



Messenger

May 2024



Everyone is invited to the  
**Hamblen County Prayer Event**

**May 2nd**

**12:00—12:35 PM**

**Veterans Memorial at the Hamblen Courthouse**

*"For thou art my lamp, O LORD; and the LORD will lighten my darkness. For by thee I have run through a troop: by my God have I leaped over a wall. As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all them that trust in him." —2 Samuel 22:29-31*

The National Day of Prayer Broadcast will be available via television, radio and livestream from your favorite Christian stations, and on [nationaldayofprayer.org](http://nationaldayofprayer.org) and [Facebook site](#) at 8 p.m. ET on May 2nd. Please check local television listings for time and station information in your area.

The  
**MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING**



Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes

**Mother's Day**  
**Sunday**  
**May 12th**

Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes provides Christ-centered, nurturing homes for children in hard places in campus homes and foster families. Visit TBCH online at: [tennesseechildren.org](http://tennesseechildren.org)

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT**  
*TBCH welcomes children in hard places into safe homes with the love of Christ.*  
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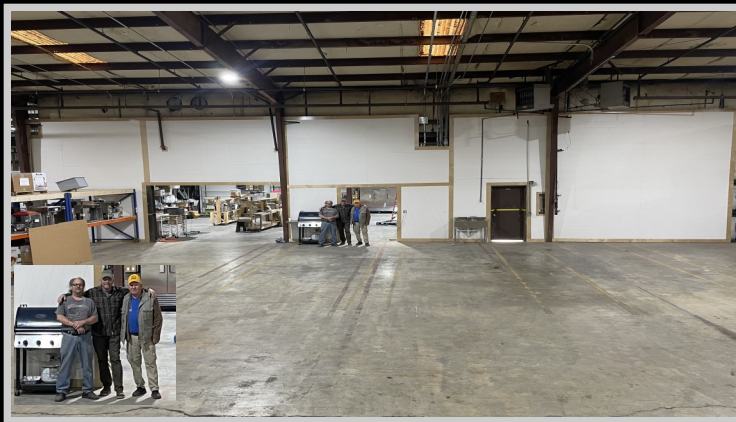
## GOD'S WAREHOUSE



"Serving to the Ends of the Earth"



A team from Russellville Baptist Church served at God's Warehouse on Saturday, April 20th.



Recent update to Katom's Korner at God's Warehouse.

### 12 Things I Would Do Differently ... By Dr. Chuck Lawless

1. I would pray more.
2. I would counsel less.
3. I would delegate more.
4. I would spend more time outside my office.
5. I would say "thank you" to my wife more often.
6. I would study more for my sermons.
7. I would seek ways to be more connected to my community.
8. I would spend more time with the senior adults in the church.
9. I would listen more to members wiser than I.
10. I would take days off and always take vacation.
11. I would take a mission trip at least once a year.
12. I would not allow criticism to distract and discourage me.

Chuck Lawless is Dean of Doctoral Studies and Vice President of Spiritual Formation & Ministry Centers at Southeastern Seminary in Wake Forest, NC.

To read the entire article from Baptist Press—  
bpress@sbc.net, go to:

<https://www.baptistpress.com/resource-library/bptoolbox/12-things-i-would-do-differently-if-i-were-starting-ministry-again/>



The Associational Bible Drills were held at First Baptist Morristown on April 7th. Pictured L to R: Madison Leigh and Grace Horton, First Baptist Dandridge; Caleb Montecillo, La Gran Comision; Josiah Niemi, Arrowhead; Jennifer Kledzik, and Maddy Helton, First Baptist Morristown.



Regional & State Drills were held April 27th at Wallace Memorial. Pictured L to R Zander Cowan, 2nd in Youth and Jaylen Duckworth, 3rd in High School, Kidwells Ridge; Josiah Niemi, State Winner Superior; Jennifer Kledzik, State Winner, Caleb Montecillo, State Representative. Congratulations to Malachi Kramps, 1st Baptist, Regional High School winner with a perfect score! Malachi has won 3 years in a row.



Gospel Conversations with Preston Condra was held April 7th at First Baptist Morristown.

### Off the Grid Women's Hiking Trip Missions and Ministry Leaders May 17-18, 2024



Experience two days of hiking in the Great Smoky Mountains and one night at Carson Springs Baptist Conference Center. You will experience an approximately five-mile round trip on Elkmont Nature Trail to Cool Troll Bridge on the first day. The second day we will hike from Metcalf Bottoms picnic area to Little Brier Gap Trail. This will be a seven-mile round trip hike. During this trip you will experience two days of beautiful scenery and good fellowship with mission and ministry minded women.

[Click here](#) to register. Contact [Kim Cruse](#) for questions.



**NOW Evangelistic Conclave**  
Sullivan Baptist Church  
4152 Maplewood Street  
Kingsport, TN  
May 7th, 6-8 pm

6:00--6:50 pm Breakout Sessions  
Education Wining Children: Vicki Hulse; Wining Women: Donna Blaydes; Wining Young Adults: Ryan Keaton; Wining Students: Jay Barbier; Discipling New Believers: Mark Miller; New Churches: Reaching the Lost through Church Planting: Lewis McMullen/William Burton  
7:00--8:00 pm Inspiration and Participation: Roc Collins

## Local Ministry Opportunities

**Alpha Baptist Church** is searching for a **Part-time Administrative Assistant** 20-30 hours per week. Must have a working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel & Office. Submit resume' to [HSmith@alphabaptist.com](mailto:HSmith@alphabaptist.com).

**Bulls Gap Baptist Church** is searching for a **Music Director** to lead congregational singing and work with the children's music on Sunday morning only. Call Judy Riley at 423-923-8076 or send a resume' to 235 Easy St., Bulls Gap 37711.

**Cherokee Hills Baptist Church** is seeking a **Part-time Youth Director** for students in grades 6-12. Responsibilities include planning Wednesday night lessons and organizing youth activities. If interested, email resume' to: [search-teamcherokeehills@yahoo.com](mailto:search-teamcherokeehills@yahoo.com)

**First Baptist Rogersville** is seeking a Full-Time Senior Pastor. A seminary degree is required. Submit resume' to FBC Rogersville, Attn: Pastor Search committee, PO Box 267, Rogersville, TN 37857 or email [fbcrog@fbcrog.net](mailto:fbcrog@fbcrog.net). Deadline for resumes is May 31st.

**Grace Baptist Church** is seeking a part-time youth leader. For more information, contact Pastor James Williams at the church office, 423-586-9322.

**Lebanon Baptist Church** at Talbott is prayerfully seeking a **Children's Ministry Leader**. If interested, please submit a resume' to the church office or email: [mylebanon-baptist@gmail.com](mailto:mylebanon-baptist@gmail.com)

**Pleasant View Baptist Church** is seeking a **Bi-vocational Youth Leader**. Call 423-581-7919 for more information or submit a resume' to 1464 Lakeshore Road, Talbott, TN 37877



**June 10 @ 2:00 pm —  
June 14 @ 11:00 am**  
**Carson Springs  
Baptist Conference Center**  
1120 Carson Springs Rd.  
Newport TN

All Nations Camp (ANC) is for elementary through high-school aged students of *ethnic congregations of the Tennessee Baptist Convention*. **Ages 6–17**. ANC is a fun-filled, spiritually, and biblically dynamic week where campers will enjoy: new friendships with other campers, age-appropriate Bible Study with life application, and exciting outdoor activities. For more information Contact: **Marybel Sotomayor at 615-371-7916 or [mstomayor@tnbaptist.org](mailto:mstomayor@tnbaptist.org)**. Or visit [www.allnationscamp.org](http://www.allnationscamp.org)



We are cooperating with Crossings Camp out of Kentucky in order to provide a quality camp for our churches. Information for camp and registration can be found at Crossings Camp's website — <https://gocrossings.org/tennessee/>. They can also be reached by email ([info@gocrossings.org](mailto:info@gocrossings.org)) or telephone (502-491-7000). Donna Blaydes, childhood specialist, will be leading adult training opportunities. Come and join us!

**Kids Camp June 22-25 @ Carson Springs \$317.00**  
**Student Camp July 15-19 @ Carson Springs \$371.00**

## Take the 2024 SBC Church COMPENSATION SURVEY

Visit [GuideStone.org/CompensationSurvey](http://GuideStone.org/CompensationSurvey).



Help create an accurate, reliable database that will be used by thousands of churches to provide compensation benchmarks for the pastors and numerous other church staff positions for the next two years for our 3,000+ Tennessee Baptist churches. Upon completion, you'll be entered for a chance to win one of five \$100 Amazon gift cards and notified when survey results are available!

- ♦ Survey takes less than 10 minutes to do.
- ♦ Data will not be shared with other organizations.
- ♦ Helpful in helping churches develop compensation packages for various positions.
- ♦ Survey results are not reported individually.

**The survey is found at [www.tnbaptist.org](http://www.tnbaptist.org) and click on Take the SBC Church Compensation Survey 2024. Survey Closes: June 30, 2024**



**Liberty University  
June 24-28**

This world-class Christian University is in Central Virginia on a 7,000-acre campus. Its founder, the late Dr. Jerry Falwell Sr., dreamed of a university filled with young men and women who would change the world for Christ. Since 1971, Liberty has had a singular vision of Train Champions for Christ. \$395 per camper **SPACE IS LIMITED!** [www.gotellministries.com](http://www.gotellministries.com)



**Junior Camp  
July 10-15**

**Camp Bethel, Wise, VA  
Cost Information coming soon**

For those children who have completed Grades 3-6. Campers will enjoy Bible studies, worship services, Dinosaur Egg Hunt, Swimming, Zip Line, Water Slide and S'mores by the fire to name a few activities. Each camper will have the opportunity to attend 2 classes of their choosing during camp. If you register after July 1, we cannot guarantee T-shirt size or availability. Campers registering after July 1, will be assigned classes at the discretion of the camp leadership team. **Space is limited** and is first come first serve. For more information call First Baptist Morristown at 423-586-0522



**Thursday Noon Hour Prayer  
Nolachucky Baptist Association**

# Nolachucky Baptist Association

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## Pastors & Wives Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Celebrating Birthdays in May:

- May 1.....Rev. Roger Porter, Macedonia
- May. 2 .....Rev. Dannie Bell, Bethel
- May 3 ..... Rev. James Ramsey, Catherine Nenny
- May 3.....Mrs. Kristen Smith, Alpha
- May 6 ..... Rev. Charlie Brewer, Lebanon
- May 9 .....Mrs. Robin Inman, True Life
- May 13 ..... Rev. Elias Nech, Children of Christ
- May 16 ..... Mrs. Gwen Carpenter, Three Springs
- May 20 .....Mrs. Cecelia Miller, Grace Point
- May 22 .....Mrs. Jayne Watkins, Briar Thicket
- May 24 ..... Mrs. Angelia Ramsey, Catherine Nenny
- May 24 ..... Mrs. Melissa Wilson, Whitesburg First Baptist
- May 29 ..... Mrs. Misty Ingram, Omega

### Celebrating Anniversaries in May:

- May 10 .....Rev. & Mrs. Richard Long, Brown Springs
- May 12 ..... Rev. & Mrs. Jimmy Inman, True Life
- May 15.....Rev. & Mrs. Javier Gonzalez, Garcia Y Verdad
- May 18 .....Rev. & Mrs. Tom Wells, White Oak Grove
- May 21 .....Rev. & Mrs. Stanley Carpenter, Three Springs
- May 26 .....Rev. & Mrs. Jay Mosser, Fairview



## PASTORS & MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP

Monday, May 6th at 11:30 a.m.  
Davy Crockett Restaurant

Devotion by: Dr. Brent Mayes, First Baptist

## Nolachucky Executive Board Meeting

Monday, May 6 at 7:00 PM

Nolachucky Baptist Association

304 Calvary Drive, Morristown, TN 37813



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Online donations can be made to the Nolachucky budget or designated to any of our Nolachucky ministries. Click [Give Online](#) and follow instructions.

Text giving is also available: text [NOLBAPT](#) and the amount to [73256](#).

Both options are simple, easy, convenient and secure ways to donate.



Nolachucky Association Office  
**CLOSED** — May 27th  
in observance of Memorial Day



## RECYCLE CHURCH LITERATURE

It's time to recycle church literature and materials through CROSS Ministries. Please bring materials to God's Warehouse. Thanks!