

The Focus

“A network of churches cooperating to assist each other in fulfilling the Great Commission.”

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Updates from the Annual Meeting **Believers Called to Unity**

In a timely message, Mike Ellis, pastor of New Life Baptist Church in Ontario, Oregon, gave messengers at the annual meeting on October 2 the challenge to live in biblical Christian unity. We live in a world that is clearly divided, and the adversary is the author of division. Using the text of Ephesians 4:1-16, Pastor Ellis emphasized that the church needs to return to unity through Jesus Christ, glorifying Him in all that we do.

A special guest, Pastor Angulo, from Costa Rica, shared more about the ministry of Levanta Ministries, reaching out with the gospel to those families affected by domestic violence.

Praises from Our Churches

Pastor Joshua Newton shared his excitement in University Baptist's recent mission trip to Panama, and having 40 people come to Christ!

Eddie Hancock shared uplifting examples of how his church is taking seriously the mandate for “each one to reach one.”

Church Health Team Update

The CPET Team has been up and running for some time, and heavily involved in our church plants. However, the Church Health Team has had a slower start. It is now catching up, with the addition of

Mike Ellis and Valorie Ruth to the team. Contact Van Kierstead or Michele Ring to learn more about this team. (*Contact info on page 5*)

Moderator Search Update

We had to say good-bye to Jerry Martin as our moderator at the 2021 Annual Meeting. At last year's meeting, the association voted to extend the moderator position for one additional year when needed. Last year was considered such a year, so Jerry served for a total of three years in that position. However, that meant he could not serve again.

The A-Team is happy to report that Pastor Mike Ellis, after prayer, has stepped forward to take that position if the association so wills. The A-Team has vetted him, and will present his name at the Executive Board Meeting in February. In the meantime, he'll attend A-Team meetings to get a feel for the association.

Prayer Needed

The churches that Ismael Trinidad pastors in Caldwell and Ontario are both doing well, but Ismael needs our prayer, as he could very well have to return to Mexico in early 2022. Pray for him and the two churches deeply affected.

And let the
peace of Christ
rule in your hearts...
and
be thankful

Colossians 3:15



Why am I a Southern Baptist?

Some think being a part of the SBC is like selecting a political party of which to be a part. The thinking being, if they change course I will leave them.

While that may be fine for politics, for Kingdom purposes, we have a much higher standard.

This writer has never been under the misguided notion that Southern Baptists are perfect. And, boy we aren't. I am Southern Baptist because of calling. Just as I have been called to the ministry, I am called to be a Southern Baptist. The basis of that call is the evangelistic and missions priorities of the SBC. These are in accord with the Great Commission and the Great Commandment. These priorities have not changed.

When Israel came to the edge of the promised land, they chose heresy and cowardice over the revealed will of God. Moses, Caleb, etc. didn't leave because of this chosen heresy. They went with them through four decades of wilderness journey preparing the new generations for entering the promised land with a new heart that God would give them the promised land as He had promised.

Years ago I was in Virginia when a young leader spoke with me about their idea of forming another Virginia State Convention. I spoke to him of Israel's failure to take the promised land. He said that I had a strong allegory. I informed him it wasn't an allegory, rather, a strong application.

My reasons for being a Southern Baptist have not changed. The priorities which are the basis of my call to be a Southern Baptist have not changed. Will I reject God's call on my life and ministry because of the errors of some vocal detractors of the main call? May it never be. With Ronnie Floyd resigning as President of the SBC Executive Committee, some will say he has left Southern Baptists. He has not. He left the Executive Committee.

Keep your eye on the goal. The evangelistic and missional priorities have not changed. Until they do, God has called me to be a Southern Baptist. My job now, again, is preparing new generations for a new promise land victory in faithful obedience. Be sure you don't jump ship in rejection of God's promised land call and command. Wilderness journeys are not fun. However, they are certain because many among us will bail out on the promise land assignment because of someone else's heresy. Therefore, prepare your heart and ministry to prepare the coming generations for promise land victories.

And, keep living His call personally and corporately.

Jerry Martin

An old Southern Baptist by God's call and my choice of obedience to His call

We thank Jerry, who recently finished his third term as our TVSBA Moderator. Due to recent health issues, he was unable to attend the recent 2021 Annual Meeting of the TVSBA. Our association owes him a debt of gratitude for his work in the Treasure Valley throughout this challenging time.

*If you'd like to encourage him health-wise or thank him for his work in the TVSBA, you can contact him at:
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Holy Night

Christmas Dinner & Fellowship

**Pastors and Their Wives
Support Staff and Their Spouses**

Friday, December 3

(6:30 p.m. appetizers; 7 p.m. dinner)

Pierce Park Baptist Church
5350 N. Pierce Park Lane
Boise, Idaho

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A Quick Glimpse at KEY 2022 Dates...complete calendar in January.

Jan. 30—Fifth Sunday Sing, Silver Sage Baptist Church, Boise 6 p.m.

Feb. 17--Executive Board Meeting, Agua Viva, Boise 6:30/7 p.m. meeting

Apr. 22-24—Boise Harvest Crusade, Extra Mile Arena, Boise State.

Apr. 29-May 1—TVSBA Women's Retreat at Trinity Pines, Cascade

May 29—Fifth Sunday Sing, Lizard Butte, Marsing

June 4—Momentum Kids' Camp Training at Central Valley 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

June 20-24—MOMENTUM KIDS--Kids' Camp at Cathedral Pines (grades 3-6)

July 17-22--MOMENTUM--Youth Camp at Living Waters Ranch, Challis (grades 7-12)

July 28--Executive Board Meeting, Word of Truth, Caldwell

(6:30 p.m. registration; 7 p.m. meeting)

July 31--Fifth Sunday Sing, New Covenant Baptist Church, Nampa, 6 p.m.

Oct. 1--TVSBA Annual Meeting, at Pierce Park Baptist Church 9 a.m. (8:30 registration)

Oct. 30—Fifth Sunday Sing, Restored Community Church, 6 p.m.

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Dec. 2—Pastors and Wives/Staff and Spouses Christmas Fellowship —

Location to be decided. 6:30 p.m. (appetizers); 7 p.m. (dinner) www.treasurevalleysba.com

BOISE HARVEST

2022
APRIL 22-24



IS YOUR CHURCH SIGNED UP TO HELP?
HAVE YOU INVITED FRIENDS & FAMILY?
ARE YOU PRAYING?

2022 BOISE HARVEST UPDATE!!

We are excited to announce we have set a new date for the Boise Harvest, April 22-24 at the ExtraMile area. We will be joined by top Christian recording artists, Chris Tomlin, Jeremy Camp, and more that will be released in the near future.

**Please join us in continuing to pray for
the Boise Harvest as we work together to serve
the Treasure Valley.**

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED: Serve sign-ups will not go live until 2022.
Go to the website for up-to-date information.

Areas of Service:

Follow-Up: men, women, and teens are needed to assist those making professions of faith with directions and resources for spiritual growth.

Usher: men, women, and teens are needed to assist with greeting, seating and the event offering.

Prayer: Hundreds of people are needed to pray before, during and after the outreach.

Peace Officers: Off-duty police officers are needed to assist with security.

SEE the website www.boise.harvest.org for more information and details.







The Treasure Valley has experienced explosive population growth in the last ten years. Are you reaching out to the lost who've moved into our mission field?

TVSBA CHURCHES/MISSIONS GIVING ~ 2021

The association extends its thanks to our TVSBA churches who have worked hard to stay faithful in giving, in spite of the challenges forced upon us by Covid. Thank you!

(Giving through October 18)

Jan-Oct 18th

Agua Viva		\$ 270.00
Anchor Baptist		\$
Bend		\$ 200.00
Boise Korean		\$ 500.00
Boise River, Mtn. Home		
Calvary, Boise		\$ 8,289.52
Calvary Church, Nampa		\$ 1,506.31
Calvary, Weiser		\$ 900.00
Central Valley, Cascade		\$ 1,438.00
Central Valley, Meridian		\$ 10,000.00
Creskide Baptist Church		\$ 694.68
Crosspoint Church		\$ 546.91
Emmanuel Baptist, MH		\$ 2,802.63
First Baptist, Fruitland		\$ 779.98
FSBC, Caldwell (Crosspoint)		\$ 546.91
FSBC, Mountain Home		\$ 4,161.33
Idaho Vision Church		\$ 360.00
Iglesia Bautista de la Gracia		
Iglesia Bautista de Peniel		\$ 600.00
Iglesia Bautista Nueva Esperanza (Caldwell)		\$ 385.00
Iglesia Bautista Nueva Esperanza (Ontario)		\$ 350.00
Lizard Butte		\$ 1,335.86
New Covenant		\$ 6,162.94
New Life, Ontario, Oregon		\$ 498.71
Pierce Park		\$ 1,125.00
Restored Community		\$ 1,750.00
Riverside Church, Emmett		\$ 2,570.48
Sand Hollow		
Silver Sage Baptist		\$ 710.81
Trinity Baptist		\$ 500.00
University Baptist		\$ 2,569.18
Word of Truth		\$ 100.00
YEAR TO DATE GIVING		\$ 51,107.34
Giving Needed to Meet Budget		\$ 45,000.00
Amount Over (Under) Budget		6,107.34

NOTE: The church to whom we rent in Nyssa has been unable to meet its rent of \$500 per month. The additional church giving has enabled the association to meet its \$60,000 annual budget.

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COME AND BRING A FRIEND WHO NEEDS THE LORD!

Douglas “Runks” Runkles will be with us for two evenings at Central Valley Baptist Church to share Jesus with all those we bring with us.

November 5 – 7:00 to 8:30 PM

November 6 – 7:00 to 8:30 PM

Runks, our 2021 speaker at Sonfest, is full of energy and is engaging from start to finish. He will clearly present the gospel and lead a decision time each night.

We will have pizza and music as well.

The event is free to any who attend. I will need people to register ahead of time. Individuals and group leaders may email me at: todd@centralvalleybaptist.com to register.