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MARGARET LACKEY OFFERING FOR STATE MISSIONS

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TEACH THIS PEOPLE

Margaret Lackey Offering promotional materials and a list of speakers are available at:
www.mbc.org/margaret

OFFERING ALLOCATIONS

Offering Goal:
\$2.1 Million

- MISSION VOLUNTEERS \$657,600**
Mississippi Baptists mobilized almost 1,800 volunteers last year. Margaret Lackey funds provide financial assistance for volunteer travel in North America or internationally. *For more information, contact Mike Ray or Cassie Munn at (601) 292-3398.*
- CENTRAL HILLS \$388,800**
"Learning the ropes" of missions involvement is a key function of Central Hills Retreat in Kosciusko. *For more information, contact Shane Thrash at (662) 289-9730.*
- GARAYWA \$388,800**
Garaywa Camp and Conference Center provided missional training and inspiration for more than 7,800 persons last year. Over 1,100 campers attended Garaywa and 14 made professions of faith, rededications or answered God's call on their lives. *For more information, contact Jordan East at (601) 924-7034.*
- COMMUNITY MINISTRY \$172,800**
Margaret Lackey grants assist associational initiatives for evangelism ministries and mission strategies in local communities to impact the Kingdom. *For more information, contact your local Association.*
- CHURCH MULTIPLICATION \$168,000**
Almost two million Mississippians are unchurched. Margaret Lackey gifts provide the initial funding to start new churches focused on reaching our fellow Mississippians with the Gospel. *For more information, contact Johnny Ervin at (601) 292-3361.*
- COLLEGIATE OUTREACH \$90,600**
Through our Baptist Student Unions, Margaret Lackey encourages college students to explore the Gospel and meet Christian believers. *For more information, contact Lloyd Lunceford or Jennie Taylor at (601) 292-3299.*
- \$62,400 CRIMINAL JUSTICE MINISTRY**
Margaret Lackey funds help provide visits, discipleship materials, and seminary classes in jails and prisons across Mississippi. *For more information, contact Charles Jones (601) 752-2021 or John Henry at (601) 508-0293.*
- \$62,400 DISASTER RELIEF**
When people hurt, Baptists care! Margaret Lackey trains disaster relief specialists who are ready at the sound of a siren to cook, clean, clear, and encourage the victims of disastrous events. *For more information, contact Barri Shirley at (601) 232-3238.*
- \$58,400 LANGUAGE/DEAF MINISTRY**
Your gifts to the Margaret Lackey offering help train leaders for ESL, ARM, and Chronological Bible Storying. *For more information about Language Ministry, contact Maria Teel at (601) 292-3201. For more information about Deaf Ministry, contact Vickie Stuart at (601) 421-7823.*
- \$51,200 CROSS CULTURAL EVANGELISM**
Margaret Lackey recognizes several different language groups and cultures in Mississippi. The offering funds help share the Gospel and the love of Jesus cross-culturally. *For more information, contact Ken Rhodes at (601) 292-3231.*
- \$24,000 CWJC/CMJC**
Twenty-one percent of Mississippi's population live below the poverty line. CWJC/CMJC combine discipleship and job skill training to assist men and women at more than 14 sites around the state. *For more information, contact Tammy Anderson at (601) 292-3323.*
- \$15,000 PORT MINISTRY**
Through port ministry in Pascagoula and Gulfport, Margaret Lackey offers a Christian witness and warm hospitality. *For more information, contact Jackson County Baptist Association at (228) 769-7101 in Pascagoula or Chris O'Brien at (228) 868-2525 or (215) 805-8054 in Gulfport.*

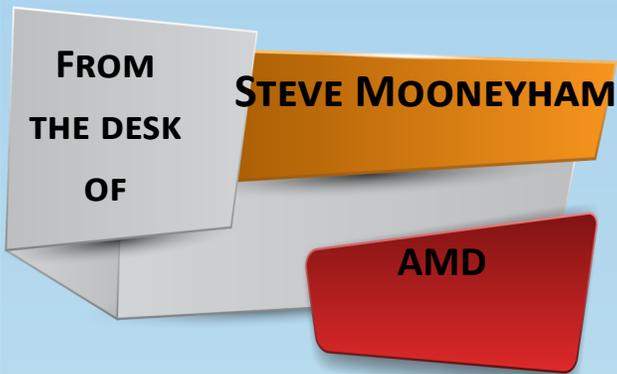
Theme Verse:
"... I did not shrink back from proclaiming to you anything that was profitable or from teaching it to you in public and from house to house."
ACTS 20:20 (HCSB)

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**PRAYER EMPHASIS FOR
GULF COAST BAPTIST CHURCHES
HEAL OUR LAND**



In response to the prompting of the Holy Spirit, we have put together a concerted prayer emphasis to call on our Father to bring healing to our land from the corona virus. We believe the time is now for God's people to come before Him in humility and repentance to ask Him to do what only He can do. On Sunday August 30, 2020, many of our pastors joined in a time of solemn prayer as spiritual leaders in our association. We encourage each of our churches to take part in this emphasis.

Following is the three-part strategy for churches:

I. Solemn Assembly

Solemn Assembly in the Churches led by pastors/staff. You may use any format at any time you feel is best for your church. The key thing is to call churches together to pray and seek God's face for healing

II. Daily Prayer Emphasis

Following the Solemn Assembly is an on-going prayer emphasis which you design to fit your church.

We suggest that people pray twice a day at 7:14 a.m. and p.m. until God brings healing to our land. The association will provide a template you can use to produce prayer reminder cards to give your people which can serve as a reminder of the prayer emphasis.

III. Weekly Congregational Prayer

We will ask a different pastor each week to produce a 60-90 second video prayer focusing on one of the four parts of 2Chronicles 7:14 (humbleness, prayer, seeking, repentance). These 60-90 second videos will be available via our website (www.gulfcoastba.com) and Facebook group page (**Mississippi Gulf Coast Baptist Association**, you will need to ask to join). These can be used in any service to call the church to prayer each week.

Pastors, we encourage you to lead your church in taking part in this emphasis. The intent is for God's people to call on Him to bring healing to our land. Could it be that He also uses this to bring revival to our land as His people repent before Him and seek His face? God grant that it be so!

For healing and revival!

Dr. Steve Mooneyham
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We had such great plans for August 2020! South Mississippi was supposed to host Growing Churches the first weekend of August. The steering committee planning it was 95% complete with the plans and, boom! There came corona virus and cancelation of the event. On August 15, GCBA had a Church Leadership Training scheduled emphasizing our 2021 theme, *Discipling Disciples to Minister*. Once again we were forced to cancel for your safety but we made one change. We asked the leaders to do videos on their assigned topics and created a Virtual CLT! These videos can now be found on our website, www.gulfcoastba.com, by clicking the **CLT** button on the top navigation line. We have provided videos for music leaders, pastors, Bible Drill leaders, budget planning teams, stewardship teams, and adult Sunday School/Small Group leaders. The video for Men's Ministry leaders will be available in a week or so.

If you are interested in more quality videos, you can go to <https://vimeo.com/msbaptists>. They have many videos on different topics supporting church ministry.

I know that many of you may skip over Bro. Steve's article to get to mine (yeah, in my dreams!), but let me encourage you to read his article about *Heal Our Land*. Over the last almost sixteen years that Steve and I have served together, we have had many prayer emphases. Some of them were pretty good. **HEAL OUR LAND IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PRAYER EMPHASIS WE HAVE FELT LED OF GOD TO PUT TOGETHER FOR OUR ASSOCIATION.** God was dealing with us separately and leading us to the same conclusion. Christians NEED to come together as one in continual prayer against the corona virus. Our desire is for GCBA Christians to pray without ceasing that God will miraculously heal our world of the virus AND in such a way only HE can get the glory and honor. God is sovereign and if he desires to heal our land in a different way, great! But Christians need to PRAY! Pastors, join in and share it with your pastor friends. Christians, discipline yourselves to pray daily and fervently for healing. Share the idea with your other Christians friends, May God grant our prayers and through it, spiritual renewal will take place in GCBA, Mississippi, the US, and the world! Amen!

New to the Gulf Coast Baptist Association Website, www.gulfcoastba.com

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Did you know that 9 new videos are available to view on the Association website? You can view videos about WMU, Bible Drill, Church Retirement, Stewardship and more! These videos were uploaded as part of the Church Leadership Training offered by your Association.

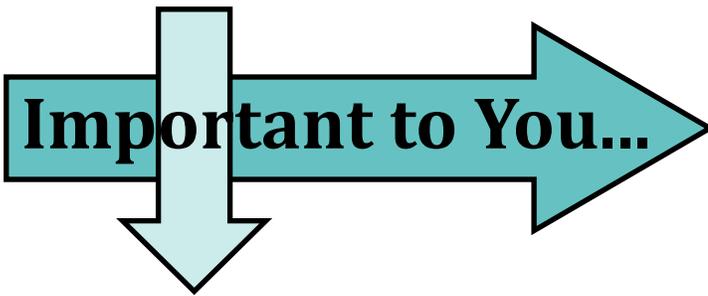
A new tool is available for online giving to several Associational ministries, including the NEW Bobby C. Perry Associational Missions Offering, which supports local Church Planting, Partnership Missions and Disaster Relief. This page may be accessed by going to our website www.gulfcoastba.com and clicking on the **Giving** tab at the top of the page.

As you know, there will soon be a huge need for disaster relief personnel, and the Gulf Coast Baptist Association is ready to respond. We will house workers in our facilities and help coordinate efforts throughout the Gulf Coast as needed. This also is a great time to try out the new **Giving** tab on the website to help support our disaster relief efforts and workers. We are already receiving images of the destruction to churches, homes and office buildings in the Lake Charles area.

If you have not checked out the Strategy page on the website, don't wait. Here you can see the six-year strategy representing the long-term direction of your Association. This is a great way to get a clear idea of where your Association has been focused in the last few years and where we will be going in ministry in years to come.

As we come back stronger than ever to church, your church may be looking for ways to help in the community. Click on the **Our Ministries** tab and see some of the ministries your Gulf Coast Baptist Association supports. These ministries are a great place to start outreach from your church into our community!

I hope the website will become a better communication tool for you and your church as we strive to communicate better with churches in your Association.



Please remember Rev. Don Bearden, pastor Cornerstone Baptist Church and his family in the loss of his mother Judith Lynn Bearden on June 10, 2020. Mrs. Bearden was a former member of Blue Springs Baptist Church and a resident of Oxford, AL.

Also, coveting your prayers is Mrs. Okie Rempel, wife of Rev. Charley Rempel, interim pastor Perkinston Baptist Church. Okie's mother, Fanny Lou Keys, departed this life on August 17, 2020 in Wiggins, MS. Her final interment is in Oklahoma.

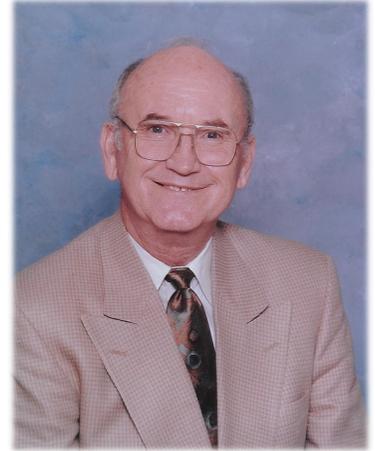
Please help us out

In response to a request, we would like to know if your church is involved in a jail or prison ministry, please email the following information to the GCBA Office robin@gulfcoastba.com:

1. Church name
2. Where you minister and how often
3. Name of person who leads the ministry

BCPAMO

The GCBA has established an offering for Associational Missions in memory of longtime Executive Director /Treasurer , Dr. Bobby C. Perry. This year is the first time we will receive this offering.



The Third Sunday of October has been set aside to receive the offering, which is **October 18** this year. The goal is **\$10,000.00**. Proceeds from the offering this year will go to three areas:

1. **Church Planting**—providing funding to assist new starts
2. **Partnership Missions**—helping churches with mission trips
3. **Disaster Relief**—providing assistance for volunteer training and relief

Each church will receive a quantity of promotional material in the coming weeks to aid in promoting the offering. When you give to Bobby C. Perry Associational Missions Offering (BCPAMO) you will strengthen the work and ministry of the GCBA. We urge you to plan now how you will give to this offering.

Piano Supply

If you are in need of a pianist please contact Wanza McGuffie at 601-754-5000 or by email wanzamcguffie@gmail.com. You may also reach her by Facebook as Wanza McGuffie.

Contributions for July 2020

CHURCH	MONTHLY	YR. TO DATE
Back Bay	\$0.00	\$842.15
Bay St Louis	\$1,006.68	\$9,585.40
Bay Vista	\$417.28	\$2,364.83
Bayou Talla	\$25.00	\$175.00
Bayou View	\$166.66	\$1,166.62
Bayside	\$25.00	\$175.00
Bel Aire	\$1,535.00	\$10,130.03
Big Level	\$1,183.00	\$8,281.00
Big Ridge	\$292.10	\$2,899.31
Biloxi FBC	\$600.61	\$4,784.51
Bond	\$610.30	\$5,211.72
Bridge Community	\$303.00	\$648.58
Brodie Road	\$0.00	\$0.00
Chinese Grace Bible	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
Christ Church	\$0.00	\$0.00
Connect Community	\$70.00	\$505.00
Cornerstone	\$0.00	\$100.00
Crosspoint	\$118.15	\$970.30
Delisle FBC	\$0.00	\$0.00
Desired Nation	\$100.00	\$699.25
Emmanuel	\$25.00	\$150.00
Empowerment Min.	\$0.00	\$300.00
Faithview	\$1,187.10	\$3,729.79
Family Worship	\$0.00	\$0.00
Faro de Esperanza	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fernwood	\$320.00	\$1,120.00
Grace Chapel	\$327.60	\$1,734.89
Grace Memorial	\$784.32	\$5,672.21
Grace Temple	\$400.00	\$1,700.00
GracePoint Church	\$148.00	\$320.67
Gtr. Mt Rest	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gulf Gardens	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gulfport FBC	\$2,607.81	\$22,066.34
Handsboro	\$629.60	\$4,511.11
Harbor City	\$0.00	\$435.00
Highland	\$0.00	\$250.71
Iglesia Emanuel	\$0.00	\$44.87
Jacob's Well	\$895.29	\$8,176.84
Lakeshore	\$50.00	\$150.00
Lizana FBC	\$0.00	\$1,544.77
Long Beach FBC	\$1,736.58	\$12,711.18
Lyman FBC	\$225.00	\$1,485.00
McHenry FBC	\$417.06	\$1,252.25
Michael Memorial	\$1,849.92	\$11,209.71
MS Korean	\$0.00	\$1,218.68
Mt. Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Hope	\$903.04	\$8,159.60
North Hills	\$0.00	\$0.00
North Long Beach	\$0.00	\$513.55
Old Spanish Trail	\$0.00	\$0.00
Parkway	\$623.37	\$3,729.04
Pass Christian FBC	\$135.15	\$394.17
Peace	\$50.00	\$350.00
Pearlington FSBC	\$0.00	\$528.96
Perkinston	\$106.00	\$944.92
Popps Ferry	\$0.00	\$184.98
Riverside	\$75.00	\$403.00
Robinwood	\$418.53	\$3,956.23
Saucier FBC	\$0.00	\$100.00
Shoreline Park	\$100.00	\$600.00
Success	\$0.00	\$616.14
The Church at Windance	\$289.53	\$1,212.81
Trinity	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tuxehena	\$129.18	\$1,055.60
Vardaman Street	\$0.00	\$0.00
Vidalia's Bridge	\$0.00	\$0.00
West Gulfport	\$61.23	\$644.52
Wiggins FBC	\$3,308.00	\$20,762.00
Woolmarket	\$1,408.61	\$13,148.41

CHURCH *News*

Please check our Group Page on **Facebook**

for additional church news:

Mississippi Gulf Coast

Baptist Association

BOND located just north of Wiggins, is in search of a part-time Music Minister. Please direct inquiries and resumes to: Dale Davis @ 601-528-0121 or email stoneprint1@gmail.com.

BIG RIDGE is in search of a part-time Children's Minister. Please submit resumes to Dr. Raymond Grabert. Email: brbcpastor@cablone.net or call the church office for more information 228-392-4387.

CONNECT COMMUNITY is in search of a part-time Worship Pastor 15 hours per week with salary. Please contact Pastor Steven Simon by email or phone: steven@connectcommunitygc.org or 228-209-7779.

FBC BAY ST. LOUIS is in search of a part-time Financial Administrative Assistant. Compensation is based on experience with retirement benefits provided. Please see this link for more details. <http://www.sbc.net/jobs/20766/financial-administrative-assistant>

FBC WIGGINS is saddened to announce the resignation of their pastor, Rev. Robby Rikard. Please pray with them as they seek God's will for their church during this period of transition.

GRACE CHAPEL has a 2003 Ford F-350 20 passenger bus for sale. For more information contact Pastor Stan Proctor at 228-493-0709. See the GCBA Facebook page for details.

OLD SPANISH TRAIL would like to announce the calling of Bro. Paul Burdic as their new pastor. Please celebrate in prayers of praise and thanksgiving with them. Congratulations!



Be in prayer as these churches
seek the
wisdom of the
Holy Spirit and God's
guidance in calling a pastor:

Emmanuel
New Hope
North Hills
North Long Beach
Robinwood
Trinity
FBC Wiggins

REVIVAL

THEME: STANDING AGAINST THE SCHEMES OF THE DEVIL
EPHESIANS 6:11

September 15, 24, 29 & October 6



SEPTEMBER 15TH - 6:00 - 8:00 PM Suicide Prevention/Awareness Briefing Session

We will host CH Partin our MSARNG State Chaplain as he shares with our church and community strategic tools to utilize when a loved one is struggling with suicide. Of course there will be singing and fellowship and whatever refreshments the pandemic allows.



SEPTEMBER 24TH - 6:00 - 7:00 PM Overcoming Depression and Anxiety

Dr. Perry Sanderford, a highly credentialed and experienced Christian Counselor, has agreed to meet with our congregation and community and discuss ways to overcome the anxiety and depression that has plagued our society as of late.



SEPTEMBER 29TH - 6:00 - 7:00 PM Overcoming Substance Abuse

Teen Challenge of Mississippi, a substance abuse ministry, will be sharing with us how to assist our loved ones in our congregation and community who are dealing with addiction.



OCTOBER 6TH - 6:00 - 7:00 PM Human Trafficking Awareness

Susie Harville, of Advocates for Freedom, will be sharing with us. As an expert trainer on human trafficking for law-enforcement in Mississippi, for the police academy, FBI, and other federal and state agencies, we are honored to have her share with our congregation and community.



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