

The Challenger

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**Administrative Team
Zoom Meeting
Tuesday, October 6 ~ 6:00 P.M.**

**Executive Board Meeting
New Harmony Baptist Church
Tuesday, October 20
7:00 P.M.**

(Refreshments at 6:00 P.M.)

**Election of Messengers and
Executive Board Representatives**

Messengers to the WCBA Annual Meeting and your Executive Board Representative need to be elected by the end of the year. Those elected should be prepared to attend and vote at the WCBA Annual Meeting in January 2021. Please send the names and contact information of those elected to the WCBA office as soon as possible.

Messengers

**Each church shall be entitled to
three (3) messengers.**

Executive Board Representative

The Executive Board of the WCBA is composed of the **Pastor** and **one (1) elected representative from each church**, plus the **Administrative Team** of the WCBA. The Executive Board meets quarterly to hear reports and conduct necessary business. Your Executive Board Representative should be someone who can attend all meetings.

Voting at Annual Meeting

Each cooperating church shall be entitled to five (5) voting members, which include the Pastor, an elected Executive Board Representative and the three (3) elected Messengers.



**Kid's Minister
Digital Conference**

September 24, 2020
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Cost - \$10

**[Click Here to
Register](#)**



**Student Minister
Digital Conference**

October 1, 2020
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Cost - \$10

**[Click Here to
Register](#)**

Happy Birthday!

Oct 3 Mike Thornton
Oct 8 Ed Wingfield
Oct 18 Dennis Kirkland

Happy Anniversary!

Oct 9 Mark & Cheryl Hall
Oct 10 Richard & Lauren Coe
Oct 25 Candace & James Johnson

Message from Missionaries

Mike & Misty Hennie (and kids)

The biggest bonus of being back in the United States is being with family and friends. But an added bonus is making new friends. What a gift! Walton County Baptist Association -- you really blew us away. You let us invade your conference room for a whole week for homeschooling, and you didn't even know us prior to us walking in the door!!! What servants you truly are! Pray for us as we make connections while stateside and as we return to and continue our work in Central Asia.



Contributions to WCBA General Fund

| <u>CHURCH</u> | <u>YTD 2020</u> | <u>2019</u> |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Argyle | 90.65 | 388.50 |
| Baldwin Avenue | 3279.58 | 3364.31 |
| Bethel | 0.00 | 76.73 |
| Calvary | 1489.54 | 2554.82 |
| Caney Creek | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Cluster Springs | 300.00 | 368.15 |
| Darlington | 1570.38 | 1261.87 |
| DeFuniak First | 5143.22 | 7415.48 |
| East | 4371.91 | 5627.51 |
| Everlasting Word | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Freeport First | 900.00 | 1100.00 |
| Friendship | 3387.12 | 4701.16 |
| Gaskin First | 3007.80 | 2746.99 |
| Indian Creek | 1471.99 | 1922.25 |
| Knox Hill | 75.00 | 375.00 |
| Liberty First | 2400.00 | 3155.00 |
| Mossy Head First | 7079.17 | 9834.26 |
| New Day | 250.00 | 0.00 |
| New Harmony | 8334.37 | 10,021.06 |
| Oak Grove | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Paxton | 6505.00 | 8601.04 |
| Pleasant Grove | 0.00 | 700.00 |
| Pleasant Ridge | 4230.20 | 5952.26 |
| Pleasant Valley | 718.15 | 1132.70 |
| Red Bay | 405.00 | 625.00 |
| Seagrove | 0.00 | 1680.08 |
| Southwide | 1104.51 | 3360.87 |
| Union Springs | 350.00 | 0.00 |
| Westside | 1497.64 | 2030.16 |
| Woodlawn | 2475.00 | 2925.00 |
| TOTAL | 60,436.23 | 82,170.20 |

Church Bulletin Board

Cluster Springs Baptist – They are looking for a part-time music leader. You can mail your résumé to the church at PO Box 294, DeFuniak Springs 32435 or email it to Rev. David Amason at DVAmason63@gmail.com.

East Baptist – They are looking to hire a Youth Pastor. This would be a part-time paid position. You can mail your résumé to the church at 910 Bay Avenue, DeFuniak Springs 32435 or email it to Rev. George Chestnut at gdchestnut@gmail.com.

Freeport First Baptist – They have twelve **8-foot** church pews available for free (fabric is **Red**, solid **Oak Honey Stain** in color, **like new**). You must pick up. If interested contact the church at 835-2742.

Paxton Baptist – They are hiring a part-time Youth Minister and are looking for someone who loves teenagers and is willing to invest in their lives and the lives of their parents. For details on the position call the church at 834-2718.

A Word from Brian Nall



I have heard often from medical professionals, "to maintain a healthy body, work on your flexibility." And in 2020 we have seen how the same principle applies for our church body. Pandemic, social unrest, political upheaval. As I write this Hurricane Sally is coming through (slowly) and an earthquake hit North Escambia a few days ago. We just never know what is around the corner. But constant changes around us open the door for new opportunities. By "change" I don't mean theology (that should be a constant); rather, how we *appl* our faith. Just like God's word should continually be changing us - sanctification (our hearts must remain flexible), we must be open to new opportunities to apply God's non-changing word in an ever-changing world. Consider the following:

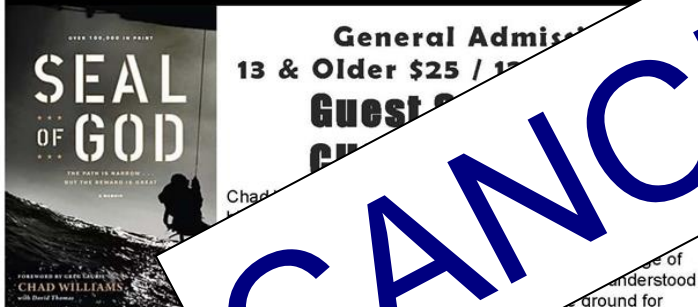
1. What new opportunities has your church discovered because of what has occurred in 2020?
2. How has God grown your faith or identified areas that need to be addressed during these last 9 months?
3. How do you cherish relationships more despite a year defined by isolation?

Remember, if we are willing to be flexible, this season can be a great fitness test for our faith and a season of tremendous revival (see James 1:2-5). I have routinely seen that churches who are willing to embrace wise flexibility, experience great health and growth. Thus, where does your church need to work on its flexibility?

Finally, 2020 has put must pressure upon each pastor - mental, emotional, spiritual. Let me encourage you to get with others in your church to organize how you can love on your pastor, his wife and family as you enter the final quarter of 2020.

I look forward to seeing you at our Associational Gathering on October 20, 7pm, at New Harmony. (Note: While we will address several year-end topics on 10/20, our Annual Meeting will be held in January.)

Better Together,
Brian



God's Kingdom. After...
selling book SEAL of God...
over 300 faith-based even...
related to military affairs for

Chad's deepest passion and...
communicate the life-changing...
drawing from his experiences in the SEAL Teams on and...
off the battlefield, to convey overcoming a lack of purpose,
hope, and meaninglessness. Chad has a unique ability of
passing on to others a deeper understanding and
appreciation for our soldiers who have shed their blood for
our earthly freedom; and most of all, the Savior who shed
His blood for our eternal freedom.



SAVE THE DATE!
2020 REAL MEN'S EVENT
OCTOBER 24TH, 2020
SKEETER RANCH, ASPER, FL

CANCELED

...ent is
...ent for men
...to come together
...things that MEN do!

...Events include the following:
shooting, Flying Drones, Off Roding,
Archery, Disc Golf, Hatchet Throw,
600-foot zip line, and more! With over 15
events going on all day long you will be
sure to have a memorable time!

Friday Night Camping is Available!

[Click Here for All Details and To Register](#)



**Zach Williams and Big Daddy Weave:
An Evening Under the Stars at the
Mattie Kelly Cultural Arts Village in Destin**

Sunday, October 4, 2020

Doors Open: 5:30 ~ Concert: 7:00

Ticket Cost: \$27.50 / \$24.75 (4 or More)

[Click Here for Additional Details or to Purchase Tickets](#)

Retooling Generosity Post-Covid

Virtual Conference Hosted by the *Florida Baptist Foundation*

Tuesdays, Oct. 13, 20, and 27 at 12-1 PM (CST)



Workshop 1: Best Practices for Growing Digital Givers / Led by Todd McMichen

Workshop 2: Preaching and Teaching on Generosity / Led by Todd McMichen

Workshop 3: Developing a Key Donor Ministry / Led by Rev. Zach Terry



Generosity by LifeWay and the Florida Baptist Foundation are partnering to bring you this essential and timely workshop to prepare you for a generosity bounce back like no other!

REGISTER HERE: <https://www.floridabaptist.org/generosity>

The cost is \$10 to attend all three days and proceeds will go to the Benevolence Fund at the Florida Baptist Foundation which was created during the Covid-19 crisis and has distributed nearly \$100,000 in support of the needs of pastors.