



Etowah Baptist Association

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Functional *in purpose*

FLEXIBLE *in practice*

Focused on *priorities*

April 22, 2010

JUST A THOT ON...

G.C.R. As you may know, a **Great Commission Resurgence Task Force** was established during the **Southern Baptist Convention** last year. Dr. Johnny Hunt, Convention President, appointed the Task Force with Dr. Ronnie Floyd of Arkansas as Chairman. Their initial draft has been released which has drawn much opposition. The report is calling for a dismantling of the North American Mission Board. The report also establishes a Great Commission Fund in order to, among other things, assist in Church Planting targeting large strategic cities. This would basically compete with **Cooperative Program** giving thus defunding the best way to underwrite missions and ministries. In essence, the GCR Task Force is propagating a "top down" principle of operation for the Southern Baptist Convention. Our denomination has always functioned best from a "bottom-up" grass-roots principle driven by the local church. The GCR plan circumvents the State Convention and Associations altogether. Space does not allow for detailed reporting. I merely desire to alert you to this proposal. The GCR Task Force will release the final report in May and present it at the Southern Baptist Convention in Orlando, Florida (June 15-16). EBA is formulating an awareness plan outlining more details. While the **motive** refocuses emphasis on The Great Commission the **method** being proposed is wrong! Gary, Associational Missions Director

Faith in Action 3M May is Missions Month

Help support YOUR Etowah Baptist Missions Center by having a **FUN**raising event during the month of May. The monies raised will help provide shelter, utilities, medications and some emergency transportation expenses for those in our county that are in need of assistance.

Your packet should have arrived. If you did not receive one please call Karen @ 546-2980 to request one. There are many **FUN**raising ideas enclosed.

Etowah Baptist Association SINGLES



SATURDAY, MAY 1 5 - 9 p.m.

Southside Baptist Church - Hwy. 77

Guest Speaker: Antjuan Marsh
(Breakaway Ministries)

Music: "Whosoever" praise band

Breakout sessions on Christian dating, Co-dependency, Finances and much more!

FREE Childcare

DINNER provided along with great fellowship and interactive games

Reservations required - call EBA at 256.547.1691 x.21

Birthday Prayer Calendar For Pastors and Staff

- April**
- 22 - Philip Elliott - Pastor Bellevue
 - 23 - Jason Hill - Pastor Lakeview
 - 24 - Don Young - Minister of Education 12th Street
 - 29 - David Chandler - Pastor North Gadsden

- May**
- 3 - Chris Hayes - Minister of Music Forrest Avenue
 - 6 - David Jennings - Minister of Children Cherry Street
 - 19 - Timothy Hassler - Pastor Fairview

If you have not seen your birthday displayed this year, either we don't have it or it may have been overlooked by mistake. Please send us your staff birthday dates. We want to be able to pray for those in ministry on their special day. Call: 547-1691 ext. 27

Dwight Baptist Church

5k and Walk a Mile
Matthew25Project

Through the streets of Alabama City!

Saturday, June 19, 2010

Applications available at
Dwight Baptist - 256-546-2847
Jerry's Home Medical - 256-547-1242

Quarterly
Executive Board
Meeting
Monday, May 17
10:30 a.m.
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1st Baptist Glencoe

Currently accepting Resumes for a Full-time Pastor
Send resumes to the church:
Attn. Pastor Search Committee
103 N. College Street Glencoe, AL 35905

The LORD will fight for you;
you need only to be still.

Exodus 14:14 (NIV)

Mission Trip Info

- ◆ **Construction Trip** - Monticello, KY
June 12 - 19

Meeting: Tuesday, May 11 @ 6pm
COVERED DISH

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- ◆ **Mission Trip to Indiana**
June 26 - July 2

Meeting: Tuesday April 27 @ 6 pm
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Mark Your Calendars

NURSING FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, May 13

6 - 7:30 (includes light supper)

Call 256-547-1691 x.21 for reservations or
cheryl@etowahbaptist.com

Mother's Day
Sunday, May 9th