

News From Churches

Southside Baptist will have a special speaker on Sunday, January 26, 10:30am, Dr. Danny Johnson. He serves as missionary in the Philippines.

Brazil Mission Trip Interest Meeting, Jan 23rd @ 6:30 pm. Trip is scheduled for Aug 1-9. For more information contact Kent Dixon @ 501-362-7362

Arkansas Baptist Foundation

**Scholarship Opportunities
2025- 2026 Application open now
Deadline February 1st**

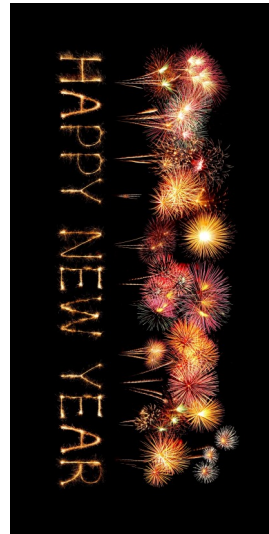
**Scholarships are available to
University and seminary students.**

Associational News

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January Associational Meeting

January 20 - Mtn Top Cowboy
6pm - Meal
7pm—Worship
Welcome - Bob Shelton



January 27-28



Seth and Amanda Stark have served 10 years with the International Mission Board. Seth is from Heber Springs and Amanda is from Richmond, Virginia. They have served together in the Middle East, but for the last three years they have made England their place of service. They are the Human Resources Directors for Europe so they are not only involved with local ministry but they also help provide leadership to our personnel in Europe. They are also expecting their first child in March!

Next Associational Meeting is May 19th @ Faith Baptist

Kent's Korner: Running Out of Gas

One New Year's Day, in the Tournament of Roses parade, a beautiful float suddenly sputtered and quit. It was out of gas. The whole parade was held up until someone could get a can of gas. The amusing thing was this float represented the Standard Oil Company. With its vast oil resources, its truck was out of gas.

Even though Christians have access to God's omnipotence, if we do not avail ourselves to it, we will run out of power.

And how do we avail ourselves of God's power and strength? In Mark 1:35 we read these words, *"Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, He got up, went out, and made His way to a deserted place. And He was praying there."* It was common knowledge among the disciples that they would find Jesus praying during the early morning hours. In fact, prayer was such a vital part of Jesus' lifestyle that the disciples actually asked, *"Lord, teach us to pray."* (Luke 11:1) Henry Blackaby, in his devotional book *Experiencing God Day by Day*, wrote these words, "Jesus knew that His mission was not to attract a crowd, but to be obedient to His Father. It was prayer that set the agenda..." And it is no different for you and me if we are His followers! We must follow the example of Jesus and make our time alone with God a priority every day if we want to experience His power and blessing on our lives. Make a commitment this new year to spending time in God's Word and in prayer each day! Don't run out of gas!

Happy New Year!

December 2024 Financial Report

Gifts from Churches:

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Brownsville | \$100.00 |
| Concord | |
| Faith | \$379.05 |
| First Baptist Heber | \$2,272.22 |
| Harris Chapel | |
| Heber Springs Baptist | \$950.00 |
| Higginson | \$115.00 |
| Lifeline | |
| Lone Star | |
| McJester | \$167.64 |
| Mt. Top Cowboy | \$2,168.70 |
| New Bethel | |
| Palestine | \$126.45 |
| Pines Baptist | \$140.00 |
| Pleasant Ridge | \$50.00 |
| Pleasant Valley | \$290.67 |
| Post Oak | |
| Quitman | \$200.00 |
| Southside | \$858.00 |
| Sugarloaf | \$500.00 |
| Tumbling Shoals | \$360.42 |
| Woodrow | |
| Total Church Contributions | \$8,678.15 |
| reimbursement | \$100.00 |
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| Total Contributions | \$8,778.15 |

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| First Security Bank CD | \$38,987.48 |
| Total in DR/Designated Funds | \$2,135.92 |

Expenditures:

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| Arkansas Faith and Ethics | \$150.00 |
| Bapt. Collegiate Ministry ASU | \$100.00 |
| Bapt. Collegiate Ministry UCA | \$100.00 |
| Deeper Still | \$150.00 |
| Church Plant | \$150.00 |
| Electric/Gas/Water | \$290.70 |
| Telephone/Internet | \$195.98 |
| Office Expense/Supplies/Postag | \$48.13 |
| Ideal /Maintenance and Supplies | \$367.46 |
| Repairs/Maintenance/Lawn mowing | \$9,538.40 |
| Brotherhood | \$36.84 |
| Evangelism | \$23.49 |
| Pastor Staff | \$749.20 |
| DOM Discretionary Fund | \$60.77 |
| Honorariums | \$200.00 |
| Youth | \$24.43 |
| Love Offering Send Network Wyoming | \$590.00 |
| DOM Travel Reimbursement | \$45.56 |
| Missionary's Salary | \$4,000.00 |
| Housing Allowance | \$2,500.00 |
| Missionary's Annuity withheld | (\$250.00) |
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| Admin Assistant Salary Amanda | \$1,232.50 |
| Admin Assistant Less Taxes: Amanda | (\$158.87) |
| DOM Christmas Bonus | \$500.00 |
| Admin Christmas Bonus | \$500.00 |
| Visa cash back rewards | |
| Total Expenses | \$21,394.59 |
| Previous Balance | \$52,860.14 |
| Total Expenditures | (\$21,394.59) |
| Total Receipts | \$8,778.15 |
| | \$40,243.70 |

February 1st
8:30am

For more information/registration
go to absc.org/events/equip-2025

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Equipping
the Saints

Williams Baptist University

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March 8th, 2025
Register @ absc.org



Mark your calendars,
More info coming soon

Disaster Relief Training

March 15th, 2025

Jonesboro, Arkansas