

VBS Training Sessions to include both Concrete & Cranes AND Destination Dig!

Are you using Concrete and Cranes? Or, are you using Destination Dig? This year both VBS Training Sessions will cover *both* the 2020 and 2021 Themes. Sign up today!



VBS Directors' Clinic

March 2, 2021

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Register today for in person at San Jacinto Baptist Association, 1020 Birdsong Dr., Baytown or via Zoom. Register online at www.sanjacintobaptist.com or call to register 281-422-3604

VBS Training Clinic

April 17, 2021

9:00 am – 12:00 pm (noon)

Register today for in person at Cedar Bayou Baptist Church, 3116 N. Alexander Dr., Baytown or via Zoom.

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Something To Think About

Randy Gilchrist, Executive Director

As of February, the world has been dealing with the Pandemic for a year. It has been a difficult year for everyone, as we have all been touched either with the COVID-19 virus personally or know of individuals who have contracted it

and others who have lost their lives because of it. But through it all God has comforted and sustained us as we have looked to Him.

As we face the coming days let us all focus our eyes and hearts upon Jesus Christ, make Him our priority without compromise to the world's culture, and live to honor Him with every word and action we make. In the fourth chapter of the book of Amos, God says through Amos, "I gave you famine v.6; I also withheld the rain from you v.7; I struck you with blight and mildew v.9; I sent among you a pestilence v.10; and I overthrew some of you, as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, v.11. In all of these God said, "Yet you have not returned to me." Maybe instead of praying for our country to return to God, we, as God's children need to return to Him in repentance, submit to His will in obedience, and live according to His will as we *Press On* together.

Senior Life Fish Fry

at Lake Tomahawk

April 22, 2021



For more information visit www.sanjacintobaptist.com or please call the association office at 281.422.3604.

Senior Life Update

Senior Life Council will meet February 9 to discuss Senior Life Events and whether any of the current events should be rescheduled due to Covid. Please note Harris County has suspended the bus program indefinitely.



For the Common Good

Carey D. Froelich, Associate Director for Church Enrichment

ESV Nehemiah 4:6 So we built the wall. And all the wall was joined together to half its height, for the people had a mind to work.

Every time I read this simple verse, I am reminded that the work we do on behalf of the Lord and His kingdom often produces "a wall joined to half its height." Whether it is a regular Bible Study, a special seminar, or preaching the Gospel, I have discovered that when I complete the task, there is always more to do. Much more! Nehemiah's testimony has served as an encouragement for me in that at every point of transition that God has given me, I can look back and see the evidence that he has used me, if only to get my mission underway.

I think about my time with SJBA and I am grateful for the bricks that have been laid during my time: I've been privileged to represent you numerous times in our member churches, led seminars and Bible studies, and had the joy of being a part of our on-going prayer ministry. But beyond those activities, I think the best work—the most important brick-laying I have done—is in building relationships with you.

Lee Walker helped me discover the joy of working in the best little association in Texas, and his co-workers then—Chuck Taylor, Sandy Jones, Risa Smith, Rosie Rendon, and Mary Brennan—helped me learn about the important ministry that God has given us. And then Randy Gilchrist and the current team—Suzi Ronning, Tara Dodds, and Greta Dossey—have blessed me repeatedly by listening, supporting, re-directing, and always assisting me in the specific tasks that grew from my assignment. Our Lake Tomahawk staff have done a fantastic job throughout the years in making and keeping that magnificent facility a context for sharing the Gospel; thanks to Pat Flowers, Bryan and Angie Dickens, and Nick Wilson for their help in my work as well. In the last year or so, when Covid devastated so many of our regular events, our Prayer Coordinator, Bobbie Worsham met with Randy and me to plan for our monthly Prayer Gatherings. That's the greatest construction tool of all.

God is leading me to start a new wall as I relocate to Virginia. I do not know what it will look like, but I am confident that He will give me a vision of what it will be. This wonderful time of ministry and service with and through you has helped me discover and sharpen the tools I will need to get my new project underway. One of those special tools, of course, is God's Word, and the beautiful and meaningful *Journaling Bible* you presented to me at my last Executive Committee meeting is a wonderful gift that reminds me of my time with you and will serve me in the next steps. Thank you for the precious Treasure of His Word; thank you for giving me the opportunity to build God's Kingdom with you.



FREE!
Need to Know Workshop
Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body

February 20, 2021
9:00 am—Noon

Presenter: TBA,
Alzheimer Association

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**Week of Prayer and Missions Study for
North American Missionaries and
Annie Armstrong Offering**

March 7 - 14, 2021

*What is the Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering? (AAEO)*

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) is the primary way the North American Mission Board (NAMB) supports mission efforts in North America. **One hundred percent** of gifts given to AAEO are used to support Southern Baptist missionaries serving across the United States and Canada.

The Week of Prayer for North American missions is annually observed by SBC churches to pray for missionaries, their ministries and their families. Prayer is the fuel for spiritually sustaining missionaries in places where the gospel is greatly needed, but often opposed.

For a prayer guide: <https://www.anniearmstrong.com/week-of-prayer/>



Prayer Coordinator

Dr. B.L. Worsham

“Jesus said: Love your enemies—”
(Matthew 5:44)

February, dedicated to especially celebrate “Love.” Love for God, Divine love; holy love; thankful love, and love for each other.

How can this rightly be accomplished? Many would reply, “I love those who love me; I avoid my enemies!” What has Jesus commanded? “Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;” Why? “That you may be the children of your Father which is in heaven!” It is helpful to know the Greek divisions of the four meanings of the word “Love.”

- There is “Storge” which is family love, meaning love between mother and daughter, father, and son: natural family love.
- And “Eros” denotes a passionate feeling of a man for a woman, and vice versa including sexual attraction.
- Third is “Philia” the warmest Greek expression, describing an individual’s truest, most trusted friend, the highest kind of love.
- There is “Agape” meaning no matter how this person treats you; insults or injures you, you will continue loving him/her with undying affection. This love only a Christian can achieve!

Jesus said, “Love my enemy!” He/she who hates me? How can this be? “Pray for him!” You cannot pray for him and continue to hate him. Ask blessings for him. Also ask God to change your heart, then you have—

--fulfilled God’s impossible commandment. (Matthew 5:44)



**2021 SJBA Summer Camps
at Lake Tomahawk**

NEW DATES!!

\$50 deposit reserves each spot.

More details coming soon!

Camp registration opens ***March 1***

Youth Camp

July 5 - 9, 2021

For Junior High and High School boys and girls.

Preteen Camp

July 25 - 29, 2021

For boys and girls completed 3rd through 6th grades.

Boys Camp

Aug 2 - 6, 2021

For boys completed 1st through 12th grades.

Girls Camp

Aug 2 - 6, 2021

For girls completed 1st through 6th grades.

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~ Birthdays ~

02/07 Dr. Mark Broussard, Cedar Bayou Bytn
02/09 David Garza, Cedar Bayou Baytown
02/11 Gene Littlejohn, Northside Highlands
02/26 Tommy Clements, Second Baytown
02/26 Angie Dickens, Lake Tomahawk

~ Church Anniversaries ~

02/01/91 Joe Mangum, Harvest Crosby
02/14/98 Jerry Johnson, Second La Porte
02/09/03 Sergio Pedraza, Agua Viva Highlands
02/01/06 Jim Looney, Baptist Temple Baytown
02/06/07 Angie Dickens, Lake Tomahawk



Due to Covid-19 food restrictions we will not be able to have the Thursday lunches in the month of February. We anticipate restarting lunches sometime in the very near future.

Thank you to all the churches who participate in this very important college ministry!

Next Prayer Gathering
February 16
9:00 am

In person or via Zoom. Call for more information 281-422-3604 or visit our website at www.sanjacintobaptist.com

~ Meetings ~

Senior Life Council will meet Tuesday, February 9 at 10:30 am at Mission Center.

Lake Tomahawk Meeting will meet Tuesday, February 9 at 2:00 pm at Mission Center.

Golf Committee Meeting will meet Tuesday, February 9 at 3:00 pm at Mission Center.

Prayer Gathering will meet Tuesday, February 16 at 9:00 am at the Mission Center or via Zoom.

Coordinating Council will meet Monday, February 22 at 10:00 am at the Mission Center.

Golf Committee Meeting will meet Tuesday, February 23 at 3:00 pm at Mission Center.



The Mission Center and Lake Tomahawk offices will be closed on February 15 in observation of the upcoming President's Day holiday.

