

FIXED
on Jesus



FOCUSED
on His Kingdom

“Keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith” (Hebrews 12:2 NET)
“But above all pursue his kingdom and righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.” (Matthew 6:33 NET)

SAN JACINTO BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
77th Annual Meeting
October 10, 2023

The Fellowship at Northside Baptist Church
300 Cedar Bayou • Baytown TX

“Each church will be entitled to three (3) messengers, plus one (1) additional messenger for each fifty (50) resident members, with a maximum of twelve (12) messengers per church.”
All are welcome to attend.

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“Your light must shine before people in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.” Matthew 5:16 NASB

San Jacinto Baptist Association is a community of churches uniting believers to reflect Christ through encouragement, education and resources in making disciples for the glory of God’s Kingdom.



Something To Think About

Randy Gilchrist, Executive Director

With our schools already starting, I am sure we are anxiously awaiting autumn and all it brings with church fall festivals, school activities, and the other busy times we have. It is also the time for the San Jacinto Baptist

Association Annual Meeting on October 10. This year our host church will be Northside Baptist Church of Baytown. The meeting is open to anyone. According to the Bylaws, voting messengers are to be elected by their church family to represent them at the meeting. Each cooperating church is entitled to three (3) messengers, plus one (1) additional messenger for each fifty (50) members, with a maximum of twelve (12) messengers per church. And remember everyone is welcome to attend.

The theme for this year's Annual Meeting is "Fixed and Focused." It is a combination of the message of Hebrews 12:2 and Matthew 6:33. Right now, more than ever before, Christians must have their eyes fixed on Jesus and focused on God's kingdom and righteousness. Plan to be a part of what God has been doing, is doing, and will do through the Association.



2023 Rio Grande Valley Missions Christmas Project

Help donate items to stuff stockings!

We need enough stocking stuffers to fill approximately 300 -350 stockings that will be distributed to children during our *Mission Trip to the Valley, December 15-17, 2023*. If you are interested in going on the mission trip, please call the Association office at 281-422-3604.

Donations may be made to SJBA for the purchase of items *OR* you may purchase items and bring them to the office located at 1020 Birdsong Drive in Baytown. (Please, no happy meal toys and no clothes.) Shop dollar stores, clearance sales, or buy bulk, resale shops or garage sales for "gently used" items.

Please drop off your stocking stuffers any time between now and **November 13**. The stockings will be stuffed on **November 16 at 9:00 am**.



Honduras Mission Trip

October 14-20, 2023

We will be working with 61 Isaiah Ministries in Catulaca, Honduras • Cost: \$1,400 • Passports required



INTERESTED?

Join the team to Honduras and make a difference in the lives of others and yours.

Contact the SJBA office for additional information at 281.422.3604 or email at sjba@sanjacintobaptist.com.



Baptist Student

Ministry

Tina Wash, Director

The Fall Semester is approaching quickly! Despite all the plans, logistics, and prayers it is critical that we **focus on God's true purpose** for the BSM. And then beg for His mercy, wisdom, and strength. Thank you for being a part of that prayer journey.

Years ago, I was invited to a conference offering materials, teaching strategies, and facts of the Bible at the University of Texas. It introduced the Bible in textbook form to be taught in both public schools and universities. It was the *Bible Literacy Project*. I want to share one paragraph from the materials:

"The Biblical Literacy Project consisted of scholars and advanced students who offer college-level introductions to the Bible - both backgrounds and literature. We hope to assist Christians and other interested persons in gaining healthy foundations in the midst of a media culture that tends to present the biblical material in a sensationalist or extreme manner. Our lively, engaging teaching style combines expertise in the subject matter with presentations that make complex concepts understandable to a general audience."

That is exactly what the BSM needs to be doing. So many need that foundation. Others are afraid of accountability. Still, others simply do not understand what they read. The mission of BSM is to teach the truths included in the Bible. And all must pray it will be received without complication. Please do so.

Our time is limited each week. Class schedules are demanding, but knowledge presented in quick and straightforward facts must be the focus of all participating - and certainly all praying. Thank you for being a part!

Lake Tomahawk Barbecue

October 3, 2023

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Lake Tomahawk
Livingston, Texas

Entertainment: **Branded**
Christian Country Duo

Cost: \$15 per person

Includes lunch, entertainment and enjoying the Lake Tomahawk facilities.



Register through your church.

Churches—please register your participants online. We need the bulk of your numbers to the SJBA office by September 18 so enough food can be prepared. Late registrants can be added. Call 281-422-3604 if you have any questions.

A County bus will leave SJBA at 8:00 a.m. Call 281.422.3604 if you want to ride the bus. www.sanjacintobaptist.com



Prayer Coordinator
In Memory of Dr. B.L. Worsham

“If I depart, I will send Him, (Holy Spirit) unto you” (John 16:7).

The most neglected, least preached, and the one mentioned last in prayer is God, the Holy Spirit. Yet the Holy Spirit in learning the truth of Jesus Christ: “the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual” (1 Corinthians 2:13). In other words, we know little about God’s will for our Christian life. Our spiritual growth is progressive. As we pray, study, and hear, we must depend upon the Spirit of God to convict and convince us of God’s truth.

As we go before God in prayer, we must be sensitive to the voice, the impression, and the feeling that we receive from the Holy Spirit, “All things that the Father has are mine: therefore, said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you” (John 16:15). The Holy Spirit convicts us; he assures us of forgiveness; He guides our life into all God’s truths.

Beloved, make sure you do not ignore the Holy Spirit as you pray. He will show you how to pray. “There is but one God” (1 Corinthians 8:6). Three in one Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

God bless you!

(Taken from Priority of Prayer, Dr. B. L. Worsham, 2022.)

SJBA Monthly Prayer Gathering
September 21, 2023 (Thursday) at 9:00 a.m.

San Jacinto Baptist Association
1020 Birdsong Dr • Baytown TX

In person or virtually via Zoom or telephone.
Call 281-422-3604 for more information.

Need to Know Workshop (Free)

What is Civic Rec?

November 18, 2023

9:00 am-Noon

San Jacinto Baptist Association
1020 Birdsong, Baytown TX

Learn what Harris County offers Seniors in community centers, parks, free giveaways and special events.

For information and to register for this trip, visit www.sanjacintobaptist.com or call 281.422.3604.

TBM Disaster Relief Coastal Plains East Orientation & Specialty Training Weekend

October 6 - October 7

First Baptist Church
7500 Fairmont Pkwy, Pasadena TX 77505



This is where TBM disaster relief training begins. Orientation is required for all Disaster Relief Volunteers, and is a pre-requisite for all other specialty training.

More details can be found here:

<https://www.tbmtx.org/events/dr-orientation-houston>

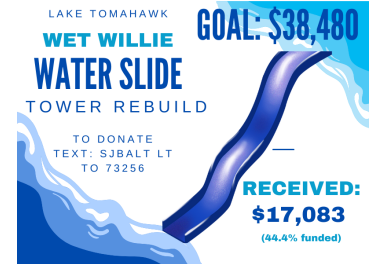
Church contact: Jennifer Phillips, call at 281.991.1232 or email at jphillips@fbp.org.

Lake Tomahawk News

Patrick Flowers, Camp Manager



We are almost to the halfway mark of our goal of \$38,480 to repair and rebuild our tower for the Wet Willie Water Slide. We need your help. Donations are now at \$17,083. Please pray about providing your best gift and help us to complete this project. Mail to PO Box 1533, Baytown TX 77522 or online at <https://onrealm.org/SJBALT/Give/LT>



Your prayers and support are greatly appreciated as we work to make Lake Tomahawk a ministry that seeks to change the lives of others.

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September 10-17, 2023

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September 17-24, 2023

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PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER EAST Annual Fundraising Banquet
Saturday, October 14, 2024
Hyatt Regency Baytown

Silent Auction at 6:00 pm | Dinner at 7:00 pm

Guest Speaker: Cynthia Wenz
(Speaker & Founder of Healed for Life Ministries)



If you would like to reserve a table or donate to the silent auction, please contact the Pregnancy Resource Center East at 281-427-2273. You can also find more information at <https://www.prcebaytown.org/banquet-2023>

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Folks ‘N Facts



Tell Lee College students you know about free Thursday lunches at BSM. Thanks to our SJBA churches for providing the following BSM lunches at Lee College:

9/07 **Second Highlands**
9/14 **Wooster Baytown**
9/21 **Memorial Baytown**
9/28 **Cedar Bayou Baytown**

You are impacting the lives of our Lee College students with the Gospel. Thank you!

INTER-CHURCH CONFERENCE

Strengthening the Body, Proclaiming the gospel, and Glorifying Jesus

September 8-10, 2023

Dell Dale Avenue Baptist Church

Friday, Saturday, Sunday nights at 5:45 p.m.

Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m.

Food & Fellowship to follow all services.

402 Dell Dale Avenue · Channelview TX 77530
281-452-3704 · office@ddbc.church · www.ddbc.church

~ Church Anniversaries ~

09/10/1995 Jorge Reynaga, Templo, La Porte
09/12/1999 Steven Richard, Fellowship, Baytown
09/10/2000 Mark Broussard, Cedar Bayou, Baytown
09/09/2001 Henry Davis, Newport Community, Crosby
09/01/2004 Al Smith, Cypress Point, Huffman
09/09/2013 Sandy Ray, Wooster, Baytown
09/02/2018 Lazaro Garcia, Comunidad, Crosby

~ Birthdays ~

09/02 Mike Martin, First, Huffman
09/03 Roger Feedback, San Jacinto, Deer Park
09/28 Anna Watt, Memorial, Baytown

~ Meetings ~

Labor Day the SJBA Mission Center will be closed on Monday, September 4, in observance of Labor Day.

Coordinating Council will meet Monday, September 18, at 10:00 a.m. at the SJBA Mission Center.

Executive Board will meet Monday, September 18, at 11:30 a.m. at the SJBA Mission Center.

Monthly Prayer Gathering will meet Thursday, September 21, at 9:00 a.m. at the SJBA Mission Center.