



The Connection

“Networking together.....to fulfill the Great Commission”

January 2018

Creath-Brazos Baptist Association

Creath-Brazos Baptist Association Quarterly Executive Board Meeting



Thursday ~ January 18, 2018

Bedias Baptist Church

3729 Main St., Bedias, TX

Lunch 11:30am ~ Business Session 12:15pm

Speaker ~ David Murphy, Chaplain

Baylor Scott and White Hospital

For lunch reservations, please contact Susan

by Thursday, January 11 at 979.846.1788

or email info@cbba.org.

“Mission Minded”

Notes from the Director of Missions

Email Steve Holcombe at cbbadom@cbba.org



“Retirement”

This is my last article as your Director of Missions. I remember, as a young pastor, moving to Bryan in 1979 and beginning my ministry at Northview Baptist Church. Bryan/College Station has meant a lot to both Susan and me. Both of our children were born at St. Joseph Hospital. The call of our Lord to serve has taken us to many different places in different parts of the world. However, of all the places we have served, our time in Bryan/College Station was the dearest to my family. We were blessed to be called back in 2009...exactly 30 years later. I have been blessed to serve as your Director of Missions for the past nearly nine years. Thank you for allowing us to serve.

I will retire from this position on January 15, 2018. I will be entering a new and different stage of ministry. The past nine years have been good years. I have enjoyed making wonderful friendships with our pastors and people. We have shared times and events which I pray have enhanced our vision for the Lord's work. I have preached at your churches, listened when you needed an ear, and prayed with you in your needs. You have also had an impact on my own life as you listened and prayed with me. For all of this I want to say, "Thank you!"

I will be praying for you...the churches of the Creath-Brazos Baptist Association. I will be praying for our pastors and people. I will be praying for the Lord to lead you as you seek the next Director of Missions. I would ask you to pray for me as I enter into this new stage of life and ministry. And once more I would simply say to you all, "Thank you!"

Steve

Please Remember to Pray for:

Pastorless Churches

Christ's Way BC
Living Hope College Station
Pleasant Grove BC
Madisonville Christian Fellowship

Minister Needs

Christ's Way BC ~ Music Minister and Pianist
Cottonwood BC ~ P/T Music Minister
First BC North Zulch ~ P/T Music/Youth Pastor
Madisonville Christian Fellowship ~ Children's Minister

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1 ~ **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

January 11 ~ **CBBA Church Support Team Meeting**, 10:00am

January 15-16 ~ **BGCT DISCONNECT**, 2018 Preschool & Children's Ministers' Retreat, Salado

January 18 ~ **CBBA Quarterly Executive Board Meeting**, Bedias BC, Lunch 11:30am/Business Session 12:15pm

January 25 ~ **CBBA Minister & Staff Support Team Meeting**, 2:00pm

Aggie Baptist Student Ministry



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The holiday break provides an opportune time for students to gain hands-on experience in missions. Three of our students will be part of Texas BSM Go Now Mission projects. Sapphire and Lavender Williams will serve in New York City after Christmas. These two sisters will work in a South Asian community near Queens. Cody Boone will begin service as a semester missionary in South Africa in early January. Cody will serve in a Christian orphanage working with youth and children. A team of twenty from our BSM will spend a week assisting new and developing Baptist churches in the greater Boston area. These students will be involved in outreach, evangelism, construction projects and homeless ministry.

Happy Birthday!



- 2 **Chris Osborne**, Central BC
- 3 **Kyle Childress**, Anderson BC
- 6 **Susan Holcombe**, CBBA
- 7 **John Maurer**, Central BC
- 15 **Johnny Sloan**, Rock Prairie BC
- 17 **Kenneth McDougald**, Bedias BC
- 18 **Clyde Strong**, Bethel BC
- 19 **Daralyn Wallace**, First BC CS
- 22 **Allen Duty**, New Life
- 23 **Maudell Noel**, Fellowship at Field Store

Happy Anniversary!



- ... to **Jeremy Lewis** celebrating 15 years at Central BC
- ... to **Jay Kott** celebrating 6 years at Shiro BC