



TAMPA BAY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

E-News

Coming Alongside **November, 2021**

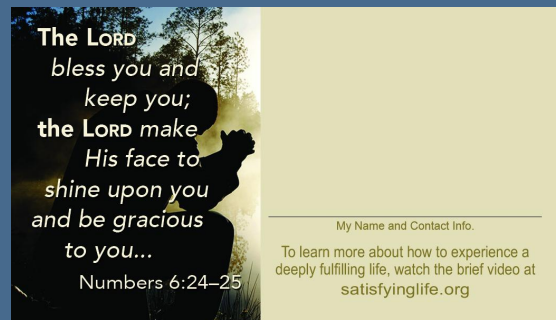
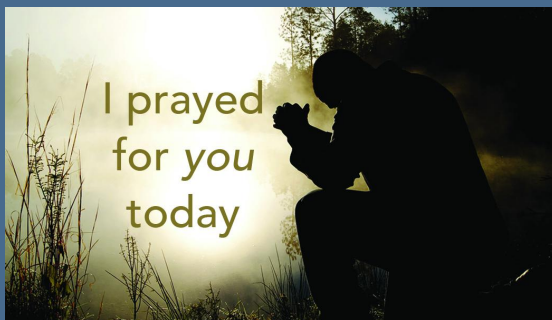


Farmer Mike

I grew up in Tampa and as a result I am unfamiliar with rural living. My mother grew up on a 180 acre farm in northern Minnesota and I was blessed to visit that property a few times in my life. One thing I do understand about farming is that you have to plant seeds if you plan on reaping a harvest of crops. No planting results in no harvesting.

I believe that Christ-followers should prepare themselves to daily plant spiritual seeds with those they do not know through the use of thought provoking questions or through praying for others. The TBBA has developed eight Spiritual Conversation Cards for church members to use to give to strangers to strive to prompt them to consider a spiritual thought. Imagine what would happen if thousands of us were to do this on a daily basis. The more seeds that are planted the greater the harvest.

We will provide a card like the one shown below to any church so that they can print it and train their members to give them out to strangers in brief encounters. Visit www.all41life.org/conversing/ to see the other seven Spiritual Conversation Cards. Then pick the card(s) you like and call Jan at (813) 935-3839 so that your members can get cards and start planting gospel seeds throughout the region.





Lunch and Learn

Lunch and Learn is Back!

And so is the famous \$5.00 Steak

Thursday, November 11, 2021

11:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Tampa Bay Baptist Conference Center
15601 Lake Magdalene Blvd, Tampa, FL 33613 [[map](#)]

"Church Planting in the Northeast ... & in Tampa"

With Joe Souza and Hal Haller of the Baptist Convention of New England

How are pastors in the least-reached places in North America planting churches differently than we are right here in Florida?



Pastor Joe Souza - Church Planter, Catalyst
BCNE Ethnic Ministry Coordinator

Pastor Joe is a native of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, where he was active in Southern Baptist life before moving to Orlando, FL, and later Boston to plant churches. He previously served NAMB as the lead catalyst for Boston church planting. He serves today across the entire six-state region of New England helping ethnic pastors and congregations minister in a "foreign" context, and mobilize first and second-generation leaders.



Pastor Hal Haller - BCNE Associate Executive Director

With 25 years of church planting experience, Hal has started churches in multiple places and led several church planting networks, including Jacksonville, FL, and before joining the BCNE, as Executive Director for the New York Baptist

Convention. Hal's real passion is to help churches think strategically about reaching and discipling people in their unique settings.

Join us for this time of fellowship, food and discussion around the Great Commission... and how reproducing disciples should always result in new, reproducing churches being planted.

We are excited to get together at the conference center again. There is plenty of room, and we will be limiting the number of attendees. So RSVP now.

And don't forget to bring your \$5.00 donation toward the ribeye. Thanks.

RSVP to Jan at jjones@tbba.org or by phone to Jan (813) 935-3839

NOVEMBER EVENTS



Marriage Training Sessions

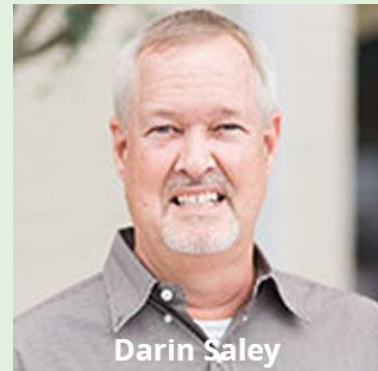
One Day Marriage Mentor Training

Saturday, November 6, 2021

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

TBBA - Suite 102

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



Darin Saley

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
- Equip your staff and leaders (along with their wives) to become certified marriage "coaches" so that these leader couples can go back to their churches

and train other couples to have Christ honoring marriages. This can occur in small group or couple to couple settings.

Includes free continental breakfast, and lunch
Contact Jan at jjones@tbba.org or (813) 935-3839 if you have any questions.

To RSVP, please send a check payable to TBBA for \$100 (per couple) to Jan Jones at 1060 W. Busch Blvd. Tampa, FL 33612.



Florida Baptist Convention Annual Meeting in Lakeland

November 8-9, 2021

The Lakes Church

1010 E Memorial Blvd, Lakeland, FL 33801 [[map](#)]

In addition, join many others for the
Pastors' Conference
Sunday, November 7 @ 6pm through
Monday, November 8 @ 3pm

Visit fbaptist.org/state-convention/ for complete details.

We hope to see you there!



Free All for One Lifestyle Evangelism **Monthly Deeper Dives**

As our society and our churches begin to experience the post-COVID, new normal, we believe our pastors and churches need to train and mobilize their members -- like never before -- to show and share Jesus with others any time and any where. Join others at an *All for One* Deeper Dive to learn about how this can be accomplished. The date and time of the next meeting is:

November 16, 2021

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

at the TBBA Office

RSVP soon to Jan at jjones@tbba.org

If you can't attend this meeting, but you are interested in learning more about *All for One* and how it might be a help to your church, please email Mike Kahn at mkahn@tbba.org or call him directly (813) 629-2222.

DECEMBER EVENTS



Pastors and Wives Christmas Party

Puleo Farm

Pastors and Wives Christmas Dinner

Monday, December 6, 2021

6:30 p.m.

Thank you for making your reservations
for the 2021 Christmas Dinner
for Senior Pastors and Wives
at Paul and Sharon Puleo's Farm

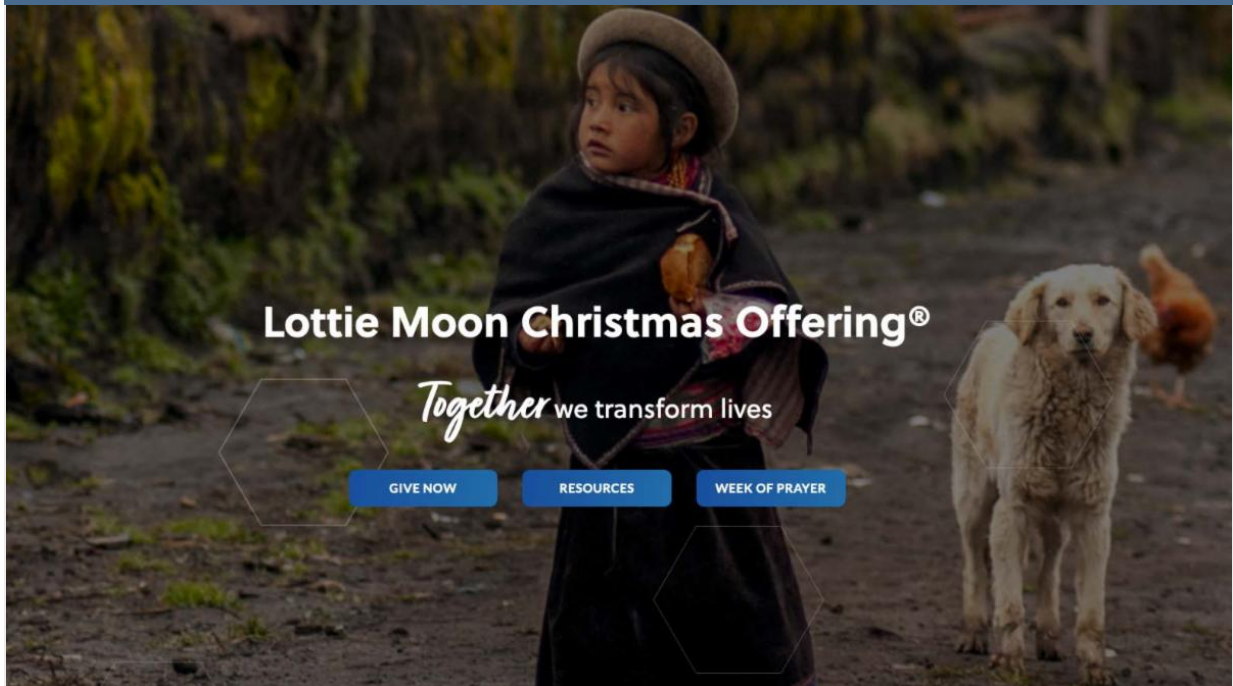
19202 Hanna Road, Lutz, FL 33549 [[map](#)]

Come and enjoy wonderful fellowship, a great barbecue dinner, desserts,
Christmas music, gifts, and more.

Dress is very casual (slack, jean, boots, no ties).

RSVP by email to Jan at jjones@tbba.org or by phone at (813) 935-3839

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING



2021 Week of Prayer and Lottie Moon resources now available

It's never too early to begin praying and preparing your church to pray and to support
our annual Christmas offering for our IMB missionaries overseas!

Visit www.imb.org/generosity/lottie-moon-christmas-offering/ for

resources. More details below:

[From Baptistcourier.org](https://www.baptistcourier.org)

Downloadable resources for this year's [Week of Prayer](#) (Nov. 28-Dec. 5) and the [Lottie Moon Christmas Offering](#), are available on the International Mission Board's website. In addition to stories, full-color photos, and videos, IMB is offering social media graphics, promotional materials, presentation graphics, posters, display banners and bulletin inserts.

This year, IMB will also provide a children's video and activity page for each day of the Week of Prayer. These resources are designed to invite children to actively participate in the task of praying for missionaries and to raise their awareness of God's work around the world.

Resources are designed to unite individuals and churches in prayer and in meeting this year's \$185 million LMCO goal. The goal is an increase from the 2020 goal and is in keeping with one of IMB's 2025 targets to increase giving to the IMB by 6 percent annually.

IMB President, Paul Chitwood said in recent years about half of Southern Baptist churches gave to missions through the Lottie Moon offering. He hopes to see that number increase as more churches feel connected to missionaries and understand the urgent need to reach the nations with the gospel.

Materials for LMCO and for the Week of Prayer are provided in English, Korean, Spanish and Chinese.

Find all resources at imb.org/lmco and imb.org/weekofprayer.

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS



TBBA Annual Celebration 2021

We had a great time of inspiration and encouragement at our Annual Celebration at First Baptist Church of Tampa. Over 180 people attended and a special thank you goes out to Pastor Bob Block, Pastor Darren Selvidge, the FBC praise team and choir, and many FBC leaders who helped make the celebration such a sweet time together.

The praise and worship was incredible and we heard a powerful message from Pastor Erik Cummings, pastor of New Life Baptist Church in Carol City, FL, and current president of the Florida Baptist Convention.

We heard reports and stories from pastors, church planters, from One More Child, and from the Florida Baptist Convention's Next Gen Ministry Catalyst about how partnering with other churches, the TBBA, and the Florida Baptist Convention

produces life change through the power of the gospel.

We hope everyone was encouraged to see what the Lord is doing in our churches. We are also looking forward to next year's Annual Celebration, which is set for:

October 16, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Harvest Baptist Fellowship

5902 N Himes Ave, Tampa, FL 33614 [[map](#)]

COMMUNITY & MINISTRY



Iglesia de Odessa

- Pastor Ray Sanabria is looking for a worship leader for a brand new Spanish-speaking church plant in the Odessa area. Contact Pastor Ray by [email](#) or (813) 784-1155.

East Chelsea Baptist Church

- East Chelsea Baptist Church is looking for a part time paid music director. Please call Pastor Raymond James at 813-621-9771 for more details.

Manhattan Baptist

- Manhattan Baptist Church 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.

West Broad Street Baptist

- West Broad is seeking to fill a position for a Youth Leader - Working with youth in Christian studies. Send resume to Pastor Roger Bunner (wbsbctampa@gmail.com) (813) 886-4022.

