





NOVEMBER 2019

### Thankful for God's Goodness



Psalm 9:1 "I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart: I will recount all of Your wonderful deeds."

This Thanksqiving season is a great time for each of us to recount all of our Lord's wonderful deeds to us. I have fond memories of singing the hymn, "Count Your Blessings" and the lyrics of naming them "one by one". Our

church song director would always change the words and ask us to sing, "name them ton by ton". When we slow down and recount all the many blessings that the Lord has bestowed on us, then we are renewed to live lives overflowing with thankfulness to Him.

One recent blessing I am very thankful for is the increased faithful participation of our pastors in our Tampa monthly prayer gatherings. The Lord is moving at our 11 am first Thursday prayer times and I am thankful for His manifest presence when we gather to praise Him and to cry out to Him for revival in our churches and a spiritual awakening in our nation. Up until the past six months, 5-8 of us have faithfully met once a month for prayer for over five years. Our most recent prayer time at Openwater Church had 25 pastors and leaders in attendance and then afterwards we enjoyed great fellowship and tacos with each other. Thank you Pastor Elbert Nasworthy for leading our Tampa prayer gatherings and thank you Pastor Dave Towner for hosting us at your church and for the delicious lunch.

Please join us at our November 18 Lunch n' Learn at the TBBCC to hear three of our pastors share about what these monthly prayer gatherings have meant to them. Then attend our next prayer gathering at 11 am on December 5 and experience what the Lord is doing in our midst. See below to RSVP for the November 18 event.

# **NOVEMBER**



One-Day Marriage Mentor Training Saturday, November 16, 2019 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Take advantage of this great opportunity to train some of your leaders to become mentor couples, and to get certified as coaches.

Led by biblical counselor and relationship Coach, Darin Saley, this one-day training offers many benefits:

- Help your married couples grow strong, Christ-centered relationships
- Encourage your staff and leaders (along with their wives) to become certified marriage "coaches"
- Equip them to walk alongside couples in a one-on-one setting, or in a Sunday School or small group environment

To RSVP, please send a check payable to TBBA for \$149 (per couple) to Jan Jones at 1060 W. Busch Blvd. Tampa, FL 33612.

Includes free continental breakfast, and lunch

Contact Jan at jjones@tbba.org or (813) 935-3839 to RSVP or for more information



# Sweet Hour of ... Pastors' Prayer

For over 5 years, TBBA pastors have been meeting every month for prayer at the times and locations shown below. God is doing something special during these prayer times and three pastors (Elbert Nasworthy - Myrtle Lake, Tim Encinosa -West Shore, and Don Grantham - University) will share about how He is working in their lives through personal prayer and the pastors' prayer gatherings.

November 18 I 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Tampa Bay Baptist Conference Center
15601 Lake Magdalene Blvd
Tampa, FL 33613 [ map ]

(Includes our famous \$5 steak Lunch)
RSVP to Jan (813) 935-3839 or jjones@tbba.org

Pastors from around the Association gather together once a month to pray in the the following locations:

- Hispanic Pastors (Al Lopez Park) 10am First Wednesday
- Journey Church (Dan Reid) 9am First Thursday
- Various churches (Elbert Nasworthy) 11am First Thursday

#### **DECEMBER**



Senior Pastors and Wives Christmas Party December 2, 2019 | 6:30 p.m.

Senior Pastors and their Wives are invited to come and have a great time of fellowship and food at the Puleo Farm again this year!

- Monday, December 2, 2019
- Beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- Puleo Farm [ click here for map -> 19202 Hanna Road, Lutz 33549 ].

This is a very special, free dinner, just for you and your wife. Come early for delicious appetizers and then enjoy a wonderful barbecue dinner and desserts, Christmas music, fellowship, gifts, and more. Dress is very casual (slacks, jeans, boots, no ties).

RSVP no later than Wednesday, November 27, by email to Jan at jjones@tbba.org or by phone at (813) 935-3839.

## RECENT HIGHLIGHTS



# **Annual Celebration Highlights**



Our Annual Celebration this year was at Exciting Central Baptist Church on Sunday, October 20, 2019. We enjoyed some good barbecue from Hungry Harry's and great praise and worship with the Exciting Central choir/praise team. Mike Kahn highlighted the newly released *All for One* Lifestyle Evangelism ministry and we enjoyed a challenging sermon from our guest speaker, Dr. Willy Rice (Calvary Clearwater). What a great evening. We are already looking forward to next year's meeting on October 11, 2020 at First Baptist Church of Tampa. Save the Date!

#### **COMMUNITY & MINISTRY**

#### **Carrollwood Baptist Church**

• Worship Minister - Choir & Orchestra (Part Time) Carrollwood Baptist Church is seeking a part-time (15-20 hours/week) Worship Minister to provide leadership to CBC's various choirs and orchestra. CBC utilizes a full choir and small orchestra during their Sunday services. The ideal candidate for this position would be someone with a music degree, a heart to lead God's people in worship, and previous experience leading a church choir and orchestra. This person may also lead some congregational music. For a detailed description and/or more information, please contact Pastor Joe Alain at jalain@carrollwoodbaptist.org.

- Carrollwood would like to donate 13 pews to a church that could use them. The following is the quanity and sizes of each pew.
- The quantity and sizes are as follows:
   One @ 16.5' | Six @ 11.5' | Three @ 9' 4" | Two @ 7' 4" inches | One @ 10' 7"
   Please contact the church at (813) 962-3214.

#### **East Chelsea Baptist Church**

- East Chelsea will be celebrating their 50th Church Anniversary on Sunday, November 24th at 10:00am. They will have a special speaker, special singing and dinner after the service. For more information, contact the church at (813) 621-9771.
- East Chelsea is seeking a full time custodian. Please contact Pastor Raymond James at 813-621-9771 to apply or for more details.

#### **Kings Avenue Baptist Church**

Kings Avenue Baptist Church in Brandon is looking for a facilities
manager/administrator to oversee their property. Knowledge needs to include
equipment (A/C, electrical, etc). Please send resumes to the church:
info@bethekingsavenue.com or contact the church office at (813) 685-3095 for more
information.

#### **Manhattan Baptist Church**

 Manhattan Baptist is looking for an experienced part-time pianist. The applicant must be willing to work Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings for choir rehearsal. The pay is \$100 per week. Applicants can contact our Worship Leader Peter Jensen at (813) 767-3468, or send resume to <a href="mailto:info@manhattanbaptist.org">info@manhattanbaptist.org</a>.

#### **Sheldon Road Baptist Church**

- Sheldon Road Baptist Church is seeking a part time Worship leader. This is an immediate need and the following are the qualifications for this position.
  - Doesn't have to be a member of Sheldon Road
  - Would be leading congregational music and leading the choir.
  - Choir meets each Sunday after the service for practice.
  - Would like to have someone lead in music on Sunday evenings, but this is negotiable.
  - o If interested, please contact Pastor Mark at (813) 545-6374



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