

# “Poised for the Future”

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## WHAT IS THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM?

Since its inception in 1845, the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) has always had one mission—the Great Commission (Matt. 28:19-20). To fulfill its assigned part of this divine mandate, each SBC entity made special offering appeals to the churches. This method was referred to as the “societal” approach to missions and resulted in severe financial deficits, competition among entities, overlapping pledge campaigns, and frequent emergency appeals which greatly hampered the expanding ministry opportunities God was giving Southern Baptists.

Out this grew one of, if not the greatest cooperative church efforts ever seen called the Cooperative Program or CP for short. Since its launch in 1925, the effectiveness of the CP has been dependent upon individuals, churches, state conventions, and SBC entities cooperating, working toward a common goal of sharing the gospel with every person on the planet.

### *How does CP work?*

Simply put, it begins with your tithes and offerings. Your church then decides the next step. Every year your church prayerfully decides how much of its undesignated gifts will be committed to reaching people in your state and around the world through Cooperative Program. This is then forwarded to your state Baptist convention which in turn decides what percentage of Cooperative Program gifts contributed by local congregations stays in your state to support local missions and ministries and what portion is sent on to fund missions and ministries beyond your state as well.

The bottom line – it’s a simple concept that addresses complex needs. The above brief description is just the tip of the iceberg.

We have a wonderful opportunity to come together on December 3 to enjoy a time of fellowship together and hear more about the CP. Specifics about the banquet are found elsewhere in this newsletter. Reservations are required, however, as space is limited.

We also have an opportunity for your church to have a special CP Day on Sunday, December 5. If your church is interested in this, please contact me as soon as possible.

Thanks for another great year! It’s a pleasure and honor for me to work “cooperatively” alongside you.

Blessings,

**Bro. Dale**

### *Special Points of*

#### *Interest:*

- NO Executive Board Meeting will be held in November
- Fall Banquet, **December 3, 2010, RSVP needed**
- Coming Soon.... RG Lee Center for Christian Ministry
- TDAC; Wanted Christian Men and Women
- Part-Time Youth Pastor needed for Southside Baptist Church
- Church Prayer Calendar
- TBC Convention, November 9-10, 2010
- Assigned MK at Union University

COMING SOON TO MBA.....

**RG LEE CENTER FOR CHRISTIAN MINISTRY....**

RG Lee offers college level credit through Union University for classes held here in Columbia on various topics and subjects. The intent of the program is to help those who are preachers/pastors/teachers or lay people who want to learn the word of God.

An Associate of Divinity degree or a Diploma in Christian Studies degree are available. Non-credit is also available.

Cost for a class is \$75 plus the cost of the book. Classes would meet once a week for 2 hours each session for a total of 15 weeks.

Please promote this in your church and those who you know who may be interested in attending.

If you are interested please contact Dale Ledbetter directly at the MBA office. 931-381-0130 or by email at [dale@maurybaptist.org](mailto:dale@maurybaptist.org)

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- Have any church news or event you want to share? Please email the
- information you need posted by the 10th of each month. Send the information
- to [rosemary@maurybaptist.org](mailto:rosemary@maurybaptist.org) and we will be happy to help get the
- information out to our members.

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**2010 MBA EXECUTIVE BOARD CALENDAR**

November	<b>No Executive Board Meeting</b>
December 3rd	Christmas Banquet for Pastors & Spouses And Executive Board Members & Spouses - Spring Hill Baptist                      6:30pm



**October 10th**  
**Anthony & Wanda Muston**

**ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES**

**SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**1001 South Main Street**

**Mt. Pleasant, TN 38474**

**CONTACT: David Moore 379-3891**

[www.angelfoodministries.com](http://www.angelfoodministries.com)

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING...**

**1 Chronicles 16:34 (NKJ)**

<sup>34</sup> Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for *He is good!*  
 For His mercy *endures* forever.



**THANK YOU KNOB CREEK  
 BAPTIST CHURCH FOR HOSING  
 OUR MBA 88TH ANNUAL  
 MEETING!**



**SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST  
 PART-TIME YOUTH PASTOR  
 NEEDED**

This will be a paid part-time position.  
 To apply please contact:

**Rev. Danny Laster**  
**931-378-3891**  
**or [brodanklaster@hotmail.com](mailto:brodanklaster@hotmail.com)**

David Platt  
 Aaron Keyes  
 Gary Morgan  
 Joe Castillo

Authentic Worship  
 Relevant Training  
 Honest Conversation  
 Personal Encouragement

**CONCLAVE**  
 A WORSHIP AND TRAINING EVENT  
 FOR YOUR YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

February 3-5, 2011, Chattanooga



**WANTED:** Christian Men and Women who want to make a difference in a child's life in helping students learn about the dangers of Drugs and Alcohol.

Willing to volunteer 1-2 hours a month at a local elementary or middle school. Training is provided.

**Contact:** Rick Fisher, Executive Director

931-388-3435

**COME  
 AWAY  
 WITH ME**  
 -God

Bivocational Ministers and Wives Retreat  
 Music Road Hotel & Convention Center  
 February 3-5, 2011

**Pulpit Supply List:**

Bob Adair	931-490-0698
John Boyle	615-302-0801
Jamie Bone	931-359-2219
Walter Clot	931-381-2191
Gary Cowen	931-486-0839
BJ Ferguson	931-682-3018
Thomas Hagerty	615-591-1816
Ron Harvill	931-381-6978
Robert Hammer	615-714-6696
Mark Heslep	931-824-3301
Jerry Jeter	931-619-1140
Mark Jones	931-379-9126
Roger Kennedy	931-363-3037
Matthew Lemay	931-540-0923
Michael Lawler	931-982-1843
Dennis Lewis	931-964-4946
Dan Marshall	931-489-1905
James Moore	931-486-0944
Allen Moseley	931-490-0778
Randy Nichols	931-626-6867
Bruce Peltier	931-682-3017
Kay Peltier (Music)	931-682-3017
Talmadge Roberts	931-556-2255
Kevin Roe	931-446-2944
Gregory Ross	615-509-9718
Timothy Scott	931-638-7201
Harvel Stockard	931-381-2006
Thomas Smith	615-790-9523
Jack Taylor (Chaplain)	
	(Cell) 931-215-2413
	(Home) 931-379-9438
Mike Washington	615-310-9988

**2010 Church Prayer Calendar**

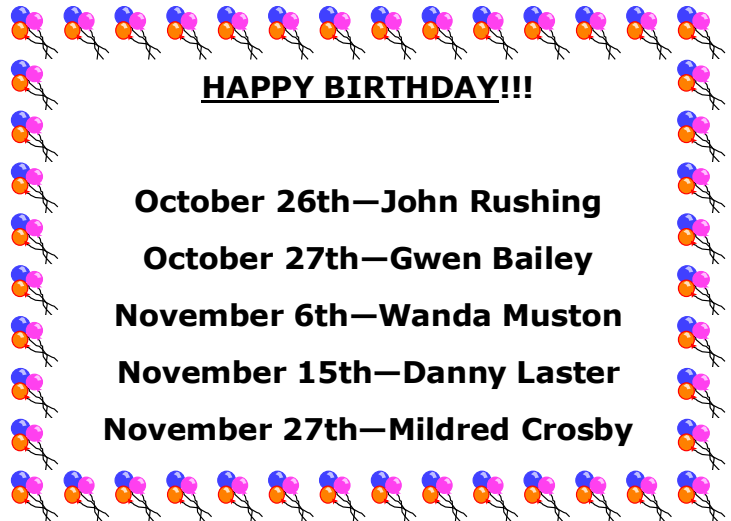


- October 31st—Iglesia Hispana Highland**
- November 7th— Johnson Chapel Baptist**
- November 14th—Knob Creek Baptist**
- November 21st—Lasea Missionary Baptist**
- November 28th—Mission Chapel Baptist**
- December 5th—Mooresville Pike Baptist**
- December 12th—Mooresville Baptist**
- December 19th—Mt. Pleasant FBC**
- December 26th—New Life Baptist**

**NO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
WILL BE HELD FOR THE  
MONTH OF NOVEMBER...**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!**

- October 26th—John Rushing**
- October 27th—Gwen Bailey**
- November 6th—Wanda Muston**
- November 15th—Danny Laster**
- November 27th—Mildred Crosby**





***SUPPORT OUR LOCAL CHARITIES...***

**Discipleship House**—Contact Walter & Betty Clot— 931-379-9609— Shepherds are needed—training available

**Maury Chaplain Ministries**—Contact Jeff Boggs—931-380-5733 x 284—Need women and men to minister to inmates.

**MUMS**—Contact Randy Nichols—931-626-6867—MUMS needs people who will drive those who do not have transportation to work and other important errands. Visit [www.mauryunited.org](http://www.mauryunited.org) for more information.

**TDAC & Bless it Forward Mentoring Program** —Contact Rick Fisher—931-388-3435—Need Christians to mentor teenagers inside and outside the public schools. [www.tdac.org](http://www.tdac.org)

**Pregnancy Center of Columbia**—Contact Lesa Young—931-381-4024. We are in need of Abstinence Presenters, baby toiletries, diapers (size 4, 5, & 6) and gently used baby items such as baby beds and high chairs. [www.pregnancycentercolumbia.org](http://www.pregnancycentercolumbia.org)

**Servant's Heart**—Contact David Graves—931-215-5605. Need Clothes and Household items. Drop off location is 1010 Beckett in Columbia, next to Foodland and Post Office. Open Thursdays 10am-3pm and Saturday 1pm—3pm. Also in need of winter clothes.

Each year Tennessee Woman's Missionary Union assigns MKs going to college in TN and whose parents are currently serving through the International Mission Board to associations for nurture and encouragement. If you could send a card, an email of encouragement or whatever the Lord puts on your heart for our assigned MK, it would be a blessing. Here is the information:

**Miss Ellen Bone**

**Union University**

**UU 1626, 1050 Union University Drive**

**Jackson TN 38305**

Email... [embone@live.com](mailto:embone@live.com)

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**Return service requested**

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> - 7PM – 8PM**

**ALLENSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**1260 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue**

**Mt. Pleasant, TN 38474**

**Speaker – Rev. Frank Webb**