



The Monthly Newsletter of the Cumberland Baptist Association

Dr. Rick Stevens, Associational Missionary

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

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FRIDAY
7:30PM SESSION 1 @ FBC 9:15PM DISMISS TO HOST HOMES
SATURDAY
8:30AM SESSION 2 @ FBC
9:30AM DISMISS TO WORKSITE (LUNCH @ WORKSITES)
4:00PM DISMISS TO HOST HOME
7:30PM SESSION 3 @ FBC
SUNDAY
WORSHIP @ HOME CHURCH
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CBA VBS Training Clinic & More Saturday April 13th 9:00 a.m.

From the Missionary



Rick Stevens

CBA Church Family,

A New Year is in some ways a bit of a mirage. Turning the calendar from December to January really is not that big of a deal, as long as you remember to change the year when you write the date. However, it is somehow something bigger. The

changing of the year can cause all of us to have some desire to evaluate and sometimes change some habits, perceptions, and plans. This can be true for a church as well as an individual. If you look at our churches from a purely statistical aspect, many Baptist churches are in need of what we call "revitalization." The word "revitalize," according to the American Heritage Dictionary, is a verb that means "to impart new life or vigor to," or "To restore vitality to; to bring back to life." When we think about the church, we know that God is the Source of Life. We recognize that the Church belongs to God and His Word gives us instruction about how we function. Having said that, there are several helpful ways to assess our church, address needs and pray for God's directions in considering the future of the local church where we belong and serve. We are connecting with two avenues for learning about church revitalization.

The first opportunity is a conference in Mt. Juliet in conjunction with the TBC that is dedicated to Church Revitalization. This conference is February 22-23 and details can be found in our materials and on the TBMB website. I plan on attending and would be glad to have several of our churches represented. The second opportunity will be in April at our Spring Meeting. We will have our Spring CBA meeting on April 22 at 6:30 at Northeast BC. Larry Murphy will be our speaker and will share material entitled "Church Revitalization in All Sized Churches." We hope you will join us for these times, but I have some resources that I would be glad to point you toward if you cannot make it. Let me know if I can help you in any way with resources like this. May we see God do great things in His Church!

In Christ,

Bro. Rick Stevens

Churches Without Pastors

Cumberland City, Dotsonville, Erin, Excell, Hillcrest, Little West Fork & One Heart



LeAnn Fambrough Memorial Scholarship

We will be
accepting
applications
February 1st
through March 15th. To

apply, you must be a member of a cooperating

Cumberland Baptist Association Church.
The Application can be found
under the "resource" tab at

www.cbatn.org.

Please mail completed application to: P.O. Box 3837 Clarksville, TN 37043 or email to <u>cba@cbatn.org</u>.

CBA Summer Missionary Program

*Time Frame: June and July

*Application Period February 1st - March 15th.

*Explore different types of ministry and service.

*Work with children, students and explore missions.

College students, what does your summer look like? We have a way for you to stay based in Clarksville with a measure of flexibility and explore God's call on your life, while helping churches and beyond! You will get to learn about sharing your faith, see what ministry looks like in several settings, and get to meet some great people. We do provide a small weekly stipend for our missionaries. Our missionary program last year was a great success! If you would be interested in applying, check out the CBA website or contact the Cumberland Baptist Association office to learn more about this opportunity.

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Saturday, Feb. 17th 10:00 - Noon

Hilldale Baptist Church
Bldg. B
2001 Madison St
(Turn onto Maxwell Dr. Bldg. B
is the 2nd bldg. on the left)

Join us for fun, fellowship, and door prizes!

Lea is a member of Erin Baptist Church and will share her experience as a CBA Chosen Children Team Member.

Each summer God does amazing things as individuals from our Association travel to Nicaragua! They serve with Chosen Children Ministries which seeks to impact families for Christ through humanitarian aid, child sponsorship, church planting, drilling wells, education, VBS and more.

Ladies 12 and older invited. **Deadline to Register:** Friday, February 9th

(If it snows Feb 17, we'll meet Feb. 24)

Call / text Sandra Mackens, 931-449-0083 or

 $\pmb{ \text{Email:}} \underline{ \textbf{womensoutreach.cba@gmail.com}}\\$

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Christian Counseling Biblical Counselor

Dr. Melvin Felts
Appointments available
Tuesday/Thursday
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
by appointment only
Call (931) 358-9036



FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

Week of Prayer ● March 3 - 10, 2024







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Schedule of Events				
DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	
February 1st - March 15th	Accepting LeAnn Fambrough Memorial Scholarship	СВА	See Website for Details	
February 1st - March 15th	Accepting Summer Missionary Program Applications	СВА	See Website for Details	
February 10, 2024	VBS Director's Brunch	Tabernacle Missionary BC	9:00 a.m 11:30 a.m.	
February 11, 2024	Nicaragua Mission Trip - Interest Meeting	Spring Creek BC	2:30 p.m.	
February 16 - 18, 2024	DNOW 24 - Invade Our City	Clarksville, TN	Contact CBA for Details	
February 17, 2024	Ladies Valentine Coffee	Hilldale - Building B	10:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	
February 21, 2024	Pastor/Staff Lunch	Spring Creek BC	11:30 a.m.	
February 22 - 23, 2024	Church Revitalization Conference @ Victory Baptist	Mount Juliet, TN	See Website for Details	
March 3 - 10, 2024	Annie Armstrong - Week of Prayer			
March 22 - 23, 2024	YEC - Youth Evangelism	New Vision BC	See Website for Details	
April 22, 2024	Executive Board Meeting	Northeast BC	6:30 a.m 11:30 a.m.	