

From My Laptop to Yours.

It is at seasons of the year like Christmas that we often take stock of the relationships that mean so much to us. As you Association staff, we want to thank you for the opportunity to work along side of you to advance His Kingdom. So how does one articulate that?

Fortunately, the Bantu language, spoken in central and southern Africa, has a word for this mutual need. It's call *ubuntu*. The concept works like this: in order for me to be all of who God calls me to be, you need to be all of who God calls you to be. We need each other to be fulfilled in the image of our Maker.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu uses the word *ubuntu* often in homilies and media interviews. He says ubuntu conveys that there is a sacred relationship between people—between you and me.

For Christ and His Kingdom,

David



*Merry Christmas
from all of us at the
A.B.A.*



Mission Churches & Church Plants

All Nations Baptist Church

Kook Jin Nan, Pastor

Bridgeway Christian Koinonia

Curtis Carr, Sr., Pastor

Christian Love Center

Jesus Sepada, Pastor

Christian Worship & Family Learning Center

Rudy Hardin, Pastor

Cowboy Church of Travis County

Barry Chinn, Pastor

Cowboy Church of the Hill Country

Jeff VanRyswyk, Pastor

Gateway Hill Country Church

Jeff Jackson, Pastor

Grace Fellowship Community Church

Harold Hendricks, Pastor

Great Commission Christian Center

Michael White, Pastor

Greater Parkway Baptist Church

John Ford, Pastor

Iglesia Bautista de la Gracia

Mario Alaniz, Pastor

Iglesia Bautista River Road

Jose Chavez, Pastor

Iglesia Piedra Viva

Saul Ramirez, Pastor

Iglesia Rios de Agua Viva

Javier Medina, Pastor

Neighborhood Baptist Church

Lee Yarbrough, Pastor

New Life Baptist Church

Marc Hegedus, Pastor

North Austin Korean Baptist Church

Lak Kyan Back, Pastor

Northwest Chinese Church

Cheng-Chi "Fish" Yu, Pastor

Phoenix Church

Charles Whitmire, Pastor

Primera Iglesia Bautista Pflugerville

Jose Vasquez, Pastor

Restoration Bible Church

Chris Wallace, Pastor

Romanian Baptist Church of Austin

Samuel Clintoc, Pastor

South Austin Community Church

Arthur Sneed, Pastor

Vietnamese United Baptist Church

David Lee, Pastor

The Well

Jason Jones, Pastor

Purpose Statement

The Austin Baptist Association is an alliance of participating churches fulfilling the Great Commission.

Vision Statement

The Austin Baptist Association will be a catalyst alongside Great Commission churches to reach all people groups with the Gospel transforming our community and world through the power of God.

Pastorless Churches

First Baptist, Manor
Highland Park Baptist
Westoak Woods Baptist

Our sincerest apologies for a misprint.
Please welcome Rob Anderssen as the
Pastor of Trinity Baptist, Smithville.

Church Needs

Cornerstone Baptist Church, Hutto

Is seeking a part-time or bi-vocational youth minister to lead and disciple youth in all aspects of the Christian life. Send resume or letter of interest to: Pastor E.D. Threatt, 3000 Hanstrom Ct, Hutto TX 78634 or via e-mail to ed3t@yahoo.com.

Manchaca Baptist Church

Is seeking Nursery staff for Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings and Wednesday evenings. Applicants please call the church office at (512) 282-0875 or email resume to judy@manchacabaptist.com or fax resume to (512) 292-0043.

New Life Baptist Church

Is looking for a youth minister/worship pastor; part time position with potential of full time. Contact Pastor Marc Hegedus at (512) 803-7158.

Parmer Lane Baptist Church

Is seeking a church worship/song leader. Worship style is mixed. Part-time position totaling 5 to 6 hours a week. For more information, call church office at (512) 244-3907 or (512) 706-5431.

Parmer Lane Baptist Church

Is also seeking a pianist. Worship style is mixed. Part-time position totaling 5 to 6 hours a week. For more information, call church office at (512) 244-3907 or (512) 706-5431.

Rosanky Baptist Church

Is offering eight 13-foot pews (each sits about 8 people). If interested, please call Curtis Chandler at 360-3968.

Travis Oaks Baptist Church

Is seeking a part-time music director to direct the adult choir and lead the Sunday morning worship service. Call the church office at (512) 267-2196 or fax resume to (512) 267-6840.

Woodlawn Baptist Church

Is accepting resumes for a full-time executive pastor. Seminary-level degree required with a background in education/administration. Mail resumes to Search Committee, Woodlawn Baptist Church, 4600 Manchaca Road, Austin TX 78745 or e-mail david@woodlawnbc.org.

If your church has

- **Spanish Songbooks** to donate, please contact Mr. Garcia at 733-3441.
- **Chairs** to donate, please contact Jose Vasquez at 965-0150.

Congratulations

to

Mario Hernandez

who was ordained to
the Gospel Ministry
on December 2 by

Iglesia Bautista de la Gracia

Thank you to those of you who attended the Hispanic Sunday School Training on November 17, 2007. We were glad to have all 27 of you here and hope that you were able to find some valuable information on Sunday School growth. We'd love to hear from you so let us know how things are going!



RA Derby Results

There were 71 participants from 6 churches at this year's RA derby. A total of 55 awards were handed out and \$80 was raised for the Lottie Moon Offering. Here are the results:

RACE AWARDS

- Lad 1** 1st **Jaykob Corea (Hyde Park)**
 2nd Caleb Swann (Hyde Park)
 3rd Jacob Zardiackas (First Lockhart)
 4th Matthew Martinez (First, Bastrop)
- Lad 2** 1st **Drew Benson (Hyde Park)**
 2nd Evan Monroe (Hyde Park)
 3rd Branden Wolff (Hyde Park)
 4th Alan Brown (Manchaca)
- Lad 3** 1st **Matthew Haynes (Hays Hills)**
 2nd Andrew Freeman (Bannockburn)
 3rd Jordan Martinez (First, Bastrop)
 4th Diego Newkirk (Hyde Park)
- Page** 1st **Cody Gandy (Manchaca)**
 2nd Patrick Grizzle (Hays Hills)
 3rd Caleb Stites (Hays Hills)
 4th Sammy Jackson (Bannockburn)
- Squire** 1st **Joshua Shultz (Manchaca)**
 2nd Jacob Green (Bannockburn)
 3rd Felix Brown (Manchaca)
 4th Leo Lear (Hays Hills)
- Knight** 1st **Chris Humphries (Manchaca)**
 2nd Michael Brown (Manchaca)
 3rd Jonathan Grizzle (Hays Hills)
 4th Joshua Martinez (First, Bastrop)

- GA** 1st **Emma Cole (Hays Hills)**
 (1st-3rd) 2nd Kaiya Ramos (Hays Hills)
 3rd Ashlynn Greer (Bannockburn)
- GA** 1st **Emily Walters (Hays Hills)**
 (4th-6th) 2nd Jessica Sheiding (Hays Hills)
 3rd Renee Cole (Hays Hills)
 4th Kianna Ramos (Hays Hills)
- Overall** 1st **Evan Monroe (Hyde Park)**
 2nd Brandon Wolff (Hyde Park)
 3rd Felix Brown (Manchaca)
 4th Leo Lear (Hays Hills)

DESIGN AWARDS

- Best On-Mission Design by RA/GA only*
- Lad 1 & 2** Kenan Campbell (First Lockhart)
Lad 3 & Page Cody Gandy (Manchaca)
Squire/Knight Eathan Campbell (First Lockhart)
GA Renee Cole (Hays Hills)
- Best On-Mission Design by RA/GA and parent*
- Lad 1 & 2** Calvin Floyd (Hyde Park)
Lad 3 & Page Andrew Freeman (Bannockburn)
Squire/Knight Joshua Shultz (Manchaca)
GA Emma Cole (Hays Hills)
- Best Design by RA/GA only*
- Lad 1 & 2** Caden Cumby (Hyde Park)
Lad 3 & Page Cable Stits (Hays Hills)
Squire/Knight Sean Monahan (First Lockhart)
GA Emily Walters (Hays Hills)
- Best Design by RA/GA and parent*
- Lad 1 & 2** Drew Benson (Hyde Park)
Lad 3 & Page Sammy Jackson (Bannockburn)
Squire/Knight Michael Mitchell (Manchaca)
GA Haley Arnett (Hyde Park)



In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest,

And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased."

Luke 2:8-14 (NASB)

MANIA MARATHON 2007

the all night teenage New Year's celebration!

Your church's youth group is invited to join several Central Texas churches for this year's Mania Marathon New Year's event. **This year's event begins on Monday night, December 31 through Tuesday morning, January 1.**

Prior to midnight, its two worship times feature a live band, drama, video testimonies, and speaker; plus pizza and soft drinks! After midnight, it's bowling, laser tag, and movies! Each participant also receives a Mania t-shirt! The cost is \$30 per person through December 16; \$35 after December 16 through December 30.

Space is limited for this year's Mania Marathon; however, we still have room for a few additional churches. **To guarantee space for your group, a non-refundable \$100 deposit is required (make checks payable to Woodlawn Baptist Church).** The \$100 will be applied toward your first payment for tickets. Upon receipt of your \$100 deposit, you will be sent a group leader's instruction packet. For more information, contact Diane (442-7858 Ext. 16; diane@woodlawnbc.org) Send your check and the *approximate number* of teens and adults attending Mania Marathon to:

Mania Marathon
Woodlawn Baptist Church
4600 Manchaca Road
Austin, TX 78745

St. James Missionary Baptist Church invites you to join them for fellowship and fitness.



- * March 1, 2008
- * 1K (\$10)
- * 5K Run/Walk (\$20)
- * Registration will be on St. James website: www.stjamescmbc.org

**MISSIONS 5K & 1K
Run and Walk**