



Director of Mission's Report

Praise the Lord for the many blessings we have received this year. **Let's pray that 2009 will be the best year our association has ever experienced.** Thank you for your faithful support this past year. If we can help you or your church in any way, please call on us. Pray that as we begin a new year, that we may see many new works started for Christ. Please make a new commitment to be faithful to your associational events. We are always open to helpful suggestions.

Let's remember these verses as we march forward for the Lord in this New Year ahead of us. (Phil 3:13 KJV) 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 things which are before. (Phil 3:14 KJV) I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Cedar Grove, Buddy Mullinax, Pastor: We hosted the Annual Meeting on October 2. We had a Pastor Appreciation dinner for Bro. Buddy and Mrs. Evelyn on October 12. We also had a fall revival on October 19-22 which was held by Bro. Gray. We will be having a Thanksgiving dinner on November 23. We will be going Christmas Caroling in December and will have a fellowship meal and Santa on December 7. We wish every one a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

FBC McEwen, Jonathan Witt, Pastor: We are pleased to announce the expansion of our sanctuary to add about 50 more seats. The construction should actually be completed by the first week of December. Praise God for His provision and may He fill up His Church for His own glory!

FBC Waverly, Dennis Perkins, Pastor: Things are busy at FBC Waverly. We are gearing up for the Week of Prayer for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering which will be the 1st week of December. Many of our Sunday School classed have posted their Christmas parties on the church calendar and this is always a good time of fellowship with one another. We have collected over 800 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. We have had 5 new additions and 2 baptisms within the past month. May God continue to bless and may everyone have a safe and happy Christmas season.

Pomona, B. Carter Elmore, Pastor: We had fall revival on October 12 – 15 with Braxton Hunter preaching and Don Burnett leading the music. The Gospel Aires were here with us for special music one night during the revival. There were 3 saved (2 of them joined the Church), plus 3 others to join the Church and 8 rededications during the revival. We have had 4 other additions since the beginning of our Church year in September. On October 31 we had trunk-or-treat and some other activities for the children. There were about 300 who came and participated. On December 7 we will be having foreign missionaries visiting with us and following the morning worship we will have dinner. On December 14 at 10:45 our choir will present a cantata entitled "Welcome to our World". During the evening service at 6 p.m. on the 14th the children will present a Christmas variety program. On December 21 the children will have a special Sunday School/recognition during the morning worship service. Come and join us for these special events. We also want to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a joyous New Year.

Slayden, Dwayne Smith, Pastor: We have had good attendance the last few weeks and the Lord has blessed us. Our ladies enjoyed the WMU Retreat at Kentucky Lake in November and was honored to host the Associational WMU Quilting Event. Please pray for our congregation as we have lost 2 members this month, Charlie Adkins and Chris Adkins. Both killed in separate car accidents. Please pray for this family and our church as we go through this difficult time together. We know they had been saved and that they are now in heaven.

Trace Creek, Mark Warren, Pastor: On October 5th Carla Sanderson from Union University came and shared with us about the terrible tornado that destroyed the campus, but no loss of life, back in May, but how God and His people are providing for the rebuilding. On October 18 we had 4 G.A.s and leaders who went to the JAM conference in Jackson. On October 26th we had Youth Sunday, the youth led us in the morning worship services and did a great job. The month of November we focused on the project, Samaritans Purse, we received 102 boxes. Dec 2 we hosted the annual associational Lottie Moon get together at 10:00am. This starts the emphasis for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. On Dec. 14th our adult choir will present the Christmas Cantata, "A Christmas Offering" at the morning worship service. On Dec 27th we have a group of youth who will be attending the Xtreme Conference in Gatlinburg. A group of our men went and helped cut trees at Beech Grove Baptist Church to help ready the location for a new sanctuary. We have had two new members join our fellowship. Trace Creek Baptist Church wishes for each church a most blessed Christmas Season.

Vanleer, Phil Corbin, Pastor: Hello everyone! Our church celebrated our homecoming September 14th with the singing group Hosanna. We were pleasantly surprised to have our own Bro. Gray there and also to preach for us. Thank you, Bro. Gray for your services. On October 19th, we acknowledged Pastor Appreciation Day with a basket of goodies for Bro. Phil. We are very grateful for him and his family for their dedication. We've much to be thankful for, including one saved just recently. Praise God! On a sad note, we will miss our long-time friend and member, Ellen Cuthbertson. She went to be with our Lord on Thanksgiving Day. Please continue to pray for us as well as our nation.

Calendar of Events

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**"For we are laborers together
with God."**

-1 Cor. 3:9

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January

4-7: January Bible Study

10: Deacons Conference @ FBC White Bluff

15-16: Associational Secretaries Celebration Baptist Center; Brentwood

17: Advisory Council Mtg. @ Sylvia BC, 10:30 am

18: Sanctity OF Human Life Sunday

26: Executive Board Meeting @ FBC McEwen Meal 6pm; Meeting 7 pm

31: Crossover

February

"True Love Waits" Emphasis Month

8: Evangelism Conference @ TBA, 6 pm

9: Joint Assoc. Evangelism Conference, 7 pm @ TBA- Meal at 6 pm

28: Crossover

March

2-8: Week of Prayer for North America and Annie Armstrong

6-7: Youth Evangelism Conference Municipal Auditorium Nashville, TN

8-14: Youth Week

14: Bible Fun Field Day @ Linden Valley

15: Substance Abuse Prevention

22-28: Sunday School Emphasis Week

Associational WMU

Quilting

Ladies gathered in November at Slayden Baptist Church to assemble quilts. The quilts that were made were made to distribute to young ladies who are pregnant, to minister the love of Jesus Christ to them in a practical way.

Pictured right are those who participated.



*Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year*

