

From My Laptop to Yours.

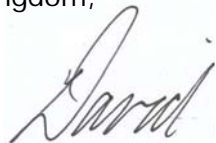
It is a new year and that always excites me; a new year provides a new slate, new opportunities and new things to try! I hope you are looking forward to it!

Speaking of new things, here are two I would like you to try this January. If you remember, Dr. Billie Hanks came to the ABA Regular Meeting in March of 2010 to tell us about Operation Multiplication. Dr. David Sweet shared with us the success of this program at Hays Hills Baptist Church and First Baptist Church Pflugerville has taken the challenge to be the next church to go through this training. So on January 22nd, FBC Pflugerville invites church **leaders** from the Austin Association to join the Operation Multiplication training from 9 AM - 4 PM. This training is an intentional "life-to-life" ministry for disciple-making and is designed to assimilate and equip all new believers and other church members. This training equips one to use his/her life influence as a Christian on other especially new "baby" Christians. If you are leader in your church and are interested in learning to be a mentor for Christ that results in assimilation and discipleship of successive generations of new Christians, then this training is for you. I challenge you to be the **one** in your church that starts the process. To register for the event or to get more information, please contact Mike Northen at FBC Pflugerville.

The second event I would challenge you to attend is the Pastor's Prayer Gathering on January 24th & 25th. I am certain that it will be the best spent 36 hours of your month. Join myself and other pastors from Austin as we corporately seek God on behalf of the region and each other. I encourage you to prayerfully consider stepping away from your day-to-day activities to gain a new perspective on how we individually contribute to the bigger picture. Visit www.abbaconnect.net/events/ppg for more information and to register for this event.

I am looking forward to 2011 and what God will do in our city and through our city! I hope that you will join us in reaching out to those whom we are called to love.

For Christ and His Kingdom,



Supported Church Plants

Abundant LIFE Community Baptist Church

Austin Burmese Christian Fellowship

Austin City Life

Austin Karen Baptist Church

Austin Hope Church

Gateway Hill Country Church

Iglesia Bautista de la Gracia

Iglesia Bautista High Pointe

Iglesia Bautista Oak Hill

Iglesia Piedra Viva

Iglesia Rios de Agua Viva

Life Church, Austin

Lost Pines Cowboy Church

Restoration Bible Church

The Church at Bee Cave

Vietnamese United Baptist Church

Zion Indian Christian Center

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.

Church News

Bee Cave Baptist Church

Is looking for a part-time minister to children (all ages). For more information, call Pastor Jim Roquemore at (512) 789-6893.

Crestview Baptist Church

Is seeking a new part-time minister of music. For more information, call the church office at (512) 454-6641.

Hillcrest Baptist Church

Is looking for a full-time Minister to Students. The job description, qualifications and instructions for submitting resume can be viewed at hillcrestaustin.org/studentministrysearch.

Manchaca Baptist Church

Is seeking a part time Music Director. Please call (512) 282-0875 for more information.

New Life Baptist Church

Is looking for a Minister for Worship & Youth. For more information, please contact Pastor Marc Hegedus at marc.newlifebaptist_1@juno.com.

Parmer Lane Baptist Church

Is seeking a child care worker for Sunday mornings and evenings (5 hours). For more information, please contact Linda Wilcox at pville685-info@yahoo.com or (512) 251-5885.

Rosedale Baptist Church

Is looking for a part-time minister of music. For more information, please contact the church office at (512) 453-1325.

Westoak Woods Baptist Church

Is accepting resumes for Church Ministry Secretary. To see a complete job description, visit www.austinbaptist.org and click on the Ministry Opportunities page.

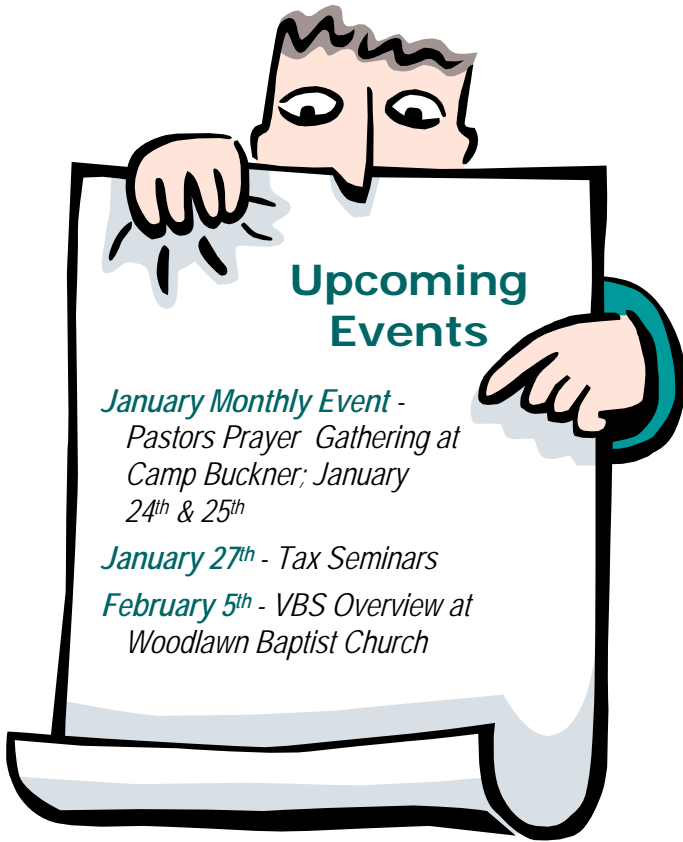
Wyldwood Baptist Church

Is seeking a piano player. For more information, please contact the church office at (512) 303-3443.



Help us be good Stewards!

If your address has changed or you would like to receive your newsletter via email, please notify the ABA office via email at charlotte@austinbaptist.org



Upcoming Events

*January Monthly Event -
Pastors Prayer Gathering at
Camp Buckner; January
24th & 25th*

January 27th - Tax Seminars

*February 5th - VBS Overview at
Woodlawn Baptist Church*

TAX SEMINARS

Gene Hill will facilitate tax seminars **on Thursday, January 27, 2011** with the minister seminar at 10:00 AM and the church seminar at 1:30 PM. If you have any questions about handling taxes related to ministers or churches, please mark your calendar for these events.



Pray for these churches

Austin Burmese Christian Fellowship

First Baptist Oak Hill

First Baptist, Buda

Milwood Baptist Church

News from the
Disaster Response Team



When the ABA disaster relief team hits the road this year they will be driving a new tow truck. Team members met at the Henna Chevrolet dealership a few days before Christmas to take delivery of a 2011 Heavy Duty Silverado pickup truck.

The one-ton dually's features include a special towing package, a rolltop bed cover, a special designed heavy duty grill guard, four-wheel drive, and seating for six team members.

Members of the team began a fund raising effort during the Summer of 2010. An anonymous contributor offered to match every dollar raised up to \$25,000. The \$25,000 goal was reached in early December and the purchase order for the truck was submitted.

Bob Andrews, the disaster relief team's Director, said, "The team has been blessed by the generosity of many individuals and churches supporting our fund raising effort. The new truck will enhance our ability to support Texas Baptist Men and Southern Baptist Convention disaster relief efforts. This new tow vehicle will fulfill our needs for many, many years to come."



God
CAN
Matthew 19:26

Highland Lakes Annual Women's Conference
February 25-26, 2011
With Vicki Parsons, Amy Hill & Joy Riza
For more information, call 888-222-3482 or visit
www.highlandlakescamp.org

Local Events of Interest

Reggie McNeal, Missional Leadership Specialist for Leadership Network of Dallas, and author of *Missional Renaissance: Changing the Scorecard for the Church*, will conduct a two-day conference titled "Leading a Missional Movement" on the Campus of Seminary of the Southwest on February 10-11, 2011.

McNeal's past experience involves over a decade as a denominational executive and leadership development coach. He also served in local congregational leadership for over twenty years and has lectured or taught as adjunct faculty for multiple seminaries, including Fuller Theological, Southwestern Baptist, Golden Gate Baptist, Trinity Divinity School and Columbia International.

This annual lecture series is hosted by the Board of Trustees of Seminary of the Southwest in honor of Bishop Claude Payne. The event focuses on missions, congregational leadership, evangelism or congregational development. It is open to the public, however registration is requested. Please visit www.ssw.edu and find the event on the home page.



What would happen if every American that celebrates the Super Bowl football game donated one can of food or \$1 to fight hunger and poverty in their local community? The result would be an astounding \$90 million in cash and cans to help feed the hungry, provide shelter to the homeless and help our neighbors in need. Join the Souper Bowl of Caring and help make this vision a reality! For more than 20 years, groups just like yours have joined forces across America to demonstrate the power of caring. To date, more than \$70 million in cash and cans has been collected and 100% was donated in communities throughout the U.S. Every penny stays local and every collection matters!

Last year, 1,900 groups in Texas collected more than \$4.5 million for local charities that fight hunger and poverty. **Join the Team. Get Started Today, Texas!**

REGISTER your group at www.souperbowl.org to receive your monthly e-newsletter and a free Resource Kit to help promote your event.

COLLECT money and/or canned foods anytime January 17-February 6, 2011. Super Bowl Sunday is February 6, 2011.

REPORT the amount of your collection to the Souper Bowl of Caring so it can be added to the national tally.

DONATE 100% of your collection to the charity of your choice **in your own community.**

NEXT LEVEL

Leadership Conference 2011

January 28 - 30, 2011

The South Austin Community Church (Pastor A. L. Sneed II) & The Abundant Life Community Baptist Church (Pastor Dechard Freeman) is partnering and presenting a **2011 NEXT LEVEL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE** for Pastors, Ministers, Deacons, Ministry, Youth & Lay Leaders **on Friday, January 28th thru Sunday, January 30th.**

Friday Night Workshop will be held at the South Austin Community Church @ **7:30pm**

Saturday Conference will be held at the Abundant Life Community Baptist Church from **9-2pm**

Sunday Joint Worship Service will be held at the Alpha 7th Day Adventist Church @ **12:30pm**

There is a small registration fee and group discounts are

available for groups of 10 or more. Continental Breakfast, Lunch & Childcare will be provided.

Guest Speakers & Lectures will include...

Dr. David Smith, Austin Baptist Association (Leadership Essentials); Dr. Gusta Booker, Greater St Matthews-Houston, TX (Next Level Leadership); Dr. T. A. Morris, Redeemed Chapel-Houston, TX (Partnering with the Pastor); Pastor Gaylon Clark, Greater Mt. Zion-Austin, TX (Reproducing Leadership); Deacon Albert Black, Pastor Carl Harvey Jr, Sis Jackie Robertson and the Honorable Dawanna Dukes will also be speaking!

Please contact (512) 251-HOPE (4673) OR (512) 385-SACC (7222) OR www.alcpflugerville.org for more information