



The Newsletter of Maury Baptist Association, Inc.

“Building For The Future”

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OPPORTUNITIES

It seems everywhere I go there’s one subject of conversation (Coronavirus). Certainly it is an important subject that deserves our due diligence but if you’ll allow me, I’d like to avoid talking about that subject but instead talk to you about the opportunities it presents.

- It seems everyone is panicking and many have lost all logic. In times of unrest, fear, and uncertainty, the church has a message of peace and love.

There’s an opportunity here – for the Church to speak words of power, love, and a sound mind. (2 Timothy 1:7).

- Certainly, there are those in our congregations and areas of influence who need a little extra help. Are there elderly folks being overlooked? What about those who are sick? Any others with needs we can help meet?

There’s an opportunity here to help “the least of these.” (Matthew 25:35-40)

- During times of uncertainty, people need a strong example of faith. Yes, we need to show an abundance of caution but at the same time, we need to proclaim trust and faith in our Lord and not the things of the world. “Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” (Hebrews 11:1)

There’s an opportunity here to demonstrate faith to those around us.

- Statistics have shown the people who don’t know the Lord are more likely to engage in an evangelistic conversation during a time of crisis. Most definitely, we’re in a time of crisis.

There’s an opportunity here to be bold witnesses. (Acts 1:8)

- In keeping with this idea of sharing the Gospel to a lost world, we must remember that our mandate is not affected by the circumstances around us. We’re commanded to go – regardless. (Great Commission; Matthew 28:18-20)

There’s an opportunity here to keep the main thing of being on mission for God our MAIN THING.

With this in mind, let’s continue to pray, plan, prepare, and promote the things God has called us to do for His kingdom. For example, MBA is still moving forward with mission opportunities like we always have. We’re headed to Guatemala in June and back to Alaska tentatively in July. We’re still planning on Vacation Bible School endeavors and we’re involved with local mission projects and disaster relief responses as always.

Let’s agree to seize the opportunities that God has given us.

Blessings, Dale Ledbetter

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL MINISTRIES....

Discipleship House—Craft Memorial Methodist Church partnering with Discipleship House for the next year. - Walter & Betty Clot— 931-379-9609

Family Center—In need of Hygiene Products, Laundry Detergent, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Blankets, Socks, Peanut Butter, Canned Goods, etc.

Maury Chaplain Ministries—Contact Marie Cline at maurychaplainministriestn@gmail.com — Need women and men to minister to inmates.

Maury United Ministries (MUMS)—Contact Randy Nichols MUMs needs couples who can volunteer just one morning or afternoon, per month! You drive your own car and help others get to work and back, or to the grocery store, or to the doctor, etc. Randy schedules all the rides and is in contact with you, by cell phone, while you're driving!

MUMs also needs mentors who can to donate one hour per week for 13 weeks to help local citizens overcome PayDay Loan debt! MUMs will provide training and alongside assistance throughout the process! Call Randy at 931-626-2611 or visit www.mauryunited.org for more information!

Pregnancy Centers of Middle Tennessee—Needs for both the Columbia and Spring Hill locations are for Diapers (Size 4 & 5) and Baby Shampoo, Wash and Lotion, Sunscreen and Baby Wipes. Contact Kathy Cook or Stephanie Stanfill—931-381-4024. www.pcofmt.org

2020 Church Prayer Calendar

March 22, 2020 - Esperanza—William Burton

March 29, 2020- Hampshire First - Dustin Laster

April 5, 2020 - Highland Park - Bobby McCord

April 12, 2020 - Hillsboro, Franklin - Lynn Hill

April 9, 2020 - House of Prayer

April 26, 2020 - Immanuel - Dwight Church

Pulpit Supply List:

Gary Bailey	931-446-5343	Robin Jackson	931-334-4094
Jon Bell	731-645-200	Matthew Lemay	931-540-0923
Jamie Bone	931-359-2219	James Moore	931-334-6322
Bronson Bradley	931-722-1594	Randy Nichols	931-626-6867
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Walter Clot	931-381-2191	Kevin Roe	931-446-2944
Danny Grooms	931 334 4404	Bob Vassar	931-380-3649
Thomas Hagerty	615-591-181	Mike Washington	615-310-9988
Randy Harness	931-797-8458	Guy Yeager	931-201-3056



Churches without Pastors:

Cross Bridges, Hillsboro, House of Prayer, Pleasant Heights & Theta

Hampshire Baptist Church

Organist needed to join the worship team
Contact Pastor Dustin Laster for details.

931-446-6198

Highland Park Baptist Church

Piano Player needed ASAP
Contact: 931-388-6216 for details

Riverview Baptist Church

Columbia TN seeks a Youth Director...
If interested pray about it and if God leads you...
please send resume to jtlaws01@charter.net or mail to:

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Please email the information you need posted by the 10th
of each month. Send the information to
ty@maurybaptist.org and we will be happy to help get
the information out to our members.