



SEPTEMBER 2020

COMING SOON TO A CHURCH NEAR YOU



Welcome to September. Can you believe it? And, as we move into the fall of 2020, I know I am excited about the continuing "re-opening" of our country and, of course, our churches.

If you know me, you know I have always believed in the absolute necessity of vibrant prayer both in our personal walks with Christ and in the lives of our churches. And now more than ever, I am convinced that prayer is one of the essentials that we all need the most and the best prayer ministry I know of is the neighborhood prayer ministry, Bless Every Home.

In the coming weeks and months, I am going to begin rolling out a series of emails and videos aimed at helping you and your church grow in personal, lifestyle evangelism. This all begins with and can be

sustained with church members praying for their neighbors, co-workers, friends, and relatives by name. Imagine hundreds of churches with thousands of Christ-followers praying everyday for God to use them to show and share the gospel with those all around them.

I am thankful for my friend, Dr. Stephen Rummage, pastor of Quail Spring Baptist Church in Oklahoma City, OK (and formerly of Bell Shoals Baptist Church) who has sent me a personal video that shares how the ministry of Bless Every Home has been a great partner for him and his churches.

Please [click here](#) or click on the image below to watch the video:



We want to help you and your church learn more about the evangelism and prayer ministry of Bless Every Home and how to implement it in your church. All you have to do is call Jan Jones at (813) 935-3839 to set up a time with us. We want Bless Every Home to be *"Coming Soon to a Church Near You"*.

- Mike

SEPTEMBER EVENTS



Executive Committee Meeting

September 21, 2020

10:30 a.m. to noon

ON ZOOM

Join us for this important business meeting and time of prayer and discussion for our senior pastors and their guests. Thank you for making this a priority if you are able, as we require - per our constitution and by laws - a quorum of pastors present in order to have an "official" meeting.

[RSVP now to Jan Jones | jjones@tbba.org](mailto:jjones@tbba.org)

Jan will email the Zoom meeting link to pastors separately



Pastor's Encouragement Luncheon w/ Pastor Jim Cymbala

Thursday, September 24, 2020 | 11:30 a.m.
Mission Hill Church
10002 N 56th St, Temple Terrace, FL 33617 | [[map](#)]

Join with other pastors to be encouraged by Pastor Jim Cymbala and each other at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at the Mission Hill Church Family Life Center.

Pastor Cymbala has been the pastor of the Brooklyn Tabernacle in New York City since 1971. He has authored several book and is best known for leading his church to become a church that prays. Their "Tuesday Night Prayer Service" has packed the church building to capacity for decades and influenced countless churches to follow their example. [Click here](#) to learn more.



- A free Chick-fil-A box lunch will be provided.
- There will be social distancing at round tables with limited seating at each table.
- Masks will be encouraged upon entering the large Family Life Center but will not be required as we will be social distancing throughout the event.

RSVP to Jan at jjones@tbba.org no later than Tuesday, September 22.

OCTOBER EVENTS



TBBA Annual Celebration - In Person and Online

Sunday, October 11, 2020
5:00 p.m.

First Baptist Tampa
302 W Kennedy Blvd. | Tampa FL 33606

Join us for this very special time of celebration and worship, as we gather in person at FBC Tampa in their worship center with appropriate distancing practices.

And, if you are not yet ready to attend a public worship gathering, we will be live-streaming (and archiving) the meeting on www.fbctampa.org.

No RSVP Needed. Call Jan Jones (813) 935-3839 for more info.

Growing A Powerful Generosity System Workshop

"I learned that ministry could be done better than we're doing right now. It gives you greater insight into how you can do ministry more effectively."


- Anthony, Washington, DC



Register Today!



Generosity by LifeWay



LifeWay is Partnering with the TBBA, the Suncoast Association, and the Florida Baptist Foundation to present the

UNLEASH GENEROSITY WORKSHOP

Three Different Dates | October 13, 20, 27, 2020

STREAMING Online from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.



Todd McMichen
Director of LifeWay Generosity & Digital Giving

Millennials are quickly becoming a powerful generosity force. They are actually super generous. However, it is in ways the church often doesn't receive. Learn the latest trends, best practices, and how to open the six digital giving channels that modern generations are using.



Art Rainer
Best-selling author, The Money Challenge

It is time to flip the conversation. Past generations responded well to the stewardship message, yet this generation is very different. They actually respond better to a generosity passion. They want to live big lives and are looking to do so every day. Learn the powerful biblical principles of leading with generosity in discipling this generation on money.



Zach Terry
Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church, Amelia Island, FL

Church vision moves at the speed of its resources, and nothing moves the dial faster than a key giver. Every church has them, though they all look different. We are going to dive into the unique mindset and heart of a key giver, helping pastors learn how to shepherd and disciple well without asking for money.

The cost of this training will be \$10.00 with all proceeds going to the Benevolence Fund of the Florida Baptist Foundation in support of pastors needs.

If you had previously registered and paid for this workshop, the LifeWay Christian Resources office of Generosity & Digital Giving will contact you to offer either a full refund or transfer of your ticket to the new virtual conference.

Contact [Jan Jones](#) for details and to RSVP.
You will receive instructions for payment and streaming details later.



One-Day Marriage Mentor Training

TBBA Office - 1060 W. Busch Blvd.

Saturday, October 24, 2020

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 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 leader couples so that they walk alongside other 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. RSVP soon as we will limit the number of participants so that we can adhere to social distancing guidelines.

- Includes free continental breakfast, and lunch

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

NOVEMBER EVENTS





Florida Baptist Convention Annual Meeting Cancelled

In a special video announcement made August 31, 2020, Dr. Tommy Green confirmed that the November Florida Baptist Convention Annual Meeting has been cancelled.

- You can watch the 4:21 video here -> [available via Facebook](#).

For those who do not have a Facebook account, we have attempted to summarize Dr. Green's announcement below:

- "In the coming weeks" the State Board of Missions will meet to:
 - conduct business to officially cancel the 2020 Annual Meeting, and to allow for the 2021 Annual Meeting to return to The Lakes Church in Lakeland, FL.
 - adopt the FBC 2021 budget
 - recommend that all positions and appointments be extended for one year (if possible) or left vacant for one year (when not possible)

Dr. Green announced that a video update will be released on November 10, 2020 summarizing some of the work God and His FBC churches have done together in the last year.

He also announced a one-day event that will be held at FBC Orlando on February 16, 2021. This state-wide meeting will combine the Sharper and Evangelism conferences and focus on the Challenge 2025 initiative, church planting, and other targeted topic areas. Look for more details to come.

RACIAL RECONCILIATION

Pastor Bruce Moore of Christ Fellowship invited some TBBA pastors to meet with him and some evangelical African American pastors shortly after George Floyd was killed. Pastors Bruce Moore, Ken Whitten, Paul Purvis, Clarence Nathan, and Mike Kahn have been meeting every two weeks with these pastors and new brothers to listen to them and better understand the causes of some of the racial

tensions and problems that have become so evident since late May. The group of pastors has been reading and discussing Dr. Tony Evans' book, *Oneness Embraced* and desires to work together to show our city that black and white believers can partner together to share the gospel, help the hurting, and work toward social justice.

COMMUNITY & MINISTRY

Manhattan Baptist

- Manhattan Baptist Church located in South Tampa, is looking for an experienced pianist. The part-time pianist will be paid \$100 per week. The applicant must be willing to work Sunday morning and Wednesday evenings for choir rehearsal. Applicants can contact their Worship Leader, Peter Jensen at the church at 813-831-1951 for more information.



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