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CROSSOVER, CROSSOVER, SEND MEMBERS RIGHT OVER!



I remember the simple, outdoor game that kids play that is called Red Rover. It involved two lines of children who would hold hands very tightly. One line of players would invite someone from the other line to run and try to break through the arms of those in their line who were holding hands. The children would say, "Red Rover, Red Rover, send (child's name) right over." It was fun to play but it could get a little out of hand at times.

Red Rover is simple. I like simple. I want you to know about a simple, yet incredible local evangelistic mission trip that scores of Tampa Bay Baptist Association churches and hundreds of their members can take to Orlando this summer. It is called Crossover. Just like Red Rover, I invite all of you to "Crossover, Crossover, Send Members Right Over".

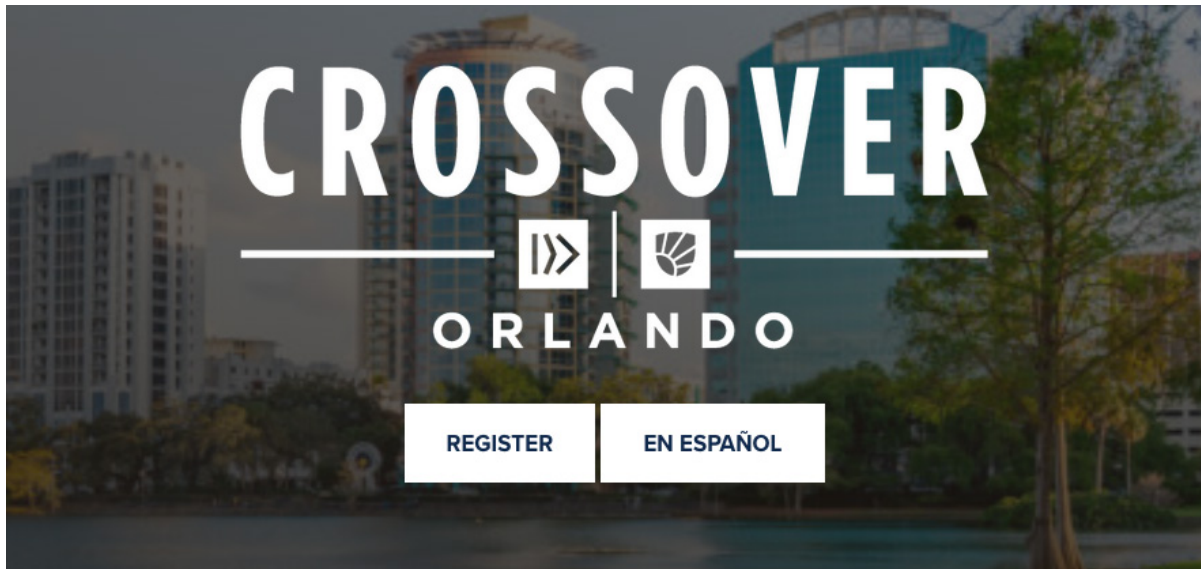
What exactly is Crossover? We are blessed to have the Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting in Orlando this June. For over 35 years, each SBC Annual Meeting has been preceded with an evangelism ministry in the host city. The ministry is called Crossover. Our State Executive Director/Treasurer, Dr. Stephen Rummage, has stated that the bold, state-wide goal for Crossover is:

1,000 Participating Churches
10,000 Gospel Engagements
1,000 Decisions for Christ

The North American Mission Board and the Florida Baptist Convention are working together to make it easy (simple) for churches and their members to register to serve at the Orlando Crossover. Any church can participate and individual church members can register even if their church does not choose to enlist volunteers. Please read below for more information about Crossover and register yourself and others to impact thousands of people in the region around Orlando. It's not about a game like Red Rover, it is about eternity for lots of people.

Coming alongside,
Mike

GETTING READY FOR ORLANDO!



HELP SHARE THE GOSPEL BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 1 - JUNE 7

Crossover is an annual evangelistic emphasis that takes place in the city where the Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting is held (Orlando).

Many churches in the host city plan an evangelistic outreach the week before the meeting, and many will plan evangelistic events the Saturday before the annual meeting starts and will recognize a Harvest Day the next day.

Events are organizing now for students and adults. Because the meeting will be held in our region this is a great opportunity for your church to get involved.

To learn more or to register your church members, click this link:

-> [REGISTER YOUR CHURCH HERE](#)

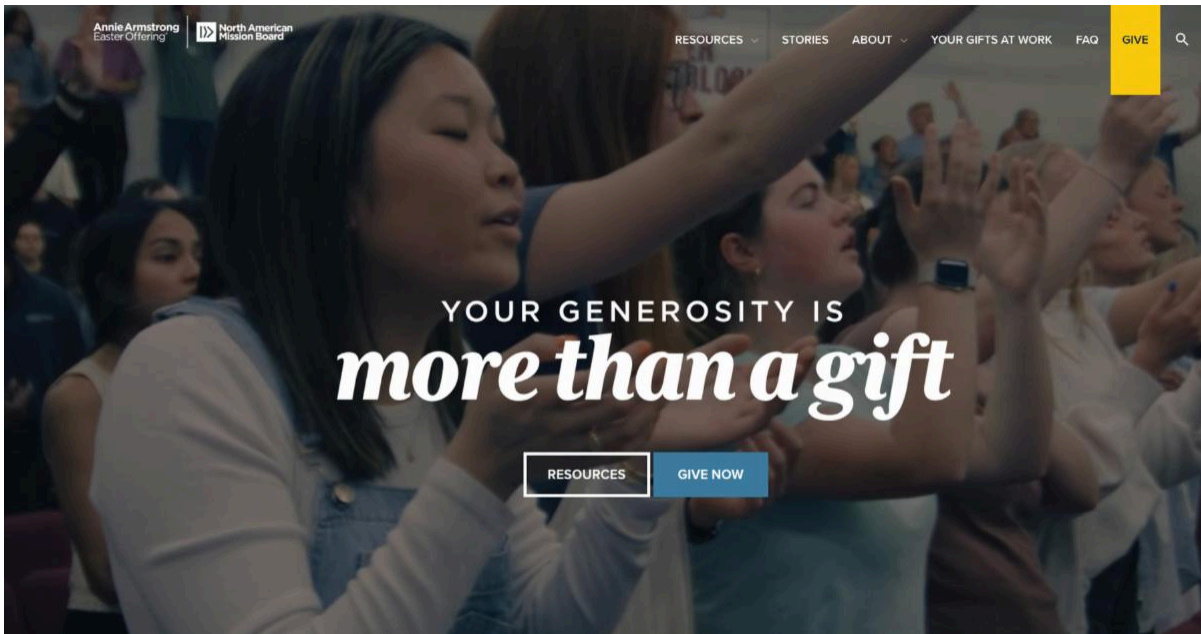
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The SBC Annual Meeting is coming to our back yard this year. We hope you will save the date and look forward to coming to Orlando with us.

[Click here for the SBC Annual Meeting Website](#)

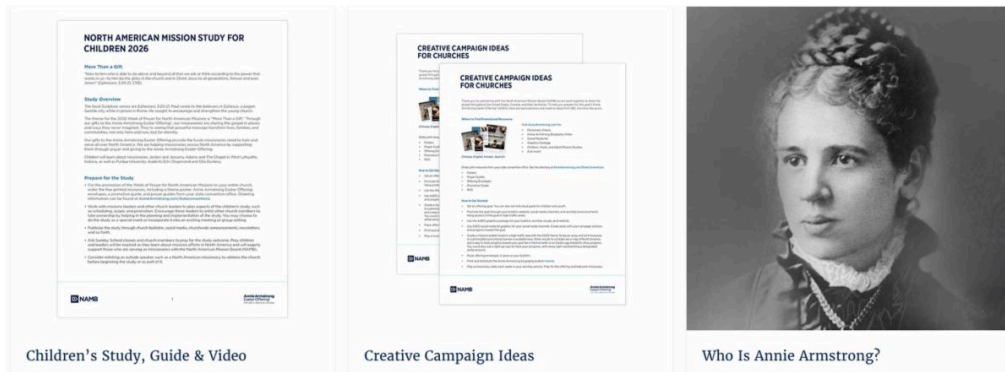
**ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING
(IT IS NOT TOO LATE)**



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

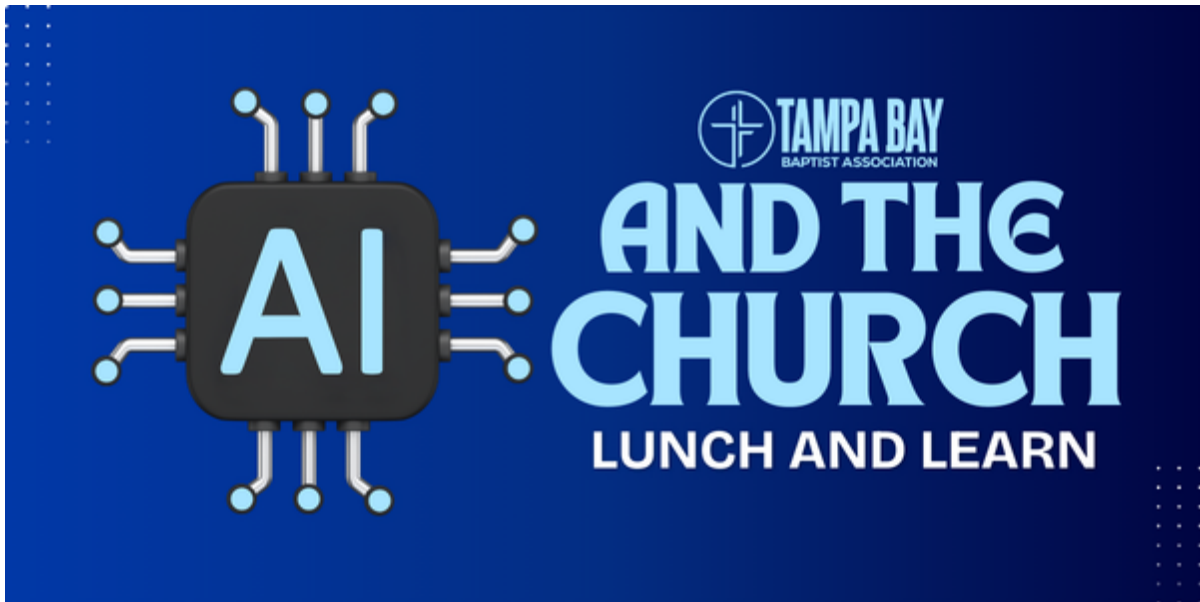
The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is the primary way Southern Baptists fund missions in North America. One hundred percent of gifts go to the field to support more than 3,000 missionary families serving across the United States and Canada.

Our North American Mission Board has created a dedicated Web site for churches to access resources for adults, students, and kids.



Click here -> anniearmstrong.com

APRIL EVENTS



Location: Idlewild Baptist Church

April 20, 2026

11:00am - 12:30pm

Free lunch will be provided

Artificial Intelligence is shaping our world and the Church must learn how to respond wisely. Join our “AI and the Church” workshop for pastors, where we will discuss the pros and cons of AI in ministry and hear from experts in the field of AI, helping us approach this technology with wisdom and discernment.

Please RSVP to [Jan Jones](#) or call (813) 935-3839.

SAVE THE DATE (MAY 18, 2026)



The TBBA Preaching Conference

May 18, 2026
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p. m.

We are excited to be hosting our Annual Preaching Conference on May 18, 2026 with Dr. Greg Heisler, pastor, author, and former preaching professor at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Please, save the date.

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS



Pastor Willy Rice Shares His Vision for the Southern Baptist Convention

Thank you, Pastor Paul Purvis and Mission Hill Church for hosting Pastor Willy Rice on Thursday, March 5, 2026. We enjoyed hearing from Pastor Willy, who is a candidate to become the next president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Pastor Willy laid out his vision and strategy for our Convention to move into the future. He also stressed the importance of our churches sending church messengers to the Annual Meeting in Orlando (June 9-10), because it may be ten years or more before the convention comes back to Florida.

COMMUNITY & MINISTRY

Christ Fellowship South Tampa (formerly Manhattan Baptist)

- WORSHIP LEADER — Part-time, paid position. Multi-ethnic, multi-generational congregation. Christ Fellowship South Tampa is planting a new church in the old Manhattan Baptist (4300 S Manhattan Ave | Tampa FL 33611). They are praying for a called man to come lead in the style of Maverick City, Elevation Worship, and Gospel. Contact Pastor Zachary Carroll zachary@christfellowshiptampa.com.

Concord Baptist Church

- Concord Baptist (2224 Corrine St, Tampa, FL 33605) is seeking a volunteer worship leader for Sunday morning worship services. Call Pastor Jimmy Evans (813) 248-8702.

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