



October 2014

2014 TBBA Annual Celebration

October 20th; Worship begins @ 6:45pm

ENJOY A FREE MEAL AND DESSERT @ 5:30PM

Seminole Heights Baptist Church
801 E. Hillsborough Ave. Tampa, FL 33604

Dr. Hayes Wicker - preacher

Former President of the SBC Pastors' Conference
Former President of the Florida Baptist Convention
Current pastor of FBC Naples

Praise & Worship - Buck Buchanan from
FBC Temple Terrace



We will present and vote on the proposed 2015 budget and on proposed revisions to the TBBA Constitution. We will also celebrate as pastors' share stories of God's goodness!

OCTOBER EVENTS

Pastor Appreciation Month

October is Pastor Appreciation Month and each of our churches are encouraged to do something special for their pastor and his family to show them how much they are loved. At www.namb.net/For_Lay_Leaders/ you'll find 'Five Simple Steps to lift up your pastor & family'. On that site you'll also find resources like '50 Ways to Bless Your Pastor' and an opportunity to gift your pastor and his wife a stay at one of 19 bed and breakfasts in the state of Florida at an incredible discounted rate. (Visit www.thechn.us).

A free smartphone app has also been designed to encourage and refresh his marriage.

Making Disciples who Make Disciples

Mike Kahn will start meeting the first week of October with three different groups of pastors (a total of nine) to disciple them in the fundamentals of what a disciple of Jesus knows and lives. They will meet online once a week using a conferencing program called WebEx so that they will not have to travel to the TBBA offices. They will study and strive to apply the following topics:

- How to be continually filled with the Holy Spirit
- How to get God's Word into your life
- How to be powerful in prayer
- How to experience genuine fellowship and serve in the church
- How to effectively share the gospel

The pastors will be given the curriculum and the Leaders' Notes so that they in turn can make disciples in their churches who will in turn make disciples. These groups will meet through January of 2015 and then Mike will start another group in February. This will be an ongoing ministry to interested pastors. TBBA pastors, Othoniel Valdes and Bobby Patton, are also going through the studies so that they in turn can disciple pastors. Contact Jan Jones at jjones@tbba.org if you are interested in participating in a Pastors' Discipleship Group in the near future.

More Pastor's Prayer Gatherings!

Pastors have been praying together once a month in 2014 in four locations in our county to call out to the Lord for personal revival, revival in our churches, and for a great spiritual awakening in our land. Starting in October we are expanding the number of locations to seven. There will be six that meet during the day (five in English and one in Spanish) and one at night for our bi-vocational pastors. For details go to www.tbba.org/prayer-page.

WOMEN OF FAITH TOUR Orlando, October 10-11, 2014



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RESOURCES

We are very grateful to Pastor Paul Purvis and FBC Temple Terrace because they recently gave the TBBA their Banner Maker. As a result we are now able to make paper (inside) and vinyl (outside) banners for churches at a very low cost. Northgate BC ordered the first vinyl banner which is shown below for their *The Well Student Ministries* (3.5' X 5.0'). Call Bobby Patton at 935-3839 if you want to purchase a banner or if you have questions.



THE WELL

Student Ministries

6th-12th Grade – Wednesday @ 6:30PM



60th Anniversary of FCA Celebration

Special Thanks to Banquet Sponsor

Babb Family Foundation

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

Revisions to the Constitution

Thanks go out to the Ad Hoc Committee that was established to revise the TBBA Constitution. The pastors who served on the committee were Terry Lowe, Elbert Nasworthy, Eloy Rodriguez, and Joel Vicente. Their hard work resulted in a presentation of the proposed revisions by Elbert Nasworthy at our September Executive meeting. The revisions were unanimously approved at that time and will be presented and voted on at our Annual Celebration on October 20.

Vacation Bible School Statistics

29 churches have reported that they held Vacation Bible School this past summer in their churches. More than 11,000 children attended and there were right at 500 total decisions for Christ. These numbers are higher than the reported numbers in 2013.

CHURCH & MINISTRY NEWS

Idlewild Baptist Church - Ken Whitten

Congratulations to Pastor Ken Whitten and his wife, Ginny as they celebrate 25 years of ministry at Idlewild Baptist Church on the first weekend of October. Idlewild has experienced incredible growth under his leadership and he personally has been a great friend to many in our association.



Mighty Men Conference

October 17-18, 2014 @ Carrollwood Baptist Church [5395 Ehrlich Road Tampa]
www.MightyMen.org

Palma Ceia Baptist Church

Drummer & Bass Player - Church is currently seeking both a drummer and bass guitar player to add to current team of keys and electric/acoustic guitar. These are paid positions requiring rehearsal time 1 night per wk & Sunday morning. Please submit your interest to the Pastor, by email at pastor@mypcbc.org. Include phone number for a call back.

FREE Small Organ and Bench

A member of First Baptist Church of Tampa has a small organ and bench that she would like to donate to a church. If you know of anyone who may be interested please contact Sandy Loughrie via sandy.loughrie@verizon.net

FREE Upright Piano

A member of Idlewild Baptist Church has an upright Cambridge piano in good condition that she would like to donate to a church. If you know of anyone who may be interested please contact Ronda Buffington at ronda.buffington@baycare.org.

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