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**Cost
Boys
\$50**

Fathers need opportunities to develop a godly legacy. Men, this is one of those opportunities for you to bond with your sons, create some amazing memories, and get some great insights into God's word about leading our families. There is going to be fun recreation, meaningful devotions, and a bonfire time that your sons will not forget! If you do not have boys of your own, would you consider being a sponsor for a young man at your church?

Pastors: It would be so helpful if you would create a list of boys that need that male influence in their lives that are not getting it at home. And make a list of men that you would trust to lead these boys, and then ask those men directly if they would consider being a sponsor to a boy or two for this retreat. This retreat can be a huge step toward equipping and empowering your men to raise the next generation of men for your church.

Fishing Swimming Zip-Line Canoes Games for the Boys

Call the SJBA office at 281-422-3604 OR [register online at sanjacintobaptist.com](http://sanjacintobaptist.com) OR via email to sjba@sanjacintobaptist.com



Senior Life BBQ

October 5, 2017
10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
Lake Tomahawk
Cost \$10 per person

Entertainment by:
Dr. Margaret Nikol

“To God Be the Glory”
(concert Violinist, Inspirational Speaker)

Margaret is the only living member of her entire family. Both of her parents and her brother, all pastors in Bulgaria, gave their lives for the Gospel. Today Dr. Margaret Nikol devotes her life to serving the Lord, as she ministers to churches and Christian organizations with her outstanding music and powerful testimony of faith.

Churches ~ go to <http://sanjacintobaptist.com/event/senior-life-ministry-bbq/> to register your participants online so we will receive a running tally of your numbers. We need the bulk of the registrations by September 25th so enough food can be prepared.

SJBA Annual Meeting

October 17, 2017
4:30 pm—8:30 pm

2 Corinthians 4:6-7

Prepare your Messengers now. And, all church members are welcome to attend, too! This year's meeting will be held at:

Fellowship Community Baptist Church
1700 Danubina
Baytown, TX 77520

You won't want to miss the

“Ministry Toolbox” at 4:30 pm

Dinner at 5:30 pm

Annual Meeting at 6:30 pm





Something To Think About

Randy Gilchrist, Executive Director

As families are thinking about back to school, in the SJBA office we are thinking about and planning Annual Meeting. This year church members will have the opportunity prior to the Annual Meeting to be a part of a Ministry Tool

Box. What is a Ministry Tool Box? I'm glad you asked. A Ministry Tool Box is an opportunity for church members to hear about various ministries their church can get involved in. One hour before dinner there will be eight different ministry presentations in eight different rooms. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear and ask questions concerning the ministry the presenters are talking about. There will be two twenty minute sessions which will allow each person to attend two sessions. To get the information for all the presentations there will need to be at least four people per church going to two sessions each.

After the Ministry Tool Box, there will be dinner, followed by the Annual Meeting. Sandy Jones describes the Annual Meeting as, "This ain't your grandma's Annual Meeting." The SJBA annual meetings have become more of an experience in worship rather than a series of reports. The theme for this year is, "Divine Treasure...Clay Pots...Poured Out" from 2 Corinthians 4:6-7.

The Annual Meeting is being hosted by the members of Fellowship Community Baptist Church and Pastor Steven Richard. You don't have to be a messenger to come to the Annual Meeting. See you there.

One last thing. As I look through the list of the kings in the Bible, I am struck by the statement by so many, "They did evil in the sight of the Lord." But even with all the negative there were a few where it says, including King Asa, "They did what was right in the sight of the Lord." 1 Kings 15:9 -24 speaks of the reign of King Asa as he banished the perverted persons from the land, he removed all the idols, and he cut down obscene images and burnt them. The next verse (14) says, But the high places were not removed." He had a heart that was loyal to the Lord, but those things that could draw the people away were not removed. The question: What is the "But" in our lives that has the potential of drawing us away from obedience to the Lord?

SBTC Annual Meeting



For the Common Good

Carey D. Froelich, Associate Director for Church Enrichment

ESV Mark 6:51 And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded,⁵² for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

From all my years serving on staff in a church, the Fall was always the beginning of a new year. Promotion Day with (at least the children and youth) moving into new Bible study units, Wednesday night is restored to its more *normal* schedule, and new teachers, new study opportunities, and a kind of *fresh start* for the whole program takes over the mindset of the membership. It's a good time, and the church frequently experiences a kind of spiritual and emotional lift as things settle back into routine.

However, *routine* can have its disadvantages. Consider the 12 in the passage above. They had developed enough of a routine that the travel, the teaching, and even the spectacular things that Jesus was doing among them had become a little...*ordinary*. Here, Jesus fed 5,000 men—don't forget to add the women and children who were likely present as well—and sent his team across the lake while he went to pray. When he had completed his time with the Father, he went to them, *walking on the troubled water!* Look at the words Mark uses to describe the reaction of those who were his closest companions: *astounded, did not understand*. I wonder if they were, by this time, so comfortable with the things that Jesus did, that they were just totally *blind* to the miracle of His Presence! We think that Simon Peter was a major contributor to Mark's reporting this event, and I wonder if—some 20 years after-the-fact—he may have been the one to acknowledge that *his heart* was impenetrable.

What this little story says to me is this: be very careful in thinking that *getting back into the routine of the normal church calendar* is necessarily a good thing. Sometimes doing what is *familiar* may make us blind to the phenomenal things that God wants to do in our midst. So, as the new church year gets underway, let's explore its opportunities, because we never know when the Lord may want to join us in our boats.

SJBA Rio Grande Valley Christmas Project

We are accepting items early this year for the Valley trip! And, we are accepting donations to purchase the items to go into the Christmas stockings for the Valley Trip. We have space to store any items you have purchased or plan to purchase so go ahead and bring them to the Association office any time between now and November. Shop resale shops or garage sales for "gently used" items, dollar stores, clearance sales, or buy them in bulk now.

Your help is needed and appreciated as in the past we have *not* had enough stocking stuffers for the number of stockings made. Stockings and stocking stuffers must be brought to the SJBA office no later than November 13, 2017 for this year's trip December 1-3.

Call the SJBA office at 281.422.3604 for more information.

Lake Tomahawk News

Patrick Flowers, Camp Manager



Greetings from Lake Tomahawk! Summer was busy and exciting, but we are looking forward to our upcoming camps during retreat season. Our next few months are filling up and we have a lot of churches using Lake Tomahawk to meet their needs. It is exciting to serve groups of all ages and groups from all over the state. Please pray for Lake Tomahawk as we continue to serve our guests and make the ministry of Lake Tomahawk fulfilling to our churches. Check your calendars to book a retreat with us.

Other exciting news for Lake Tomahawk! We are in the process of purchasing 26 acres adjoining our property. The property is outside our main entrance to the camp up to the blacktop road where Lake Tomahawk Road and Midway Central intersects. So soon we own both sides of our road entering the camp. We will no longer have to worry about the trees being cut and it will provide new opportunities for future development.

Lake Tomahawk is continuing to grow to meet your needs, so please keep the prayers coming. Take some time to come see us soon.

International Boys Shelter Christmas Gifts

Join other churches in SJBA to provide Christmas gifts for the local International Boys Shelter. The age of these boys is between 12-18 years old. Stocking stuffers (ie. toothbrushes, toothpaste, sketch pads, charcoal pencils), small hand held games, clothes, individual gifts, throw blankets, or group gifts for the game room are needed.

Call the SJBA office at 281.422.3604 for more information.



November 12-14, 2017

Waco Convention Center
100 Washington Ave
Waco, TX 76701

Above all, Texas Baptists are called by Jesus to live Compelled, to love our neighbors and share Christ. Through speakers, workshops and worship at the 2017 Texas Baptists Annual Meeting in Waco, we will explore exactly what it means to be led to live God-honoring lives. Join us this November as we ignite hearts and renew passions to embody the Great Commandment and the Great Commission every day.

Tax Seminar ~ Oct 19

Taxes & Ministers ~ 9:00 am—Noon
Ministers need to know how to correctly file their taxes.

Taxes & Churches ~ 1:30 to 4:30 pm
Churches need to know how to correctly report payroll taxes, honorariums, etc.

Register to reserve your seat at one or both of these training sessions by calling 281-422-3604 or via online registration at www.sanjacintobaptist.com

(Note: lunch is on your own for both sessions)

Senior Life Ministry Day Trip Bayou Bend Christmas Village December 18, 2017

Cost estimate \$20 for gardens and tour / \$4 bus donation.

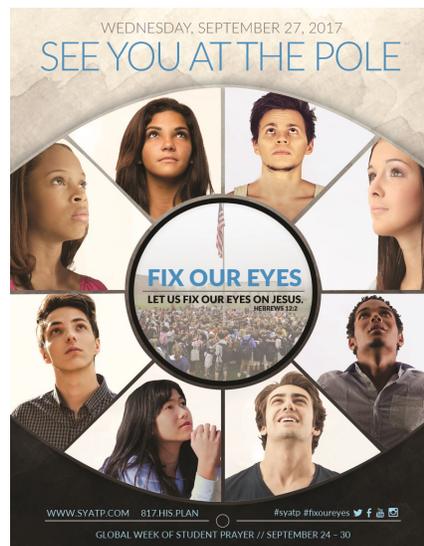
Tickets not on sale, yet; however, tickets must be paid in advance no later than October 2nd. Departure time for this evening event will be announced soon.

Discover an immersive Christmas experience at the beautiful [Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens](#) nestled in River Oaks. Get in the spirit of the holiday with Holiday-themed tours of Ima Hogg's historic mansion crafted by Todd Waite which features live actors, theatrical effects, and Christmas decorations. *Christmas Village is rain or shine.*

Register online at www.sanjacintobaptist.com or call our office: 281-422-3604.

ALL Fall Fellowships
start back up
in September

Wednesday



September 27, 2017

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September Birthdays

9/2.....Mike Martin, First Huffman
 9/3.....Roger Feeback, San Jacinto Deer Park
 9/17.....Taylor Schmitt, Second Baytown
 9/26.....Domingo Castillo, Retired Pastor

September Church Anniversaries

9/18/1994.....Sam Hughes, Fisher Road Baytown
 9/10/1995.....Jorge Reynaga, Templo La Porte
 9/12/1999.....Steven Richard, Fellowship Baytown
 9/10/2000.....Dr. Mark Broussard, Cedar Bayou Bytwn
 9/09/2001.....Henry Davis, Newport Community Crosby
 9/01/2004.....Al Smith, Cypress Point Huffman
 9/01/2007.....Bryan Dickens, Lake Tomahawk
 9/26/2011.....Kimberly Jones, First Baytown

September Fellowships and Meetings

African American Pastors fellowship Monday,
 September 11 at 9:00 am at IHOP Baytown.

Lake Tomahawk meeting Tuesday, September 12 at
 2:00 pm at Mission Center.

Ministers' Fellowship Thursday, September 14 at 9:00 am
 at Mission Center.

Coordinating Council will meet Monday, September 18 at
 10:00 am at Mission Center.

Executive Board meeting Monday, September 18 at
 11:30 am (lunch) / 12:00 pm (meeting) at Mission Center.

Hispanic Pastors Fellowship will meet Tuesday,
 September 19 at 7:00 pm at Mission Center.

Other Important Dates to Remember

SJBA Office Closed Labor Day holiday September 4th

Annual Reports due back to SJBA September 15th

Annual Church Profile due back to SJBA September 8th

Texas Baptists Week of Prayer & Mary Hill Davis
Offering September 10-17

Southern Baptists Reach Texas Week of Prayer &
Offering September 17-24

See You at the Pole September 27th



Tell Lee College students you
 know about Thursday lunches at
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 lowing churches for providing the
 Lee College BSM lunch.

9/07.....Second Highlands
 9/14.....Wooster Baytown
 9/21.....Bayshore La Porte
 9/28.....Cedar Bayou Baytown
 10/05.....Second Baytown
 10/12.....Central Baytown