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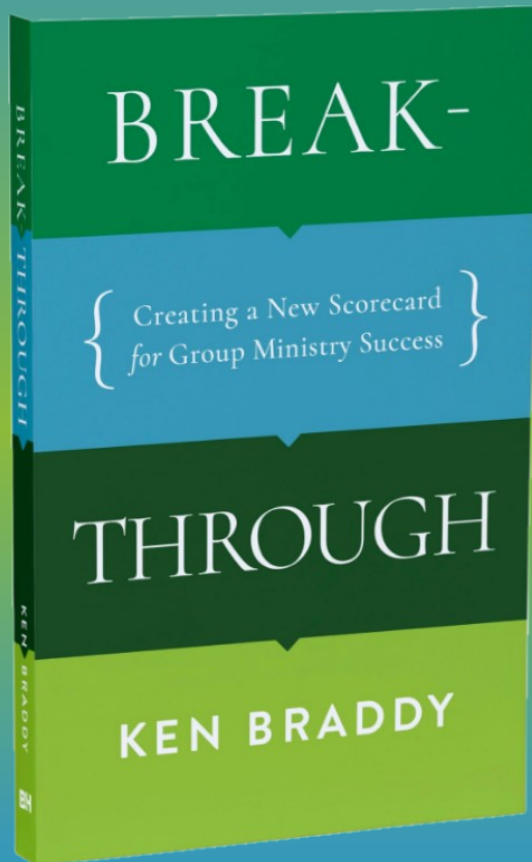
Dr. Rick Stevens, Associational Missionary

*Our Mission is
Strategically Resourcing
Churches to Carry out the
Great Commission*

Cumberland Baptist Association August 2023

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Join us for these two great opportunities!



*Sunday School &
Small Group
Training*

FBC St. Bethlehem

Monday

August 14, 2023

6:30p.m.-8:30p.m

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Additional Opportunity for Age Specific Training

If your church would like to participate in an additional training on Saturday, August 5th that is age group specific, one is being planned in partnership with the TBMB. Please contact the CBA office for details.

**The CBA office
will be closed
Monday,
September 04, 2023
for
Labor Day.**

From the Missionary



Rick Stevens

CBA Church Family,

It is hard to believe that August is here! It has been a great summer already. As I have been visiting many of our VBS events and seeing the ministry of our churches, it is obvious that the gospel is being shared and churches are engaged in some great opportunities to be the hands and feet of Jesus! As I write this, I have just returned with

a team of 28 from Nicaragua on a mission trip. We saw the Lord do great things with a team representing 6 CBA churches and the BCM. Several people came to know Jesus during our time there, a family got their first house, we helped a church with another building project, VBS was held with about 125 children and about 40 or 50 adults. I was delighted to see how well our team represented the Lord and our churches on this adventure of ministry. Recently, on another project, we were able to serve over 300 faculty and staff lunch at APSU. This allows us to build bridges that can help our BCM and churches minister on our local campus in a variety of ways. It has been a very good summer!

While summer has been great, our minds turn toward the beginning of school and all that means for schedules of our community and our churches. There are two great training sessions available for your church regarding Sunday School and Small Group Ministry. On August 5, from 9-11:30 AM, at Pleasant View Baptist Church, there is training that is specific to every age level. We have some great folks coming to help us. If you have not been part of a training event like this in a while, please join us for the event. There is a 2nd training event that is led by Ken Braddy of Lifeway at FBC St. Bethlehem on Monday, August 14 at 6:30 PM. This is a large group gathering for all teachers and leaders of Sunday School and Small Groups. Ken will be teaching through the book "Breakthrough: Creating a New Scorecard for Group Ministry Success." You will want to join us for this great opportunity!

Finally, as we celebrate what God is doing among us, we also want to be praying for several churches in our Association that are going through pastoral turnover. We have several churches that are at some level of looking for a new pastor. That means that they are in a season of transition. God can do great things in a season like that, but it is also possible for a church to be discouraged or distracted. In the big picture of our Southern Baptist Family, there is a shortage of people pursuing God's call to ministry. We will address this in our annual meeting in October, by focusing on "Calling out the Called."

Until then, let's pray that God provides in great ways for the needs of our churches.

In Christ,

Bro. Rick Stevens

Churches Without Pastors

*FBC Ashland City, Cumberland City,
Erin, Gum Springs, Little West Fork,
Spring Creek & Northeast*

ACP Information

**Be on the lookout for your
ACP Packet soon.**

**The packet will be either delivered or
mailed by the end of August.**

**They are due back to the CBA office
by Friday, October 06, 2023.**

**Please contact the office if you need any
assistance in completing this vital
information.**



Nicaraguan Mission Team 2023



Thank You for your Prayers!

Mark Your Calendar!

Pastor/Staff Lunch

Thursday, August 24, 2023

11:30 a.m.

Spring Creek Baptist Church

CONGRATULATIONS!



Excell Baptist Church hosted a retirement reception on July 15th at Excell Baptist Church for Pastor Terrell Marcom and his family. He is retiring on August 31st. The Marcoms have served at Excell for 27 years.

Ladies' Coffee

Saturday, Aug 19
10:00 – 11:30



APSU Baptist Collegiate
Ministry Building (BCM)

Speaker: Kacey Bunger ~ Kacey grew up in Clarksville, married Josh and moved to Colorado where they served as missionaries.

Music by: Star Berry

Invitation: At close of our meeting you're invited to join us as we pray walk APSU campus.

God uses ordinary Women to achieve Kingdom purposes!

Deadline to Register: Friday, August 11, contact Sandra, 931-449-0083 or womensoutreach.cba@gmail.com
Sponsored by Women's Outreach Team, CBA



Leaders'
ENCOURAGEMENT DAY WITH
JIM CYMBALA
BROOKLYN TABERNACLE PASTOR

SEPTEMBER 7 FBCT.ORG/CYMBALA

SPONSORED AND HOSTED BY:
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THANK YOU!

CBA Summer Missionaries



Mackenzie & Emmi

The CBA Summer Missionaries have blessed and encouraged so many this summer, including the CBA Staff. Thank You for your hard work and dedication to Kingdom Works!

Middle TN REGIONAL WORSHIP SUMMIT



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CREATIVITY

SCOTT SHEPHERD
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LOCATIONS/DATES

EAST TENNESSEE

Saturday, August 5
First Baptist, Seymour
11621 Chapman Hwy

WEST TENNESSEE

Saturday, August 12
Englewood Baptist, Jackson
2239 N Highland Ave

MIDDLE TENNESSEE

Saturday, August 19
Belle Aire Baptist, Murfreesboro
1307 N Rutherford Blvd



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Dr. Bowie sees clients on
Mondays from
8:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.
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Tuesday/Thursday
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 13TH

COLLEGIATE DAY OF PRAYER



**COLLEGIATE
MINISTRY**



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Schedule of Events

| DATE | EVENT | LOCATION | TIME |
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| August 5, 2023 | Additional Opportunity for Age Specific Training | TBA | Call The CBA office for Details |
| August 13, 2023 | BCM - Collegiate Day of Prayer | | |
| August 14, 2023 | Sunday School & Small Group Training | St. Bethlehem | 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. |
| August 19, 2023 | Middle TN Regional Worship Summit | Belle Aire Baptist | See website for details. |
| August 19, 2023 | Ladies' Coffee - Deadline to Register is August 11th | BCM | 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. |
| August 24, 2023 | Pastor & Staff Lunch | Spring Creek BC | 11:30 a.m. |
| September 7, 2023 | Leader's Encouragement Day with Jim Cymbala | FBC Clarksville | 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. |
| October 6, 2023 | ACP Packet Due | CBA Office | |
| October 6, 2023 | Men's Conference | FBC Woodlawn | 6:00 p.m. |
| October 23, 2023 | CBA Annual Meeting | Living Hope at Dunbar Cave | 6:30 p.m. |