

THE TIDE

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All church ministerial staff
are cordially invited to
celebrate the joy of the season
with dinner and a ballet performance
by **Ballet Magnificat**
Christian Dance Company
at the
Gulf Coast Baptist Association's
Annual Ministers & Mates Banquet



**PRODIGAL'S
JOURNEY**

On Thursday, November 21, 2019
At 6:30 in the evening
At Crosspoint Church
15046 North Swan Road, Gulfport
RSVP 228.832.4311 or
robin@gulfcoastba.com by Nov. 14
\$25 per couple/\$15 per person

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Upcoming Events in Your Association

- Operation Christmas Child Collection Nov 6-20
- Hancock County Cluster-Mockingbird Café, Nov 18
Bay St. Louis 8:30-9:30am
- Harrison County Cluster-Cracker Barrel 8-9am Nov 19
- Stone County Cluster-Sawmill Rest. 9-10am Nov 20
- Minister's & Mates Banquet 6:30pm Crosspoint Church Nov 21
- Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday Nov 28
- Hancock County Cluster-Mockingbird Café, Dec 16
Bay St. Louis 8:30-9:30am
- Harrison County Cluster-Cracker Barrel 8-9am Dec 17
- Stone County Cluster-Sawmill Rest. 9-10am Dec 18
- Office Closed for Christmas/New Year's Holidays Dec 23-Jan 1

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Another Annual Meeting is in the books! Messengers from 24 churches braved the stormy elements and came together to conduct business and enjoy fellowship with one another. Dr. Waylon Bailey, pastor of FBC, Covington, LA, and no stranger to many in our association, was our guest preacher for the evening. His message, from Nehemiah 3:1-5, was a great encouragement to us about why good things happen in the church. A BIG shout out to Vardaman Street Baptist Church and their pastor, Bro. Jake Staten, for hosting the meeting and providing a wonderful fellowship afterwards. You guys were awesome!

Several recommendations, including the proposed budget for 2020, were presented by our teams and were approved by the messengers. You will find these included in this edition of THE TIDE. Make sure to look them over and be informed about these matters.

I want to encourage Ministers, staff and their spouses to sign up and attend the MINISTERS AND MATES BANQUET, 6:30 p.m., Thursday November 21, 2019, hosted again by Crosspoint Church, 15046 N. Swan Rd., Gulfport. This year we have very special and unique entertainment lined up. *BALLET MAGNIFICAT* will present their ballet program, "Prodigal's Journey," based on the Biblical parable. This troupe, based in Jackson, MS uses ballet to share the gospel in creative ways. Cost is \$25.00 per couple. Please pre-register by November 14, 2019 through either of these options:

1. WEBSITE: www.gulfcoastba.com, CLICK on "TRAINING AND EVENTS" tab; the first event listed is Ministers and Mates-CLICK on "REGISTER HERE," complete the form and hit SUBMIT
2. EMAIL: robin@gulfcoastba.com and provide names, email address and cell/phone number
3. CALL: 228-832-4311 and give Robin your names, email and cell/phone number.
4. MAIL: Send us your names, email and cell/phone number; you can send a check and not have to pay at the door.
5. You can always sign up in person at the office and pay your registration fee.

If you choose option 1 or 2, you can drop off your registration fee at the office in advance. You can always pay at the door.

Since this edition of THE TIDE serves as our final edition for the year, I want to wish for you and your family a very Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and all of God's best in the New Year. Be safe in your travels and enjoy the time with family and friends. Rest up and be ready to hit the ground running as we cooperate with one another to "DISCIPLE DISCIPLES... TO DISCIPLE" in 2020.

One final note. The GCBA offices will close for the holidays at the end of business Thursday, December 19, 2019 and will reopen on Thursday January 2, 2020.

I am blessed beyond measure to serve this great association.

Blessings,

Dr. Steve



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**First Baptist of Long Beach
300 N Cleveland Ave
March 7, 2020
8 AM to Noon
Cost \$10 Per Person
(Grade 5 through Senior
Adult ONLY)
No Childcare available
Register at
www.gulfcoastba.com**

OLD TESTAMENT Live Registration

Print , detach and mail to

Dionne Williams

GCBA 11201 Old Hwy 49

Gulfport, MS 39503

Name

Email Address

Church

Names of persons attending (open to fifth graders through Senior Adults)

I understand that I will pay \$10 per person upon arrival at event.

_____ **YES**

**Registration also available at
www.gulfcoastba.com/trainingandevents**

The Shepherd's Staff

2020 Schedule

- January 7 – Cyber-bullying
- February 4 – Sexting
- March 3 – Domestic Violence
- April 7 – Vulnerable Adults/Elder Abuse
- May 5 – Child Abuse
- June 2 – Emergency Preparedness
- July 7 – Pornography
- August 4 – Human trafficking
- September 1—Church Liability Issues
- October 6—Church and LGBTQ Issues

Pastors! Threats to the modern church seem to come from every angle. Your GCBA has developed a new resource to help you in your role as *shepherd*.. The Shepherd's Staff is a once-per-month lunch-time gathering which will focus on information and resources intended to help you shepherd those whom the Father has entrusted to your care. These gatherings will meet at the GCBA Training Center from 11:30a.m. —1:00p.m. Cost will be \$10.00 which will include the meal.

The sessions will be led by Linda Davis, who is uniquely trained and experienced to lead on these topics. Linda Davis holds a Doctor of Jurisprudence (J.D.) degree from Mississippi College School of Law. She served as a criminal prosecutor with the Mississippi Attorney General's Office for fourteen years. During her tenure with the Attorney General's Office she served in: the Public Integrity Division, CyberCrime Unit, prosecuting crimes involving the exploitation of children; the Prosecutors' Training Division, providing legal training to law enforcement officers across the State; and the Consumer Protection Division where she prosecuted fraud cases and advocated for the public. Prior to that, she served in the Office of the Senate Chief Counsel for Employment at the United States Senate in Washington, D.C. and at the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in Washington, D.C. Linda was baptized at Heritage Baptist Church, Biloxi, MS, in September 2013 where she is now a member. She currently maintains Heritage's prayer list, writes its weekly bulletin, leads a Bible study on Friday evenings, and makes a joyful noise in the choir.

Important to You...

Israel 2020 Opportunities



January 21, 2020—February 1, 2020

Biblical Study Tour of Israel
with First Baptist Gulfport

Contact the church office at
228-831-3400 for more information
or you may register at the link below.

[<Click Here>](#)

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March 16, 2020– March 27, 2020

Jacob's Well Israel Pilgrimage with
Dr. Bill Warren, professor of New
Testament, NOBTS

For more information please contact
Dr. Bill Warren at 228-547-4523 or
wwarren@nobts.edu

Perkinston Baptist Church is now accepting resumes for the position of Church Secretary. The position will start January 1, 2020 for 12 hours a week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

Please call 601-928-7532 and leave a message or send resume to Perkinston Baptist Church, P.O. Box 236, 12 Church Street, Perkinston, MS 39573 attention Clarice Dedeaux.

If your church is in need of a pianist/accompanist for special occasions or supply basis please contact **Kim Binkley at 251-599-5112**. Kim is an accomplished pianist and currently plays the piano for Grace Memorial on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. She is available for Sunday night services or other special programs.

BOND BAPTIST CHURCH,
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.

Is your church going on a mission trip this year? **"Busy Hands"**, a ladies sewing group from North Long Beach Baptist Church, has been sewing children's clothing, sizes 3-8. We have boy's shirts and shorts and girl's dresses. In the Love of Christ, we would like to donate these pieces of clothing for your mission trip. If interested, please call **228-864-1258** leave a message and your number. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

Contributions for September 2019

CHURCH	MONTHLY	YR. TO DATE
Back Bay	\$105.02	\$1,052.76
Bay St Louis	\$1,026.43	\$15,322.86
Bay Vista	\$330.35	\$2,885.76
Bayou Talla	\$25.00	\$225.00
Bayou View	\$166.66	\$1,499.94
Bayside	\$25.00	\$225.00
Bel Aire	\$1,275.05	\$12,696.33
Big Level	\$1,183.00	\$10,647.00
Big Ridge	\$392.60	\$3,840.96
Biloxi FBC	\$716.17	\$6,133.98
Bond	\$551.50	\$5,672.98
Bridge Community	\$185.00	\$1,849.37
Brodie Road	\$0.00	\$0.00
Chinese Grace Bible	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
Christ Church	\$0.00	\$0.00
Connect Community	\$75.00	\$498.74
Church @Windance	\$0.00	\$1,532.00
Cornerstone	\$0.00	\$425.00
Crosspoint	\$112.04	\$1,127.69
Delisle FBC	\$0.00	\$0.00
Desired Nation	\$100.00	\$500.00
Emmanuel	\$25.00	\$225.00
Faithview	\$531.97	\$5,594.17
Family Worship	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fernwood	\$160.00	\$1,440.00
Grace Chapel	\$502.29	\$2,611.49
Grace Memorial	\$472.40	\$7,021.78
Grace Temple	\$0.00	\$2,200.00
Gtr. Mt Rest	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gulf Gardens	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gulfport FBC	\$3,292.04	\$26,635.10
Handsboro	\$537.69	\$6,302.86
Highland	\$146.16	\$652.44
Iglesia Emanuel	\$15.54	\$195.62
Iglesia Herebad	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jacob's Well	\$900.23	\$8,548.21
Lakeshore	\$0.00	\$400.00
Lizana FBC	\$194.79	\$414.90
Long Beach FBC	\$1,482.17	\$14,399.37
Lyman FBC	\$193.00	\$1,598.00
McHenry FBC	\$115.86	\$1,259.59
Michael Memorial	\$1,556.70	\$11,800.82
MS Korean	\$379.47	\$4,115.48
Mt. Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Hope	\$0.00	\$12,695.62
North Hills	\$0.00	\$963.52
North Long Beach	\$351.93	\$1,102.22
Old Spanish Trail	\$0.00	\$0.00
Parkway	\$492.85	\$4,331.58
Pass Christian FBC	\$38.39	\$526.95
Peace	\$50.00	\$435.00
Pearlington FSBC	\$0.00	\$1,240.17
Perkinston	\$117.57	\$1,204.44
Popps Ferry	\$654.09	\$992.71
Riverside	\$0.00	\$661.00
Robinwood	\$416.07	\$4,763.01
Saucier FBC	\$50.00	\$450.00
Shoreline Park	\$100.00	\$800.00
Stable	\$0.00	\$314.09
Success	\$0.00	\$1,661.60
Trinity	\$0.00	\$400.00
Tuxechena	\$165.36	\$1,358.14
Vardaman Street	\$0.00	\$0.00
Vidalia's Bridge	\$0.00	\$0.00
West Gulfport	\$94.70	\$874.20
Wiggins FBC	\$2,757.00	\$25,949.51
Woolmarket	\$1,592.19	\$13,064.31

CHURCH *News*

Please check our Group Page on **Facebook**
for additional church news:

Mississippi Gulf Coast Baptist Association

BAYSIDE is in need of a used van (12-15 passengers) to assist in their ministry to their community. For more information contact Rev. Richard DeVault, 205-725-1136.

BAYOU TALLA FELLOWSHIP will be hosting a Women's Ministry Event on March 7, 2020. Look for more details in January.

BIG RIDGE has a paid position open for Nursery Coordinator on Sunday am and pm, Wednesday pm and special events. You may contact Jennifer Grabert in the office at 228-324-1691 or stop by the office M-Th 8-10am.

FAITHVIEW is accepting resumes for a Worship Leader who can preferably lead a blended service. Also, they are searching for a Bi-Vo Youth Minister. To apply contact Evan Akins at 601-748-9809

FBC LONG BEACH would like you to join them in welcoming their new Minister of Music, Rev. Matthew Gaddy. Rev. Gaddy's first Sunday was October 27.

NORTH LONG BEACH is in need of a volunteer children's minister for Wednesday pm teaching and planning monthly activities. Opportunity to become a paid position in the future. Call Pastor Rick Clark @ 601-335-1886 if you're interested.

SHORELINE PARK is looking for someone to work with children 3rd-6th grade Sunday am & pm services. Call 228-467-9461 for more information.



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

First Lyman
Grace Memorial
Popps Ferry
Trinity

Church Planting News

Back Bay Church, D'Iberville, Adam Bennett, pastor

Ministry Highlights

- ◆ More people taking ownership of serving in church and are reaching out more.

Prayer Requests

- ◆ We are nearly too large for our rented space, rent is high so we are praying for something to come open we can afford in our target area.

Needs

- ◆ We need a commercial electrician
- ◆ Equipment for our kids area, work crews, hospitality setup equipment and man power to help reach our area

Connect Community Church, Long Beach, Steven Simon, pastor

Ministry Highlights

- ◆ September was a good month. Our core group is working hard to develop a higher level of engagement in being intentional about building relationships.
- ◆ We are meeting a good number of families new to the area and working to connect with them.
- ◆ We've had a tremendous response to our outreach to LBHS Football and Band groups.
- ◆ Small groups are growing.
- ◆ We have connected with MS Buddy Sports and are now engaging 30-40 special needs families with Fall Kickball Season.

Prayer Needs

- ◆ Praise-Steven's secular job situation has stabilized.

GCBA MINISTRY PARTNERS

Gulf Coast Community Ministries



GCCM's Annual Pork Butt & Rib Fundraiser has been extended due to popular demand! Tickets are \$40 each (8lb. average), \$22 each for pork rib slab (must purchase at least one butt), and for an additional \$5 the meat can be shredded for you. Wow, what a deal!!!

Pick up will be at **Bayou View Baptist Church Thursday, Nov. 7**. To reserve your pork butt call:
GCCM at 228-868-8202 or
GCBA Office 228-832-4311/Robin@gulfcoastba.com

Good News Jail & Prison Ministry

will hold a Trauma Healing Convening Session
for pastors and lay leaders on
Tuesday, November 5
at the GCBA Training Center from 1-4pm.

Here are some of the questions that will be explored:

- What are the needs for trauma care in this area?
- As Christians, is there a role the church could play to help people know how better to respond to trauma and find healing and release?
- Would American Bible Society's Bible-based materials and model be helpful?
- What would trauma healing look like in our setting?

**The Lord is near to those who
are discouraged; He saves those
who have lost all hope.**

Psalm 34:18

News Alert!

We're turning away
students simply
because we don't
have enough tutors.



HELP us make a difference in the life of
an adult struggling with everyday
reading.

For information on how you can **HELP**
contact Donna Daulton 228-806-4673.

