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Texas



2008 Yearbook





**59th Annual Session  
2008 Minute Book**

Hosted by:

**Calvary Missionary Baptist Church  
Henderson, Texas  
Bill Kuykendall, Pastor**

**November 11, 12, 2008**

## Invitation for 2009



Rusty Denny, Pastor  
903-465-7780  
903-465-2518

The Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church is looking forward with great anticipation for the opportunity to host the 2009 state associational meeting. We are working to make your stay as enjoyable as possible and look forward to having you come and be with us.

The city of Denison has made some improvements since the meeting was held here in 2004. We now have 4 motels within a mile of the church. We also have over 15 different places to eat within one mile of the church. Our parking lot has been enlarged to help accommodate the increased parking. We also hope to make some improvements to our facilities as well.

Our building is one of the easiest to locate in Texas. For those traveling north on Highway 69, turn left on Morton Street. The church will be on the right about 2 miles. For those traveling north on Highway 75, take the #69 exit, (Morton St) and turn right at the light. The church is one mile on the left. The address is 2401 W. Morton St., Denison. The church phone is 903-465-2518. The parsonage is 903-465-7780. We will leave the porch light on for you!

Information concerning the motels in the area will be mailed to each church before the meeting in plenty of time for you to secure a room. If there are any special needs you may have during your stay that we may be of assistance with, let us know.

**Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church  
2401 W. Morton  
Denison, Texas 75020**

**Future Sessions**  
**THE MISSIONARY BAPTIST**  
**ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS**



**NEXT SESSION**

November 10, 11, 2010

Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church

Denison, Texas

Pastor: Rusty Denny

**State Ladies' Auxiliary**

Meets Nov. 10th at 10:00 a.m. & 1:15 p.m.

**Pastor's and Laymen's Council**

Meets Nov. 10th at 10:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

**Annual Messenger Meeting**

Begins Nov. 10th at 7:00 p.m.

**Annual Sermon**..... **Jim Slocumb**  
**Alternate** ..... **Anderson Morris**  
**Moderator** ..... **Calvin Gould**  
**Asst. Moderator** ..... **Carroll Jones**  
**Recording Clerk**..... **Bobby L. Sparks**  
**Recording Clerk**..... **Paul Clark**  
**Publicity Director** ..... **David Humber**

**M.B.A. of Texas Meeting Schedule:**

Tuesday and Wednesday after 2nd Sunday in November.

**2010 Meeting Place:**

**Nevill's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church**  
**Mount Pleasant, Texas**

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**This page is dedicated to the memory of**

## **Bro. W. F. (Bill) Sides**



Bro. William F. (Bill) Sides was born April 24, 1934. He grew up in Oakland (Cherokee County), TX where he graduated from Maydelle High School. He was saved during a revival held at Hollyman's Chapel M.B.C. under the ministry of A. D. Munsinger. Bro. Sides was then baptized at Hobson's Bride on the Neches River by Bro. Wade Hill, then pastor of Hollyman's Chapel.

While Bro. Sides and family attended Landmark M.B.C. in Houston, TX, he surrendered to preach under his pastor Gilbert Sparks on September 11, 1963. He attended South Texas Baptist Seminary from September 1963 to May 1966 in Pasadena, TX. He was ordained by Landmark Baptist Church on May 10, 1965. During his ministry, he pastored Victory B.C., New Caney, TX; Calvary B.C. Baytown, TX; Galena Park M.B.C., Galena Park, TX; and he established the Graceland Missionary Baptist Church, Baytown, TX in 1981.

He was called as pastor of Pleasant Grove M.B.C., Maydelle, TX and served there the next 12 years. Throughout his ministry he was used by numerous churches as the evangelist to hold their revivals.

When ill health caused him to resign his pastorate he and Helen moved to Tyler, TX where they united with University Baptist Church. He was soon elected to serve as Sunday School Superintendent and served well until his death.

Bro. Sides died on December 20, 2007. He is survived by his wife, Helen of 52 years and their two children, Susan Cottrell and Lisa Sides, along with two granddaughters, Shannon and Cinnamon Uptmor. He leaves behind a large number of friends that will join the family in missing him greatly.

**This page is dedicated to the memory of**

**Bro. A. B. Kellam**



Bro. A. B. Kellam, 85, of the Hopewell Community north of Clarksville, Texas was born November 24, 1922 in Kaufman County, Texas. He was a long-time minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ. He had pastored the Hopewell Baptist Church for forty-five years.

He served his country during World War II in the United States Navy.

He is survived by his wife, Verda, three sons, Danny, Ronnie and Mile Kellam and by six grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

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## **Dr. L. Chester Guinn**



Dr. L. Chester Guinn, of Fort Smith, Arkansas died Wednesday, January 23, 2008 at the age of 92. Bro. Chester Guinn was saved at the age of 13 and was baptized by the Baxatte Baptist Church located in Navarro County, a few miles north of Kerens, Texas. At age 17, he answered the call to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, a call from which he never wavered. He continued to preach until God called him home. He had retired from pastoring a few years prior to his death; but he continued to preach every opportunity afforded him.

Bro. Guinn permitted the Lord to use him in many ways. He pastored many churches in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. One pastorate was the Calvary Baptist Church of Henderson, Texas, sponsor of Texas Baptist Institute-Seminary. While pastor of this great church, he served the school as dean, vice-president and instructor. He led the church in her relocation to her present address.

Bro. Guinn was a very popular evangelist and a defender of the faith in many debates. He edited, printed and distributed a Bible Outline Service for a number of years. He wrote the Adult Sunday School Quarterly for 30 years. He served the American Baptist Association as President for the years of 1971-1973 and the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions for the years 1973-1978. He also served as Moderator of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas and three local associations.

Bro. Guinn was preceeded in death by his first wife, Margaret, of 69 years. He is survived by his wife, Wilma, two sons, Darwin and Garry Guinn and 4 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

**This page is dedicated to the memory of**

**Bro. Clayton Battles**



Bro. Clayton Battles, age 79, died February 5, 2008 in his home a few miles north of Henderson, TX. He was born January 2, 1929 in San Augustine County, Texas.

Bro. Battles was ordained to the full work fo the gospel ministry on September 30, 1958 by the Longview Missionary Baptist Church.

He pastored churches in the Texas counties of Nacgdoches, Shelby, Panola and Rusk. He was held in high esteem by his preacher brethren who found him to be a kind compassionate friend, easy to talk with and strong in his convictions.

He is survived by his wife, Georgia; one daughter, two grandsons and and two great grandsons.

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## **Bro. Clyde Clark**



Bro. Clyde Clrk was born July 30, 1924 in Worchester, Massachusetts. He was the son of Clyde and Ruth Clark.

On Deceber 19, 1946, he was united in marriage to Juanita Nutt in Houston, TX. They were blessed with five children: Jean, Peggy, Steve, Paul and Ralph.

Clyde was a World War II veteran serving in the United States Navy.

He surrendered to preach in Houston, TX on May 5, 1957. He entered Texas Baptist Institute where he received his Masters in English Bible. He pastored several churches in Texas and in 1963, he moved to Massachusetts as a missionary and organized Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church in Ayer. He served there for ten years before returning to Texas where he pastored a few more churches before retiring.

He continued to preach after his retirement whenever possible. He was a faithful member of Tyler Road Missionary Baptist Church in Henderson, Texas.

He enjoyed playing the harmonica, making whirligigs, crocheting and spending time with his wife. He also enjoyed his computer where he was writing a book about his life and his family.

Clyde passed from the walk of this life on July 11, 2008. His earthly tabernacle will await the coming of the Lord at Langley Cemetery in Beckville, Texas

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## **Bro. Wilmer Bidy**



Bro. Wilmer Bidy was born July 1, 1922 in the Pruitt Lake Community of Avinger, Texas to Spivey and Josie Bidy. He worked for Lone Star Steel Company as an electrician for about 35 years. He married Gloria Ann Hall in 1944 and they had seven children. Gloria passed away on Jan. 29, 1990. Wilmer and Helen Morgan were joined in marriage on Jan. 15, 1992.

Wilmer entered the US Army Nov. 9, 1942 and was discharged as a T Sgt on Nov. 28, 1945. He was a telephone & telegraph lineman and performed duties in combat areas in England, France, Belgium, Luxemburg, Germany and Czechoslovakia. Battles & campaigns included Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland, Central Europe and GO 33 WD 45. He earned several decorations & citations: EAME Campaign Medal with 5 Bronze Stars, WWII Victory Medal and Good Conduct Medal. During the Normandy invasion he landed on Omaha Beach where most of the US casualties occurred. After other battles, he survived the Battle of The Bulge, where over 80,000 Americans died.

Bro. Bidy was a Missionary Baptist Pastor for 53 years. He pastored several churches in East Texas including, Snow Hill, Flat Creek, Concord, Mt Sylvania, and Cave Springs. He was ordained by the Pruitt Lake M.B.C. on Dec. 4, 1955. After pastoring Cave Springs MBC of Linden, for 25 years he retired from the pastorate and moved his membership back to Pruitt Lake and was a faithful member there the remainder of his life.

God blessed him with an uncommon measure of natural ability, intelligence and common sense, all of which he used for the glory of God. Wilmer Bidy was truly one of the greats of the Great Generation.

## **PROPOSED AGENDA 2009**

### **TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 10, 2009**

7:00 To Adjournment

- Singing, Devotional, Welcome, Open for Business
- Moderator's Address
- Adoption of Agenda
- Appointment of Committees
- Special Music and Annual Sermon
- Selection of Wednesday Evening Speaker

### **WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 11, 2009**

9:30-12:00

- Singing and Devotional
- Election of Officers
- Selection of Meeting Place for 2011
- Selection of Annual Speaker for 2010
- State Missions Report:
  - A. Auditor's Report
  - B. Secretary-Treasurer's Report
  - C. Select Salaried Missionaries & Set Salaries
  - D. Select Missionaries on Designated Funds
  - E. Miscellaneous Mission Items
- History & Archives Report

### **WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON**

2:00-5:00

- Texas Mission Development Report
- Texas Mission Builder's Report
- Miscellaneous Reports and Business

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING**

7:00 To Adjournment

- Sermon
- Texas Baptist Institute & Seminary Report
- Mexican Baptist Institute Report
- Heritage Baptist Institute Report
- Central Baptist Institute Report
- West Texas Baptist Institute Report
- Miscellaneous Reports and Business
- Recognition of Officers for Next Meeting
- Adjournment

## REPORTS TO BE GIVEN

1. Auditor & State Missions
2. Texas Mission Development
3. Texas Mission Builders
4. Interstate & Foreign Missions
5. Youth
6. Publications
7. Benevolence
8. Women's Work
9. Men's Work
10. A.B.A. Credit Union
11. Enrollment & Finance Committee
12. Memorial of Preachers
13. History & Archives Committee
14. Music Ministry
15. Missionary Baptist Student Fellowship
16. Electronic Media Report
17. Resolutions
18. Texas Baptist Institute & Seminary
19. Mexican Baptist Institute
20. Central Baptist Institute
21. Heritage Baptist Institute

## ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Red River Bowie - Billy Daniels  
 Mission Valley - Roddy Rodgers  
 Southwest - David Humber  
 Tri-County - Don Britton  
 Timberland - Adrian Neal  
 Anderson Co - Kevin Gentry  
 Mt. Zion - Roy Culley  
 Bethlehem - F. E. Derryberry  
 North Texas - Todd Gray  
 Navarro County - David Dawson  
 Trinity River - Earnest Moyers  
 Old Cherokee - Charles Swilling  
 Hopewell - L. C. Terry  
 Shelby County - Lawrence Thompson  
 South Texas - Joe Bozarth  
 Salem - Dan McGuire  
 Central Texas - Lonnie Johnson

## Officers for 2009



**Calvin Gould**  
**Moderator**



**Carroll Jones**  
**Assist. Moderator**



**Marion B. Reed**  
**Secretary-Treasurer**



**David Humber**  
**Publicity Director**



**Paul Clark**  
**Recording Clerk**



**Bobby L. Sparks**  
**Recording Clerk**

### Missionaries for 2008 - 2009



**Ricky O'Neal**  
Full Salary



**Leland Acker**  
One-Half Salary



**Jim Slocumb**  
One-Half Salary



**Mario Gamez**  
One-Half Salary



**Jose Estrada**  
One-Half Salary



**Ricky Payne**  
One-Half Salary

## Missionaries for 2008 - 2009



**Larry Chalker**  
One-Half Salary



**Marvin Gardner**  
One-Half Salary



**Robert Boone**  
One-Half Salary



**Marlin Freeman**  
Designated Funds

## DESIGNATIONS OF MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCE FUNDS

### M.B.A. of Texas

- Directory of Churches . . . . . Paul Clark  
1030 Carr St., Hillsboro, TX 76645; 254-582-7152
- State Minutes . . . . . Bobby L. Sparks  
6410 Chapman Dr., Greenville, TX 75402; 903-450-4605
- History & Archives Committee . . . . . Donald L. Britton  
P.O. Box 570, Henderson, Tx. 75653-0570

### Texas Missions

- State Missions . . . . . Marion Reed  
P. O. Box 450813, Garland, TX 75045-0813; 972-272-7727
- Texas Mission Development . . . . . Jim Slocumb  
P.O. Box 1840, Jacksonville, TX 75766; 903-795-3960
- Texas Mission Builders . . . . . Leroy Smith  
P.O. Box 287, Huntington, TX 75949; 936-876-2582

### Texas Seminaries

- Texas Baptist Institute . . . P.O. Box 570, Henderson, TX 75653  
903-657-6543
- Mexican Baptist Institute . . . P.O. Box 771, McAllen, TX 78505  
512-682-0574; 512-682-4471
- Central Baptist Seminary . . . . . 108 Aduna, Del Rio, TX 78840  
512-774-5135
- Heritage Baptist Institute . . . 2223 FM 1092, Missouri City, TX  
77459; 281-403-4994
- West Texas Baptist Institute . . . 3300 Anetta Dr., Midland, TX  
79703; 432-694-2832

### Interstate, Foreign & National Missions

- Interstate, Foreign & National Missions . . . . . Randy Cloud  
P.O. Box 1050, Texarkana, AR-TX 75501; 903-792-2312
- Interstate Mission Development . . . . . Vernon McNully  
P.O. Box 572, Jacksonville, AR 72078; 501-982-8226

## Youth Camps

- Pine Springs Youth Camp . . . . . John Pino  
3386 FM 1798W, Laneville, TX 75667; 903-863-5524
- Bogg Springs Youth Camp . . . . . Doug Curtis  
784 Hwy. 84 W., Wickes, AR ; 71973: 870-385-2443

## Publications

- Baptist Sunday School Committee . . . . . 4605 N. State Line  
Texarkana, TX 75503-2928; 800-264-2482
- Sounding Out The Word. . . . . Grace Baptist Church  
1823 Aldine Mail Rt., Houston, TX 77039; 713-442-5137
- International Christian Publishers . . . . . Bill Johnson  
P.O. Box 557, Hamburg, AR 71646; 903-278-2648

## Miscellaneous

- Texarkana Baptist Orphanage . . . . . Box 611, Texarkana, AR  
75504; 870-774-8214
- A.B.A. Credit Union . . . . .P.O. Box 585, Pasadena, TX 77501  
713-941-3124
- Church Building Ministry . . . . .Bro. Marion Reed  
4010 Lindenwood, Garland, TX 75042; 972-272-7727
- Missionary Travel & Logistics . . . . .Jack Story  
324 E. 4th Street, Fairmount, IN 46928; 765-461-5672
- International Media Service . . . . .Jerry Smith  
2711 Texas Blvd., Texarkana, TX 75503; 903-792-7303

**2009**

**CALENDAR OF LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS**

**DATE..... NAME..... PLACE**

- Sept. 10 ..... Red River Bowie ..... Aikin Grove, Clarksville
- Sept. 11, 12 ... Mission Valley ..... Faith, San Antonio
- Sept. 12 ..... Tri-County ..... Landmark, Athens
- Sept. 24, 25 ... Southwest. .... Grace, Albuquerque
- Sept. 18, 19 ... Timberland. .... Union Cross, Nacogdoches
- Sept. 26 ..... Anderson ..... Denson Springs, Grapeland
- Oct. 2 ..... Mt. Zion ..... Sunset, Marshall
- Oct. 3 ..... Bethlehem ..... Kirbyville, Kirbyville
- Oct. 3 ..... North Texas ..... Liberty, McKinney
- Oct. 3 ..... Navarro County..... Cedar Creek, Corsicana
- Oct. 10 ..... Trinity River ..... Fostoria Oaks, Cleveland
- Oct. 10 ..... Old Cherokee ..... First, Wells
- Oct. 15 ..... Hopewell. .... Nevill's Chapel, Mt. Pleasant
- Oct. 15, 16 ... Shelby. .... Logansport, Logansport
- Oct. 11 ..... South Texas ..... Banquo, Spring
- Oct. 22 ..... Salem ..... Tanglewood, Atlanta
- Oct. 24 ..... Central Texas ..... First Missionary, Mabank



**The Messengers Enjoyed The Beautiful  
Facilities of Calvary Baptist Church**

# HISTORICAL ROLL OF MBA OF TEXAS, 1950-1976

YEAR-MEETING PLACE	ANNUAL SERMON	MODERATOR	CLERKS	SEC-TREAS.
1950 - Longview	Roy M. Reed	J.W. Harper	Albert Garner G.F. Crumley	G.P. Allen
1951 - Corsicana	A.J. Kirkland	J.W. Harper	Albert Garner G.F. Crumley	G.P. Allen
1952 - Longview	O.P. Meador	A.J. Finley	Albert Garner G.F. Crumley	J.W. Harper
1953 - Snyder	W.H. Brown	A.J. Finley	Albert Garner G.F. Crumley	J.W. Harper
1954 - Hillsboro	Jack Dean	Bruce Hibbitt	Albert Garner O.H. Griffith	J.W. Harper
1955 - Texas City	Albert Garner	Bruce Hibbitt	Albert Garner O.H. Griffith	J.W. Harper
1956 - Amarillo	J.B. Powers	Bruce Hibbitt	Albert Garner O.H. Griffith	J.W. Harper
1957 - Denison	Vernon Lierly	George Crawford	Albert Garner Leo Griffith	J.W. Harper
1958 - Carthage	Clyde Beck	George Crawford	Leo Griffith Gene Smith	J.W. Harper
1959 - Henderson	George Crawford	Jack Dean	Leo Griffith Gene Smith	J.W. Harper
1960 - Galena Park	Chester Guinn	Jack Dean	Leo Griffith Gene Smith	J.W. Harper
1961 - Corsicana	Elvin Crocker	James Kirkland	Gene Smith Frank Summers	J.W. Harper
1962 - Fort Worth	C.H. McBryde	James Kirkland	Harold Davis Frank Summers	J.W. Harper
1963 - Snyder	Joe Evans	Luther Crawford	Harold Davis Frank Summers	W.H. Hitt
1964 - Longview	J.W. Griffith	Luther Crawford	Harold Davis Frank Summers	W.H. Hitt
1965 - Tyler	W.H. Brown	Chester Guinn	Harold Davis Frank Summers	W.H. Hitt
1966 - Denison	Jim Adams	Chester Guinn	Harold Davis Frank Summers	W.H. Hitt
1967 - Pasadena	Ken Ashlock	W.H. Brown	Harold Davis Frank Summers	W.H. Hitt
1968 - Odessa	George Crawford	W.H. Brown	Harold Davis Billy Daniels	W.H. Hitt
1969 - Garland	Jerry Coffman	Gordon Shaffer	Harold Davis Billy Daniels	W.H. Hitt
1970 - Longview	James Kirkland	Gordon Shaffer	Harold Davis Billy Daniels	W.H. Hitt
1971 - Pasadena	Raymond Alexander	Ray O. Brooks	Harold Davis Billy Daniels	W.H. Hitt
1972 - Corsicana	Vernon L. Barr	Ray O. Brooks	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Billy Daniels
1973 - Henderson	Marion Reed	G.D. Walters	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Billy Daniels
1974 - Snyder	Ed Rhodes	G.D. Walters	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Billy Daniels
1975 - Garland	Glenn Tropp	C.H. McBryde	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Billy Daniels
1976 - Tyler	Ottie Reed	C.H. McBryde	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Billy Daniels

## HISTORICAL ROLL OF MBA OF TEXAS, 1977 - 2004

1977 - Amarillo	Ray O. Brooks	W.H. Hitt	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1978 - Henderson	Frank Summers	W.H. Hitt	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1979 - Garland	Harold Davis	Elvin Crocker	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1980 - Longview	Charles Murphy	Elvin Crocker	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1981 - Denison	W.H. Hitt	J.E. Albritton	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1982 - Beaumont	Larry Neeley	J.E. Albritton	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1983 - Mt. Pleasant	M.G. McNeill	Kenneth Ashlock	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1984 - Hillsboro	Paul Owens	Kenneth Ashlock	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1985 - Midland	George Crawford	Sammy Eldredge	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1986 - Marshall	E.G. Nielson	Sammy Eldredge	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1987 - Henderson	O.H. Griffith	Paul Owens	Harold Davis	Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1988 - San Antonio	Gilbert Sparks	Paul Owens	Harold Davis	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1989 - Longview	J.E. Albritton	J.W. Griffith	Harold Davis	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1990 - Wichita Falls	George Crawford	J.W. Griffith	Harold Davis	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1991 - Nacogdoches	Billy Turpin	Billy Daniels	Harold Davis	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1992 - San Angelo	Charles Swilling	Billy Daniels	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1993 - Marshall	Sammy Eldredge	Larry Neeley	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1994 - Arlington	Calvin Gould	Larry Neeley	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1995 - Mt. Pleasant	W.H. Brown	Darrell Owens	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1996 - Lufkin	Leroy Smith	Darrell Owens	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1997 - Lubbock	Melvin Holifield	Jim Slocumb	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1998 - Longview	Rex Reynolds	Jim Slocumb	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
1999 - Texarkana	Gary Griffith	Harold Davis	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
2000 - Mt. Pleasant	David Proctor	Harold Davis	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
2001 - Midland	John Mooney	John Bryant	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Luther Crawford
2002 - The Woodlands	Elvin Crocker	John Bryant	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Marion Reec
2003 - Hillsboro	Kevin Clinton	Hiram Melton	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Marion Reec
2004 - Denison	Mike Evans	Hiram Melton	Bobby Sparks	Donald Britton	Marion Reec

## HISTORICAL ROLL OF MBA OF TEXAS, 2005 -

YEAR-MEETING PLACE	ANNUAL SERMON	MODERATOR	CLERKS	SEC-TREAS.
2005 - Mt. Pleasant	Darrel Owens	Glenn Griffith	Bobby Sparks Paul Clark	Marion Reed
2006 - Longview	Bobby Sparks	Glenn Griffith	Bobby Sparks Paul Clark	Marion Reed
2007 - Hillsboro	Robert Griffith	Donald Britton	Bobby Sparks Paul Clark	Marion Reed
2008 - Henderson	Ray O. Brooks	Donald Britton	Bobby Sparks Paul Clark	Marion Reed

## Moderator's Address

### "Where We Have Been, Where We Are, And Where We Are Going"

Philippians 3:13-14. Once again it is with a humble heart that I come before with you with this my final address.

If the good Lord allows me to finish this session of our great messenger assembly I will have been honored by serving on this stage for twenty-one years. I was elected as the first Publicity Director in 1987 and the following year as a Recording Clerk and served for seventeen years, then two years as Assistant Moderator and now two years as Moderator. There aren't enough words



Bro. Donald Britton

in Webster's Dictionary to express the honor and gratitude I feel for the privilege of serving my Lord through this great association of His churches. I believe any man would be humbled by such an honor. Now, next year I will take my place in the congregation and pray for whoever might be in any of these positions.

Since this part of the program is not really supposed to be a message, but an address, there should still be challenges and encouragements from God's Word contained therein. Those who know me know that I am vitally interested in history, especially concerning our churches and their associations. Because of that I would like to address this great body on the subject of "Where We Have Been, Where We Are, and Where Are We Going? Brethren J. W. Griffith and J. Harold Davis both used similar titles for their address when they were moderator. However, each of them approached this subject from a different view than I feel led. I have chosen as a Bible text from Paul's letter to the Philippians in Chapter 3 verses 13-14, "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 which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

It is never good to dwell on the past too deeply but the past may be used to analyze actions that either did or did not work. It can also be used to examine if we are at present accomplishing our goals and after examination change that which will make a better future. I do not claim to be an expert on analyzing any of the three periods of time I mentioned.

I want to only go back for twenty years for where we have been. Since I have been a trustee and officer in most of the positions here on this stage I have had an opportunity to observe the actions of this association for these twenty-one years.

During this period of time we have disposed of the last of the mobile units. I believe that we had, at one time, three of these mobile church units. They were a blessing to have the ability to move a building on a site to allow a state missionary to have a permanent address to inform prospective visitors of a location. As they began to deteriorate cities also began to object to mobile units being erected inside the city limits. I believe that we gave the last one to a church for use as Sunday School rooms. In retrospect, perhaps we should forget that past.

In the 1960's a family named Boyd who was members of Corsicana Missionary Baptist Church left an estate to the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association. It was decided to use the funds to erect a building to serve as a dwelling for the Secretary/Treasurer and to have a Christian Book Store in the front of the building facing Highway 31 in Corsicana. While there were three of our Secretaries that moved their families there, as far as I know there was never a successful book store. After the area turned to commercial and was no longer conducive for a private home it was decided to sell the property. It was difficult to sell because of its location, but it was remodeled twice, sold twice, burned once and finally given to Sister Theda Crawford, widow of Secretary/Treasurer Luther Crawford. While this property was in some ways a blessing to these three men and their families, I have heard all three of them express some discomforts of living there. Should we forget that as a project and thank the Lord that our present Secretary has his own home?

Our main reason for being an association is to spread the gospel and establish churches. In the last twenty years we have recommended forty-four men as missionaries to work in twenty-two different locations. Out of these forty-four men sixteen did not develop their missions into churches. That is 42% that did not develop and this does not include the six current ones. Should we forget mission work and refuse to look back? Certainly no one would agree to that. Even in those places where churches were not developed there were many gospel messages preached and souls were saved in each of those places, so it was not fruitless. There were times when the Secretary-Treasurer could not pay the full salaries and the missionaries suffered. We don't want to go back to that situation again, ever.

Let us agree that some things in the past we should forget and press towards the future and other things in which we should be even more determined to succeed.

Next, we move to where we are at present. We recommended seven missionaries last year and one of those has resigned and moved from the field. Our present Secretary-Treasurer has labored hard at building the mission fund up and we now have over \$263,000 in that fund. Money is not the reason more churches are not being established. There is enough money in the fund, based on the current monthly pay-out to missionaries and administration expenses, to pay for one and a half years salaries. That means that if we had at least six more men to recommend we could have paid their salary for a year and would still have a comfortable balance. So, it appears that where we are at the present is the need for more men willing to answer God's call to do mission work in the State of Texas. Are we all aware that there is an average of ten good churches, (I mean by good, good size) without pastors right now? Does God not know about this situation? Of course He does, He knows all things. So, it is not God's vault concerning this problem.

Is the problem that we have too many churches in every town in the State? No, it is not. There are many cities with sizeable populations that do not have one of our churches located even near them. Real estate people use the phrase "location, location, location!" We can't say that location is our problem as there are so many locations to consider.

It is such a blessing to realize that our churches are doing more mission work at the present time than they have ever done. But it still is not enough. So many are dying and going to hell without having a good opportunity to hear the gospel.

So, where are we at present? Doing more than ever but still not covering Jerusalem and Samaria as we should.

That leaves us to look at where we are going. Would any dare argue that the return of the Lord appears to be a long time in the future yet? All signs point to His imminent return and that means a short time left for us to accomplish what the Lord would have the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association to do.

In sports, business, or education, the element that appears in each report as being a big part of the problem, that element gets more attention. Can we agree that we have the money? Can we agree that we have ample locations? Can we agree that there are class rooms have empty or more just waiting for students in a seminary? Can we agree that the Lord wants more churches? If we can, what about the men? No, I don't believe that we can

agree that we have all the men needed to solve this problem. If this element pops up in every situation as being the problem, then should not this receive the most attention?

I know that many prayers have been expressed about this problem. I do not have an immediate answer to the problem. I merely wish to place before this body tonight a reminder of what our Lord instructed as a solution to the problem and urge you to join me in praying more earnestly that God would intensify His call to the men He is asking to help solve this problem. He said, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth more laborers." Perhaps another thing that would help is for us to quit haggling over semantics of what to call a new visible body of baptized believers and to be more kind to the men who are on the field instead of running them through a sausage grinder at each meeting. Or that big bear we call the Mission Policy that some wish to make the law of the Medes and Persians, should we revamp it into a more useful tool to aid our mission program? These things might be preventing men from submitting to God's call. Let us not be guilty of this.

I doubt that anything I have said will solve this great problem but maybe it will cause someone to think about it. We have great minds among us and eventually someone will suggest the solution. Pray that it will come sooner rather than later. We have a great God who hears and answers prayers and desires that we prove Him. Let's us do just that, prove Him! Let us forget the past and press for the high calling of God in Christ Jesus!

I have tried to point out some interesting things about where we have been. Some facts of where we are at present as well. But who knows the future? Only God! Who knows how the present political climate will affect our churches or mission work? Only God! Brethren, we have this promise, Jesus said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." He is faithful that promised. Let us continue to do the going and let Him protect us as we do.

Again, let me express my heart-felt appreciation for the privilege of serving the Lord through this means. Whoever the officers are for next year I pray that you will treat them as well as you have me. Just because I will be out there in a pew next year does not mean that my great desire to see our work go forward will diminish. I will still be doing everything I possibly can to promote the cause of Christ and His churches. Join me in praying for more to be done for the Him.

- Bro. Donald Britton, Moderator

# *Minutes of The Messengers Meeting of The Churches of The Missionary Baptist Association of Texas*

**Tuesday 7:00 P.M.  
November 11, 2008**

The fifty-ninth session of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas was opened by special band music of the Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, directed by Bro. Steve Butler. The congregation was led in singing "Brethren We Have Met To Worship." The opening prayer was led by Bro. C. E. Patton. Bro. Al Valladares delivered a devotional from John 9:1-4. The presentation of colors and the leading of the National Anthem were conducted by the Rusk County Sheriff's Department. The annual meeting was held on Veteran's Day, and special recognition was made for those who had served in the various branches of the armed forces.

Words of welcome were offered by the host pastor, Bro. Bill Kuykendall. He introduced Buzz Fullen, Mayor to the city of Henderson, to welcome the messengers to Henderson. Bro. Amon Langston gave a response to the welcome.

Moderator Don Britton asked the congregation to stand as he declared the fifty-ninth annual meeting of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas in session. Bro. Bill Myrick led in prayer. Bro. Britton reviewed a few rules of decorum that would govern the meeting.

The charge of the meeting was relinquished to the assistant moderator, Bro. Calvin Gould. Bro. Gould introduced Bro. Don Britton to deliver the Moderator's Address. He titled his address "Where We Have Been, Where We Are, And Where We Are Going." A motion was approved to print the address in the minute book.

A motion was made and approved to adopt the agenda as printed on page 6 of the minute book.

The following brethren were appointed to the following committees: Texas State Missions - Marion Reed; Texas Mission Development - Jim Slocumb; Texas Mission Builders - Leroy Smith; Texas Baptist Institute - Calvary Baptist Church, Henderson; Mexican Baptist Institute - New Liberty Baptist Church, Garland; West Texas Baptist Institute - Tall City

Baptist Church, Midland; Central Baptist Institute - Timber Lakes MBC, The Woodlands; Heritage Baptist Institute, Heritage MBC, Missouri City; Interstate and Foreign Missions – Lawrence Thompson; Youth Work Report – John Pino; Publications Report – Lynn Hitt; Benevolence Report – Billy Daniels; Women’s Work Report – Wanda Smith; ABA Credit Union Report – Joe Bozarth; Enrollment & Finance Report – Mike Thompson and Earnest Moyers; Memorial to Preachers Report – Kevin Clinton and Juan Gallegos; History and Archives Report – David Proctor; Music Ministry Report – John Culley; Cyberspace and Media Report – John Bryant; MBSF Report – Robert “Sluggo” Norris; Resolutions Committee Report – Harold David and Larry Fondren.

Bro. Calvin Gould was called on to appoint six tellers. Appointed were brethren Doyle Clifton, Chairman; David Nash; Michael Hill, Brian Jones; Cory Williams; Sluggo Norris; and alternate Pedro Pina. Bro. Ray Williams introduced Bro. Ray O. Brooks to bring the annual message. Before the message a group from Calvary Baptist Church of Henderson sang special music. His message was taken from 2 Timothy 3:14-17 and titled “Continue In The Things You Have Learned.” Following the message, Bro. Darrell Owens was called on to give Bro. Brooks and Bro. Al Valadares the hand of appreciation for their messages.

Nominations were received for the Missionary Sermon to be preached on Wednesday evening. Nominated were brethren Roy Culley, Charles Williams, Bill Johnson, C.E. Patton, and Lawrence Thompson. Bro. Lawrence Thompson was elected.

Bro. Brooks moved that Section two, number one of the mission policy be set aside to consider Bro. Marlin Freeman as a missionary on designated funds at a later session. The motion was approved.

Out of state visitors were recognized. New pastors in the state were also recognized. Numerous prayer requests were offered. Announcements were made. A motion was made and approved to adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday morning. Bro. Rusty Denny closed in prayer.

### **Wednesday Morning, 9:30 A.M. November 12, 2008**

Bro. Pete Thompson opened the meeting by leading the congregation in singing, “There Is Power In The Blood.” Bro. Nelson Cheney led in the opening prayer. The Texas Baptist

Institute ensemble sang a special in music. Moderator Don Britton asked Bro. Roy Culley to bring the morning devotional. He spoke from Psalm 133:1-3.

Bro. Britton recognized the out of state visitors and new pastors in the state.

The first item of business was the election of officers for the next year. Bro. Calvin Gould was elected as moderator. Nominated for assistant moderator were Carroll Jones, Steve Butler, and Matt Gholson. Bro. Carroll Jones was elected. Brethren Bobby Sparks and Paul Clark were nominated as the recording clerks and elected. Bro. Marion Reed was re-elected as secretary-treasurer of missions. Re-elected as the assistant secretary-treasurer was Bro. Bobby Sparks. Elected as the publicity director was Bro. David Humber.

Invitations were taken for a meeting place in 2010. Nevill's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church of Mt. Pleasant, Texas invited the meeting. The messengers accepted their invitation. Bro. Jim Slocumb was the only nomination offered for the annual speaker. He was elected. Bro. Anderson Morris was the only nominee for the alternate and he was elected. The Mattingly Family sang a special in music titled "Highway To Heaven."

A motion and second was made to take from the table the motion to set aside the mission policy to consider Heritage Missionary Baptist Church of Center and Pastor Marlin Freeman as a mission project on designated funds. The motion passed.

Bro. Marion Reed, Secretary-Treasurer of State Missions was called on to lead in the election of missionaries and mission projects. Bro. Reed gave his annual report to the messengers. The report was approved with the stipulation that all missionaries be voted on one at a time.

The election of missionaries for support were as follows. Bro. Larry Chalker was elected for one-half salary with minor opposition. Bro. Jose Estrada was elected for one-half salary. Bro. Mario Gamez was elected for one-half salary with minor opposition. Bro. Marvin Gardner was elected for one-half salary with minor opposition. Bro. Rickey Payne was elected for one-half salary with minor opposition.

Four new recommendations for support were received. Bro. Leland Acker was elected for one-half salary. Bro. Robert Boone was elected for one-half salary with some opposition. Bro. Ricky O'Neal was elected for full-salary with minor opposition. Bro. Jim Slocumb was elected for half-salary.

Bro. Marlin Freeman was elected for designated funds as a project to help with the remodeling of their building. An original

motion was made to make the request for one-half salary. After much discussion the motion was withdrawn because it was not the request of the sponsoring church to ask for salary. The project was elected to receive designated offerings.

Bro. Reed spoke concerning the need for a new mission policy and moved that we table a proposed mission policy to be reviewed and considered next year. This policy is found elsewhere in the minute book. Bro. Reed also suggested that we consider taking some of the balance in the mission fund and setting it aside as a loan fund to help missions buy land and/or buildings. After much discussion a motion was made to select a committee to study the proposal and bring it back to the churches. A motion was made that the committee consist of five members. Nominations were taken for the committee. James Williams was nominated. A motion was made that Bro. James Williams be elected the chairman of the committee and that he appoint four other members. The motion was approved.

A motion was made that we keep the salaries of the missionaries the same as last year. A substitute motion was made that we give the missionaries a five percent increase. The substitute motion passed. A motion was made that the Secretary-Treasurer be given a five percent increase. It was approved. A motion was approved to give the office help to the Secretary-Treasurer a five percent increase. A motion was made to give the salaried missionaries a \$200.00 Christmas bonus.

A motion was made and approved "to make the pre-associational meeting for the purpose of sharing information concerning the recommendation of missionaries or mission projects an annual part of our yearly schedule. This meeting will be held in October and hosted by any church wishing to do so. In the event no church extends an invitation for the meeting, the host church for the coming year will provide a meeting place." An amendment was made that in the event that no church extends an invitation for the pre-association meeting that the secretary-treasurer be allowed to seek out a host for the meeting. The amendment was approved. The original motion was approved.

Bro. David Proctor read the History and Archives Report. Bro. Britton spoke to the report. The report was approved. The assistant moderator took charge for the election of the History and Archives committee. A motion was made that the current members remain on the committee with the privilege of substitution. No nominations were offered and the committee was re-elected.

A special request was made to give the Interstate and Foreign Mission Report. Bro Lawrence Thompson gave the report. Speaking to the report was Bro. Randy Cloud. The report was approved.

It was announced that the Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church of Dialville, Texas invited the pre-association meeting for October 6, 2009. With loud amens their invitation was accepted.

The Music Ministry Report was read by Bro. John Culley. It was approved. Announcements and prayer requests were offered. Bro. Joe R. Brooks led in the closing prayer.

### **Wednesday Afternoon, 2:00 P.M.**

Bro. Steve Butler led the Calvary Senior Choir in singing "I Believe It All," to start the afternoon session. Bro. James Bunger led in prayer. The assistant moderator, Bro. Calvin Gould took charge of the session.

He called on Bro. Jim Slocumb to give the Texas Mission Development Report. The report was approved. In behalf of Bro. Ricky Knight, Bro. Ray Williams received the funds for the past quarter. Bro. Williams reported on the health of Bro. Knight and the welfare of the church in Grand Prairie, TX.

Bro. Leroy Smith gave the Texas Mission Builders Report. He introduced Bro. Mike Pearson to the body to be his replacement to lead in the projects for TMB. The report was adopted.

The annual Youth Report was given by Bro. John Pino. Bro. Pino and Bro. Donnie Howard spoke to the report. The report was approved.

The Publications Report was given by Bro. Lynn Hitt. Speaking to the report were brethren Lynn Hitt and Larry Clements, Brian Jones, Paul Clark, Charlie Ellison, Jimmy Fitzgerald and Don Britton.

The Benevolence Report was read by Bro. Billy Daniels. Bro. Daniels reported on the Texarkana Baptist Orphanage. Bro. Mike Watkins spoke regarding the orphanage. Bro. Marlin Freeman spoke of the pastor's housing fund.

No written report for the Women's Work was available. Sis. Janie Clark gave a verbal report. A motion was made to adopt the report and print the written report when available. Motion approved.

Bro. Mike Rice read the Men's Work Report. It was approved.

Bro. Joe Bozarth gave the ABA Credit Union Report. Bro.

Bozarth spoke to the report. The report was approved.

Bro. Kevin Clinton read the Memorial to Preacher's Report. After a moment of prayer, the report was adopted.

Bro. John Bryant read the Cyberspace Media Report. It was approved. Bro. Jerry Smith spoke to the report.

The MBSF Report was given by Bro. Robert (Sluggo) Norris. Speaking to the report was Bro. Norris, Matt Gholson, and Marsha Witcher. It was approved.

Bro. Mike Thompson gave the Enrollment And Finance Committee Report. It was approved.

A motion that the clerks receive a five percent increase in salary was made and approved. Motion that the publicity director receive a five percent raise. A motion was made that the enrollment and finance committee members be paid \$250.00 each. A motion was made and approved to reimburse the host church for any expenses of the meeting.

A motion was approved to adjourn until the evening session. Bro. Carl Fitzgerald closed in prayer.

### **Wednesday Night, 7:00 P.M.**

Bro. Steve Butler led the combined choirs of Calvary Missionary Baptist Church of Henderson and the New Liberty Baptist Church of Garland in an inspirational music program under the direction of Bro. Steve Butler. Bro. Sammy Eldridge opened in prayer. Bro. Paul Clark was asked to introduce the evening speaker, Bro. Lawrence Thompson. Prior to the message the choirs presented another special in music. Bro. Thompson delivered a challenging message from Acts 13:1-3. Bro. Curtis Gilbert was asked to give the hand of appreciation to Bro. Lawrence and to Bro. Roy Culley for the devotional given earlier in the day.

Bro. Rusty Denny shared information about the meeting to be held next year at the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church in Denison, Texas.

Bro. Bill Kuykendall gave the report of the Texas Baptist Institute and Seminary. Bro. Ray Brooks spoke to the report. It was approved.

Bro. Al Valladares gave a report on the Mexican Baptist Institute in Mexico. He spoke to the report along with Bro. Ken Ashlock. The report was approved.

Bro. Bill Simpson asked for privilege to speak regarding the West Texas Baptist Institute. No written report was submitted.

Bro. Mike Evans gave the report for the Central Baptist Institute. He spoke to the report and it was adopted.

Bro. Carl Fitzgerald gave the report from Heritage Baptist Church. He spoke to the report. It was approved.

Bro. James Williams asked that in next year's church letter form that the option be included to supply the minutes of the meeting and church directory be provided on CD disk.

The outgoing moderator, Bro. Don Britton, asked the officers to express appreciation for their election to office. Announcements and prayer requests were offered. A motion was made to adjourn and approved until next year. Bro. Ken Ashlock closed the meeting in prayer.



**Bro. Harold Davis Reminiscences About TBI at the Alumni Banquet**  
**(Note: the watch in his left hand had no significance).**



## Secretary-Treasurer of Missions Report

- Bro. Marion Reed

I am thankful for the work that has been accomplished this year by the Missionaries who receive support from the MBA of TX. God has apparently blessed their efforts. I am sure that they agree with me that more could have, and should have, been done for His honor and glory. Six Missionaries have received support this year. They report 95 professions of faith, 29 baptisms, 15 joined by letter and 8 by statement.

I believe more could be done. We need more missionaries working in the various fields where the harvest is white. What is the problem? Is God not calling men? Is it that men are not answering God's call? Could it be that our churches are not praying for God to open doors of opportunity for sending missionaries to new fields where we have no churches? You may think your church is too small or that you are already doing all the mission work that you can, but God's Word says that with Him all things are possible. We need to get serious with God about doing what He has commissioned His churches to do. "And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things." (Luke 24:47-48).

Bro. Craig Rodgers and Cornerstone Community Baptist Church of Grapevine will not be asking for support again this year. They feel that they need to stand on their own now and will probably organize before the year is over. They received support three years.

I am appreciative of all those who attended the pre-associational meeting in Hillsboro. This meeting was hosted by Pastor Paul Clark and Walnut Street MBC. It was well attended with representatives from all areas of our state. Each sponsoring church and the missionary they are asking support for were present. There was a time for those attending to ask questions of the missionaries and sponsoring churches. This should have all minds clear when the requests are presented at our state meeting in Henderson in November.

There are nine requests for support during this coming year. If all of them are approved for support our monthly payout will be approximately \$21,000.00. This amount includes the support and expenses of the Secretary/Treasurer. Names of those asking for support are on a separate sheet in this general report.

I want to thank each of our supporting churches for your continued monthly support for our missionaries and the projects. I also want to thank God and the churches of the MBA of TX for the privilege of serving as Secretary/Treasurer of our Association for another year. Nancy and I enjoy very much the opportunity of doing what we can to further God's kingdom work in any area where we can. This associational year we have visited with more than 50 churches and have driven more than 9800 miles representing the MBA of Texas. Please continue to pray for us.

- Marion Reed Secretary/Treasurer MBA of Texas



**Some of the newly elected missionaries  
for the M.B.A. of Texas**

**(Left to Right: Marion Reed, Mario Gamez, Larry Chalker, Ricky O'Neal, Robert Boone, Leland Acker, Marvin Gardner, Marlin Freeman, Jim Slocumb and Jose Estrada).**

## **Missionary Baptist Association of Texas**

### **Independent Auditor's Report**

October 10, 2008

To the Board of Directors of  
The Missionary Baptist Association of Texas

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas (a non-profit organization) as of August 31, 2008 and August 31, 2007, and the related statement of activity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas as of August 31, 2008 and August 31, 2007, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The schedule of functional expenses on page 11 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Conway Company CPA's, P.C.

**Comparative Statement of Financial Position  
For the Years Ended August 31, 2008 and 2007**

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Current Assets		
Cash	\$41,905	\$52,965
Building & Land Fund	5,654	3,209
Investment	216,676	186,783
Total Current Assets	317,768	272,850
Capital Assets		
Office Equipment	1,652	1,652
Accumulated Depreciation	(991)	(661)
Total Capital Assets	661	991
Total Assets	318,429	273,841
Unrestricted Net Assets	318,429	273,841
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 318,429	\$ 273,841

**Statement of Activity and Changes in Net Assets  
For the Years Ended August 31, 2008 and 2007**

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Revenue (Exhibit A)	\$256,839	\$ 272,772
Operating Costs (Exhibit B)	212,251	270,886
Net Revenue	44,588	1,886
Net Assets - Beginning of year	273,841	271,995
Net Assets - End of Year	318,429	\$ 273,841

**Statement of Clash Flows  
For the Year Ended August 31, 2008**

Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Excess Revenues over Costs	\$ 44,588	\$ 1,886
Depreciation Expense	330	331
Net Cash Provided		
by Operating Activities	44,918	2,217
Net Increase (decrease) in Cash		
& Cash equivalents	44,918	2,217
Cash at beginning of year	272,850	270,633
Cash at end of year	\$ 317,768	\$ 272,850

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

## **Notes To Financial Statements For the Year Ended August 31, 2007**

### **NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:**

The Missionary Baptist Association of Texas is a non-profit religious organization founded in 1950. The organization is composed of independent Missionary Baptist Churches that voluntarily choose to cooperate in carrying out the object of the Association, which is to encourage and perpetuate activity in missionary, educational and benevolent enterprises. The Association is supported by donations.

#### **Accounting:**

The financial statements of the Association have been prepared utilizing the accrual basis of accounting. All assets, liabilities and activities are recorded in the general fund. The Association receives donations and interest from investments.

Associational expenses are shown in their natural classification on the Statement of Activity.

#### **Use of Estimates:**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported accounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from these statements.

#### **Property and Equipment:**

The Association defines capital assets as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$500 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years.

Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if historical cost is not available. Capital assets are depreciated over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method.

#### **Cash & Cash Equivalents:**

The Association has Cash & Cash Equivalents of \$317,768 as of August 31, 2008.

For purposes of the statement of Cash Flow, highly liquid investments are considered to be cash equivalents if they have a maturity of three months or less when purchased.

### **NOTE 2 - Revenue Recognition**

The Association receives donations from member churches. Interest income is received quarterly from investments.

### **NOTE 3 - Reporting of Expenses**

Expenses are reported as operating expenses.

### **NOTE 4 - Tax Status**

The Missionary Baptist Association of Texas is exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3).

### **NOTE 5 - Long Term Debt**

The Association currently has no debt.

**Exhibit A - Revenue**

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Cash Receipts	\$ 236,492	\$ 253,436
Interest Income	6,642	5,804
Minute Fund	13,705	13,535
 Total Revenue	 \$ 256,839	 \$ 272,772

**Exhibit B - Operating Costs**

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Office Expenses	\$ 5,091	\$ 5,341
Salary Expense	181,222	151,313
Travel Expense	7,157	6,283
Minute Fund Expense	12,748	13,271
MBA of TX Conference Expenses	3,267	2,590
History & Archive Expenses	50	-
Audit Expense	1,350	1,350
Depreciation Expense	330	331
Other Expenses	1,036	1,247
Total Operating Costs	\$ 212,251	\$ 270,886

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.



**Dr. Ray O. Brooks Delivers The Annual Sermon**

## **Proposed Mission Policy**

This policy was presented to the messengers and recommended for study until the 2009 messenger meeting.

### **SECTION I**

We hold, as Churches composing the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas, that the authority for execution of the Great Commission was given to the New Testament Church, and the authority must remain forever with the churches. Therefore the right and privilege of every church of this Association to endorse, set apart, or send out missionaries is wholly within the rights of each church regardless of the opinions or vote of the messengers.

### **SECTION II**

The Messengers of churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas will not consider requests for mission support unless it is a church associated with, and subscribing to, the principles and practices of the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

### **SECTION III**

State Mission work shall be defined as:

1. Work to establish a new church.
2. Work with an existing church to prevent its demise.
3. Work in some special mission endeavor that assists a church in its mission.

### **SECTION IV**

We recommend that churches seek fields in sections of the state where we have no churches.

### **SECTION V**

Each church requesting support for a missionary or mission project must submit to the office of the Secretary Treasurer of Missions, by September 15th, a detailed report of the plan of the church for its establishment of a new church or its plans for aiding in the turnaround of an existing church., or in special mission endeavors. We request a detailed report of the missionary including his age, his family living at home, his education and experience in mission work. The report must provide how the church plans to use the requested support and their financial involvement in all areas of mission work.

### **SECTION VI**

We recognize that a missionary elected by his local church, if it be a scriptural church, is a scriptural missionary.

### **SECTION VII**

Each request will be considered individually for the requested amount of support.

### **SECTION VIII**

We recognize as scriptural the right of the messengers to approve the amount of funds requested or to set an amount to be provided based on the ability of the requesting church and the validity of the work to be done.

### **SECTION IX**

Each church receiving support for their mission work shall provide the Secretary/Treasurer a monthly progress report.



**Brethren Steven Pace and Dennis Humber  
Serve as Clerks to the Pastor's and Laymen's Council**



## Texas Baptist Institute - Seminary Report

Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, Pastor Bill Kuykendall, and President Ray O. Brooks take this occasion to thank God for all who partner with us in the Great Commission work we call Texas Baptist Institute-Seminary. Without you, our many supporting churches, women's auxiliaries, TBI rallies, and individuals, the work could not continue. It is a team work of love for our Lord Jesus Christ, His cause and all of those whom He has called to preach and to other special services. Please know that our God who keeps the records has promised that all who share in the work shall share in the rewarding.

First semester enrollment for the 2008-2009 school year was thirty-five, seventeen of which are first year students. We are thankful for all, but especially thankful that fourteen are preacher students. Our second semester will begin November 18. Three additional preacher students have already enrolled and a few more have expressed an interest. Please pray for these. The critical need for trained Pastors, Youth Directors, and Music Directors is constantly impressed upon our minds by the many calls received for churches seeking men to fill these positions and by the many empty desks in our classrooms and the many empty units of Student Housing. Please, let us all be diligent in praying the Lord of the harvest to call many more laborers into His fields which are white unto harvest.

Although our budgeted monthly needs continue to stretch our General Fund to the limit, we have been able to meet all obligations on time. We are very thankful for some very generous special offerings from individuals and churches. We encourage all of our churches to consider the great worth this school has been to their growth and development and if at all possible, bless us with an increase in monthly support. We thank God for all churches and individuals who responded to President Brooks' special appeal for extra funds to help keep a fair balance in the General Fund through this school year.

TBI rallies and local and associational women's auxiliaries continue to be special blessings to both the General Fund and the student body. Brethren Ray Brooks, Steve Butler, Robert Wallace, Jimmy Jones, Don Britton and a number of students have been well received and graciously rewarded by those participating in the Bethlehem Association TBI Rally at Rosewood

MBC of Jasper, the Red River-Bowie Women's Auxiliary at East Post MBC and the Bogota MBC, the East Texas District Women's Auxiliary at Zion Hill MBC, and the Central Texas Women's Auxiliary at New Liberty BC. Other rallies scheduled are: Tri-County Association, Saturday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m. with Landmark MBC of Athens; the Shelby County Association, Thursday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m. with Heritage MBC of Center.

Special recognition is due the Women's Auxiliary of Memory Lane MBC of Palestine for their large offerings of frozen meats and to the Women's Auxiliary of Timpson MBC for their monthly food offerings. The Women's Auxiliary of Calvary MBC together with great help from many others continues to provide large Christmas time gifts of money for all students. Many other churches and/or auxiliaries bring many Christmas gifts to the children of our students. Our special thanks to all who in any way share in the blessings of feeding and clothing our students and their families and making Christmas a happy, Christ-honoring time.

Special thanks are in order for Rocky Springs MBC and Pastor Charles Swilling for hosting a get-acquainted rally for first year students, each of which was presented with \$150.00.

The 2008 edition of the A.J. Kirkland Memorial Lectures will be held December 2-5. Dr. Marion Reed, Secretary-Treasurer of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas, will bring messages entitled "Glory in the Church" based on Ephesians 3:21. He will speak each morning at 10:45. Tuesday, December 2 will be a Visitor's Day. Other speakers will be: Dr. John Paul Jones of Texarkana and Dr. A. J. Kirkland (by recording). Time will be given to visiting missionaries and other associational leaders. A Texas-Style Bar-B-Q lunch will be served to all in attendance. Please make your plans to be with us for a great time of preaching, food, and fellowship.

Finally, the whole TBI Family says, "Thank you" to all who have helped in any way to make this school the great educational institution she has become.

Thankfully submitted,  
Calvary Missionary Baptist Church

### **2009 TBI Alumni Association Officers**

Lawrence Thompson, Moderator

Doyle Clifton, Assist. Moderator

Matt Gholson, Clerk

Kyle Clinton, Assistant Clerk

Bill Kuykendall, Program Committee

## **Mexican Baptist Institute Report**

The Mexican Baptist Institute and the New Liberty Baptist Church of Garland, Texas, earnestly thank every church for helping in the support of the Institute.

We truly believe that without the work of our seminaries and Bible Institutes, we would not have missionaries and pastors well equipped to preach and teach the Word of God. This work is certainly a great part of the great commission. Currently there are over 120 churches and missions preaching the gospel, pastored or started by MBI graduates. To God be the glory.

The bad economy has reached all the way to Mexico, The prices in fuel, groceries and utilities has put a strain on our school, students and missionaries in Mexico.

We covet your prayers that our faith in the Lord Jesus will not fail, that all servants of the Lord may remain faithful and continue in the Bible truths that we have come to believe.

We have bought and paid for 12 acres where we plan to build the new MBI facilities. Bro. Marion Reed is currently working on the site plan and consequently will be doing the architectural plans for the different structures. Once construction begins, we will be asking for our sister churches to join with us in the development of this great project. We will need your prayers, your support and your muscle to complete this project.

May we always remember that we all have and serve the same Lord. We are on the same team. Let us lift each other up. Let us rescue the stray one. All of us have one purpose in life and that is, to bring glory to God with the way we live our lives. The end result of doing God's will, will be that we will love one another as we love ourselves. May we live for Him, that He may live through us.

Thank you for your prayers, love and support.

Respectfully Submitted,

New Liberty Baptist Church, Ken Ashlock, Pastor  
Al Valladares, President of MBI

## **Heritage Baptist Institute Report**

Heritage Baptist Church, Pastor Charles A. Murphy, and the Heritage Baptist Institute faculty and staff express our thanks for your continuing support. It is your personal commitment to help that keeps this ministry strong. Heritage Baptist Institute

is the culmination of fifteen years of prayer, research, discussion, and soul-searching. Ultimately, the decision had to be made by then Bellaire West Baptist Church now named Heritage Baptist Church, Missouri City, Texas. The decision was made on June 26, 1991, when the church voted to establish South Texas Baptist Institute. A decision made in faith became a reality September 9, 1991, when twenty-two students enrolled for classes.

Heritage Baptist Institute exists to train pastors, missionaries, and evangelists as well as teachers and leaders. Our vacillating world has accentuated the need for strong commitments from those are called into full time service. We must not forget Jesus words in Matthew 6:21: "For where your treasure is there will your heart be also." Therefore, our instructional goals encourage each student to reach for excellence in scholarship.

Our enrollment for the fall 2008 semester was 34 students. Five of those who enrolled are first time students. We are also pleased to introduce our newest faculty member, Bro. James Heflin, pastor of College Station Baptist Church, College Station, Texas. He has served our military as an Air Force Chaplin for more than twenty years and is a former faculty member at Oklahoma Missionary Baptist College, located in Marlow, Oklahoma.

In January 2009, Heritage Baptist Institute will host the American Baptist Association of Theological Schools Meeting at our sponsoring church, Heritage Baptist Church, Missouri City, Texas.

Join us in praying that God will continue to call men into the ministry hand that more men will answer God's call.

Prayerfully Submitted,  
Heritage Baptist Church

## Central Baptist Seminary

The Central Baptist Seminary, Acuna, Mexico continues to make great strides in Christian education. Currently 15 students are enrolled, and are making progress in their biblical growth. The faculty and students are working together to prepare men and women for Christian service in not only Mexico, but wherever God will open the doors for a Spanish-speaking work.

One of the great achievements of CBS is the blessing of having Pastor Robert Phillips, Parkway Baptist Church in Longview, Texas as a guest faculty member. Bro. Phillips is fluent in Spanish, and is teaching New Testament Greek to 10

first and 3 second year students, driving from Longview once a month to teach this much needed class. We are so thankful to this great effort from Bro. Phillips and pray God will continue to use his ministry to advance our student's knowledge and appreciation of the Scriptures. Some of the faculty have joined those classes to learn Koine Greek with the student body. We know this new degree of study will have great benefit to those students who learn how to use their new language skills to further their study.

Timber Lakes Baptist Church is so appreciative of the support, prayers, offerings, and personal visits so many have made to CBS. We thank you for partnering with us in this great mission endeavor. We believe firmly that God will continue to use CBS graduates to advance His kingdom work.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Evans, Pastor

Timber Lakes Baptist Church, The Woodlands, Texas

## Texas Mission Builders Report

Texas Mission Builders has had a very good year of helping the churches. We have worked on nine projects this year and will begin another within the next week or so. Since the inception of Texas Mission Builders there have been a total of one hundred fifty nine projects completed. According to many pastors a lot of these projects would not have been attempted without the aid of Texas Mission Builders. Much finance has been saved the churches through this program. Through the last twenty two years much has been accomplished by this program.



The work force has been more this year than ever before. Many men and women from the churches of the state work have participated in the jobs. We have been thankful to all who have helped in the work in any way.

Our regular workers have increased this year and that makes us able to do more work. The volunteers who help with the work are to be commended for the sacrifice of their time and many other things that they give to help.

Our needs to keep the work going are volunteers, finances and prayers. Our work can be much more productive if we have a larger work force. The need to have increased offerings from

the supporters of TMB, is to offset the high cost of fuel to get our workers to the jobs. Fuel costs have been our greatest expense and these expenses will continue to rise when more workers are added to the work force. Pray for us that the needs of TMB will be met so that this great work can continue to help and serve the churches. We thank those that have already responded to this need but we still have need for further offerings.

The projects worked on this year are:

New Shady Grove MBC, Carthage  
 Spann's Chapel MBC, San Augustine  
 East Post Oak MBC, Detroit  
 University Drive MBC, Tyler  
 Pleasant Grove MBC, Blooming Grove  
 Banquo MBC, Spring  
 Cleveland MBC, Cleveland  
 Maple Grove MBC, Minden  
 Sand Flat MBC, Grapeland

We will begin a new project for Lufkin M.B.C. on November 24. Four other projects are on the waiting list. Please come and help with the work on the projects for the Lord's churches need you.

Respectfully submitted:

Leroy Smith TMB Supervisor

## Texas Mission Development Report



“Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judea: Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.” Acts 11:29, 30.

I truly believe this scripture is an example of the work of Texas Mission Development. 2008 has been another good year for TMD. It's never as good as we would like, but thanks to our faithful supporters it is still a blessing to our projects. God blessed us this year with total of \$102,544.23. These funds were beneficial to one church and three of our Texas missions. There were a total of twenty who made request for these funds.

We now have only 155 active contributors to the TMD program. Some of our supporters have discontinued their regular support. We love them, we need them and pray they will be back supporting us soon. My conviction continues to be, “Every church or mission in Texas should be a supporting member of TMD.” This way every church and mission could help us choose our

projects and also be eligible to request the funds when needed. In this way our funds would grow to the point that they would be much more beneficial to the projects receiving the funds. At present we are averaging about \$26,000.00 a quarter. We join our projects in saying to all of you supporters "Thank You."

Since 1972 the TMD program has given funds to 148 projects. Of these projects, 111 have been Texas missions. Most of which have been State Mission Projects. The rest have been struggling churches needing financial help. For this we are very grateful to our God from whom all blessings flow.

Those projects receiving the funds in 2008 were as follows:

Feb. 08- Crossroads Mission of Ft. Worth, TX - \$25,767.85.

May 08- Gethsemane MBC - of Gainesville, TX - 25,179.00

Aug. 08 - Magnolia MBC for the Banquo Mission of Spring, TX -- \$24,365.52

Nov. 08 – Colonial MBC of Grand Prairie, TX - \$27,095.77

Total funds received -- \$102,544.23

The Maple Grove MBC of Minden, TX will receive the fourth quarter 08 funds in February of 09. Brother Leroy Smith is their pastor.

I have been ask why we no longer mark on our ballots who have previously received the funds. I sincerely felt that the vote should be determined by the need of the request rather than, if they had previously received the funds. Please forgive me if you feel I am wrong. However I do continue to identify missions and churches.

To you who prayed for and supported Texas Mission Development this past year, we are so very grateful. You have made this good report possible. And we continue to invite all others to come join us.

God bless you all,  
Jim Slocumb---Director

## Women's Work Report

The Women's Auxiliary of the MBA of Texas met in its 56th session on November 11, 2008 at Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, Henderson, TX. There were 48 auxiliaries represented with 112 messengers, 34 visitors for a total of 146.

Our 2008 project was the Banquo Mission, Spring, TX and a check for \$5,000.00 was presented to Magnolia Missionary Baptist Church, the sponsoring church for them. We have until Dec. 1st to raise the remainder amount of \$3,000.00 to fulfill our

goal of \$8,000.00. Our 2009 goal is the Mission Valley Camp of Floresville, TX and our goal is \$8,000.00. Please pray for us as we strive to reach these goals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janie Clark, Parliamentarian  
Sandra Moore, Treasurer

## Men's Work Report

1 Timothy 2:12-13, "But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was first formed, then Eve."

The word "usurp" is a translation of the Greek verb "authenteo." Literally, it means "self-working." The word signifies one who acts on his/her own authority in order to dominate. This verse of instruction from Paul to Timothy is sometimes misused by men who feel vulnerable and are concerned with being dominated by those of the fairer sex.

Of course, one cannot "usurp" another's authority unless that authority is being exercised. Consider the following statistics: The overwhelming majority of books purchased in Christian bookstores are bought by women. A Gallup poll revealed that 71% of women believe that the Word of God holds the answers to today's problems, while only 55% of men agreed. Women are nearly twice as likely to support a Ladies' Bible Study Group as are men to support one for them. Furthermore, married women who attend church without their husbands outnumber men attending without their wives by four to one.

Why? Could it be because of the predominant male mindset of self-sufficiency and individualism? The male tendency to avoid anything relational might be a contributing factor. However, relationships are a vital element in the Great Commission the Lord has given to His churches.

I cannot explain why God has given the positions of leadership in His work to His creation called "man," but He has. It would seem that to provide a discovery time for the benefit of the children in our churches and then neglect the personal instruction and encouragement needed by men who are given responsibilities for leadership might be difficult to justify.

We cannot force the men of our churches to be faithful in spiritual exercise. However, we can provide the opportunity and equipment and exhortation that will encourage them to do so.

Respectfully submitted, Arp First Baptist Church

## Publications Report

If we are living in the final days of the church age as most seem to believe, then we need to be spreading the gospel and the teachings of the Word of God as far and as quickly as we possibly can. While it may be impossible to personally go or at least personally go quickly with the gospel we can send it by publications from the printed page to the web page.

It must first of all be said that there is no greater publication published than the Inspired Word of God. No publisher who claims to publish Christian literature can make such claim unless their publication is based upon the Inspired Word of God.

While we would not discredit any sound literature there is none greater to be found than that which is published by the various Missionary Baptist publishers. The Baptist Sunday School Committee of the American Baptist Association, through its literature writers and the Baptist Book Store in Texarkana, Texas, issues various kinds of sound Biblical literature to aid churches, pastors, and other Christian workers. The *Sounding Out The Word Ministry* of Grace Missionary Baptist Church in Houston and *Swilling Publications* published by Bro. Charles Swilling are two other worthy Texas publications to enrich the teaching quality of any church, pastor, or other Christian student of the Word of God. A list of other valuable publications may be found in the minute book of the American Baptist Association for the use of any Christian worker.

In the way of information *The Baptist Monitor* makes people aware of issues that face churches and Christian workers in many aspects among Missionary Baptist. It keeps people informed about the progress of the various churches and works among Missionary Baptist people. It also serves to make announcements of events both within the individual churches and association of churches and articles of spiritual enlightenment. *The Midland Messenger* serves as a worthy publication for information and spiritual enlightenment as well. Other newspaper publications may also be found listed in the minute book of the American Baptist Association

With so many different things being taught even among Baptist that are not according to teachings of the scriptures, one cannot be too careful as to what they use in their preaching and teaching literature. It is recommended that Missionary Baptist churches use the materials mentioned in this report to ensure sound teaching in the churches.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynn Hitt

## MBSF Report

Jesus said in (Acts 1:8 KJVR) "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Where there is a local group of saved, baptized believers in Jesus Christ joined together for the work of the Lord, the question is will this work be done and with the correct attitude. Jesus said (John 14:15 KJVR) "If ye love me, keep my commandments." The church is commissioned by Jesus to (Matthew 28:19-20 KJVR) "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

There is a principle in Acts 1:8 for the Lord's churches in where to start mission work and where to end. It always starts at home, in our families and communities then spreads outward until every person in the entire world has heard about and been offered the awesome gift of love by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, (Ephesians 2:8 KJVR) "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." So we see in the first name of MBSF the most important word "Missionary." Jesus spent a lot of time while on the earth the first time going to sinners with a Godly love and inviting sinners to (Mathew 4:17 KJVR) "... Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." There are many foreign students enrolled in colleges and universities in America who are blessed with the opportunity to study and gain knowledge. What is needed along with this knowledge is wisdom or how to apply this knowledge and the key to this is found in (Job 28:28 KJVR) And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding. Does man use this knowledge for good or evil, this is the fork in the road that college students are facing as they are away from mom and dad, free to choose their paths. At this fork in the road is a real need for Godly people pointing to the correct way of eternal life and help in this life which is Jesus Christ.(John 14:6 KJVR) "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

Next we look at the last word in MBSF "fellowship." Jesus said, (Revelation 21:6 KJVR) "It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of

the fountain of the water of life freely." Jesus while on earth went to sinners, ate with sinners, healed sinners, helped sinners was a friend to sinners so sinners could understand (Ephesians 3:9 KJVR) "And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ." MBSF is a place for saved and lost students to fellowship in a safe and loving atmosphere surrounded by the love of God. (Philippians 2:1-3 KJVR) "If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies, Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves." The gospel of Jesus with the love Jesus in MBSF fellowships on campus or in a place close to campus can lead lost souls to salvation, be used by God to call men into the ministry, spread the gospel all over the world, and provide a safe place to protect students from snares of the devil (Psalms 141:9 KJVR) Keep me from the snares which they have laid for me, and the gins of the workers of iniquity.

If you are member of an ABA Missionary Baptist Church close to a university there is before you a tremendous opportunity and an open door to mission work at home and aboard. Jesus is knocking at the hearts of churches and men with a heart for young people. (Revelation 3:20 KJVR) "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." It is very possible that Jesus is knocking at someone heart's door here today. Here is your choice. Will you invest your talent or will you bury your talent? God is love and God is just and God would love to tell you one day in the future. (Matthew 25:21 KJVR) "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord." Don't miss out on the joy to answer the Lord right now "yes Lord what ever you want me to do I will do."

## **Benevolence Report**

It is a special blessing that God has provided greatly for His people, hence His churches, in a wonderful way. Because of His blessings, benevolent work can be done. It gives one a wonderful feeling to help those in need.

Through the Associational efforts, churches are offered the opportunity to help abused and neglected children by supporting the Texarkana Baptist Orphanage. The children living there are given Christian love and Bible training. They are offered education opportunities beyond High School. The support for the Home has been adequate with special offerings for improving buildings and for children's projects. Your prayers and continued support are appreciated.

The Counseling Ministry Housing Project is doing well. Some offerings are being received for upkeep on these nice two bedroom apartments. At the present time, there is one available apartment.

The Heritage Housing Project, sponsored by Heritage Baptist Church, Center, Texas, has helped several pastors and/or widows with housing as needs arise.

This year has been another year with several natural disasters occurring. Churches and individuals have responded to the needs. The A.B.A. Disaster Relief Teams were in action several times this year. They are a welcome sight when disaster strikes our churches and church families. Your support for this work is needed and greatly appreciated. Send offerings for this work to A.B.A. Disaster Relief Ministry, 235 W. Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511.

Thank you for your offerings and prayerful support for these projects and other benevolent work that is being done by local churches.

Respectfully submitted,  
Billy Daniels

## Youth Report

Wow! Their silence is deafening. The three students, as we heard, surpassed thousands of other students in this competition. These three represent the top of education excellence. They passed the test, scored the best and made it into this championship event. I commend them for all the years of hard work and study. It is apparent that many hours went into their education. While others took an easier road, these students spent much time in reading, research, and analysis, learning the latest in technology.

The questions on a championship game are not easy. How proud their parents must be that they made national television

because of their academic achievements. I think it is important that we encourage our students to study hard at school. We need to support our young people as they work through their high school and college years. Never stop learning. Always be interested in knowledge. We need to encourage them to stick with it when they want to drop out. In our society an education of higher learning will be of great help when students are looking for advanced positions, it will serve them well in life.

We will have failed them greatly if we neglect teaching them where the source of true wisdom comes from. In the video clip, question after question was answered quickly and directly. Why is it when the question was asked, "Except a man be "this" he cannot see the kingdom of God" they had no reply! Those who represented the smartest students had no answer! How that gripped me, as all three stood in silence to the most important question in all of life.

"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Matt. 16:26a). What we saw in this video clip is a cry for parents, for our churches to see that we have a generation that is thirsty for knowledge and technology but doesn't know the God of the Universe. The Author of all understanding.

How many other students stand in silence to the question, "What must a person do to enter into the kingdom of heaven"?

As parents we need to begin early on to teach them to seek the Lord, to seek his wisdom, to seek his understanding. As a church we need to use every outreach ministry that is available to us, every avenue available that helps us lead them to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. We need to use our Sunday schools, youth programs such as Discovery, V.B.S., camps, MBSF for our college students. We need ministry classes in our churches specifically focusing on our College students. (We need to reach these students. We don't want them to graduate church when they graduate high school).

Proverbs 4:7 says: "Wisdom is the principal thing, therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding." Then over in Chapter 9: 1, it says, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom and the knowledge of the holy is understanding." This was spoken from the smartest man in all of history. He understood that apart from God there is no wisdom, no understanding. We need to purpose to show our students that:

Respectfully submitted,  
John Pino

## Interstate & Foreign Missions Report

Fulfilling the Great Commission in interstate and foreign fields should be of vital importance to each and every church. The Lord Jesus Christ commissions each church to "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you...." As seen in Acts 11:19-26, the members of the church of Jerusalem went out as far as Antioch fulfilling this commission. It became evident to missionaries, such as Barnabas, that God intended to take people who had been saved and baptized; and form them into new churches. These new churches would then also fulfill the same Great Commission as seen by the church of Antioch in Acts 13:1-3.

Paul wrote that "all Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness; that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." God's Word does equip us in how the great commission is to be fulfilled. He tells us our responsibility through the commission given in Matthew and the other Gospels. He pictures these responsibilities being fulfilled according to His plan throughout the Book of Acts. If methods of fulfilling the great commission are Biblically based then the fulfilling of the commission will be accomplished as God intended it to be.

In fulfilling great commission work; the authority, which each church has through Christ as Her Head, is humbly and respectfully acknowledged. Each church is responsible for her obedience to Christ. We should always "Amen" the great reports of souls being saved and churches being established. However churches should not neglect doing what Christ has sent us to do. Jesus told His first church, "I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entered into their labours." We evaluate and rejoice over the labor of other men, but we must continually evaluate our own personal and church's labor for the Lord.

Each church is encouraged to pattern their great commission work as the Lord directs through His Word and do their part in fulfilling that which He has called His churches to do.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pastor Lawrence Thompson  
Lone Cedar MBC; Joaquin, TX

## Music Ministry Report

From Moses' song-of-victory celebrating God's deliverance at the Red Sea (Exodus 15) to Mary's magnificent rejoicing in God's plan for the virgin birth of Christ (Luke 1), both Old and New Testament saints offer worship to God through His gift to us, music. Music communicates a message that transcends the language barrier. When combined with God honoring lyrics, the praises of His people speak boldly. God smiles upon His people when we offer musical worship "in Spirit and in truth."

Churches across Texas are encouraged to build their music ministry to its full potential. Many talented instrumentalists and vocalists sit in the services each Sunday desiring to use their abilities for the Lord in worship. Recruit, develop and use these people. Excellent training for leading musical worship can be obtained from the Music School at Texas Baptist Institute and Seminary in Henderson, Texas.

One day saints from all regions and all generations will join in Heaven's eternal choir singing, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!" (Revelation 1:12).

## ABA Credit Union Report

The American Baptist Association Credit Union was established as a savings and lending institution in March of 1970 to help the people and churches in fellowship with the American Baptist Association. The field of membership is extended to ordained and licensed ministers and their families, ABA churches, their organizations and employees as well as members of ABA Churches located in New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas.

The interest rates on savings and loans are comparable or better than other lending institutions. The Credit Union furnishes Credit Life Insurance on all loans that qualify. Dividends are paid quarterly on shares and detailed statements are mailed. The dividend paid for the 3rd quarter of 2008 was 2.50%. All savings are federally insured to at least \$100,000.00 and backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government, (NCUA) National Credit Union Administration a US Government Agency.

On September 30, 2008 there were 399 members with total assets of \$1,346,429.59. Please check with the credit union for new investment opportunities in 2009. We pray that our membership increases in the coming year. Joining the Credit Union is how you can help us in getting closer to our goal of being able to help ABA Churches.

The Credit Union office is located in La Porte, Texas. The Board of Directors:

Pastor Joe Bozarth, Pastor William Myrick, Pastor Lloyd Chittenden, Bro. Lawrence McGrew, Bro. Aubery Adams and Bro. Harold Bostick. Sheri Lynch is the Manager and Laverne Bostick is the office Assistant. Visit our web site at [www.abacu.org](http://www.abacu.org) or e-mail us at [aba@abacu.org](mailto:aba@abacu.org). Our address is:

Respectfully submitted,  
Joe P. Bozarth

## Electronic Media Report

This report represents two individual reports relating to the advancement of the Lord's work through the means of modern technology. Specifically, the internet and multi - media.

By now, most people have access to the internet and are very familiar with the process and for the most part have discovered the good and the bad of it. Regardless of how you feel about the internet, it is here to stay.

It will be a problem and a blessing for the duration. As with most things that we as humans create, the internet has opened up many stumbling blocks for otherwise good people.

The potential for good through internet use is unlimited because of the millions who use it. May we find a presence in this medium to offer helpful, God honoring and useful tools for believers to use.

There are many sites that are useful including:  
[www.mbaoftexas.org](http://www.mbaoftexas.org), [www.abaptist.org](http://www.abaptist.org), [www.tbi.edu](http://www.tbi.edu)  
[www.baptistmonitor.org](http://www.baptistmonitor.org), [www.reachamerica.org](http://www.reachamerica.org), [www.abaims.org](http://www.abaims.org),  
[www.texasmissiondevelopment.org](http://www.texasmissiondevelopment.org), [www.youthframeworks.com](http://www.youthframeworks.com),  
[www.abacu.org](http://www.abacu.org) [www.abaptist.org/links.html](http://www.abaptist.org/links.html) [www.biblegateway.com](http://www.biblegateway.com) [www.abaims.org](http://www.abaims.org)

Electronic tools used to convey a message to our churches and bible students have taken a greater role in our day. The use of DVD's and Video projection has taken a prominent role in many of our churches as an effective tool.

In using these tools, the work of Jerry Smith with the ABA International Media Service has become very effective in providing a service to missionaries and churches in us of promotion and teaching. Jerry may be contacted by email at [cjerrynow@gmail.com](mailto:cjerrynow@gmail.com) or by contacting his sponsoring church, Unity Baptist Church of Texarkana, 903-792-7303.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Bryant

## History & Archives Report

A study of the sermon preached by the apostle Peter on the day of Pentecost will show that Peter knew the history of Israel very well. Peter connected the past with the present when he preached the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior. The problem with the Jewish people in Peter's day was that they embalmed the past instead of embracing it.

The Missionary Baptist Association of Churches have the capacity to do the same. History is very important, but we should learn from it and go forward in the work of God. Truth will not change, like God Himself it remains the same. Our methods and approach to spreading the gospel and starting New Testament churches is certainly different today than in past years. The main thing we should learn from those of our past is that they went forward in the work of God not backward.

Our project for this year will be a memorial plaque for Bro. Larry Romero. The museum is still available for church visits. We on the History and Archives Committee believe we should do our best to preserve our Missionary Baptist history. We are asking the churches in our association that are a hundred years old or older to please notify the committee and share this valuable history with us.

Submitted by:  
Billy Daniels  
Donald Britton  
Kenneth Griffith  
David Proctor

## History And Archives Fund Financial Statement, 2007-2008

<b>BALANCES (On hand, September 1, 2007)</b>	
General Fund . . . . .	\$5,116.37
Memorial Plaque Fund . . . . .	\$2,543.74
History & Archives Tour Funds . . . . .	\$11.35
<b>TOTAL 2007 BALANCES . . . . .</b>	<b>\$7,753.46</b>

<b>RECEIPTS (September 2007 - August 2008)</b>	
General Fund . . . . .	\$374.00
Memorial Plaque Fund . . . . .	\$250.00
History & Archives Tour Funds . . . . .	\$0.00
Sound System . . . . .	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS . . . . .</b>	<b>\$624.00</b>

**TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR (Includes 2007 Bal.) . . .** \$8,377.46

<b>DISBURSEMENTS (September 2007 - August 2008)</b>	
General Fund . . . . .	\$225.67
Memorial Plaque Fund . . . . .	\$1,609.42
History & Archives Tour Fund . . . . .	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL DISBURSED . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1,835.09</b>

<b>BALANCES (On hand, August 31, 2008)</b>	
General Fund . . . . .	\$5,264.70
Memorial Plaque Fund . . . . .	\$1,184.32
History & Archives Tour Fund . . . . .	\$11.35
Sound System . . . . .	\$82.00
<b>Total 2008 Balances . . . . .</b>	<b>\$6,542.37</b>

**TOTAL (+Disbursements) TO BALANCE . . . . .** \$8,377.46

### Auditor's Report

December 10, 2008

The annual audit of the financial records of the Missionary Baptist History & Archives Museum Fund has been completed for the year ending August 31, 2008. An accurate record of the receipts and disbursements has been kept, and the books are in satisfactory order.

- Robert Wallace

## Pastor's & Laymen's Council

The meeting was opened by a congregational song led by Bro. Steve Butler with Bro. Williams at the piano. Special music was brought by the TBI men's ensemble.

Moderator Bro. Ed Davis called on Bro. Marlin Freeman to lead in opening prayer. Bro. Ed Davis brought the morning devotional from Matthew 28:18-20.

Host pastor, Bro. Bill Kuykendall gave the welcome from the host church. The moderator then recognized new pastors in the state as well as visitors.

Bro. Ed Davis called for the election of officers for the coming year. The new officers are as follows: Moderator – David Proctor; Assistant Moderator – Billy Daniels; Clerk – Dennis Humber; Assistant Clerk – Stephen Pace; Speaker – John Cully; Alternate Speaker – Matt Gholson.

Bro. Ed Davis called on Bro. Wayne Stringer to introduce the speaker, Bro. Jason Haber. The message was from John 21:1-6. Bro. Bob Griffith thanked the speaker.

Mission reports were heard until lunch break at 11:30 am. Bro. Charlie Ellison closed in prayer.

Following lunch break, the congregation sang. Bro. Lynn Hitt opened with prayer. The mission reports resumed with a total of 33 missionaries or representatives heard. The meeting was adjourned by Bro. Harold Davis closing in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bro. Stephen Pace

## Resolution of Thanks

Whereas the members of Calvary Baptist Church, Pastor Bill Kuykendall, Henderson city mayor Buzz Fuller, Baymont Inn, Best Western Inn, Comfort Inn and the many eating places of Henderson have extended a warm welcome and rendered much service to the messengers of the Missionary Baptist Association,

Be it therefore resolved that we the messengers give a rising vote of thanks.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harold Davis  
Larry Fondren

## Enrollment And Finance Committee Report

Churches and Missions Represented by Messenger . . . . .	140
Estimated Tuesday Evening Attendance . . . . .	500
Messengers reported on church letters . . . . .	258
Churches and Missions represented by letter . . . . .	73
Visitors Reported . . . . .	64
General Fund . . . . .	\$13,155.00
State Missions . . . . .	\$275.00
Other . . . . .	\$75.00
History & Archives . . . . .	\$75.00
Total Funds Brought to Meeting . . . . .	\$13,580.00
Prepared by, Michael Thompson Ernest Moyers	

## Memorial Report

God said in Psalm 116:15, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." It is both appropriate and honorable to give recognition to the brethren and their ministries, who have gone on to be with the Lord this past year.

The following names have been submitted:

A. B. Kellum, Hopewell M.B.C., Clarksville, TX.

Wilmer Bidby, Pruitt Lake B.C., Avinger, TX.

Dale Shackelford, Twinland M.B.C., Houston, TX. (No information was available for a memorial page).

L. Chester Guinn, Arkansas.

Wilbourne Lee, Liberty M.B.C., Detroit, TX.

Bill Sides, University M.B.C., Tyler, TX

Clayton Battles, Greggton M.B.C., Longview, TX

Clyde Clark, Tyler Road B.C., Henderson, TX.

Ralph Lee, Madisonville, TX.

Let us pause for a moment of silent prayer to reflect over these men's ministry and memories, followed by a prayer led by the assistant moderator.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Clinton

## Suggested Guidelines For Hosting Messenger Meeting

These are not to be construed as "laws," but simply some things that others have experienced as they prepared for this august body.

First, ask your church to pray earnestly for the Lord's direction in this matter and if felt led to do so, "GO FOR IT!"

### **Things To Do Before Coming To The Meeting:**

Unless your church has a very large sanctuary, you will need to make arrangements with a motel or civic center that can provide two large meeting rooms on Tuesday and an even larger one for balance of the sessions. What about rental fees? Will a room or hall be available for displays, with tables and ample electrical outlets?

A motel that can provide up to 250 rooms with a quoted and locked in rate. Could be more than one motel, but they should be close to each other. Will there be "Complimentary Rooms?" These are free rooms provided for the officers and are usually based on the number of booked rooms.

How far is it to a good, clean RV Park? What about the airport? Shuttle service, taxi, or church van for to and from?

### **Things To Do After You Have Been Selected As Host:**

- Will the motel require you to put down a deposit to hold the room block?
- Secure a meeting room with a capacity of 300 for Pastor's and Laymen's Council for Tuesday. Piano and/or organ, PA system with floor microphones required.
- Provide a room for about 200 for Ladies' Auxiliary meeting on Tuesday, same requirements. These rooms should be far enough apart so that they do not disturb each other. Ladies will need tables for registration, clerks, etc. Nursery for small children helpful. Host Ladies Auxiliary is responsible for Program during session.
- Will coffee, doughnuts, cookies, juice, etc. be provided? Food store might help.
- The Chamber of Commerce may provide lists of restaurants, maps, interesting sites.
- See the Ladies' Auxiliary "Poster Rules" for host church responsibilities.

## The Main Sessions:

- Meeting room for 600 or more.
- Sound and recording system, floor microphones. Their operator or ours?
- Piano and/or organ, two tables on or near stage area.
- Coffee, cookies, nursery for small children (who will staff?), stage decorations.
- Song sheets or hymnals, tape player connected to sound system for background accompaniment. Wednesday night special music must be held to allotted time.
- Will city, county, officials appear for welcome?
- Copy machine available?
- Will there be free parking for those not registered at motel?

## Other items:

- A picture of pastor or church, map to location of meeting, a welcome letter to Clerks for inclusion in Minute Book.
- Start early to finalize plans. Enlist help of area churches and pastors.
- Contact motel manager to assure that plans agreed on early are intact.
- Send letters of welcome and info to each church, two to three months in advance. Secure mail list from Clerks.
- Two months in advance send articles to The Baptist Monitor.
- Check with local newspapers and other media for publicity of meeting.



**Bro. Lawrence Thompson  
Delivers The Missionary Sermon**

## DOCTRINAL STATEMENT MBA OF TEXAS

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1. We believe in the plenary verbal inspiration and inerrancy of the whole Bible as originally written, and that the Bible is the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice, (Psalm 119-160; 2 Tim. 3:16-17).

2. We believe in the personal triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, equal in divine perfection, (Matt. 28:19).

3. We believe in the Genesis account of creation, (Gen. 1, 2).

4. We believe that Satan is a fallen angel, the archenemy of God and man, the unholy god of this world and that his destiny is the eternal lake of fire, (Isa. 14:12-15; Ezek. 28:11-19; Matt. 25:41; 2 Cor. 4:4; Eph. 6:10-17; Rev. 20:10).

5. We believe in the virgin birth and sinless humanity of Jesus Christ, (Matt. 1:18-20; 2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Peter 2:22).

6. We believe in the Deity of Jesus Christ, (John 1:1, 14; 10:30; 14:9; 2 Cor. 5:19).

7. We believe that the Divine Administrator for Jesus Christ in His churches is the Holy Spirit (Luke 24:49; John 14:16, 17; 16:13; Act 1:4, 5, 8), whose work as such began on the first Pentecost after the resurrection of Jesus Christ with the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, which event occurred only once and is not repeated, (Acts 2).

8. We believe that the miraculous gifts of the Spirit listed in 1 Cor. 12:8-10 were done away when the Bible was completed (1 Cor. 13:8-10), that the gift of apostleship ceased with the death of the last chosen directly by the Lord Jesus (Eph. 2:20), and that the abiding gifts adequately equip the churches for service to God, (Rom. 12:13; 1 Cor. 13:1-3; Eph. 4:7-16; 1 Peter 4:10, 11; 2 Tim. 3:16, 17). The apostles and prophets were the inspired agents through whom the New Testament revelation was given. When that revelation was complete, there was no further need for the office of apostle and prophet; thus, the apostleship ceased with the death of the last apostle chosen directly by the Lord Jesus.

9. We believe that man was created in the image of God and lived in innocency until he fell by voluntary transgression from his sinless state, the result being that all mankind are now sinners, (Gen. 1:26; 3:6-24; Rom. 5:12, 19).

10. We believe the substitutionary suffering and death of Jesus Christ was sufficient to propitiate for the sins of all humanity, thus making salvation available for all mankind, (Isa. 53:6; Heb. 2:9; 1 Peter. 2:24; 3:18; 2 Peter. 3:9; 1 John 2:2).

11. We believe in the bodily resurrection and ascension of Christ and the bodily resurrection of His saints, (Matt. 28:1-7; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Cor. 15:42-58; 1 Thess. 4:13-18).

12. We believe in the pre-millennial, personal, bodily return of Christ as the crowning event of the Gentile Age. We further believe at His coming the righteous dead shall be raised, the living saints shall be changed and both shall be caught up to meet the Lord in the air. We also believe after the Millennial Reign of Christ on earth the unrighteous shall be resurrected unto eternal punishment in the lake of fire, ( John 14:1-6; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; 2 Thess. 2:8; Rev. 20: 4-6, 11-15; 21:8).

13. We believe the depraved alien sinner is saved wholly by grace through faith in Jesus Christ and the requisites to regeneration are repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (Luke 13:3, 5; John 3:16, 18; Acts 20:21; Rom. 6:23; Eph. 2:8, 9), and the Holy Spirit convicts sinners and regenerates, seals, secures, and indwells every believer, (John 3:6; 16:8, 9; Rom. 8:9-11; 1 Cor. 6:19, 20; Eph. 4:30; Titus 3:5).

14. We believe all who trust in Jesus Christ for salvation are eternally secure and shall persevere in Him and shall not perish, (John 3:36; 5:24; 10:27-30; Rom. 8:35-39; Heb. 10:39; 1 Peter 1:5).

15. We believe God deals with believers as His children, chastises the disobedient, blesses the obedient in this life and reserves rewards for the future, (Matt. 16:27; 25:14-23; John 1:12; Heb. 12:5-11; 2 John 8; Rev. 22:12).

16. We believe Jesus Christ, during His personal ministry, established His Church, which is a local, visible assembly of scripturally baptized believers in covenant relationship, to carry out the Commission of the Lord Jesus Christ. We further believe

each church is an independent, self-governing body over which no other ecclesiastical body may exercise authority. We believe Jesus Christ gave the Great Commission to New Testament churches only, and promised the perpetuity (Matt. 4:18-22; 16:18; 18:15-18; 28:19-20; Mark 1:14-20; John 1:35-51; Eph. 3:21).

17. We believe there are two pictorial ordinances in the Lord's churches: baptism and the Lord's Supper. Scriptural baptism is the immersion of penitent believers in water, administered by the authority of a New Testament church in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We further believe the Lord's Supper is a memorial ordinance, restricted to the members of the church observing the ordinance, (Matt. 28:19, 20; Acts. 8:12, 38; Rom. 6:4; 1 Cor. 5:11-13; 11:1, 2, 17-20, 26).

18. We believe there are two divinely appointed offices in a church, pastor and deacon, to be filled by men whose qualifications are set forth in 1 Tim. 3:1-16; Titus 1:5-9.

19. We believe all associations, fellowships, conventions, boards, and their committees are servants of the churches, (Matt. 20:25-28).

20. We believe in the complete separation of churches and state (Matt. 22:21) and affirm our belief in civil obedience unless the laws and regulations of civil government run contrary to the Holy Scriptures (Rom. 13:1-7; 1 Peter 2:13-15; Acts. 5: 29).



**Bro. Mike Rice Gives the Men's Report**

## STATEMENT OF MISSION POLICY

### SECTION I

The messengers of the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas will not recommend any man to the mission field unless he has first been elected or endorsed by the church of his membership, said church being associated with and subscribing to the principles and practices of the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

### SECTION II

Each church recommending a missionary from their membership to the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas in annual session is requested:

1. To submit in writing, hereafter, to the Secretary-Treasurer's Mission Office, the endorsement of any missionary, whether salaried or on designated funds, and-or a mission project of any sponsoring church, by the fifteenth (15th) day of September prior to each messenger meeting.

2. To submit for public reading a brief summary of the ministerial activities of the recommended missionary.

3. To give a statement as what their plans are concerning their support of the missionary being recommended.

4. To give the location of the area where the recommended missionary will devote his labor.

This information concerning the recommended missionary, his abilities, training and work will greatly aid the messengers from the churches in making their decision about individual missionaries.

### SECTION III

We recognize that a missionary elected by his local church, if it be a Scriptural church, is a Scriptural missionary, without recommendation of the messengers from the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

### SECTION IV

Any messenger may request an individual vote on any name recommended for endorsement to the messengers in annual session.

### SECTION V

We recognize as Scriptural the right of the messengers in annual session to recommend stipulated salaries for the missionaries.

We also recognize the responsibility of the sponsoring church and the mission to aid in raising the missionary's salary. Therefore, the corresponding Secretary-Treasurer shall not be permitted to pay over 80 (eighty) percent of the missionary's salary.

## SECTION VI

All missionaries of the churches working as State Missionaries under the recommendations of the messengers shall:

Make duplicate monthly reports to their endorsing church and Secretary-Treasurer.

1. These reports shall tell of the work done during the month and shall list all money, material and monetary gifts collected on the field. All money collected on the field shall be counted as salary, unless the money is designated to some special church or mission project, with the following exceptions:

### a. MATERIAL GIFTS

Missionaries shall have the same privilege as pastors in receiving material gifts above their salary and shall not be required to report them as salary.

Material gifts are defined as items (or money for them) as: Clothing; Automobile accessories; Household goods.

### b. MONETARY GIFTS

Monetary gifts are defined as such gifts as pastors receive for: Weddings; Funerals; At Christmas season; Honorariums; etc.

### c. REVIVALS

The missionaries and the Secretary-Treasurer may hold as many as two revivals each year without reporting the funds received for the revivals.

### d. VACATIONS

The missionaries and the Secretary-Treasurer may have two weeks paid vacation each year in addition to two revival meetings.

2. All reports shall be made available to the churches and a yearly report published in the minutes.

3. The endorsing church is requested to provide a report annually for the messengers assembly regarding:

a. The amount and nature of all material and monetary gifts.

b. An assessment is requested as to whether there has been any abuse of this privilege on the part of the missionary.

## SECTION VII

State Mission work shall be defined as follows:

1. Work in cities where we have no Missionary Baptist Churches, or in cities large enough to have two or more churches.

2. Work with weak pastorless churches, to aid them in growing and securing a pastor.

3. Although we look with favor on revival meetings, revivals in established churches with regular pastors, should not be counted as mission work.

4. A month's work should include at least 160 hours actually spent in constructive mission work.

## SECTION VIII

We recommend:

1. The missionaries seek fields in sections of the state where we have no churches.

2. The missionaries should seek out a church to sponsor the mission that is consistent in their support of missions, and that is of sufficient strength to fulfill the responsibility of a sponsoring church, and that the sponsoring church adopt a policy concerning the mission that would not allow it to be organized into a church until it becomes self-supporting in every respect, including a full-time pastor on the field.

3. That the missionaries begin teaching leading newly organized missions and churches to support all phases of mission work and that they begin immediately to give support to the missionaries's salary and that such support be increased regularly as the work grows. The missionary and mission should work toward a goal of being able to support a pastor within five years. That this be done by seeking to support 20 percent of the missionary's salary within the first year, 40 percent within the second, 60 percent within the third, 80 percent within the fourth and within the fifth year of being able to support a full time pastor. The missionary should remain with the mission until it becomes self-supporting.

4. That the missionaries seek to lead the newly organized churches to adopt and put to proper use, a good Sunday School record system and plan of Sunday School organization.

5. That the missionaries lead the newly established churches to follow a definite plan of organized visitation evangelism.

6. That the missionaries not be used as supply preacher in our established churches where pastors are on the field.

7. That missionaries not pastor a church that is recognized as a self-supporting church, regardless of how much of his salary they might pay.

8. That the missionaries should not be elected to an office of the Association.

## SECTION IX

May the statements of this policy never be interpreted as binding laws upon churches or missionaries, but as goals and guidelines.

## ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

### ARTICLE I – Name

This association shall be known as the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

### ARTICLE II – Object

The object of this Association shall be to awaken a deeper interest in the welfare of the churches, to cultivate a closer fellowship among the churches, and to encourage and perpetuate the very greatest possible activity in missionary, educational and benevolent enterprises.

### ARTICLE III – How Composed

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of such regular independent Missionary Baptist Churches as may voluntarily choose to cooperate in carrying out the object of this Association.

Section 2. The Messenger Assemblies of this Association shall be composed of messengers elected by the churches composing it.

Section 3. Each church choosing to represent in this Association shall be entitled to three messengers.

Section 4. Each church shall be the sole judge of the qualification of her messengers.

### ARTICLE IV – Nature

The Messenger Assembly of this Association shall be, in nature, formed as a council in matters pertaining to missionary, education and benevolent work.

### ARTICLE V – Principles

The Messenger Assembly of this Association shall recognize the freedom of speech as essential to the highest achievement in its work. It shall stand or fall on its own conformity to the truth. It shall exercise no ecclesiastical authority, but it shall, by every precaution recognize the independence and sovereignty of every individual church. It shall also encourage on the part of the church and the messengers the greatest possible freedom of expression in discussing matters pertaining to its work.

## **ARTICLE VI – Powers**

The action of the Messenger Assembly shall be limited to the work of awakening enthusiasm in missionary, educational and benevolent enterprises and receiving and distributing funds for the same.

## **ARTICLE VII -- Funds**

Section 1. All funds of this Association shall be raised by voluntary donations secured solely upon the merits of the cause in the interest of which appeals are made for gifts: provided, this is not to prevent the use of any income or any property that may be acquired by donation or by purchase.

Section 2. Distribution of funds shall be authorized by an act of this Messenger Assembly, or by an act of properly authorized committees of this assembly hereinafter provided for; but in no instance shall the assembly or any committee of it use means in violation of the expressed preference of the donor.

## **ARTICLE VIII – Officers**

Section 1. The officers of this Messenger Assembly shall be a moderator, and assistant moderator, two (2) recording secretaries and a corresponding secretary-treasurer.

Section 2. All officers of this assembly shall be chosen annually, and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and the same shall be true of all members of standing committees. All officers shall be elected by a majority of the messengers voting. No moderator shall succeed himself more than one year.

Section 3. The duties of all officers shall be as may be directed by the Messenger Assembly, unless otherwise directed by the churches.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the corresponding secretary-treasurer to take charge of money and valuables not specifically entrusted to someone else and to dispose of same as he may be directed by this Messenger Assembly. He shall make an annual report to this assembly of all monies received and disbursed.

Section 5. The recording secretaries, in addition to keeping the records of this Association, will superintend the printing and distribution of minutes of such regular meetings as the messengers may direct.

## **ARTICLE IX – Committees**

Section 1. The missionary committee shall be composed of one representative of each church choosing to be represented. The duty of the committee shall be to meet quarterly, or as directed by the Messenger Assembly, in the interest of all the work. It shall be empowered to fill vacancies of regular offices between sessions of the Messenger Assembly and to call a special meeting of a Messenger Assembly when needed.

Section 2. The following officers of the Assembly shall be the trustees of the association: Namely, the moderator, assistant moderator, two recording secretaries and secretary-treasurer, subject to the direction of the Messenger Assembly, and they are empowered to act in legal capacity as trustees of the Association.

## **ARTICLE X – Missionaries**

We hold that the authority for execution of the Great Commission was given to the New Testament Church and the authority must remain forever with the churches. Therefore, the right and privilege of every church of this Association to endorse, set apart or send out missionaries of its own choosing and the act of one church in sending out missionaries can in no way bind or obligate any other church.

The churches shall be free and their support of missionaries shall be voluntary on their part.

## **ARTICLE XI – Meetings**

The regular meetings of the Church Messengers shall be at such time and place as the assembled messengers may appoint.

## **ARTICLE XII – Amendments**

The Messenger Assembly shall have no power to change the Articles of Agreement. Any church desiring a change shall send to the annual meeting a copy of the proposed change; the Messenger Assembly will then submit the proposed change to each cooperating church; if two-thirds of the cooperating churches vote for the change, then the Article of Agreement shall be amended to conform to the proposed change. Two-thirds of the churches representing in assembly in the previous year shall be the number determining the results.

**THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF  
THE MISSIONARY BAPTIST  
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## ORDER OF BUSINESS

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### Morning Session:

- 9:00 - 10:00 Registration  
10:00 - 11:30 Song  
Prayer  
Welcome Address  
Response  
Necessary Business  
Presentation of Resolutions  
Presentations of Project  
Nominations  
Special Music  
Workshop

### Afternoon Session:

- 1:30 - 2:30 Song  
Prayer  
Special Music  
President's Address  
Program
- 2:30 - 4:30 Business  
Announcements  
Adjournment
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### Goal For 2009

**Mission Valley Camp  
Floresville, Texas**

**Goal = \$8, 000.00**



## President's Address

“No Opportunity Wasted”

Galatians 6:10, "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good to all men."



Sharon Templeton

Thank you for this opportunity to stand before you and share a portion of God's Word and what it means to me.

Do I have an opportunity for you!

I'd venture to say that everyone in this room has heard this statement. This statement probably came from an equal opportunity person that needed to make their quota for the month to make additional money or points, if you agree to their sales pitch.

Per Webster's dictionary, one definition of an opportunity is a favorable combination of circumstances, time and place. Each one of us can bring to our memory an opportunity we experienced. Taking advantage of this opportunity, good or bad, is our choice. What we choose to do with that opportunity will determine if it is wasted or not. Some of them come and go so quickly that we don't recognize them until they have gone.

I recall an opportunity that I missed, when a young man came to my house in the middle of the day, when I had a day care in my home. I was watching his children and He knew that I attended church, and asked if I knew someone who could help him. He was struggling to find how to ask Jesus into his heart, and I felt he needed an man or the pastor to talk to him. I was immature at that time, so I sent him away with a suggestion to contact another person. I now realize, I missed a very important opportunity. Galatians 6:10 states, "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men." We as God's children should be looking for opportunities to let the reflection of God's love show in us. Matthew 5:16 says, "To Let your light so shine before men that they may see thy good works to glorify the Father in heaven."

Let's compare our light to that of a jack-o'-lantern. The pumpkin seed is planted, it grows, is pulled from the vine, washed clean, cut off the top and clean out all of the yucky insides, then place a candle in it so that it can put forth a light that others can see. We too start with a seed, grow to a knowledge of understanding our need, God sends his convicting spirit and

woos you, and when you accept his gift of salvation he puts a light in you, then you glow with his presence just as the candle in the jack-o'-lantern.

When an opportunity presents itself, to further our mission here on this earth, I don't believe it was by chance. It was given to us to speak up and share the love of God.

A casual conversation can turn into an opportunity. Can't you just see the opening when someone asks you why you go to church every Sunday, much less why do you go three times a week or every night when you attend a revival for a week? The door has been opened for you to share some of God's teaching. Let us not forsake the assembling of ourselves together ... Hebrews 10 :25. The more we go to church and have Bible study, the more we grow and learn of God's love and direction for our lives. We can become more aware of the opportunities that surround us.

Just the awesomeness of creation and the working together of the elements are opportunities to proclaim God's greatness, love and mercy to us. He put everything in order and in motion before he made us. The realization that all we needed to survive on this earth was thought out and provided to us first. Genesis 1 and 2. How great is our God. This is an opportunity that need not to be wasted. This could not have been done by a BIG BANG. Possibly in your circle of acquaintances, there is a lost person or even a loved one that needs God's love explained. This is a way God opens the door for us to witness to them.

There may be a time in your life that only your presence is needed. What a way to show the compassion and love that God has placed in you.

Have you ever walked up on a conversation and it stopped or the subject was changed when you walked up? Here is an opportunity to say "thank you" for respecting me enough not to continue in that line of speaking/or negative subject.

Another opportunity that we have and sometimes we avoid in error, is when we are out shopping, and especially when we have a rushed day and a person is having some trouble getting their purchases in the trunk of their car. The parking lot is on a slant and the buggy won't stay still. Because you are in your rush, you go to the next isle to avoid being detained. What! ! You missed an opportunity and robbed yourself of a blessing.

Your talents are also an opportunity that doesn't need to be wasted. Perhaps you have a singing voice. The Lord has laid a particular song on your heart to prepare to sing. Practice and

present it, as there could be a person in the audience that needs the message that is in that song. You may not know it at the time you present it, but some time later, you may see that person and they share with you, that they needed that message and it was a great blessing to them.

Our treasure is another opportunity not to be wasted. Giving to the Lord's church on any level is sharing so that God's work can be spread throughout the world. It's one of the many privileges we have to be a part of a work that glorifies God. We can give of our money so that others may be able to go to other fields of mission work. We can be a missionary in our own communities, but others that are led to go far from home so they can share the love of God and his desire for us to reunite with him. Our united efforts make it possible to put men and women on the mission fields. Don't let the opportunity to share in this great work to pass you by.

Pray that God would open your eye to the opportunities around you to further his work, then the boldness to act upon it.

Don't let the opportunity come and go ... wasted.

Let's make ourselves a motto for the following year .....  
"NO OPPORTUNITY WASTED"

Then stand back and watch God in your life.

Sharon Templeton, President



**Wanda Smith and Dorothy Collier serve as  
recording secretaries for the  
state Ladies' Auxiliary**

## LADIES' AUXILIARY PROCEEDINGS

The Fifty-sixth annual session of the State Ladies' Auxiliaries met at Calvary Baptist Church in Henderson, Texas at 10:00 AM, on November 11, 2008.

### Morning Session

President Sharon Templeton of Victory MBC in Sherman, TX called the meeting to order. Sis. Sherry Vaughn from Zion Hill MBC led in a congregational hymn: "To The Work" accompanied on the piano by Sis. Gwen Hand. Sis. Teresa Kuykendall of Calvary Baptist Church in Henderson gave a warm welcome and presented our President with a beautiful corsage. Louise Battles from Heritage MBC, Tyler gave the response and thanked Calvary ladies for hosting today's meeting. Calvary Ladies Auxiliary then gave a door prize of one of the pot plants used for today's service. Names were drawn from a basket that had the name of each lady present in it for door prizes throughout the day.

President Sharon Templeton recognized 6 past presidents and 10 missionaries' wives present in the meeting. We were blessed with one new auxiliary, Liberty Baptist Mission located in McKinney, TX. A big thanks was given to all our missionaries' wives for all their hard work and dedication. Jerry Smith, with ABA Missionary Videos, came forward and thanked everyone for accepting them as a goal two years ago. He shared that he has completed over 22 DVD's in the last two years for missionaries and does it free of charge. He stated that the ladies' offering was very helpful to many missionaries and to this ministry.

President Templeton opened the floor for new resolutions and nominations for the 2009 project. There were no new resolutions. Missionary Baptist Church of San Antonio nominated Mission Valley Camp in Floresville, TX and Oak Flat MBC of Huntington nominated Pine Springs Baptist Camp in Laneville, TX as projects for 2009.

Sis. Sherry Vaughn then led us in a congregational song, "Wonderful Grace of Jesus" accompanied by Sis. Gwen Hand on the piano.

Sis. Marsha Witcher from Heartland Baptist Church in Longview presented our morning program. She began by announcing a special in song by Bro. Leland Davis, "I Know I'll See Jesus Someday." Sis. Marsha then began her workshop

entitled "God's Women of Yesterday speak boldly to God's Women of Today." The program included several stories of women in the Bible and how their examples inspire us today. Marsha included seven women in her program. She had them dress up as Bible characters before telling the story of each one. These ladies graciously volunteered to represent the following: Eve - Cindy Jablonski; Sarah - Frances Mitchell; Hannah - Christine Miller; Esther - Caitlyn Miller; Mary and Martha - Chelsee and Kimberly Jablonski; and the Bride of Christ - Joyce Vanderslice.

The floor was then opened for announcements. Information on local restaurants was given. Free calendars were passed out and prayer requests were taken. Sis. Janie Clark closed the morning session in prayer.

## Afternoon Session

President Sharon Templeton began the afternoon meeting at 1:30 p.m. Sis. Sherry Vaughn led a congregational song, "Our Best." Sis. Liz Clinton opened the meeting with prayer. An offering was taken for the 2008 goal, Banquo Missionary Baptist Mission in Spring, TX.

First Vice President Louis Battles introduced a special in song by Penny Hummel, "Daystar." President Templeton gave her president's address entitled "N.O.W. - No Opportunity Wasted" from Galatians 6:10. Sis. Liz Clinton then gave a hearty thank you for a wonderful address.

First VP Louise Battles introduced our program for the afternoon. Sis. Carol Cash began the program with a special in song entitled "Thank You." A dulcimer quartet followed which included Sis. Sherry Vaughn, Sis. Carol Watts, and Bro. Tim and Sis. Makala Loomis. The program was concluded with a beautiful special played on a handsaw entitled "Whispering Hope" by Bro. Roy Berryhill.

President Templeton then declared the fifty-sixth annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Texas open for business. Janie Clark made a motion to include the president's address in the state minute book. It was seconded and passed. Treasurer Sandra Moore gave the financial report and presented a check for the 2008 goal, Banquo Missionary Baptist Mission in Spring, TX for \$5,000.00 to its sponsoring church, Magnolia MBC in Magnolia, TX, Pastor Horace Deaton. Pastor Deaton thanked everyone and stated that they will be purchasing new carpet for the building with the funds.

Treasurer Sandra Moore reported that we had 48 churches present with 112 messengers and 34 visitors for a total of 146 and

one new auxiliary. We had a balance on hand from 2007 of \$417.90. We received \$5,000 in offerings for the 2008 goal, \$80.00 for the minute fund for a total of \$5,080.00. Today's offerings were: \$675.00 for the goal \$328.00 for the minute fund, \$38.00 for the Bible and Tract Fund and \$2.00 for the History and Archive Fund. We now have \$427.90 as our balance on hand. A motion and second was made to adopt this report and include this in our state minute book. The motion passed. Offerings will continue coming in for the 2008 goal through December of this year. We still need \$1,025.00 to meet our goal for this mission.

President Templeton introduced our Bible and Tract Distributor, Martha Rose. Martha gave the report of funds collected this year. She asked that each of us go back to our auxiliaries and inform them of the need for more funds to print tracts. We collected \$154.39 and now have \$855.62. It takes approx. \$600-\$800 to print a tract at the bookstore in Texarkana. Martha requested that this report be adopted and included in the state minute book. Motion was seconded. The motion passed.

A motion was made and seconded that all officers that have not served two years be re-elected. Motion carried. The only one that needs to be replaced is our Corresponding Secretary. Sis. Julie Davis was nominated. There were no other nominations. She was elected by acclamation.

President Templeton then asked that we vote on the new mission project for next year in the order they were nominated. Mission Valley Camp in Floresville, TX was chosen. Motion and second to set the goal at \$8,000.00. Motion passed. Several ladies encouraged each of to go back and present this new project to our auxiliaries and work hard to reach our goal this year. Sis. Janie Clark made a motion that our officer's salaries stay the same: \$200.00 Treasurer, \$100.00 Recording Secretary and \$50 Corresponding Secretary. Motion seconded and passed. Motion was made and seconded to give \$250.00 of our remaining funds to the minute fund for next year. Motion passed.

Three posters were entered in our poster contest this year. Each of them winners. They are as follows: 1st Place - Erin MBC in Kirbyville, TX, 2nd Place - Woodville MBC in Woodville, TX, 3rd Place - Victory MBC in Sherman, TX. Missionaries' wives were invited to come and tell about their mission works.

Several announcements were made. Sis. Janie Clark asked for a rising vote of appreciation to the host church for a job well done. Bro. Frank Lane closed the meeting in prayer.

## Reports

### Enrollment Commitment Report

Churches represented . . . . .	48
Messengers represented . . . . .	112
Visitors represented . . . . .	34
Children . . . . .	
Total in attendance . . . . .	

### Personal Service Report

Personal Visits . . . . .	2,157
Hospital Visits . . . . .	1,374
Visit to Sick & Shut-In's . . . . .	2,199
Phone Calls . . . . .	834
Cards & Letters Sent . . . . .	5,060
Bible Tracts & Letters . . . . .	4,706
Soul Talks . . . . .	2,034
Flowers & Gifts Sent . . . . .	155
Food Gifts . . . . .	1,105
Christian Deeds . . . . .	2,558
Conversion Witnessed . . . . .	2,709
Daily Bible Readers . . . . .	
Comfort Visits . . . . .	

### Financial Report

Missions . . . . .	6,902.14
Orphan's Home . . . . .	1,887.00
Christian Education . . . . .	4,169.58
Benevolence . . . . .	1,980.41
Church Building Fund . . . . .	1,272.26
Minutes . . . . .	90.00
Flowers . . . . .	346.50
Miscellaneous . . . . .	5,261.94
<b>Total Amount Raised . . . . .</b>	<b>\$ 24,751.91</b>

## Bible & Tract Report

### November 15, 2007 - November 13, 2008

Balance brought forward (11-13-06) .....	\$ 701.23
Total Funds received at State Meeting .....	40.00
Greenridge M.B.C. ....	10.00
Central East Texas Ladies' Auxiliary .....	8.00
Yellowridge M.B.C. ....	20.00
Liberty Hill M.B.C., W.M.A. ....	50.00
Erin Baptist Church Ladies' Auxiliary .....	25.00
Other Offerings (Interest from Bank) .....	1.39
Total deposits for 2003 .....	\$ 154.39
Total Credits .....	\$ 855.62
Disbursements .....	0.00
Ending Balance 11/04/08 .....	\$ 855.62

Martha Rose,  
Bible & Tract Distributor



**The Annual Meeting of the State Ladies' Auxiliary**

## Women's Auxiliary of the MBA of Texas Treasurer's Report

December 1, 2007 - December 1, 2008

### Receipts

Avery LA - Avery .....	\$ 215.00
Beacon Baptist. LA - San Angelo.....	110.00
Bethel LA - Tatum .....	240.00
Bethlehem Association .....	352.00
Bogota LA - Bogata.....	395.00
Calvary LA - Henderson.....	125.00
Central LA - Bedford .....	50.00
Central East Texas District.....	32.04
Corinth LA - Timpson.....	120.00
Eastside LA - Jacksonville.....	200.00
Eastfield LA - Mesquite .....	25.00
East Post Oak LA - Detroit .....	125.00
Emmanuel LA - Greenville .....	20.00
Erin LA - Kirbyville .....	25.00
Faith LA - San Antonia .....	100.00
Fellowship LA - Pasadena .....	180.00
Florida Ave. LA - Beaumont .....	20.00
Fostoria Oaks LA - Cleveland .....	65.00
Greenridge LA - Houston .....	60.00
Harmony LA - Houston .....	50.00
Heartland LA - Judson .....	25.00
Heritage LA - Tyler.....	500.00
Highway LA - Huntington .....	123.00
Hopewell LA - Carthage.....	10.00
Hopewell LA - Hughes Springs .....	177.00
Hopewell District LA .....	151.04
Kilgore LA - Kilgore .....	25.00
Landmark LA - Texas City .....	5.00
Landmark LA - Waco .....	20.00
Liberty LA - McKinney.....	60.00
Liberty LA - Oakville .....	10.00
Logan Mt. Pleasant LA - Joaquin .....	65.00
Magnolia LA - Magnolia .....	50.00
Maple Grove LA - Minden .....	30.00
Missionary LA - San Antonio.....	100.00
Mt. Hermon LA - Center .....	25.00
Mt. Pleasant LA - Denison.....	25.00
Mt. Sylvia LA - Mt. Pleasant.....	50.00
Nevill's Chapel LA - Mt. Pleasant.....	100.00
New Liberty LA - Garland.....	210.00

North Side LA - Snyder	15.00
North Texas DA - Denison	124.01
Oak Flat LA - Huntington	100.00
Oak Ridge LA - Maude	100.00
Old Salem LA - Central	300.00
Ora LA - Huntington	24.75
Pacific Ave. LA - Iowa Park	100.00
Pleasant Hill LA - Overton	60.00
Pruitt Lake LA - Avinger	85.00
Red River / Bowie District LA	227.00
Ridgecrest LA - Leveland	50.00
Second Ave. LA - Corsicana	300.00
South Texas District LA	226.16
Southwest District LA	105.00
Spann's Chapel LA - Center	605.00
Springcrest LA - Houston	25.00
Timber Lakes LA - The Woodlands	60.00
Timpson LA - Timpson	185.00
Tyler Road LA - Henderson	95.00
Twinland LA - Houston	10.00
Unity LA - Richwood	60.00
University LA - Tyler	50.00
Victory LA - New Caney	50.00
Victory LA - Sherman	100.00
Victory Road LA - Kilgore	20.00
Walnut St., - Hillsboro	60.00
Waterview LA - Richardson	25.00
Westside LA - New Boston	50.00
Wyndrock LA - Abilene	25.00
Zion Hill LA - Minden	50.00
Rhonda Griggs - Nederland	231.00
Barbara Harris - Mt. Enterprise	10.00
<b>Receipts Total</b>	<b>\$ 7,798.00</b>

**Disbursements:**

#118 Magnolia MBC - Banquo (08 goal)	\$5,000.00
#119 Wanda Smity, Rec. Secretary	100.00
#120 Carla Zangarine, Corresponding Secretary	50.00
#121 Sandra Moore, Treasurer	200.00
#122 Sandra Moore, Treasurer expenses	55.99
#123 MBA of Texas Minute Book	250.00
#124 MBA of Texas History & Archives	2.00
#125 Magnolia MBC - Banquo (08 goal)	2,483.00
Cash given to Martha Rose for B & T	43.00
<b>Disbursements Total</b>	<b>\$8,183.99</b>

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<b>Beginning Bal. 12/01/07.....</b>	<b>\$ 417.90</b>
<b>Receipts Total.....</b>	<b>\$ 7,798.00</b>
<b>Special Offering - State Meeting 11/13/06.....</b>	<b>\$ 240.00</b>
<b>Total Receipts for Year.....</b>	<b>\$ 8,455.90</b>
<b>Total Disbursements.....</b>	<b>\$ 8,189.99</b>
<b>Balance on Hand 12/01/07.....</b>	<b>\$ 271.91</b>

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Sandra Moore, Treasurer**



**Officers of the State Ladies' Auxiliary**



## History Of Texas State Ladies' Auxiliary

Organized in Hillsboro, Texas, Nov. 8, 1954

(List compiled by Martha Langston, Odessa, TX)

President	From	Year
Mrs. A.T. Powers	Henderson	1954 & 1955
Mrs. Catherine Lierly	Hillsboro	1956 & 1957
Mrs. J.B. Powers	White Oak	1958
Mrs. Jack Dean	Snyder	1959
Mrs. Jack Dean	Snyder	1960 & 1961
Mrs. Harold Walker	Grand Prairie	1962 & 1963
Mrs. L.H. Owen	Galveston	1964 & 1965
Mrs. Wanda Crawford	Hillsboro	1966 & 1967
Mrs. Steve F. Vaughn	Lone Star	1968 & 1969
Mrs. Ken Ashlock	Garland	1970 & 1971
Mrs. Jerry Coffman	Odessa	1972 & 1973
Mrs. Gene Smith	Pasadena	1974 & 1975
Mrs. Billy Daniels	Corsicana	1976 & 1977
Mrs. Travis Arden	Mesquite	1978 & 1979
Mrs. Charles French	Carthage	1980 & 1981
Mrs. Bill Hitt	Henderson	1982 & 1983
Mrs. Ron Parrish	Denison	1984 & 1985
Mrs. Aileen Patterson	Henderson	1986 & 1987
Mrs. Sharon Watson	Daingerfield	1988 & 1989
Mrs. Joy Eddins	De Kalb	1990 & 1991
Mrs. Mary Lou Daniels	Hillsboro	1992 & 1993
Mrs. Martha Langston	Odessa	1994 & 1995
Mrs. Jean Crawford	Broaddus	1996 & 1997
Mrs. Maxine Wade	Denton	1998 & 1999
Mrs. Mary Smith	Laneville	2000 & 2001
Mrs. Julie Davis	Huntington	2002 & 2003
Mrs. Kimberly Phillips	Broaddus	2004 & 2005
Mrs. Janie Clark	Hillsboro	2006 & 2007
Mrs. Sharon Templeton	Sherman	2008 & 2009

## District Auxiliary Presidents



**Bethlehem** - Sheila Faske

1400 Old Hwy 90W, Rose City, TX 77662; 409-833-7230

**Central** - Becky Shultz

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**East Texas** - Penny Hummell

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**Hopewell** - Sarah Griffith

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**Mission Valley** - Vicki Rogers

45 CR 331, Floresville, TX 78114; 830-393-7032

**North Texas** - Elizabeth Clinton

361 Tee Taw Circle; Sherman, TX 75092; 903-893-0312

**Navarro County** - Liz Evans

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**Red River - Bowie** - Ruth Johnson

995 22nd NE; Paris, TX 75460; 903-785-9330

**Salem** - Linda Brown

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**Shelby-Panola** - Sheila Walker

P.O. Box 282; Joaquin, TX 75954; 936-269-3682

**South Texas** - Charlotte Pace

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**SouthWest** - Rebecca Phillips

1601 Ave T; Snyder, TX 79549; 325-207-1150

# STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

## TEXAS STATE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

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### ARTICLE I – Name

The name of the organization shall be Women's Auxiliary of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

### ARTICLE II – Definition

The Auxiliary shall be composed of messengers of the local auxiliaries of the churches which compose the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

### ARTICLE III – Purpose

The purpose of this State Auxiliary shall be to encourage the women of the local churches to be active in all phases of the work in which they have the scriptural right to participate and to encourage the establishment of auxiliaries in all our churches where none exist.

### ARTICLE IV – Time and Place

The State Auxiliary shall meet annually at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday before the annual session of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas. The place of each meeting shall be determined by the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas messengers.

### ARTICLE V – Officers

The officers of the State Auxiliary shall be: (1) President, (2) First Vice President, (3) Second Vice President, (4) Recording Secretary, (5) Assistant Recording Secretary, (6) Treasurer, (7) Assistant Treasurer, (8) Corresponding Secretary, (9) Bible and Tract Distributor, (10) Assistant Bible and Tract Distributor, (11) Parliamentarian.

### ARTICLE VI

All officers shall be elected annually by nomination and majority vote. Each officer must be an active member of an auxiliary and shall be present in the session when elected.. No officer shall succeed herself more than once consecutively except the Treasurer and the Bible and Tract Distributor and assistant Bible and Tract Distributor.

### ARTICLE VII – Duties of Officers

#### SECTION I – President

The duties of the President shall be:

(a) To preside over all state meetings; (b) To appoint committees as directed by the Messenger Body; (c) To call special meetings when necessary; (d) To be active in looking after the welfare of the work.

**SECTION II – Vice Presidents**

The duties of the First Vice President shall be:

(a) To preside over the meetings in the absence of the President or when called upon by the President; (b) To perform the duties that usually devolve upon such officers; (c) Shall be Chairman of the Committee to Stimulate Interest.

The duties of the Second Vice President shall be:

(a) To preside over the meeting in the absence of the President and First Vice President or when called upon; (b) Shall be the Chairman of the Program Committee and shall appoint other committee members as needed to assist with the program; (c) To perform the duties that usually devolve upon such officers.

**SECTION III – Secretary**

The duties of the Secretary shall be:

(a) To keep a record of the proceedings of the meetings; (b) To announce special meetings; (c) To prepare and read reports as instructed by the Messenger Body; (d) To perform such other duties as may be necessary in carrying on the work of this office.

**SECTION IV – Treasurer**

The duties of the Treasurer shall be:

To receive and disburse funds as designated by the donors.

**SECTION V – Corresponding Secretary**

The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be:

(a) To correspond about necessary matters with the officers of the State Organization; (b) To report through our religious papers on the activities of Women's Work; (c) To correspond with the State Officers of other State Auxiliaries with regard to work and meetings; (d) To keep a mailing list of Auxiliaries over the state, both active and inactive; (e) To mail a report to all auxiliaries sometime during the year to encourage the help of all auxiliaries in reaching our State Project goal.

**SECTION VI – Bible and Tract Distributor**

The duties of the Bible and Tract Distributor shall be:

(a) To solicit funds and receive voluntary offerings for the Bible and Tract project. (b) Keep a record of money received and disbursed and present a yearly report at the annual meeting; (c) Encourage regular support of the Bible and Tract project; (d) Be available to correspond with those needing help or information concerning the use and purchase of tracts.

**SECTION VII – Parliamentarian**

The duties of the Parliamentarian shall be:

To advise the presiding officer on points of parliamentary

law and also to give similar advice to the body when they request it.

### **ARTICLE VIII – Membership**

Each church shall be entitled to three messengers who have been chosen by her Auxiliary and approved by the church.

### **ARTICLE IX – Contributions**

**SECTION I** -- All contributions to this Auxiliary shall be raised by voluntary offerings and shall be given to the Treasurer for proper disbursement.

**SECTION II** -- At each annual meeting, the messengers shall select, by majority vote, a special project within the confines of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas, for the coming year. (a) Individual or District Auxiliaries who shall desire to nominate a project shall be encouraged to send a copy of the proposal to the Corresponding Secretary by September 1 so that she may include such information in a publicity letter to auxiliaries over the state before the State Meeting; (b) Individual or District Auxiliaries who nominate a project should be prepared to present adequate information concerning the project; (c) All project offerings shall be given to the Treasurer for proper disbursement.

**SECTION III** -- At each annual meeting a Bible and Tract project within the confines of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas shall be selected and the Bible and Tract Distributor shall receive funds for this project and make proper disbursements.

### **ARTICLE X – Salaries**

**SECTION I** - The Secretary, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary shall receive salaries as designated by the messenger body.

**SECTION II** - The Treasurer shall reimburse the expenses incurred by the Secretary, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary in copying and mailing out reports as specified.

### **ARTICLE XI – Reports**

**SECTION I** -- This Auxiliary shall make an annual report of work accomplished by the combined Ladies Auxiliaries to the messengers of the churches which compose the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas when they are convened in annual session.

**SECTION II** -- Reports of local and district auxiliary work (Personal Service Reports and other reports of work accomplished)

shall be made at each annual session of this Auxiliary as provided for in the program of that meeting.

## **ARTICLE XII – Committees**

**SECTION I** -- Committees shall be appointed by the President except when the President requests that they be elected.

**SECTION II** -- A program committee shall be appointed by the Second Vice-President as she deems necessary to work with the entertaining church in preparation of the program material for each annual meeting.

## **ARTICLE XIII – Amendment**

These articles of agreement shall not be changed or amended unless the change of amendment be offered in writing during the morning session and permitted to lay over until the afternoon session. It may then be adopted only by a vote of two-thirds of the messengers.

## **POSTER RULES**

1. Each auxiliary circle is encouraged to bring one poster.
2. Each girl's auxiliary circle is allowed an entry.
3. We encourage the practice of lettering on all posters being done by members of the auxiliary. A person should not be hired for the job.
4. The posters are to be representative of the work which has been carried on throughout the past year. Pictures, facts or details should be given on the poster, making sure the project idea is carried over clearly.
5. New projects which have been underway need to be presented on the poster.
6. The posters should be of a uniform size -- 22 inches by 28 inches.
7. The name and location of the church can be placed on the front of the poster.
8. The posters will be judged by a committee of three ladies appointed by, and who are members of, the host church's Ladies' Auxiliary. In the event the host church does not have an active Ladies' Auxiliary, the judges will be ladies appointed by, and members of, the host church. First, Second and Third Place ribbons will be furnished and awarded by the Ladies' Auxiliary

of the host church. In the event the host church does not have an active Ladies' Auxiliary, the host church will be responsible for furnishing and awarding the ribbons.

## CHRISTIAN OUTREACH REPORT

We recommend the use of this report for encouragement of ourselves as auxiliaries in evaluation of our individual service to our Lord, our churches and others.

Explanation of "Christian Outreach Through Ladies' Auxiliary."

1. Personal Visits -- Any personal visit on behalf of your church or function of your church.
2. Hospital Visits and Visits to Sick -- Any visit to a person in the hospital or visit to sick in home.
3. Visits to Shut Ins -- Any visit to a person confined at home or nursing home because of permanent sickness or disability.
4. Comfort Visits -- Any personal visit made in time of death or adverse circumstances.
5. Telephone Calls -- Any telephone call made on behalf of your church or to show Christian concern or encouragement.
6. Cards and Letters Sent -- Any card or letter sent on behalf of your church or to show Christian concern or encouragement.
7. Bibles, Tracts or Literature Distributed -- Bibles, tracts or literature given out other than in a class situation.
8. Soul Talks -- Personal talks given with the intent of soul-winning or spiritual growth.
9. Flowers or Gifts Sent -- Flowers or gifts sent in Christian love.
10. Food Gifts Sent -- Food sent in time of need or to help or to encourage.
11. Christian Deeds Performed -- Any deed performed in Christian love, outside of your regular church duties.
12. Conversions Witnessed -- Seeing the fruit of salvation in a field that you helped cultivate.
13. Daily Bible Reader.

If your auxiliary is using the personal Service Report at this time, please begin using the new form.

**CHRISTIAN OUTREACH THROUGH  
LADIES' AUXILIARY**

Personal Visits \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital Visits \_\_\_\_\_

Visits to Sick or Shut-in \_\_\_\_\_

Comfort Calls \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Calls \_\_\_\_\_

Cards and Letters Sent \_\_\_\_\_

Bibles, Tracts or Literature Distributed \_\_\_\_\_

Soul Talks \_\_\_\_\_

Flowers, Gifts Sent \_\_\_\_\_

Food Gifts Sent \_\_\_\_\_

Christian Deeds Performed \_\_\_\_\_

Conversions Witnessed \_\_\_\_\_

Daily Bible Reader    Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(You may copy this form for your use.)

## REPORT FORM FOR STATE MEETING

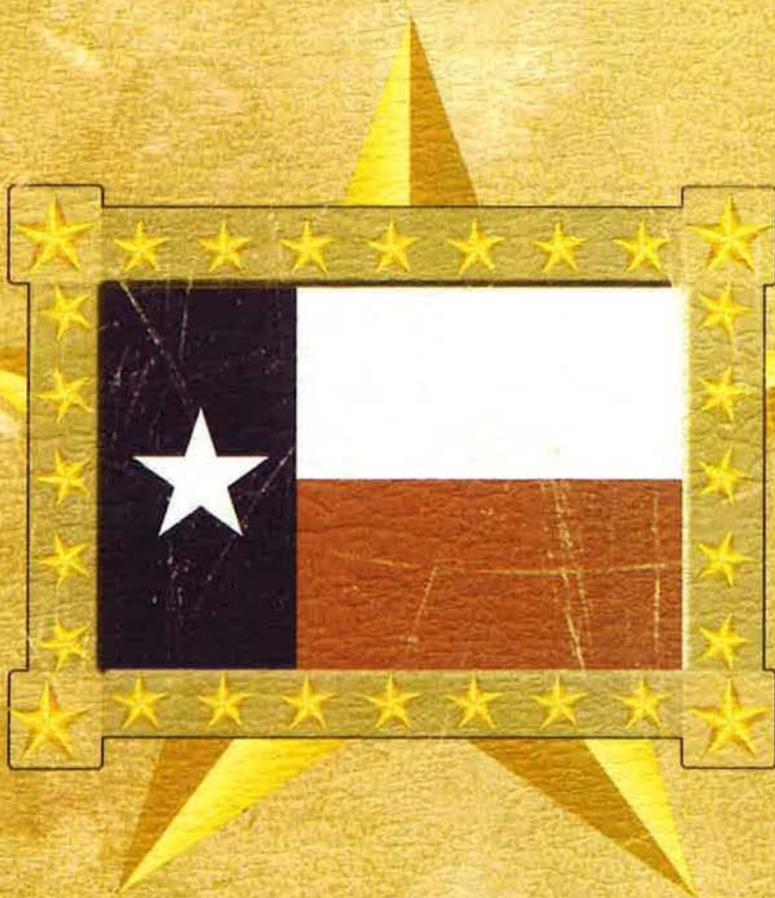
Please fill out the form below for your local auxiliary and bring to the State Meeting:

### CHRISTIAN OUTREACH REPORT FINANCIAL REPORT

Personal Visits	_____	Amount Raised	_____
Hospital Visits	_____	Missions	_____
Visits to Sick or Shut-in	_____	Orphans Home	_____
Comfort Visits	_____	Christian Education	_____
_____ Telephone Calls	_____	Benevolence	_____
Cards & Letters Sent	_____	Church Bldg. Fund	_____
Bibles, Tracts, or Literature Distributed	_____	Minutes	_____
Soul Talks	_____	Flowers	_____
Flowers & Gifts Sent	_____	Miscellaneous	_____
Food Gifts Sent	_____		
Christian Deeds Performed	_____	Total Brought	
Conversions Witnessed	_____	to	this
			meeting
_____			
Daily Bible Readers	_____		

Is this a local Aux. report \_\_\_\_\_ or a District report \_\_\_\_\_?

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Denison, Texas 75020  
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Pastor Rusty Denny**



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**In the event of an emergency during a session,  
messengers may be contacted at (903) 465-2518**

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