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THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

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There is much we can do without the support and collaboration of others. Peter demonstrated this fact when he shared Christ with Cornelius the Gentile and then defended the extension of the gospel across racial boundaries ([Acts 10–11](#)).

But there is much we cannot do without the support and collaboration of others. Paul demonstrated this fact when he built and encouraged teams with whom he took Christ to the Gentile world (cf. [Acts 13:2–3](#); [15:40](#); [Romans 16:1–16](#)).

The *Book of Common Prayer* recently offered this intercession: “O God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Savior, the Prince of Peace: Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions; take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatever else may hinder us from godly union and concord; that, as there is but one Body and one Spirit, one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

WMU of Texas

On October 18-27, 2020, WMU of Texas will be returning to Peñitas, TX to build another home and celebrate 10 years of missions service in the Rio Grande Valley. Will you join us?

Help Build A Home in South Texas!

Cost: \$300 per week (scholarships available)

Team One: October 18-23

Team Two: October 22-27

For the 10th Anniversary of the WMU of Texas Women's Build, volunteers will serve by building, cleaning, preparing meals and sharing the Gospel. All skill levels may apply. Questions? Contact us at 214.828.5150.

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Spiritual Transformation —The process by which God saves and renews individuals and infuses them with the presence of the Holy Spirit of God to do His will.	
Spiritual Synergy —The process by which believers exercise the habit of creative cooperation, valuing the differences in others, and showing respect in the Christian community.	
Spiritual Unity —The result of transformed believers seeking God's face and cooperating together in a dynamic, creative way (synergizing), which, as an end, brings glory to God and strengthens His kingdom.	
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A strong connection of healthy, reproducing, kingdom-focused churches.

Purpose Statement:
The East Texas Baptist Network exists to facilitate connections among partnering churches.



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ETBN:
A family of churches sent on mission for God's Kingdom

Quarterly
Encourager's Meeting

Thursday, August 20
11:30 a.m.
Mobberly Baptist Church

Featuring:
Cross Cultural
Ministry

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Kilgore BSM News



Summer is always such an interesting time of year for those in ministry. This year I believe it is even more interesting. Please know that I am praying for you and if I can help in anyway, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

The BSM recently hosted a meeting with some of our churches who help with serving lunches. Our goal was to discuss what this next year might look like as we try to continue to reach this generation. I was blessed by the turnout of churches and their hearts that desire to serve. It was great discussion and we now have a game plan with the lunches this coming school year.

A virtual commissioning service was just held for all of the GoNow summer missionaries across the state. It was such a blessing to see 5 Kilgore College students going all across the state of Texas and one even helping virtually in New York City to reach fellow college students. Two of the students have begun their mission experience and two more are about to leave for theirs. One more student will depart for his mission experience in July. I do hope that you will commit to praying for them all.

We will be doing more planning for the year. There are students we are still doing discipleship with this summer as well. Also, there are a couple of students who are here and willing to help our churches with serving and attempting to reboot children's ministry. Please let us know if we can help.

Thank you for all that you do!
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Every church wants more leaders.

August 8 SBTC EQUIP Conference to go Virtual

9:00am-2pm

\$10 with pre-registration through August 4

\$15 after August 4

Due to social distancing impacting gatherings in small spaces, the SBTC Church Ministries leadership has determined to make EQUIP, the convention's major church training event, virtual this year. The conference, this year known as the EQUIP Online Conference, was originally scheduled to meet on the campus of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. The training will be live using an online event portal.

Mark Yoakum, Director of Church Ministries, said, "Our date and schedule for the day will be the same. We see some opportunities to expand the reach of the training since people will not have to travel to participate; churches from all over Texas will be able to join us. We hope we'll even get some participants from other states since it is more easily accessible." The conference features 280 breakouts and 88 expert presenters. Last year's conference drew 2,555 registrants.

Schedule of Events:

9:00 - Plenary Session
 10:00 - Breakout Session 1
 10:45 - Breakout Session 2
 11:30 - Panel Discussions / Lunch Break
 12:30 - Breakout Session 3
 1:15 - Breakout Session 4

For more information and registration go to sbtexas.com/equip or call 817.552.2500 and ask for Church Ministries.

The East Texas Baptist Network had to cancel our April Quarterly Encourager's Meeting due to social distancing because of Covid-19.

We plan to have our August Quarterly Encouragers' Meeting, while maintaining safe distances and precautions. We encourage each church to have a representative attend this meeting.

Our office is here to help you. Don't hesitate to contact us if there is any way we can be of service.

ETBN Calendar July 2020	
2	Minister's Prayer Luncheon, 11:45 a.m., Jason's Deli
4	Independence Day
14	NLT Meeting, 10 a.m., Calvary Sullivan Hall
All Summer Camps have been canceled due to limitations imposed by Covid-19	

Minister's Heart to Heart Monthly Prayer Luncheon

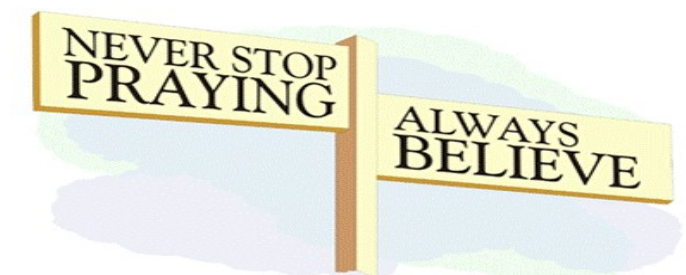
Thursday, July 2, 2020

11:45 a.m.

Jason's Deli



Join with your fellow ministers to pray for our country.



Pray for our churches that are seeking a pastor:

Emmanuel Baptist Church

Forest Hill Baptist Church

Forest Home Baptist Church

Mobberly Baptist Church

Trinity Baptist Church