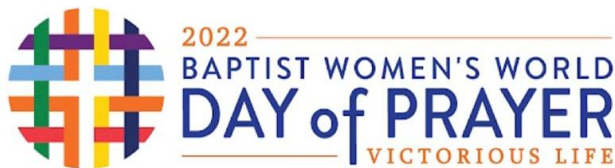
FELLOWSHIP HALL | MEAL 1 AREA

\$25 PER PERSON

**RSVP BY
NOVEMBER 1**

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Contact the Alumni Relations Office
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Monday, November 7, 2022
10:00AM and 6:00PM
Hope Baptist Church
1 Outlet Village Boulevard, Suite 530
Lebanon, TN 37090

Bible Study 2 Corinthians 2:14

Prayer covering the seven Continental Unions

Giving in support of global projects designed to
~ eternally benefit women in need and
~ equip women to impact their world for Christ

Join Baptist women worldwide celebrating our Victorious Life in Jesus Christ.

* An offering will be recieved. * Finger foods will be provided.

Thanks!

Wow! Thank you Wilson County Baptists for a wonderful send off! For 14 plus years it was a tremendous privilege to work alongside you in making an eternal difference. Thank you for the many open doors to impact lives. Thank you for your prayers, support, love and sharing you did with me. I gave it my best! I pray for God's man to do greater things. If you need me for anything please do not hesitate to call 615-542-6374.

We will continue to pray for each of you!

1 Corinthians 9:22

Dave & Melissa Shelley

While the Pastor's Away.....available for pulpit supply

Gordon Donahoe – 615-974-9559. Gordon recently retired from Neely's Bend Baptist Church in Madison, Tennessee.

Raymond Vogtner – 615-417-8309. Raymond completed a pastorate at Faith Baptist Church in the Wilson County Baptist Association. Raymond is available for supply, interims, or to share his new ministry, "Let's Talk." A ministry designed to encourage conversations with others leading them to discover God's plan for their lives.

Bart Gibbs – 615-390-9204. Bart has recently returned from the Mission Field in Africa and is available for supply, interim, or part-time pastorate. Bart served as Pastor at Hobson Pike Baptist Church from 2003-2010 before returning to the Mission Field.

Billie Friel – 615-754-5944. Billie recently retired from First Baptist Church in Alexandria.

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Greetings WCBA friends!

This semester at BCM has been great so far! Since the last update, we have had so many great events that filled the month of October. This month we have seen our greatest BCM lunch numbers post Covid-19. It's been a blessing to see so many students come in to enjoy a free meal and fellowship. Early in the month, BCM went to Fall Creek Falls to enjoy the beauty of creation in the fall, and to deepen friendships and make new ones asking the way. We also had one of our most favorite events, puppies and prayer! At this event, students brought their dogs for everyone to enjoy, and our leadership team asked students how we can pray for them. On the 18th of this month, we had a Night of Worship and Prayer, in which we worshipped God through song and to time to glorify Him in his many attributes. Students also had time to connect and pray with their bible study groups. Most recently, we served at the CU fall fest by passing out candy. Last week, we gathered in front of Memorial hall to lead a morning of prayer and encouragement for our Student Life Director, Mrs. Libby, as she struggles with breast cancer. Please keep her in your prayers as well. Please be in prayer for our ministry as we continue on through the semester in our weekly lunches, Bible studies, and evangelism training. As always, thank you so much for your support!