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STATE CONVENTION OF BAPTISTS IN OHIO 65TH ANNUAL MEETING

November 7, 2018

Kalahari Convention Center

7000 Kalahari Drive, Sandusky, OH 44870



SCBO.ORG/ANNUALMEETING

Dr Kwok shares more details in this issue's Press Toward the Mark



JACK KWOK

Executive Director Address
SCBO



DAVID STARRY

President's Address
First Light



DAVID FRASURE

Annual Sermon
First Baptist, South Lebanon

BOOKING INFORMATION

Special Room Rate \$109

plus tax (per night) Includes 4 passes to the waterpark.

Extended stay available Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday prior to and after the Annual Meeting at the same rate!

Reservations: 877-525-2427

Group: State Convention of Baptists in Ohio

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Dean & Angie Fulks
- Lifepoint Church



Geoff & Sherry Surratt
- Ministry Together



Matt & MaryLynn Pardi
- H2O



2018 REACH OHIO
FAMILY CONFERENCE

Childcare (ages 6 months to 3 years) will be provided November 6 & 7. *Registration is required.

For more Family Conference information visit scbo.org/fc2018

Revive! Christ and His Church

with Richard Blackaby and Rick Fisher

October 16, 9AM - 3PM North Fairfield Baptist Church

6853 Gilmore Road, Hamilton, OH 45011

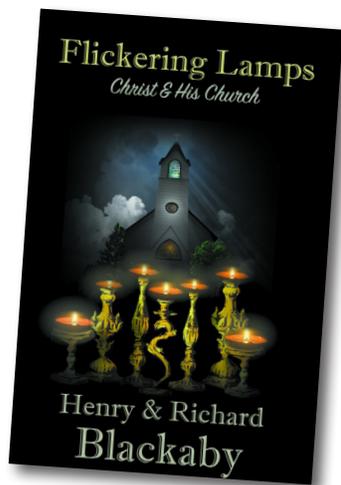


Revive! Christ and His Church is for pastors and church leaders seeking to hear from the Head of the Church - Jesus!

God has a purpose for every church. There is much that He wants to do through each church. However, it has been our experience that God gives each church and its leaders "crossroad moments" in their history where they must make decisions based on faith if they are to continue to be used to fulfill the purposes God has in mind for them. It has also been our experience that the current health of any church is a summation of the decisions made over many years.

Dr. Richard Blackaby and Rev. Rick Fisher of the Blackaby Ministries International team are excited about coming to Ohio for the **Revive: Christ and His Church** conference. Richard and Rick will unpack several significant truths from their books, "Flickering Lamps";

"Living Out of the Overflow" and "Developing a Powerful Praying Church" as well as from their extensive ministry with pastors and churches.



We will begin at 9:00 am (check-in at 8:30 am) and conclude at 3:00 pm. The cost of \$10.00 includes lunch.

Whether your church is experiencing positive spiritual health or finds itself struggling, it is vitally important to be oriented to the Headship

of Christ. We encourage you to set aside time to attend the entire gathering in October, determined to park your heart before God, allowing Him to speak to you in fresh and transforming ways. Bring several of your key leaders as well so that together you can experience God's heart for you and your church!

Session Titles:

- **Christ's Presence and His Church**
- **Leading Out of the Overflow**
- **Developing a Powerful Praying Church**
- **Christ's Purpose and His Church**
- **Special Question and Answer time with Richard and Rick**

TESTIMONIES FROM PREVIOUS CONFERENCES

"The overwhelming response from the pastors was that they felt that

every pastor in our association needed to hear what the speakers had to share."

"The message of the Revive Conference is one that needs to be delivered to the church in North America!"

"Revive, there couldn't be a more perfect name for this one day conference. I came expecting to get some good information on how to revive my congregation, which I received, but I came away with so much more. I came away with my own soul being revived."

"The main thing I brought back with me from the conference was hope."

Register at www.scbo.org

First 100 to register will receive a copy of Flickering Lamps and Developing a Powerful Praying Church!





Help Needed

Southside Baptist Church of Columbus Ohio is seeking a worship leader who desires to bring God's people into God's presence in worshipping Him. Do you love Jesus? Then we seek someone like you who is well rounded in all types of music. Southern gospel, bluegrass, hymns, contemporary and praise and worship alike. We are in the position of transitioning from an all hymnal type of service to a broader approach to accommodate the needs of a contemporary world without losing the heart for Him in worship. If you are called to the worship ministry with the gifts of musical talent that may include guitar, keyboard or piano, please give us a call. This is a part time position that includes two services on Sunday and an occasional Wednesday. We offer a monthly salary. Visit us at 1621 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43207, email us at southsidebaptistcolumbus@gmail.com, or phone 614-444-3539. Ask for Carolyn or Pastor Bill.

Mt. Carmel is seeking our next Senior Pastor to lead our church to fulfill our mission to transform lives through Christ-centered relationships. We are looking for a servant leader whose heart is broken for the lost and is committed to outreach, evangelism, and missions. The candidate should have a minimum of 6 years of relevant ministry experience. Our church averages 390 in worship attendance.

Please send resumes to: mcbc.ohio.pastorsearch@gmail.com or to Pastor Search Committee, Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, 8645 Kenwood Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45242. Resumes will be received until November 1, 2018.

For Sale

Rodgers Organ: 625 Essex, AG0 Peddle board, transposer.
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For more information please contact:
Emilee Basil @ 614-374-7992

Beautiful High End Brass Chandeliers
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Currently in use at Mt. Orab First Baptist Church.
Email Kim@fbcmtorab.org or call 937-444-2712
for cost detail and a photo.

Seneca Lake Baptist Assembly Needs Kitchen Assistants!

Written by Vickie Dillon, Woodsfield First Baptist Church

Some great volunteers helped out this year to work in the kitchen assistant positions. We are so grateful for those who chose to spend a week or more at camp. They come with a great spirit and worked as unto the Lord. This is truly a mission work that many people in Ohio are missing out on. The volunteers show the love of Christ as they greet the campers when they bring back their trays. They also help keep the price of camp down.

They give God the glory for using them for his purpose. This year one of the volunteers wrote this devotion about ONE Way. It was a take-off of the signs we post to get the campers to go the same way through the line and put their silverware in the pan.

In life, there's only ONE WAY, JESUS! In John 14:6 Jesus tells us, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me." So read and follow the teachings

of the Bible. Consider the advice of those who care for your welfare and have experienced life's chaos. Most importantly listen to your Heavenly Father, who knows you and loves you more than you can imagine. He is the one who created you and knows all your hopes and dreams. You will then be fed, be happy and healthy and enjoy a wonderful and rewarding life... not just for a week... but for ETERNITY! Otherwise, you could make a real mess of

things if we try to do things our way.

We need more volunteers for kitchen assistants for next year. Would you be willing to do a great mission work for children and youth of Ohio? Why not sign up with your church when they send their kids to camp as a kitchen assistant. Please contact Susie Emery, coordinator for volunteers.



2019 Women's Spring Retreat in Amish Country

MAY 18, 2019 9AM-3PM

Community Baptist Church
420 E 3rd St., Dover, OH

Keynote Speaker
Autumn Wall



The cost for the retreat is \$20.00 which will include a light breakfast and lunch.
Please register at <http://www.scbo.org/event/womens-retreat-amish-country-may-2019>

WANT TO ADD TO YOUR RETREAT EXPERIENCE?

If you would like to enjoy a little more of Amish Country, you can extend your stay by making reservations for Friday night at one of the motels listed on our website at the link listed above.

If you would like to fellowship with other ladies on Friday, May 17, 2019 for dinner and a performance of "Stolen" at Ohio Star Theater, contact Jean DiFilippo at jeandifilippo@yahoo.com for reservations and more information.



Reservations are going quickly, so don't hesitate!

The Theology of Mixology Tour

October 29-November 3

5:30PM-9:30PM

8:30 AM-12:30 November 3

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www.64fellowship.com

"But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word." Acts 6:4

6:4 FELLOWSHIP: ENCOURAGING AND EQUIPPING PASTORS FOR VITAL PRIORITIES

A national fellowship for pastors calling us back to "prayer and the ministry of the word." Acts 6:4

The 6:4 Fellowship is a fellowship of pastors committed to the ministry of prayer and the ministry of the word. The name "The 6:4 Fellowship" is simple and biblical – taken from the two vital priorities of Acts 6:4. These priorities defined New Testament leadership and gave early church leaders the courage to say "no" to distractions of lesser demands

in order to focus on the supernatural heart of church leadership. The fellowship issues a clear call to practical equipping and regular encouragement for pastors in maintaining the heart of Scriptural and supernatural ministry. Its focus is not on what pastors are doing, but on what they are becoming; not on human standards of competency but the godly

standards of character.

"The 6:4 Fellowship exists to facilitate a Christ-exalting reawakening of pastors to the sufficiency of the Spirit of God and the Word of God, working in and through the people of God through a return to the leadership priorities of Acts 6:4."

National leaders include Daniel Henderson, Strategic Renewal; Jim Cymbala,

Brooklyn Tabernacle; H.B. Charles, Shiloh Baptist, Jacksonville, FL; Vance Pitman, Hope Church, Las Vegas, NV; Bill Elliff, The Summit Church, Little Rock, AR, and others.

Membership is free! Go to:
www.64fellowship.com or
www.strategicrenewal.com



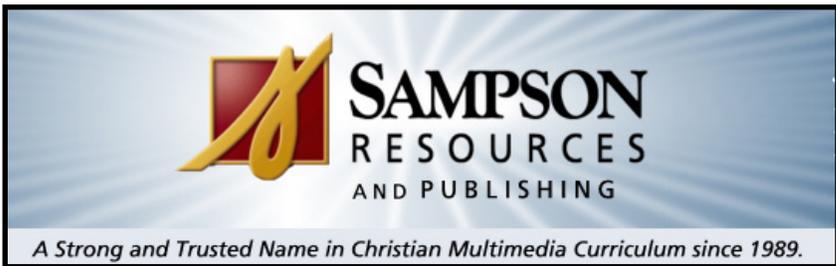
"In the warfare that is Christian ministry, our primary weapons are prayer and the ministry of the word. If we neglect either one, we are going down. You must work to maintain your devotion to both of them and ensure that nothing supersedes these two priorities." – H.B. Charles, 6:4 National Resource Leader

"We have more technology, money, leadership savvy, strategies and ministry tools than at any time in history. Our problem is not in failed resources, but in false reliance." – Daniel Henderson, 6:4 National Director, and President, Strategic Renewal



"I am so thankful for the ministry of The 6.4 Fellowship and honored to serve as one of their National Resource Leaders. Their passion to see the church mobilized to desperate prayer and to preach the word in power is so needed in our day. I strongly encourage every pastor, church planter, and ministry leader to take advantage of this incredible kingdom resource. And best of all... It's totally free!" – Vance Pitman, 6:4 National Resource Leader





Announcing New Partnership with Sampson Resources: Free LiveStream training for your church leaders!

The Bible Teaching/Leadership Resource Group is excited to announce a new partnership with Sampson Resources. Sampson Resources has been a trusted name in media curriculum since 1989. Outstanding trainers like Johnny Hunt, Jim Henry, Danny Akin, Allan Taylor, Charles Lowery, Kevin Lemman, Adrian Rogers, Dennis Swanberg, Ken Hemphill and O.S. Hawkins are available now, in your church, and even at home on your computer, tablet or smartphone. New curriculum releases will be automatically included.

STREAMALL PLUS provides 24/7 online streaming access to all the training programs, workshops and Bible studies in the Sampson Resource online catalog. The primary focus of the partnership is for medium and smaller membership churches that may not be able to afford these resources. Instant access for computer, tablet, and smartphone will be available for pastors and church members authorized to use a master password, anywhere, anytime you have Wi-Fi or Internet with adequate bandwidth. Training

can be projected on a screen or TV for group sessions. There is no cost, no shipping and handling, no waiting on delivery, no lost DVD's, no waiting to share the DVD to make up a missed session.

Note: Reproducible workbooks on CD with leader guide are available for all titles. STREAMALL churches (only) may purchase the workbook CD with leader guide at a discount off the website price. You may then print all the workbooks and leader guides you need for use in the church.

The Cooperative Program

giving of Mission Ohio churches is providing a one-year membership for up to 125 churches, with an option to renew for the second year. Your church can get started live streaming training by contacting your associational leader or the Bible Teaching/Leadership Resource Group. SteveHopkins@scbo.org 614.601.6280 or DLee@scbo.org 614.601.6824)



Sheri Bogradus' Retirement Celebration at SCBO Office

Many on the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio staff joined together to celebrate Sheri Bogradus' retirement party. Sheri has served with two of our groups during the last 3 years at SCBO, Bible Teaching Leadership and Mission Support & Mobilization. Sheri has been a vital part of so many of our events. She has been active behind the scenes in so many ways. She has worked

on Mission Camps, Women's events, Leadership training, and music events to name a few. "She has a gift of making all feel welcomed," stated Dr. Kwok .

We celebrate your days with us and pray for you in the days ahead as God continues to use you to make an eternal difference.



Sheri Bogradus (seated) surrounded by family, friends and staff members at SCBO.

Jack Kwok, State Convention Executive Director-Treasurer, Editor; Linnett Snodgrass, Administrative Assistant; Amanda Mishne, Publication Layout.
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Mark your calendar now!

Plan to attend the Worship 4:24 Conference at Cedarville University on January 25–26, 2019. Co-sponsored by the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio and Cedarville University Department of Music and Worship, this conference is designed to equip and encourage worship leaders, musicians, bands, praise teams, and tech crews to be effective worship leaders. This year's conference will include a worship concert on Friday evening and general sessions and over 80 breakouts on both Friday and Saturday.

Cost:

Super Early Bird registration (09/01–10/31): \$40 per person (\$20 per student*)

Early Bird registration (11/1–12/20): \$50 per person (\$20 per student*)

Regular registration (12/21–01/18): \$59.95 per person (\$30 per student*)

Day of registration (01/25–01/26): \$75 per person (\$40 per student*)

*7th grade–college

Registration:

Online: worship424.com

Phone: 937-766-4444

To pay offline for multiple registrants with a single check, please select the gray button "Add Registrant," then add each individual's information. Please make out checks to Cedarville University and send your check and registrants' names to:

Event Services

Cedarville University

251 N Main St

Cedarville, OH 45314

Registration fees are due by January 18, 2019.

Fees are nonrefundable after this deadline.



Meet Meredith Andrews

Word Worship Music recording artist, Meredith Andrews, is passionate about writing and leading songs that keep people's hearts and minds set on Jesus. Over the course of her four Word Worship albums, the Dove Award-winning artist used her musical gifts, love for God, and her huge heart for His people to remind audiences about the enormity of our awesome and loving Savior. Andrews, who previously was on staff at Harvest Bible Chapel in Chicago, now leads regularly at The Belonging CO, her home church in Nashville. As a gifted songwriter and recording artist, she has been a part of multiple songs sung by churches across America such as *Open Up The Heavens*, *Lamb of God*, *Not For A Moment*, and *Spirit of the Living God*. Andrews often leads worship at major women's and worship leader conferences across the U.S. and has toured with Matt Maher, Natalie Grant, Big Daddy Weave, Vertical Worship, Phil Wickham, and Michael W. Smith, among others.

For additional information, please visit meredithandrews.com.



WORSHIP 4:24
SPIRIT + TRUTH

**REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!**

Partnership: Faith and Finances

As President of the Ohio Baptist Foundation, I recently had the opportunity to share some of the Lord's assets with Maranatha Community Church. They were recently presented with an opportunity to purchase an existing church building in Pickerington, Ohio. I attended a service and had lunch with their Pastor, Jeff Beisel. The pastor shared with me their need for assistance with the down payment on the property.

I've always said it "takes money to do ministry." I've also said "when a church needs a little financial assistance it needs to 'ask the Lord

to sell a few of the cattle He has on a thousand hills' and send them the proceeds!" The \$5000 gift I was able to share with Maranatha came from the "Orville and Lois Griffin Church Planting Fund." Orville and Lois are now with the Lord, but what a great legacy of faith and finances they have left through this fund! Even now they are "laying up treasures in heaven" and honoring the Lord by investing in the lives of believers that are still here on earth doing ministry!

I am happy to report that God not only met Maranatha Community Church's finan-

cial need but He exceeded it, PTL! As of this writing they are in the process of renovating the new church building!

Please pray for Jeff, his family, and the congregation as they take this leap of faith! Also, why not consider funding a faith endowment with the Ohio Baptist Foundation that would convey your passion in ministry and invest in the advancement of God's Kingdom in Ohio! You'll be blessed if you do and your "faith and finances" treasure account in heaven will increase!



*Jack Helton
President, The Ohio Baptist
Foundation*

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Cincinnati shooting spurs Baptists 'to bring hope'

By David Roach

Date: September 06, 2018

CINCINNATI (BP) -- A shooting rampage in Cincinnati that left four dead and two others injured today (Sept. 6) led a city councilman to request aid from the community. Within minutes Cincinnati Baptists began responding.

An unidentified gunman entered Cincinnati's 30-story Fifth Third Center through a loading dock at 9:10 a.m. local time and opened fire in the lobby, according to media reports. He killed three people and injured others before police shot and killed him.

In the aftermath, a Baptist who works at a local news station heard city councilman Jeff Pastor say donations of water and snacks would be appreciated for the crowds standing outside after streets were closed. The news employee called his pastor, Josh Carter of Clough Pike Baptist Church in Cincinnati. Carter also serves as evangelism catalyst for the Cincinnati Area Baptist Association (CABA). He contacted Mark Snowden, the association's director of missional leadership, and church planter Josh McKinney was dispatched to buy snacks and water and head to the scene.

The association's prayer team was alerted to pray as well.

"Cincinnati is a mission field with one million people

not claimed by any religious organization," Snowden told Baptist Press in an email.

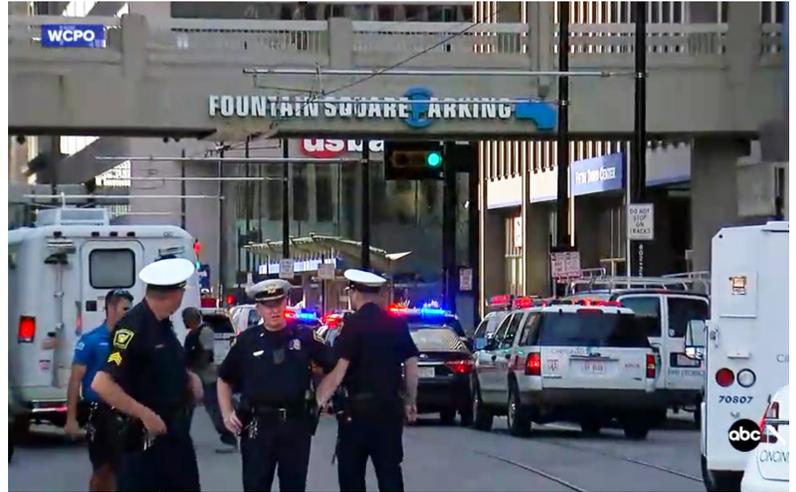
"When we hear of tragedies like the shooting today, I believe beyond the shared grief and need for ministry to affected families, the Lord uses horrific events like this to spur us onward as intentional disciple-makers.

"Who do we know? What do they need? And how can they embrace the Gospel for spiritual transformation? We draw close to Jesus at times like this. And His heartbeat continues to pound out anguish for a fallen world. How can we not be our brother's keeper when his blood is splattered all over the ground?" Snowden asked.

Witnesses told the Cincinnati Enquirer "there was definitely a lot of blood" and up to 15 shots were fired.

McKinney, who lives two blocks from the site of the shooting, assembled a team of four people to offer prayer, the water and snacks and a Gospel witness for first responders and others at the scene. McKinney is a North American Mission Board church planter working in cooperation with the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio and the CABA.

"Brokenness is pervasive," McKinney told BP, fighting back tears. "... We shouldn't lose sight of our time we



"Brokenness is pervasive," said Cincinnati church planter Jason McKinney after the city saw four people killed and two others wounded in a mass shooting. Screen capture from ABC News

have here to engage a culture that is hurting and bring a hope for something better. We can talk voting, we can talk justice, we can talk social justice. But unless we engage the hurt behind it all, these kinds of things aren't going to change."

Carter, the pastor who helped launch the ministry reaction, wrote on Facebook to the church he leads, "Please be in prayer for the families affected by the active shooter situation which happened at the 5th/3rd building by Fountain Square this morning. I want you to know that I have been in contact with those that I know of that work on or near the site of the shooting, and that, as far as I know, no members of Clough were injured. However, ... undoubtedly, our church family has friends and co-workers that were involved in this tragedy."

Snowden offered sugges-

tions for other churches and associations that find themselves positioned to respond to mass shootings and other local tragedies.

"My counsel to pastors wanting to help in situations like this is to check with church members immediately to see who might be affected. Send an email blast to church members saying how grieved you are, a few facts based on current news reports (or links), and express that you're monitoring the situation. Your associational office can help by coordinating ministry opportunities," Snowden said.

Reprinted from Baptist Press (www.baptistpress.com), news service of the Southern Baptist Convention. The original story can be found at: <http://www.baptistpress.com/51559/cincinnati-shooting-spurs-baptists-to-bring-hope>





Dear friends,
The following are four short excerpts from Christians doing ministry in their community that is impacting and influencing people toward God and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For more information concerning ideas on how to reach people for Christ outside the walls of your church, contact Jack Helton at jackhelton@scbo.org or 614-309-9738.



There Is Victory In Jesus,
Jack Helton
Evangelism Resource Group Leader

VBS - The Joy of Serving Others

Team,
Here are the final numbers for our 2018 VBS at the main campus. I want to give a huge shout out to our staff that have sacrificed time and energy investing and engaging in the lives of our community. We averaged 297 kids per evening which is up over 70 per evening from 2017! We saw seven baptized and we'll see at least that many more baptized over the next few Sundays as arrangements are made for family members to attend.
It was awesome to see the over 200 volunteers serving every evening! That's the body of Christ and the

Kingdom in action! Our Vegas teams and Isla-marada teams were over the top in serving! Remember that we're leading/serving VBS at our New Street Campus, Isla-marada, Harveysburg, Las Vegas, and Cuba this year! By the way VBS still works!
Another shout out to our Engage class (New Members). We've had almost 100 go through that class this last year and over 50% were serving somewhere this VBS! Also well done to Leah, Josh, and Shawn for the eating of crickets, etc and the pie-in-the-faces, and the ice dunking as we saw over \$2,000 raised to help send our Las

Vegas team to lead the first ever VBS for our WALK church plant in Las Vegas!
Another shout out to Elly and Amy in the overseeing of our little ones each night in the nursery! You guys never cease to amaze me!
Another shout out to our props crew: I am constantly in awe at your creativity and investment. I know the church planter in Norwood, Chuck Smith was with us one evening and is so grateful to use our props for their VBS after our New Street campus uses them. Chuck shared that they'll go to two more churches after that! Can I get a Praise the Lord. I'm going

to clear out a spot and have a spell.
Matt, as usual, knocked it out of the park with all the tech stuff required. Thanks for your patience in working with those (me) who are technologically impaired!!
All I'm trying to say is, well-done! What a joy it is to see entire families serving in VBS!!!!

*Pastor Tom Pendergrass
Senior Pastor
Urbancrest at Lebanon
Luke 10:2*

Baptism and Barbecue

Rodney Jackson Sr., Pastor @ The Movement Church in Toledo recently combined the joy of doing two things that every church loves, expressing their faith and sharing some fellowship! MC's leadership decided to hold a community barbecue and baptism service. The gathering event gave the church the opportunity to connect



with the community at large while also giving them a



platform for showing and sharing the love of Christ.

What an awesome idea!



Connecting Christ and His Church to Your Community

Grace Point Fellowship

It has been an amazing spring and summer at Grace Point! From March to August, we have seen 16 different mission teams come to serve with Grace Point! They have come to help us build our Space for Grace from Oklahoma, Alabama, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, South Carolina, and probably other places too! They helped us share the Gospel with about 255 kids this summer as Grace Point held two VBS's in two different elementary schools this summer, and we had the privilege of seeing 45 kids take a next step toward

salvation, baptism, or assurance of salvation during the two VBS's! Teams have dug ditches with us, passed out flyers, been in parades, and worshipped God with us all summer and we have been so grateful for all that God has done and will continue to do because so many have sacrificed to help us keep moving toward becoming a church that can serve the community of Franklin and Springboro for years to come!

God has opened doors for us in so many ways, and we believe that very soon, we will be moving into the front

part of our space in the Fall of 2018! And we hope to announce an opening date very soon! Currently, we are finishing up all of the major painting in the initial space, and plumbers just finished the "rough 2" for all bathrooms today. Next week, we have a team from Etowah, AL and a team from Porter Memorial in Kentucky coming to help us drywall, tile, and hopefully do the lion's share of work to finish the restrooms and catering kitchen (which will also be used as kid's space in our initial phase). We will also have (after waiting almost all summer!) the steel delivered

on Tuesday this next week, and it should start going up on Thursday. Our concrete company is set to pour the concrete as soon as the steel is up for our 2nd floor! Yes, we still have some steps to complete, but I can't tell you how close we feel after 3 years of setting up and tearing down! **Please pray with us that things continue to fall into place as they have the last few weeks, and that Grace Point can move into our building soon in October 2018!**



Event Evangelism - Where Faith and Fun Meet

Whoever said that big evangelistic events are a thing of the past is probably someone who has never been involved in one. August 26-28 "The Strength Team" held evangelistic services at First Southern Baptist Church of Camden after doing motivational assem-

blies in the local schools. Sunday evening we had 342 in attendance and after the conclusion on Tuesday night we have recorded 64 professions of faith. God used our folks greatly to counsel, and we hope to do the best job of follow up we have ever been a part of.

I am grateful for a church that allowed us to go big, even though it was not in our original budget for the year. Messy it was, but more of a blessing was the great harvest that God brought!



Until He comes...we will go!
 Pastor Greg Jackson
 FSBC Camden

2018 Training Sessions

Food Service, Child Care, Chain Saw, Shower Trailer, and Mud-Out Training. You must be 21 to train for Child Care and 18 for all other areas.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL TRAINING. We will collect required information, during the training session, to perform a background check. You are welcome to bring your bed roll and sleep in the church at any training session. Meals are provided.

The cost is \$35 per person or \$50 per couple (sharing a training manual). Pre-Register at SCBO.ORG Questions? Call: (614) 309 - 9751



Dates

November 16-17, 2018
 Hillcrest Baptist Church
 820 Central Avenue
 Carlisle, Ohio 45005

Schedule

Friday	6:00 PM	Registration
	6:30 - 9:30 PM	"Involving Southern Baptists in Disaster Relief"
Saturday	7:15 AM	Continental Breakfast Served
	8:00 AM	Unit Training
	12:00 PM	Lunch Provided by DR Food Service
	12:30 PM	Evangelism Training
	3:00 PM	Dismissed

Shower Trailer

Maintain the shower unit in working condition, clean showers after use, launder towels and washcloths, also launder volunteer clothing as needed.



Removal of flood damaged furniture, carpet, appliances, etc. Basically gutting the house and preparing for rebuild.

Must wear protective gear and often mask to prevent breathing in toxic air.

Mud Out



Care for children ages birth to 2nd grade while parents recover from the disaster. We have the equipment segregated into age groups for ease in use.

Volunteers provide loving care for the children, sympathy for the parents, and prepare meals for children.

Child Care



Core Values

- CHRIST CENTERED
- PARTNERSHIP ORIENTED
- LOCAL CHURCH FOCUSED
- FLUID PRACTICE
- EFFECTIVE ACTION

Our Mission

Southern Baptist Disaster Relief is a Christ-centered partnership of national, state and associational ministries serving through the local church to bring help, healing and hope to individual affected by disasters.

Vision

Southern Baptist Disaster Relief will be a well-defined, unified disaster response organization, demonstrating the love of Christ by providing physical and spiritual help to those affected by disasters.

Chain Saw

Cut down trees and stack in location designated by the property owner. Also, pull brush and stack accordingly.

Safety is of utmost and all volunteers will wear the safety attire provided.



Prepare hot meals using a field kitchen, line feed, prepare containers for use in Red Cross or Salvation Army vehicles for serving. Ohio equipment is capable of producing 10,000 hot meals per day.

Food Service

Missions
 Support + Mobilization



Would you consider participating?

Beginning in July, you may walk into stores and see displays enticing you to begin your Christmas shopping early.

The fabric shops are putting the Christmas patterned fabrics on sale, so you can begin to get your craft items made early for Christmas. We, as Christians, cringe at how this holiday, where we celebrate our Savior's birth, has become so commercialized.

This year I am encouraging you to begin shopping and planning early for Christmas. That is for the **Christmas Backpacks for Appalachia!!** Decide

how many backpacks your church, or friends or family, is going to fill for these young boys and girls who will not have Christmas unless we do something here in Ohio. The Joy of receiving a backpack filled with toys, candy, food, clothing and much needed school supplies is reflected on their faces and in their hearts. In addition, you could "pack" hygiene items, such as toothbrush and toothpaste, hand soap, etc. The list goes on and on.

I mentioned fabric stores and this thought came to my mind. Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, is the FABRIC that holds our lives

together. We are not only filling back packs with physical needed items, but more importantly a Bible and "The Christmas Story". We are giving to a boy or girl the GREATEST GIFT they will ever receive. That is the gift of Eternal Life by accepting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior of their life.

Go to <http://www.scbo.org/content/christmas-backpacks> for all of the materials and helps you will need to fill a back pack. It will also give a link to purchasing inexpensive backpacks. The deadline for packing the Christmas Backpacks is the week of October 7, 2018. You will

need to bring them to a collection center in your area. Call or contact the Missions Mobilization office for more information.

If you would like for me to come and share with your church or women's group about the Appalachian Christmas Backpack program, just contact me to schedule a time.

Barbara DeLorme, Ohio WMU coordinator for A.M.M.
11kidsnanny@gmail.com
(937) 609-0231

IT'S TIME TO



Make Your Move

And get "on board" with the
**APPALACHIAN BACKPACK
MINISTRY**

**2018
Goal**



For more information:

**Contact the Ohio WMU
Coordinator for Appalachian Backpacks
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Tennessee Sunday School Team Leads Ohio Training

What a great joy we have as the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio to partner with other SBC conventions around the country. The Tennessee Baptist Convention is no exception. We were blessed to have the state Sunday school team from Tennessee come to Ohio and share what it means to measure our Sunday school ministry.

The team helped us ask the question, "As you look at your church mission, how does your Sunday school class help accomplish the mission?" We discovered that what is being measured is getting done. So, the question is, "What are you measuring? Does it really help us fulfill our mission? Does it move us forward in our mission? As a teacher do we really know the mission of our Sunday school class?" If not, then find out immedi-

ately what you and your class are suppose to be doing!

We also learned that, "What you **believe** about Sunday school determines how you **see** Sunday school, how you see Sunday school determines how you **lead** Sunday school and measure it's success."

As you think about your class, many times you may look at it in only one of these four areas;

- Teaching
- Friendship / Fellowship
- Caring / Support
- Outreach / Missions

We would say that each of these are good within themselves, but what would happen if all four of them were active in our classes? I believe for us to have successful Sunday school classes, we need to measure the effectiveness of each of these areas. For that to happen leaders need to understand the purpose of



Tennessee's first experience at Skyline Chili after wrapping up day two of the Sunday School Conference.

the organization and organize your Sunday school for growth.

Over the two days of conferencing we did not see the numbers in attendance that we wanted to see, but for those who were able to attend they received a wealth of information and were challenged to change the way they believe, see, and lead their Sunday school ministry.

If you would like to have a

Sunday school training for your church or association, please call Dwayne Lee at the SCBO offices at 614-601-6824 or Wendy Hammock at 614-601-6826 and we will be glad to help.

*Dwayne Lee
The Bible Teaching/Leadership
Resource Group
Associate Team Leader*

Southwest Regional **Women's Spring Retreat**

April 6, 2019, 8am-4pm

FBC Waynesville 1009 Lytle Road

Step Up



Cost: \$20/\$25 after March 25th

**Register directly online at
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or by calling (937) 233-3999**

**Please send completed forms and registration fees
(once you register by phone or online) to:
Greater Dayton Association of Baptists
2050 Brandt Pike, Dayton, OH 45404**

**Make one check payable to:
Greater Dayton Association of Baptists (GDAB)**

Deadline: Must be postmarked by March 25, 2019

*Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves.
Do what it says.
James 1:22 NIV*



Catching the Vision of Ray Roberts - Ohio

Ray Roberts State Missions Offering (RRSMO) is making a difference for those giving as well as those receiving. Senior Pastor Greg Jackson led the congregation of First Baptist Camden to exceed their goal again this year regarding their Ray Roberts State Missions Offering. The church set a goal of \$2,500. The church received \$4,313

to assist the many causes of our state missions offering to make a difference across Ohio. Thank you First Camden for believing and giving towards Mission Ohio!

Our state missions offering makes a difference across Ohio. Some examples are: camps at Seneca Lake Baptist Assembly Campground, Disaster Relief operations, in-

ner city ministries, Christian Women & Men's Job Training, Language, Literacy, and Appalachian Mountain Ministries.

*Senior Pastor Greg Jackson
First Southern Baptist Church
Camden*



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VBS Director Preview

November 17, 2018 9am-1pm

Crossing Community Church, Hilliard, Ohio



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Wonderfull Fellowship & Intentional Worship at Senecal Lake

By: Jean DiFilippo

We're praising God for the high registration (193) and worship at this this year's Missions Celebration & Fall Retreat on September 7 & 8 at Seneca



During the WMU Missions Celebration on Friday evening, the following officers and consultants were elected to serve for the 2018-19 year.

Officers:

President

Jean DiFilippo, *FBC, Athens*

Vice-President

Charly Callahan, *Calvary, Middletown*

Secretary

Jennie Ferrel, *Lincoln Heights, Mansfield*

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Sarah Beck, *Lincoln Heights, Mansfield*

C.W.J.C/C.M.J.C

V.J. Sanchez, *Briggs Road, Columbus*

Lake. Our theme was "Intentional Worship – Unshakable Pursuit".

What a blessing it was to have Jody Jones (FBC, Vermillion) and her cellist friend, Lillian Keener, lead us in praise music and hymns as we worshipped our Savior!



Our keynote speaker, Amy Lewald (Genoa, Westerville) shared with us her journey with the Lord in the four years since she was diagnosed with cancer. God has been very present with her family. She, her husband, and four boys have faced the challenge with the assurance that God is in control. Her openness about this was encouraging and inspiring. Christine Proctor

(Genoa, Westerville) provided us with some humor to challenge us further in worship.

During fellowship time on Friday evening, we laughed our way through a crazy fashion show and just enjoyed time together.

On Saturday morning, we again enjoyed a time of worship and laughter before Amy Lewald led us in a Bible study calling on us to give Him reverence and adoration with everything in us. Several breakout sessions were offered to further lead us in worshipping Him.

Jean DiFilippo presented Sheri Bogardus with a gift to thank her for her years of service to WMU/Women's Ministry at SCBO and introduced our new Administrative Assistant, Vernita Lambert.

Thank you to all who had a part in planning this wonderful event!



Intentional Worship

—2018 Ohio Ladies Fall Retreat—

UNSHAKEABLE PURSUIT





Why Family Camp?

I sat down with long-time Family Week attendee, Becky O'Brien, to hear her perspective on Family Camp at Seneca Lake Baptist Assembly. She has attended the camp nearly every year it's been in existence since 1989. She highly recommends Family Camp to every Christian family she knows.

Could you tell us about your first experience at Family Camp?

It was August of 1989. Our 8th child had just been born in February so she was still very young. When she was older, she said she wanted to go every year for the rest of her life so that when she was eighty she could say she had gone for eighty years! Everyone fell in love with Seneca Lake and Family Week. Everyone wanted to go every year.

What did you like about Family Camp back then? Why did you come back the second year?

I think the thing that we liked best about Family Camp at Seneca Lake was the fact that we were all believers – thus brothers and sisters in Christ. It was a safe haven for my kids to be with others and in a godly, Christian atmosphere.

What is a favorite memory of Family Camp?

One of my very favorite memories is when we were having Vespers and my shy five-year-old son went forward after we had sang People Need the Lord to say, "People really do need the Lord."

Please tell us about your Family Camp experience this past year.

It was such a beautiful blessing – almost every one of my children, their spouses and grandchildren were there. One day two of the children and spouses visited, making a total of 41 of us that day, 37 of us were there all week. We all have such wonderful memories and testimonies of our time at camp. My children were thrilled to be able to take their children to a place that had meant so much to them growing up.

What does Family Camp mean to you?

Family Camp means not only being able to get together to worship, play, learn and encourage our family but also the other families at camp. Being able to talk, share concerns and pray for one another is uplifting and important.

Would you recommend Family Camp to others? Why or why not?

I certainly would. Anytime we can make opportunity to help a family grow in their relationship with the Lord, we should do it. Today there are not many opportunities for families to seek God together outside of their home.

PRESS TOWARD THE MARK

Our State Convention of Baptists in Ohio family is invited to gather November 6-7, 2018 for a Family Conference and the 65th Annual Meeting at the Kalahari Convention Center 7000 Kalahari Drive in Sandusky, Ohio 44870. Their phone number is 1-888-707-4155.

The Kalahari Convention Center is offering Ohio Southern Baptists a wonderful package: \$109.00 per room per night which includes 4 passes to the water park. This package is available Monday through Thursday November 5-8, 2018. The Kalahari Convention Center is requiring payment for one night \$109.00 in advance when the reservation is made.

President David Starry has chosen the theme: Mission Ohio: Reach Ohio One Family, One Church, One Community at a Time. Corporate Worship, Ministry Resources, and Mission Business comprise the program for the two-day gathering of Messengers and Guests for the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio. The SCBO website www.scbo.org provides the detailed schedule.

A Family Conference precedes the Annual Meeting. It begins 1:30 PM Tuesday afternoon November 6 and continues through the evening. The Annual Meeting starts at 8:30 AM and concludes around 4:15 PM Wednesday November 7.

Messenger registration and Kalahari reservation information are on

the www.scbo.org website article 2018 SCBO Annual Meeting. Please make your reservations now with Kalahari. This is a great opportunity to share with your immediate and extended family.

We can Reach Ohio, One Family, One Church, One Community at a Time. Let's press toward that mark. May our Lord bless you as you serve Him.



Jack Kwok, Ph.D.
Executive Director-Treasurer
State Convention of Baptists in Ohio

How to Become a Christian

If you are not a Christian, have never surrendered your will to the Lord Jesus, let me share briefly how you can make this life changing decision. **GOD WANTS YOU SAVED.**

FIRST, you must believe that God loves you and wants you to have peace in your heart and an everlasting life (John 3:16).

SECOND, you must recognize that you are a sinner, that you have done things which have displeased God and that you have separated yourself from Him (Romans 3:23; 6:23).

THIRD, you must believe that Jesus came to this earth, was actually God in the flesh, lived a perfect life, and yet went to a cruel cross, dying for your sins, paying once and for all the penalty of sin (I Peter 2:24).

However, it's not enough just to know these three things. Many of us knew them for years before we ever gave Jesus our lives.

FOURTH, you must personally ask Jesus to come into your life and forgive you of your sins (Revelation 3:20).

You can pray this prayer now and if you mean it with all of your heart, Jesus will come in just like He said. He cannot lie.

Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner. I'm really sorry for my sins, Lord. I ask you now, Lord Jesus, to come into my heart, forgive me of my sins, take control of my life, and make me the kind of person You want me to be. I now receive You into my heart. Thank You for coming in. I will follow You all the days of my life. In Your name I pray, Amen.

How to submit Church News

Send all church news and information to Linnett Snodgrass at lsnodgrass@scbo.org