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LOUISIANA CELEBRATES 100 YEARS



Bro. Jason Hebert delivers the Mission Message.

The messengers of the Louisiana State Association of Regular Missionary Baptist Churches met November 14-15, 2024, for the 100th meeting of the association. Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church of Bogalusa served as the host, welcoming the messengers to a pre-associational worship service on Wednesday, November 13, with Bro. Kevin

Hutchinson, missionary to Sterlington, speaking.

While the Ladies Auxiliary met on Thursday morning in the auditorium, the men met in the fellowship hall. The morning sessions for the men consisted of hearing about the history of the state work from Bro. Jim Crain, former pastor of Calvary MBC in Minden, and looking to the future from Bro. Nathan Luellen, pastor of Stockwell Road MBC in Bossier City. On Thursday afternoon, the Mission Committee met for business and listened to reports from visiting missionaries and ministry leaders.

Thursday evening kicked off the main messenger session. Following a moderator's address by Bro. Cole Melton, pastor of Heritage MBC of Bossier City, the History Committee shared a presentation of the history of the work. [A summary is reprinted on page 6.] State missionaries were recognized to share a report of their work. Bro. Doug Gregg, pastor of Calvary MBC of Minden, introduced Bro. Jason Hebert, missionary/pastor of Acadiana BC of Lafayette, to preach the Mission Message. The students, faculty, and alumni present sang "Blessed Assurance." Bro. Hebert brought a powerful message from Isaiah 56:1-8, titled, "What Are We Doing Here?" Following an altar-call, the messengers were dismissed for the evening.

On Friday morning, the meeting reconvened with congregational singing and a devotion by Bro. Cameron Hayes, youth pastor at Calvary MBC in Minden. The following reports were shared and adopted: Ladies Auxiliary, LMBIS, Hyde Park Publishing, Glenwood Baptist Youth Camp, Obituary Committee, and Resolutions Committee. The messengers then elected new officers and selected Hyde Park Baptist Church of West Monroe as the

next meeting place. The following were elected to speak at the next meeting: Annual Message - Bro. Pat Callahan, Alternate - Bro. Greg Hurst; Mission Message - Bro. Kevin Hutchinson, Alternate - Bro. Ryan Smith.

Bro. Cole Melton introduced Bro. Mike Wilkes, pastor of Whispering Pines MBC of Minden to preach the annual message. Bro. Christian Brady of Mississippi presented a special, "That Beautiful Name." Bro. Wilkes brought a message titled, "Three Areas in Your Life that Offer You Excuses Why You Can't Serve the Lord" from Luke 9:57-62. Following invitation, the messengers were adjourned with closing prayer.



Bro. Trey Emory thanks Bro. Mike Wilkes for the Annual Message.



Students, Faculty, and Alumni bring the Thursday Evening Special.



Mike Wilkes

From the President

Finishing Up and Getting Ready to Start Again

While we finish up our fall semester of 2024, my heart rejoices. I am not rejoicing because of the rest from laborious days (though some rest will be welcomed), but I am rejoicing at the accomplishments of both students and faculty. Both have set their hands to the task before them and exceeded expectations.

We have adopted "No Excuses" as somewhat of a theme for our school year. Everyone of us realizes the tendency we all have to settle. We settle for less than we can achieve because we do not want to make the sacrifices necessary to achieve excellence. Paul declared, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before" (Philippians 3:13). I wonder what the Lord might be able to do with a people who would continue to reach forth. Our faculty and students have all been challenged to reach forth towards excellence.

As we look toward the spring semester, all our current students are committed to returning and we have two other men committed to begin their studies at LMBIS. One of these men is from Arkansas. The other is from Texas. Pray for both men as they prepare to begin their studies.

While we are thankful for these two committed additions to our student body, our associated work is still struggling with a shortage of preachers. Across our country there are churches still looking for pastors. When Jesus sent out the seventy, He said, "...the harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest" (Luke 10:2). God knows of the need, but Jesus commanded His followers to pray for laborers. We are pleading with all the Lord's people to join us in this prayer. We need more preachers.

While we are thankful to see our numbers continue to increase, we are also aware that this increases the financial needs of the seminary. More students mean more expenses to meet all the needs. While we are not in a desperate way, our intention is to not be. We prefer to always have room for growth, but in some areas, we do not have much growing room. Pray that we will always be able to supply everything our students need. Pray that our decisions will always be wise.

A huge "Thank You" is extended for everything you have done to continue the ministry of LMBIS. Our school could not continue her efforts without the generosity of the Lord's people and His churches. I am reminded of the salutary words of Paul writing to the church at Philippi when he wrote, "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you" (Philippians 1:3).

I want to again extend an open invitation. Stop by. Enjoy a cup of coffee and sweet fellowship. You are always welcome at LMBIS.



Nathan Luellen

From the Dean of Students

The ABC's of Thanksgiving

"In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). This simple verse encompasses the basis of Christian gratitude. The verse says "In every thing" and not, "for every thing." This means that even when we cannot be thankful for something, we can be thankful in something. The key to this appreciative response despite the circumstances rests in the sovereignty of God: "this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

For us to be thankful "in every thing," we must remember the simple ABC's of thanksgiving. We all start with ATONEMENT. The Scripture tells us in Romans 5:11, "And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement." Our gratitude towards God in every thing rests on the fact that we have been granted atonement for our sins through our faith in Jesus Christ as our Savior.

The next thing that we can be thankful for is the BLESSINGS God has bestowed on us. While looking at our finances, health, or other material things, we may not always feel as if we are blessed. However, the Bible says in Ephesians 1:3, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." The Lord blesses us with "spiritual blessings" which far exceed the physical blessings that He may give. Even in lean times, we are spiritually rich through Christ.

Another area where we can give thanks to God is in His CARE. Sometimes we may feel like David when he reflected, "My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore; and my kinsmen stand afar off" Psalm 38:11. Despite our feelings, we have the promise that Jesus cares for us. As our Good Shepherd, He cares for us as His flock: "The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep" John 10:13-15.

We have so many things we can be thankful in because of the Giver of all things—Jesus Christ. He has saved us from our sins through the shedding of His own blood and the giving of His life. He has blessed us in ways that are beyond our understanding this side of heaven. His care for us far exceeds the care that anybody else can show, so that we can say, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want" (Psalm 23:1).

I hope and pray that you recognize that you can be thankful in all things during this season of Thanksgiving because of your personal relationship in Jesus Christ. May you and your family have a very happy Thanksgiving and a merry Christmas.

All is well in Texarkana. Our processes are on time as we complete our mission to supply study materials for the churches. The eastern port-strike did not last long and did not present much of an interruption in paper supplies. We did, however, accrue some extra paper at the time due to the possible interruption. That's ok, we will use it. Though all is well, one thing I have learned is that when so many moving parts exist in an operation, expect problems and things breaking. Yes, it is regular. Lately has been no exception. The chiller unit that cools the big press has problems and it will cost to fix it because we often must bring someone in from Dallas to fix it and it's costly. On a good note, it came a huge rain, and in the past, we have had problems with leaking into parts of the building, but after making some corrections, "no leaks" is a big deal. Thank the Lord.

Vacation Bible School materials for Summer 2025 are available in the store and on-line. Fall is a good time to get a starter kit and begin to make plans for the coming year. Also, December will start a new quarter for the through-the-Bible series. Our editorial department is working on good things for the near future. If your church is not using our Bogard Press, please remember that it is the only material written in harmony with the ABA doctrinal statement. That matters! We have materials for every age group and every time slot for class study in your church. You can look at our materials and get more information at www.bogardpress.org.

It looks a lot like Christmas in the Baptist Bookstore with gifts galore, including a large room of Bibles for your choosing. We mostly have the

KJV, but also carry a few other versions due to requests. We have various degrees of binding, from the very nice leather to the various other man-made materials, some of which are very durable and nice. We have various colors, shapes, and sizes. We have Bible suitable for personal use, special study use, or gifts. The store also has all the current literature published by Bogard Press available for you to pick up here and save on the cost of shipping. The Baptist Bookstore is unique and is the only type of store for hundreds of miles in most any direction from Texarkana. Come visit and shop.

State meetings are taking place during November, and I hope to attend some of these. Since November reminds us of being thankful, I can't help but, as the old song says, "count my many blessings." It would be a long list if listed here, however, I do want to express my thankfulness for the opportunity to labor with a great group of folks at Bogard Press and Baptist Bookstore. If you are in Texarkana, please come visit. If I can be of any service to you, please ask. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

J.A. Crain, Business Manager

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Mark Clements
Editor in Chief



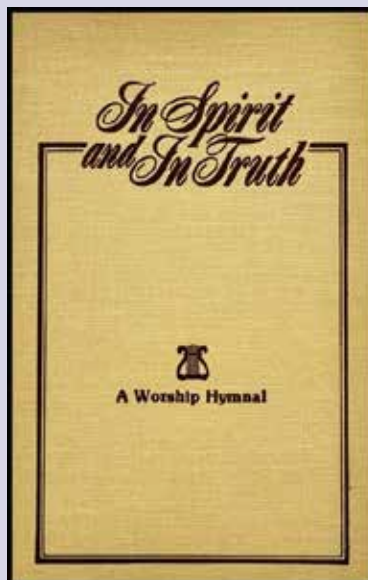
Top:
Jim Crain
Business Manager

"Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness" (Psalm 30:4).

"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24).

In 1987, Bogard Press published the first *In Spirit and In Truth* hymnal. This hymnal is a collection of hymns and responsive Scripture readings put together by brothers Steve Butler, James Bull, Wayne Elkins, Brad Rountree, Mike Paulk and Tim Albritton. Over the past thirty-seven years, this hymnal has served as a dependable resource in helping God's people worship Him all over the world.

In Spirit and In Truth has just been sent to press for its seventh printing, which will total more than 67,000 copies of the hymnal printed in its history. Throughout God's Word and church history, God's people have prioritized the worship of God. Through David, God commanded His people to sing unto the Lord, and Jesus Himself ordered true worshipers to worship God in Spirit and in truth. The Waldenses, during some of the darkest days of church history, recognized the priority of worshipping God. The very first article of their confession stated, "We believe, that there is but one God, that he is a Spirit, Creator of all things, God of all, who is over all, and through all, and in us all, who ought to be worshipped in spirit and in truth"



(Confession of Faith of the Waldenses, The Churches of the Valley of Piemont, pg. 37).

Many will agree with this popular sentiment: "After the Bible, the next best companion for the soul is a good hymnal." *In Spirit and In Truth* is a good hymnal. It contains 475 hymns that declare the truths of God's Word, stir our hearts for the Lord's service and remind us of our precious hope in Christ. I am thankful for the hard work accomplished by God's people to curate songs and Scriptures for use in this hymnal. May we be found true worshipers of God among His churches!

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Clements, Editor in Chief
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Justin Coburn



ABA Secretary-Treasurer of Missions

October was another busy and blessed month in the Missions Office. It was a privilege to report and preach at Harvest Oaks in Allen, TX, Austin Chapel in DeKalb, TX, and Faith MBC where Missionary Kevin Hutcheson is serving. That was a blessed day because this young congregation received their first Thanksgiving Missions Offering. I enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship with the messengers of the Oklahoma State Meeting. I was able to give a report and deliver the Missions sermon. I am writing this report from Parma, Italy. It was an honor to preach in their prayer meeting and be the speaker for the 2nd Church Anniversary of Parma MBC. The fellowship is sweet, and they are zealously sharing the gospel in this part of the world. They currently have 2 missionaries, one in Canada and the other, an ABA recommended missionary in the Philippines. They are praying and beginning a new work in Berlin, Germany. Pastor Ronald Ricafrente and family have been gracious hosts. My middle daughter Kaley and I will return tomorrow, November 1st. We have had a wonderful time together.

We praise the Lord that for the month of October, the ABA Recommended Missionaries report 424 professions of faith and 39 baptisms. That brings our totals for this associational year to 2308 professions of faith and 217 baptisms! To God be the glory!

I hope you have been praying and promoting the 2024 Thanksgiving Missions Offering. This special offering helps to offset the deficit months we have throughout the year and often turns a yearly deficit into a surplus. Join us in reaching our goal this year of \$350,000, to be received by our churches during the month of November. We praise God for His faithfulness and for the generosity of His people.

Please continue to pray about the devastation of the recent hurricanes and for the different ABA ministries who have been working and ministering there this last month. Lastly, we pray for Israel and for our country.

October 2024 Report

BEGINNING BALANCE	2,505,963.50
Receipts:	
Interstate Salaries	67,996.29
Foreign & National Salaries	64,640.20
Designated	34,654.57
Undesignated	8,860.24
TOTAL RECEIVED	176,151.30
BALANCE FOR SALARIES	2,682,114.80
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Interstate Salaries	68,436.00
Foreign Salaries	34,179.96
National Salaries	25,565.00
Designated	34,654.57
Salaries & Expenses of Sec-Treas. Office	19,042.59
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT	181,878.12
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD	2,500,236.68
DEFICIT FOR OCTOBER	\$(5,726.82)



Ray Meigs



Louisiana State Secretary-Treasurer of Missions

As a little boy growing up in Texarkana, AR, I distinctly remember thinking to myself, "I don't ever want to live in Louisiana." However, after living in this great state for over twenty-eight years, it has really become home. I have had the privilege of meeting some remarkable pastors and fellowshiping with some great churches. All of this makes me thank God that He has placed me in this state.

I am so grateful to the messengers of our association that you have given me the great honor of serving you as Secretary-Treasurer of Missions. It is with great joy that I bring to you this annual report.

There have been several significant events during the past year. Through this office our churches have given \$21,896.40 to Promise Land MBC, Hamburg, AR for the building program of Faith MBM in Sterlington. We also gave Camp Glenwood \$7,000.00 to replace their pool liner. A couple of months ago, our Missionary Committee authorized \$2,000.00 be given to Camp Glenwood to repair the roof of the Manager's Residence that was damaged during a hurricane. All this assistance is a testament to the generosity and compassion of our churches.

Last year we were given a generous donation from Calvary Baptist Church in Minden of \$180,141.31. This was the proceeds from the sale of the property at Choudrant. Funds were placed in a Certificate of Deposit and Money Market accounts. Interest from these accounts amounted to \$8,003.90. These funds will be a blessing to our churches.

This office has not received a request for State Project funds for the 2024-2025 associational year. According to our policy, funds will accumulate and be dispersed during the 2025 messenger assembly.

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Gen. Operating Fund Beg. Balance	\$3,582.19
Receipts	\$370.00
Disbursements	\$395.20
Gen. Operating Fund Balance	\$3,556.99
LA State Association General Fund Balance	1,671.03
Emergency Fund Balance	\$1,355.05
Offerings for the Goal	\$1,307.89

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Calvary MBC, Minden, LA	\$100.00
Central MBC, Pineville, LA	100.00
Forest Grove MBC, Taylor, AR	40.00
Grapeland MBC, Grapeland, TX	200.00
Heritage MBC, Bossier City, LA	160.00
Landmark MBC, Stonewall, LA	65.00
Liberty MBC, Shreveport, LA	50.00
Mansfield MBC, Mansfield, LA	50.00
State Line MBC, Taylor, AR	40.00
Whispering Pines MBC, Minden, LA	50.00
Renewal	50.00
Total	\$905.00

MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHTS

Bro. Jason Hebert, Lafayette, LA:

There is no better way to start a mission report than by praising the Lord for a soul saved! Our attendance saw an increase as the Holeyton family made it back after a lengthy recovery time for their daughter! I felt incredibly appreciated by the church with a fellowship and a nice gift basket. In other news, the Hebert family is growing by two feet! No, Cindy and I are not having a baby, but OUR baby boy has found the love of his life and got engaged this month! We are very excited to welcome Bailee to our family in March 2025! They are going to be a great team, and we are very excited to see how God uses them in His work! Speaking of our family, our daughter-in-law, Madi (Parker's wife), received her "White Coat" as a Doctor of Physical Therapy! We are so proud of her and look forward to great things as she graduates in January!

My recovery has entered the physical therapy stage, and it has been hard! However, I am back to driving in a limited capacity and just preached my first service free from my "boot" or my cane. I also had the opportunity to preach to the student body at Westminster Christian Academy! WCA has been a great opportunity that will continue to open doors in the future. Please keep us in your prayers.

While we enjoyed our fellowship after church, Cindy visited with Quay and led him to the Lord! He got saved! Please pray for him as we continue to reach out to his mom, Krissy, and his sister about their need of Jesus. This is another testimony of the successful ministry to children we have had at ABC! He knew that the only place where he could get answers was at the church and from his teacher, Mrs. Cindy! Please pray as we continue to disciple and reach out to these kids!

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, and the church made me feel very appreciated! ABC is an incredibly easy group to preach to, and they always lean into the messages! Our fellowship is very sweet and special! Only time will tell, but I am making great new friendships and connections at WCA. In mission work, the need to shrink a city is important and this helps me to do it.

We are still ministering to several families that have been attending. Please pray for one couple that they will soon see the need to follow through with a wedding. Also please pray for another that has been experiencing the devil's attacks on their marriage. Finally, please pray for Quay and his family.

(Sponsored by Calvary MBC, Minden, Louisiana)

Bro. Kevin Hutcheson, Sterlington, LA:

Greetings once again! I hope that this report reaches you in good health and enjoying the many blessing of God!

Things are still moving forward with our building project. We started off the month by meeting with brother Richard Wharton who will be overseeing our project with the Macedonia builders. He came through Sterlington, saw the property, got a set of plans, and gave us some more good advice. We are slated for the team to come in October 2025, would you please pray for us that we would be able to have all of the necessary work done by then?

October has been a full month. I was able to attend the fall meeting for the Arkansas state missionary committee in Little Rock and give a report on Sterlington, I had the privilege of preaching the Ladies Auxiliary District meeting for the Friendship Association in Dumas, and I got to officiate my first wedding ever. A dear young couple from our church in Sterlington got married and I am so honored to have been able to do it. That makes two couples from Sterlington that have gotten married from within our church since I have been there!

Brother Justin Coburn came by and shared with our folks what he does as our ABA Secretary-Treasurer of missions. He also talked about the Thanksgiving offering goal and what it is intended for. He preached a wonderful message and then we went to eat some Mexican food. We had a great time!

The month will end with my having the great honor of preaching a revival service in Russellville, AR. Please pray for the folks at Russellville MBC that God would send them a revival! We all need it!

Thank you for your continued prayers, support, and love for Sterlington. This month, we had a total of eleven first time visitors! Our folks are doing their part in being the salt and the light and the Lord is blessing! We praise the Lord for churches and individuals that make what we do possible! God bless you all!

(Sponsored by Promise Land MBC, Hamburg, Arkansas)

Bro. Brandon Jones (ABATech):

Things do not always go as planned. When I scheduled a project in Bastrop, Louisiana, I had plans to leave work early on a Friday and drive 3 hours to West Monroe to spend the night in the home of Bro. Pete Wollerson, member of Hyde Park Baptist, and then travel the remaining 45 minutes to Bastrop on Saturday morning to install two 86" TVs. Instead, my regular job sent me to a meeting in Houston, Texas, on Friday morning, which is 2 1/2 hours in the wrong direction. I decided to fly from Houston to Monroe, but those plans did not work out either. First, the transmission on my truck slipped all the way to Houston, and then my flight was cancelled due to bad weather. I managed to limp back home in the truck and take my wife's vehicle to Monroe. I still enjoyed a nice dinner with Bro. Pete, Bro. Coty Lee, and Bro. Adam McKithern (and son Stephen), all of Hyde Park, and enjoyed a nice stay at Bro. Pete's home Friday night. Bro. Coty Lee joined me on the project in Bastrop on Saturday and I could not have done it without him! What a joy it was for me to have him on that project. I thank God for his friendship to me and my family. The church in Bastrop let me know following the Sunday service what a blessing the new screens were, which makes it all worthwhile. A local installer quoted \$20,000 for the same project. I did it for around \$2,500 (materials only - there is no charge for my services).

While on the project, I began experiencing pain in my abdomen. A trip to the ER resulted in the discovery of a hiatal hernia and a bad gallbladder. I am on a new diet which seems to be helping. As for the truck, I am having the transmission rebuilt for \$4,500. Thank you for your prayers.

(Sponsored by White Rock MBC, Center, Texas)

LOUISIANA STATE ASSOCIATION CELEBRATES 100 YEARS!

Bro. Chet Johnson
Historical Committee Chariman

This year we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Louisiana State Association of Regular Missionary Baptist Churches. This association was formed for the strengthening and encouragement of the Lord's work. From the beginning, the churches of this association have taken their stand against the gates of hell. Souls have been saved, baptized, and discipled. The churches of this association are known for their missionary passion and support. The strength of the association comes from its doctrinal unity and love for one another.

All the churches of Louisiana trace their roots back to the first Baptist Church in America located in Newport, Rhode Island organized in 1638. Churches in south Louisiana can trace their roots beginning in Rhode Island, to Boston, and to Maine and then down to South Carolina, over to Mississippi, and into southeastern Louisiana. Churches in north Louisiana trace their roots from Rhode Island to the Philadelphia Association. Initially meeting in Chestnut Ridge, Maryland, a group of believers moved to Opecka Creek, Virginia. From there, churches spread to Kentucky and Tennessee, over to Missouri and down to Arkansas and eventually to north Louisiana. After the Louisiana Purchase of 1803, settlers came into the new territory establishing settlements along the rivers and bayous. Missionaries soon followed with the intention of preaching the gospel, and with the goal of establishing Baptist churches. The churches of north and south Louisiana would eventually unite in an association holding to the same doctrine as their forefathers.

The Louisiana State Association began in 1924, in south Louisiana as a joint venture of the West Pearl River association (organized in 1871) and the Stateline Association (organized in 1902). The earliest records indicate that there were 6 churches in the West Pearl River Association and 11 in the Stateline Association. Union Avenue, Mt. Olive, and First Missionary of Varnado were all listed as members. The first known session of the association was held in 1925 at Union Avenue MBC in Bogalusa with I.D. Pittman moderating. Union Avenue, organized in 1855, played an important role in the associated work. During the early years J.A. Passman and J.W. Passman combined to moderate many of these meetings. The First Baptist Church of Hope in Heflin in north Louisiana hosted the meeting in 1929. Soon other churches from the north including Calvary of Minden and Old Sarepta would join the association.

Since its inception, the churches of this association have partnered together in a variety of ways to promote God's Word and works. There have been concentrated efforts made to reach all parts of Louisiana, as churches partnered together to support these endeavors. Churches of this association are known for their mission mindedness in planting churches and other evangelistic efforts. Preachers from Louisiana have been noted for preaching the truth unashamedly, and their willingness to serve wherever God would lead them. Many have moved out of the state and even out of country to preach the gospel. Preachers from this association have been influential on

the national level, leading out and serving as officers in the American Baptist Association. One reason for such worldwide influence is the 1952 founding of the Louisiana Missionary Baptist Institute and Seminary in Minden by Calvary and its pastor L.L. Clover. Sister churches from New Orleans to Bastrop have hosted satellite courses as an extension of LMBIS offering their preachers and members quality Bible education. Christian education has always been important to this Association. From Vacation Bible School to the Baptist Sunday School Committee, to Brother Clover's Church History book, to the current Hyde Park Baptist publishing, the people of this association have been instrumental in producing quality educational materials.

Looking to the future, the churches of this association have invested in a variety of ways to reach the younger generations. Youth Rallies, youth programs, Missionary Baptist Student Fellowships, and Baptist Young Peoples Assembly of Louisiana impacted generations of young people. In 1961, Bogg Springs Baptist Camp near Wickes, AR, began hosting campers and the State of Louisiana was one of the first groups to start meeting annually. In 1968, Glenwood Baptist Youth Camp began in south Louisiana with Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church of Bogalusa currently serving as the sponsoring church. These two church camps continue to facilitate in evangelism and discipleship of young people.

As we remember the past, we also look to the future. God has accomplished a great work through this association; however, the fields remain white unto the harvest. It is imperative that the churches of the

Louisiana State Association of Regular Missionary Baptist Churches continue as strong as they started.

This is an updated report of the one ran in the September issue of the Missionary Baptist News.



2024-2025 Officers (from L to R): Assistant Treasurer – Bro. Jerrell Head, Music Director – Bro. Joe Sumrall, Clerk – Bro. Kenneth Greer, First Vice Moderator – Bro. Jason Hebert, Parliamentarian – Bro. Mike Wilkes, Treasurer – Bro. Ray Meigs, Promotions Director – Bro. Doug Gregg, Second Vice Moderator – Bro. Kevin Arinder. Not Pictured: Moderator – Bro. Chet Johnson, Assistant Clerk – Bro. Monroe Mercer, Assistant Parliamentarian – Bro. Todd Pickard.

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Balance Forwarded.....	62,206.60
Receipts.....	34,077.14
Disbursements.....	44,284.79
Balance.....	51,998.95

Receipts: General Operating Funds

Acadiana BC, Lafayette, LA.....	100.00
Adams Chapel MBC, Chidester, AR.....	400.00
Anonymous.....	200.00
Bethel 2 BC, Rison, AR.....	365.00
Bethel MBC, New Orleans, LA.....	20.00
Bethlehem BC, Joaquin, TX.....	100.00
Big Sky MBC, Dillon, MT.....	50.00
Bryan & Sandy Simoneaux, Enterprise, AL.....	100.00
Calvary BC, DeRidder, LA.....	433.50
Calvary BC, Magnolia, AR.....	800.00
Calvary BC, Sheridan, AR.....	200.00
Carthage MBC, Carthage, TX.....	728.16
Center MBC, Center, TX.....	200.00
Central MBC, Bastrop, LA.....	900.00
Central MBC, Pineville, LA.....	600.00
Central MBC, Warren, AR.....	200.00
Corinth BC, Stephens, AR.....	150.00
Corinth MBC, Timpson, TX.....	400.00
Curtis & Shelly Malone, Waldo, AR.....	1,000.00
Delight BC, Delight, AR.....	1,932.00
El Dorado MBC, El Dorado, AR.....	138.96
Emmanuel MBC, Bogalusa, LA.....	200.00
Fellowship BC, Joaquin, TX.....	100.00
First Baptist Church, Angie, LA.....	200.00
First Baptist Church, Wells, TX.....	600.00
First Springhill Association:	
Calvary, Minden, LA.....	2,000.00
Landmark, Stonewall, LA.....	184.00
Liberty, Shreveport, LA.....	200.00
Eastside, Minden, LA.....	432.00
Grace, Many, LA.....	519.00
Greenacres, Bossier City, LA.....	600.00
Heritage, Bossier City.....	1,200.00
Mansfield, Mansfield, LA.....	200.00
Old Sarepta, Sarepta, LA.....	1,010.64
Springhill, Springhill, LA.....	96.40
Stockwell Road, Bossier City, LA.....	500.00
Walnut Hill, Vivian, LA.....	200.00
Whispering Pines, Minden, LA.....	906.57
Forest Grove BC, Taylor, AR.....	200.00
Gary Eastside BC, Gary, TX.....	1,745.12
Grapeland MBC, Grapeland, TX.....	400.00
Hampton MBM, Hampton, AR.....	70.00
Hatley MBC, Amory, MS.....	400.00
Holleyman Chapel MBC, Maydelle, TX.....	400.00
Hughes Springs MBC, Hughes Springs, TX.....	200.00
Hyde Park BC, West Monroe, LA.....	100.00
Landmark MBC, West Monroe, LA.....	100.00
Lawrence MBC, Loranger, LA.....	118.70
Linda Chavers Bobbitt, Shreveport, LA.....	100.00
Lone Cedar BC, Joaquin, TX.....	300.00
Morris BC Prescott, AR.....	800.00
Mt. Bethel MBC, Gary, TX.....	200.00
New Home BC, Stephens, AR.....	230.00
Oak Flat BC, Huntington, TX.....	300.00
Oakridge MBC, Maud, TX.....	294.00

Old Shongaloo MBC, Shongaloo, LA.....	200.00
Park MBC, Prescott, AR.....	526.00
Pettitt Memorial BC, Bogalusa, LA.....	200.00
Promise Land BC, Hamburg, AR.....	400.00
Providence MBC, Center, TX.....	200.00
Providence Landmark MBC, Thornton, AR.....	50.00
Robert Slack, Minden, LA.....	600.00
Salem BC, Rusk, TX.....	200.00
Second Avenue MBC, Strong, AR.....	400.00
Shiloh MBC, Springhill, LA.....	400.00
South Crossett BC, Crossett, AR.....	100.00
State Line BC, Taylor, AR.....	389.00
Timpson MBC, Timpson, TX.....	250.00
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Trinity MBC, Doyline, LA.....	200.00
Trinity BC, Carthage, TX.....	400.00
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Promise Land BC, Hamburg, AR.....	500.00
State Line BC, Taylor, AR.....	100.00
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Tom & Junne Lowe, Minden, LA.....	
(In Memory of William Barnett).....	100.00
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El Dorado MBC, El Dorado, AR.....	groceries
Landmark MBC, Waco, TX.....	groceries
Whispering Pines MBC, Minden, LA.....	groceries
Green Acres MBC, Bossier City, LA.....	meat
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Bro. Jason Carlisle, third-year student, extends the hand of appreciation on behalf of the student body to Bro. Terry Parrish for sharing the history and work of the American Baptist Association.

On Monday, October 21, 2024, LMBIS hosted a special seminar with guest speaker, Bro. Terry Parrish, pastor of Spring Creek BC in Benton, Arkansas and former President of the American Baptist Association. Bro. Terry spoke about the history and function of the ABA. Covering four sessions, the students, faculty, and guests learned of the importance of the associated work and the need for it in the work of our churches.

These lectures, along with other chapel services, are available on the school's YouTube page @LMBISONLINE.

Chapel Times & Speakers

Chapel is held on Monday and Tuesday of each week while school is in session from 1:25 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Please feel free to join us any time.

- **Mon., Jan. 6 . . .** Bro. Mike Wilkes
- **Tues., Jan. 7 . . .** Bro. Nathan Luellen
- **Mon., Jan. 13 .** Bro. Philip Baker
- **Tues., Jan. 14. .** Bro. Micah Carter
- **Mon., Jan. 20 .** Bro. Chet Johnson
- **Tues., Jan. 21. .** Bro. Joseph Stacks
- **Mon., Jan. 27 .** Faculty & Student Body
- **Tues., Jan. 28. .** Bro. Ron Witcher
- **Mon., Feb.. 3 . .** Bro. Jacob Schumacher
- **Tues., Feb. 4. . .** Bro. Doug Gregg
- **Mon., Feb. 10 .** Bro. Justin Gatlin
- **Tues., Feb. 11 .** Bro. Levi Cohorst
- **Mon., Feb. 17 .** NO CLASSES
- **Tues., Feb. 18 .** David Proctor
- **Mon., Feb. 24 .** Faculty & Student Body
- **Tues., Feb. 25 .** Bro. Mark Clements