# Wilson County Baptist Association

# WCBA News

**ISSUE TWELVE** 

### A Word from Brother Chuck

I think about a familiar passage in John's Gospel as we enter the Christmas season. I appreciate Eugene Peterson's translation, The Message; "*The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood. We saw the glory with our own eyes, the one-of-a-kind glory, like Father, like Son, Generous inside and out, true from start to finish*"(John 1:14, MSG). The Word that is God and has been with God from the beginning came to live (tabernacle) among us. When Jesus came into our world, He did so to walk among us. To share our journey and to know our struggles. Therefore, we have a High Priest who can identify with our every temptation and trial. To me, beyond His gift of salvation, knowing that Jesus identifies with my journey in life is the gift that keeps on giving.

As Jesus came to display the glory of God, He sends us as His ambassadors to show our love for the Father and to share His love with our neighbors. If Jesus is God's Christmas gift, and He is, then He is the gift we are to share with any and all who will receive Him. So make Christmas come alive, bright, and beautiful, with the angels of heaven shouting, "Jesus saves, Jesus saves"!

Thank you, Wilson County Baptist Association, for allowing me the honor and privilege to serve as your Interim Director of Missions these last few months. I have great expectations as we welcome Dr. Scott Brown as the new leader of our association. I know you will extend a warm Wilson County welcome to Scott and his family. Pray for them as they make the transition to our community.

Christmas Program Schedule		
Barton's Creek Baptist Church	December 11 at 6 pm	Christmas Choir Program
First Baptist Lebanon	December 11 at 5 pm	KidMin Pageant
		Live from Bethlehem
	December 24 at 5 pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
The Glade	December 4 at 9 am and 10:30 am	The Songs of Christmas
	December 11 at 9 am and 10:30 am	
	December 18 at 9 am and 10:30 am	
Hillcrest Baptist Church	December 17 & 18 at 6 pm	The Miraculous Journey of Christmas
Hope Baptist Church	December 4 at 10:30 am	Preschool and Children's Christmas Choir
		Presents: Happy Birthday Jesus
	December 18 at 10:30 am	Choir Presentation of: Always a King
Round Lick Baptist Church	December 18 at 10:30 am & 12 pm	Christmas Cantata
Victory Baptist Church	December 4 at 6 pm	The Miracle of Christmas
Green Hill Church	December 11 at 6 pm	The Miracle of Christmas

# 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 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 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 Filed.

Billie Friel – 615-754-5944. Billie recently completed a pastorate at First Baptist Church in Alexandria.

Fred Vantrease – Cell: (615) 481-5123 call or text. Fred most recently served as pastor of Fellowship Baptist in Mt. Juliet.

Russ Stephens is available to supply for evening services only – Cell: 615-351-4319.

Jerry Osbourne, Jr. - Home: 615-427-1090; email: owenjr@dtccom.net

Glyn Passman – Cell: 615- 268-2716; email: glyn\_pass@icloud.com

Brother Rob Amson retired pastor after 50 years is available for supply, interims, and revivals - 615-218-4422.



## **State Evangelism Conference**

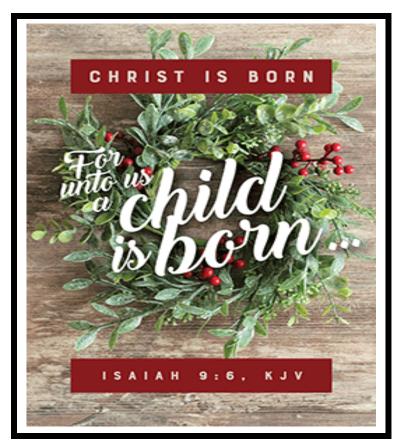
January 29-30, 2023

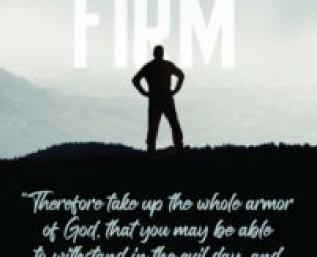
New Vision Baptist Church Murfreesboro 1750 Thompson Lane

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

For registration details and more information, visit:

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to withstand in the evil day, and having done all to stand firm.

**Bivocational Ministers & Wives Retreat Music Road Hotel & Convention Center** January 26-28, 2023

> **Register online at:** www.tnbaptist.org/bivo click "Bivo Retreat" link

**Complete registration and full** payment by December 20, 2022 to reserve room.

Week of Prayer for International **Missions Board** 

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** 

December 4 - December 11



**January 24, 2023** 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Hillcrest Baptist Church 621 Hartsville Pike

Bro. Roc Collins and Bro. Mark Miller, Specialists

Message presented by Dr. Roc Collins

We will be providing a "WinTN 30 Day Prayer Challenge" as part of resources supplied to the church.

Host: Wilson County Association, Chris Smith (Hillcrest)



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#### Greetings WCBA family!

November was another great month here at BCM. We kicked off this month on the 8th with our live recording of an Acoustic Night of Worship. As the most full worship night of the semester, we were able to worship the Lord through song. It is always encouraging to stand next to fellow believers to worship in spirit and truth. The following week, we had our BCM Friendsgiving. It was a great night of fellowship over great food. We were blessed with several new faces as our students were able to bring them to the fellowship. In order to raise funding for upcoming mission trips and events, our BCM has been hard at work serving concessions at the weekly basketball games. In an effort to share the Gospel with our sports teams, we passed out travel sports goodie bags to the soccer, volleyball, and the basketball teams and were given the opportunity to pray for them as they traveled to their away games. Over Thanksgiving break, international students were invited into the BCM house twice a day to receive some free meals provided by local churches and people in the area and on campus. Our Tuesday lunches have continued to flourish throughout the rest of the semester. On Tuesday the 29th, we had our final Bible study of the semester as we concluded our Pray Like Jesus study. On the 30th, we will have our final pancake night of the semester which will be Christmas themed! Thank you so much for your support this semester, we look forward to the spring as we continue to love and serve our campus here at Cumberland! Sincerely, Nathan Clark

The spring semester is coming up soon! We are in need of churches to provide for our Tuesday lunches. Let us know if you would like our BCM Leadership Team and the BCM Band to come lead a service at your church, by leading worship and sharing testimonies of what God is doing through our ministry! Contact myself or Brother Darrin to schedule!

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