



TAMPA BAY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

*E-News*

*Coming Alongside* May, 2022



## Sharpening our Preaching Skills

My wife, Teena is a registered nurse and every two years she has to take Continuing Education hours to keep her nursing license active. This requirement is not unique to the medical field, but it is also common for other professional disciplines as well.

With this in mind, the TBBA offers an annual preaching conference for all of our pastors to continue to hone their skills in clearly and boldly proclaiming the word of God in their pulpits each week. It was said of Jesus at the conclusion of His Sermon on the Mount, "that the multitudes were amazed at His teaching; for He was teaching them as one having authority, and not as their scribes." It was said of the Apostle Paul in the book of Acts, "Boldly and without hindrance he preached the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus."

Bible Colleges and seminaries rightfully provide training in sermon preparation and delivery and this expository preaching conference will build on what others have taught in the past. I encourage you to join me and many others at the Preaching Conference led by Dr. Rick Blackwood on May 25-26 (see below). I believe we will all be better preachers due to attending this conference.

Coming alongside,  
Mike

Helping you lead church  
**GROWTH AND REVITALIZATION**  
through  
**HIGH IMPACT**  
EXPOSITORY PREACHING



## Expository Preaching Conference with Rick Blackwood

May 25-26, 2022

"This workshop will help equip pastors in delivering high-impact messages that engage people in God's word and inspire people to action."

Destination Church

9325 Bay Plaza Blvd. Suite 210, Tampa, FL 33619 [ [map](#) ]

*(Formerly Faith Baptist Church of Tampa)*

Wednesday, May 25

1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 26

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., lunch provided

*Cost: \$25/person*

*Make your checks out to TBBA and mail it to*

*TBBA*

*1060 W. Busch Blvd. #101*

*Tampa, FL 33612*

Register by

contacting Jan at (813) 935-3839 or [jjones@tbba.org](mailto:jjones@tbba.org) and then mailing your \$25.00 check as indicated above

### About Rick Blackwood ([Website](#))

Rick Blackwood, DMin, EdD served as the Lead Pastor of Christ Fellowship in Miami for 23 years where he continues as a teaching pastor. Under his leadership, the 103-year-old church grew from several hundred to a multi-site congregation comprised of over 10,000 people from 70 different nationalities. Rick is the author of [The Power of Multi-sensory Preaching and Teaching](#) and holds Doctoral degrees from Grace Theological Seminary and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He now leads the Advanced Expository Preaching specialization at Grace Theological Seminary and serves as Guest Instructor at Wheaton College and Graduate School.



## Lunch 'n Learn



### **"Encouragement in Difficult Times" with Dr. Brian Stowe (Pastor of FBC Plant City)**

**Monday, May 23, 2022**

**11:30 a.m.**

Tampa Bay Baptist Conference Center  
15601 Lake Magdalene Blvd., Tampa FL 33613

Come enjoy our famous \$5.00 steak, fellowship with other pastors, and hear from our friend, Brian Stowe, as he helps us *find* encouragement, and *be* an encourager when times get really tough.

RSVP to Jan (813) 935-3839 or email [jjones@tbba.org](mailto:jjones@tbba.org)

### **Celebrate Recovery Informational Meeting**

Monday, June 27

11:30am - 1:00pm

TBBA offices - 1060 W. Busch Blvd.





Idlewild Baptist Church, Mission Hill

Church, South Tampa Fellowship,  
FBC Riverview, Harbor Church, Seaglass Church

The above TBBA churches, and 38,000 other churches in the U.S., have active CR ministries that effectively are helping people deal with their hurts, habits, and hang ups that have been preventing them from living the abundant life Christ desires for each of His followers to experience. In these difficult days in which we find ourselves, more and more people are in need of consistent and intentional discipling that can enable them to know the truth that sets us free.

Join us on June 27 to learn about how your church can start a CR ministry. We will be led by Earl Burgess, who is the Celebrate Recovery State Representative for West Central Florida (5 counties).

RSVP to Jan Jones at (813) 935-3839 or at [jjones@tbba.org](mailto:jjones@tbba.org)  
A free lunch will be provided.

## APRIL HIGHLIGHTS



## What If? Evangelism Strategy Training

We had 9 pastors and leaders attend our third What If? Evangelism Luncheon Training on April 28, 2022 at Simmons Loop Baptist Church in Riverview. A total of about 60 people have attended one of these three luncheon trainings. We are excited to see so many pastors and churches expressing an interest in implementing many of the

evangelism strategies that make up the training.

We hope you will attend one of our future What If? events, and also access the training online (look for a separate email coming soon).



## FREE CARPET

We sent out a Constant Contact last week regarding free carpet that a generous carpet company made available to our churches. Our good friend, David Rhea (who works for this company), contacted us to let us know about it. Several churches came out with their trucks on Saturday

and were able to take a significant amount of the carpeting for their churches. We are thankful to the company and to David for letting us know about it.

## COMMUNITY & MINISTRY

### Buchanan Baptist

- Buchanan Baptist Church is seeking a mature piano player for their Sunday morning services. Please contact the church at [buchananbaptistchurch.org](http://buchananbaptistchurch.org) for more information.

### Harvest Baptist Fellowship

- Harvest Baptist Fellowship, is seeking a co-vocational ministry position. The focus will be Youth and College Age singles. We would like to find a person or a husband/wife team who is bi-lingual Spanish/English. Resumes can be submitted to [webmaster@hbftampa.com](mailto:webmaster@hbftampa.com)

### East Chelsea Baptist

- 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.

### First Baptist Lutz

- The FBC of Lutz is looking for a part-time custodian, about 20 hours a week. Duties include setting up rooms for meetings, minor repair and maintenance, and some custodial duties(emptying trash, taking bags to dumpster). Mon.-Thurs. Hourly pay, negotiable. For more information contact: Pastor Paul via e-mail [pvhue@lutzfbc.org](mailto:pvhue@lutzfbc.org) or call church office (813) 949-7495

## 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.

## Sheldon Road Baptist

- Sheldon Road Baptist is looking for a part time music leader. Does not need to be a member. Please call Pastor Mark Nunes at (813) 545-6374 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](mailto:wbsbctampa@gmail.com)) (813) 886-4022. Also seeking a part-time bookkeeper/secretary. Must have knowledge of general bookkeeping, QuickBooks, Excel, Word, and Publisher. Good communication and organizational skills. Is comfortable working in a church environment. Prior experience is preferred but on the job training is available. Becoming a Church member is NOT required. For more information, please contact the church office at (813) 886-4022 and email resume to : [wbsbctampa@gmail.com](mailto:wbsbctampa@gmail.com).