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Upcoming Events in Your Association

Harrison County Coffee - Cracker Barrel 8am - May 8

Hancock County Coffee - Mockingbird Café 8:15am - May 12

Book Reading Group Lunch GCBA Training Center 11:30am - May 13

Stone County Coffee - Gateway Christian Academy 8:30am - May 14

Monthly Minister's Meeting GCBA Training Center 10:30am - May 20

Office Closed for Memorial Day - May 26

SBC Annual Meeting Dallas, TX - June 8-11

Monthly Minister's Meeting GCBA Training Center 10:30am - June 17

Hancock County Coffee - Mockingbird Café 8:15am - June 23

Harrison County Coffee - Cracker Barrel 8am - June 24

Stone County Coffee - Gateway Christian Academy 8:30am - June 25

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"You Can Adopt a BSU Summer Missionary!"

As we continue striving to exalt Jesus as King and to share the gospel message of His salvation along the Mississippi Gulf Coast, I want to point you to another way you can impact the world for His kingdom – Baptist Student Union Summer Missions.

I have recently discussed with our Strategy Team about my getting more involved with our BSU Campus ministry at

Harrison County Campus, as well as my involvement on the BSU Leadership Team for MGCCC. As an Association, we are already supportive of BSU and our Southern Baptist mission organizations. And each summer, these entities link arms to take the message of Jesus throughout North America and to the uttermost parts of our world.

Each year, our BSU's send students to camps, church plants, and missionary teams around the world through the BSU Summer Missionary program. These students share the love of Christ with many who have never heard. They also encourage churches, pastors, and missionaries worldwide, and gain a greater understanding of God's global purposes.

You are already involved with supporting BSU missions through your connection with the SBC, the MBC, and the GCBA. But I want to also encourage you to consider getting more personally involved by Adopting a BSU Summer Missionary from Mississippi.

When your church adopts a BSU Summer Missionary, you help support a specific student by one or more of these methods:

Praying for them daily while they are on the field.

Encouraging them with letters from your church.

Inviting them to come and speak about their experience after they return.

It is so simple for you and your church to engage in Mission Support by caring for one of our Summer Missionaries. If you would like to adopt a Summer Missionary, the easiest way is to follow the link below to submit your information to get started (or you can contact us at the GCBA office and we can help you get connected):

mississippibsu.org/adoptasm

I am so grateful for the work that our BSU Summer Missionaries will provide on our behalf this summer! And I am grateful for you being a part of their effort through your prayers and support!

In Christ, Brian



FROM THE

DESK OF

BRIAN RUSHING

AMS

2024 BSU Summer Missionaries

Contributions for March 2025

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Church	MONTHLY	YR. TO DATE
Back Bay	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bay St Louis	\$3,078.00	\$5,276.00
Bay Vista	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bayou Church	\$25.00	\$75.00
Bayou View	\$83.33	\$249.99
Bel Aire	\$904.00	\$2,923.00
Big Level	\$1,250.00	\$3,750.00
Big Ridge	\$401.59	\$1,103.71
Biloxi FBC	\$467.48	\$1,748.51
Bond	\$640.65	\$1,921.50
Brodie Road	\$0.00	\$0.00
Chinese Grace Bible	\$0.00	\$0.00
Christ Church	\$234.00	\$832.00
Church @ 112 (C112)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cornerstone	\$100.00	\$400.00
Crosspoint	\$236.27	\$1,339.21
Delisle FBC	\$0.00	\$0.00
Desired Nation	\$100.00	\$200.00
Empowerment Min. CC	\$200.00	\$200.00
Faithview	\$542.76	\$1,912.67
Faro de Esperanza	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fernwood	\$100.00	\$200.00
Grace Chapel	\$830.76	\$1,188.54
Grace Memorial	\$617.37	\$1,986.46
Grace Temple	\$0.00	\$100.00
Gulf Gardens	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gulfport FBC	\$2,452.75	\$6,568.75
Handsboro	\$578.86	\$1,944.82
Harbor City	\$50.00	\$100.00
Harvest Church	\$250.00	\$750.00
Highland	\$0.00	\$181.68
Hope City Church	\$0.00	\$0.00
Iglesia Emanuel	\$58.86	\$161.19
Jacob's Well	\$1,593.15	\$6,913.01
Lakeshore	\$0.00	\$50.00
Lizana FBC	\$0.00	\$65.10
Long Beach FBC	\$1,875.16	\$5,871.50
Lyman FBC	\$298.00	\$950.00
McHenry FBC	\$628.51	\$1,051.94
Michael Memorial	\$1,549.00	\$4,089.39
MS Korean	\$304.08	\$972.83
Mt. Chapel	\$25.00	\$50.00
New Hope	\$0.00	\$4,854.21
North Long Beach	\$254.70	\$1,184.92
Old Spanish Trail	\$254.70	\$1,184.92
Parkway	\$531.54	\$2,002.68
Pass Christian FBC	\$0.00	\$2,002.68
Peace Peace	\$50.00	\$150.00
Pearlington FSBC	\$0.00	\$150.00
Perkinston	\$118.65	\$606.65
Popps Ferry	\$270.00	\$270.00
Riverside	\$200.00	\$502.00
Robinwood	\$574.16	\$1,699.28
Shoreline Park	\$100.00	\$300.00
Success	\$0.00	\$216.22
The Church at Windance	\$464.48	\$1,314.23
The Ch. Of Turning Points	\$30.00	\$30.00
Tuxechena	\$72.52	\$247.33
West Gulfport	\$254.24	\$254.24
Wiggins FBC	\$3,329.56	\$13,433.39
Woolmarket	\$1,201.48	\$4,326.32
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Please check our Group Page on *Facebook* for additional church news:

Mississippi Gulf Coast Baptist Association

If your church has a vacancy for a position you would like us to publicize, please contact the office. We will post the information at:

Open Church Positions | Gulf Coast Baptist.

We always enjoy visiting our churches during VBS. Please contact the office to let us know your VBS dates.

FBC BILOXI is excited to announce several events commemorating their 150 Year Anniversary; May 4-Legacy Sunday, May 11-History Sunday, May 23-25-150 Weekend and May 25-Celebration Sunday. For more information visit: First Baptist Church Biloxi | 150 Year Anniversary Celebration.

Congratulations, FBC Biloxi on 150 years!

PASTOR SEARCH

Join us in praying for these churches as they seek God's wisdom and guidance in calling a pastor:

- Handsboro
- Parkway
- Pearlington FSBC
- Success



A bittersweet event in ministry is the continuous "saying goodbye" to friends and colleagues as the Lord leads them to their next location of service. And this occurs even more frequently in collegiate ministry on the Community College level. The students we meet, evangelize, disciple, and go on mission trips with, are usually only with us for two years. They graduate and are gone just as we're scratching the surface of a deep meaningful relationship. And this is also the case for our Harrison County and Jackson County Campus Missionaries.

For those who have not heard, our Harrison County Campus Missionary, Noah Stanley, has felt like the Lord is now leading him to that next step and thus will be leaving the Gulf Coast after this School Year. Noah

joined us when we were relaunching the BSU ministry at Harrison County Campus, after it had been put on hold due to the COVID pandemic. He has done an excellent job of investing in the students on campus, and the fruit clearly shows as the ministry is now flourishing.

This past week we held a going-away party for Noah. Student after student shared about the impact Noah has made on their lives and spiritual development – including those who have known him the whole two years and those that had just joined the BSU this semester. It was incredible getting to hear from the mouths of students how the Lord used Noah in each of their lives. This is why the ministry that we do at the Harrison County Campus BSU is just as essential as what we do at Perk. Through the ministry there we have seen students go from death to life; from Lost to Laborers.

In the next article I will share in detail about our new Campus Missionary stepping into the role, Isaac Sivils. Thank you so much for your continued support of the MGCCC BSU. Praying the Lord will bless each one of you as you seek to minister to your communities this summer!







2025

PACTORING

MBCB

August 18: FBC Laurel

5:15-8:30PM • 607 W 5th St, Laurel, MS 39440

WHAT IS IMPACT TRAINING?

Impact provides training for pastors, church staff, and volunteer leaders in age group ministries.

PANELISTS

Shawn Parker • Jon Martin Rena Register • Greg Spencer

BREAKOUT LEADERS

Engaging Your Community Through Strategic Planning Greg Spencer, Lead Pastor, First Baptist, Ellisville

Engaging Your Community Through Small Groups
Brad Hodges, Groups Pastor, Temple Baptist, Hattiesburg

Engaging Your Community Through Events
Kelli Brent, Next Gen Director, Temple Baptist, Hattiesburg

Engaging Your Community Through Personal Evangelism Chad McCord, Missions Mobilization Director, MBCB Don Lum, Evangelism Director, MBCB



2025

ENGAGE YOUR COMMUNITY

Theme

Dinner is provided for those who pre-register. Deadline to register is I week prior to the event date!

SCHEDULE

5:15 PM Dinner
6:00 PM Welcome
6:10 PM Panel Discussion
7:00 PM Breakouts
8:30 PM Dismissal

Register at mbcb.org/events

All Locations: Aug. 7 Philadelphia • Aug. 11 Greenwood • Aug. 12 Tupelo • Aug. 18 Laurel • Aug. 19 Natchez