

# HEART for the KINGDOM

TGBC Missions Newsletter

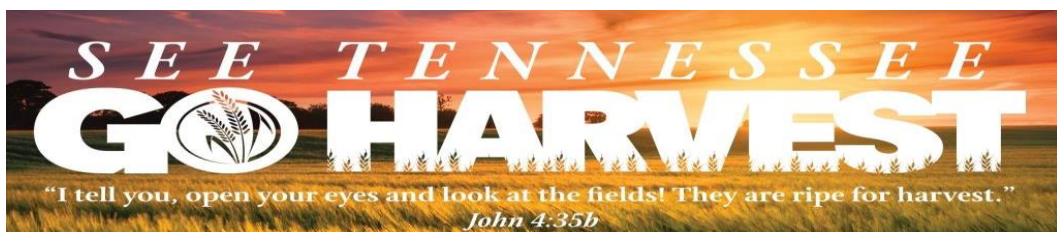


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The following is a list of some of the places the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions has been invested in the Middle Tennessee area. The Golden Offering is Impacting Lostness and Meeting Needs through....

**EQUIPPING FUTURE GENERATIONS:** *The Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions helps support Baptist Collegiate Ministries and BCM Student Center capital needs.* • Tennessee Tech University • Cumberland University • Middle Tennessee State University • Motlow State Community College

**MEETING HUMAN NEEDS:** *The Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions helps Tennessee Compassion Ministries attack pockets of poverty and need with the gospel through community-based ministry.*

- Calvary Baptist Church, Lafayette - Renewing the Mind Ministry Training on Biblically serving the poor
- Journey of Hope Ministry of Midland Baptist Church - Truck to haul trailer of food
- Livingston First Baptist Church – Backpack Food Ministry
- Midway Baptist Church, South Pittsburgh – Food, drinks & recreational equipment for block party
- New Middleton Baptist Church, Gordonsville – Community Outreach Christmas play & dinner
- New Salem Baptist Association – Assistance to provide water and other needs of people at tent revival
- Nolachucky Baptist Association - Compassion Ministry truck shipping cost to deliver food boxes
- Project Connect Nashville – Summer programming
- Union Baptist Association – Backpack Assist Ministry

*The Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions helps support Christian Women's/Men's Job Corps – Providing a helping hand to women and men seeking to change their lives through Christ-centered training and nurturing.*

- CWJC of Lebanon/Wilson County, Lebanon
- CWJC of Lincoln County, Fayetteville
- Down Home Missions, Woodbury



THE GOLDEN OFFERING FOR TENNESSEE MISSIONS IS IMPACTING YOUR HARVEST FIELD!



**SERVING PEOPLE GROUPS IN TENNESSEE:** *The Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions helps support Restorative Justice Ministry – Leading churches to engage in Biblical ministry to the incarcerated, their families, and justice system professionals.* • Anchor Prison Ministry

**REVITALIZING CHURCHES:** *The Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions helps maximize the impact of existing churches through Church Revitalization Initiatives.* • 39 churches have been directly impacted

**REACHING THE LOST:** *The Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions helps establish new churches to reach the lost in communities and social circles that aren't being reached.*

- 3:18 Fellowship, Mt. Juliet • Arabic, Murfreesboro • Centertown Community, McMinnville • City of Refuge, Hendersonville • Community Baptist Church, Rock Island • Creekside Fellowship, Castalian Springs • Crossway Baptist Church, Murfreesboro • First Baptist Church, Hendersonville • Grove Hill Church, Chapel Hill • HMONG True Life, Murfreesboro • Life Change Church, Tullahoma • Mending Fences Cowboy, Lebanon • Redeemer Church, Hendersonville • Resurreccion y Esperanza, McMinnville • Revolution Church, Crossville • Sovereign Grace, Algood • The River Church, Sparta • The River Community Church, Cookeville • The Well Church, Gallatin • Tree City Church, McMinnville • Viola Baptist Church, Morrison

**FIVE OBJECTIVES IN ASSOCIATIONAL MINISTRIES:** *Returning 10% of everything a church gives through GOTM to the association that they are a member of to assist the association in addressing the Five Objectives adopted by the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board by 2024.* 1) Seeing at least 50,000 Tennesseans annually saved, baptized and set on the road to discipleship 2) Having at least 500 Tennessee Baptist churches revitalized 3) Planting and strategically engaging at least 1,000 new churches 4) Realizing an increase in annual local church giving through the Cooperative Program that reaches at least 10% 5) Realizing an increase in annual giving for the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions that reaches at least \$3 million

Thank you for supporting missions and ministries through the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions.

OUR CHURCH GOAL: \$8,000



## LOCAL/ONGOING

*Begin Anew*  
Renee Mathis

*Dodson Elementary*  
Nancy Andrews  
Eric Boswell

*Human Trafficking Ministry Team*  
Dan Wilson

*In His Grip*  
Joey Hickman

*Let's Learn English Together (ESL)*  
Carmen McCreary

*Love on the Homeless*  
David & Connie Horton

*Pregnancy Care Center*  
Desha Hearn

Use the link below to listen to Pastor Gerald's August 25, 2019 sermon:  
*Marked by Biblical (Missional) Living*  
Matthew 9:35-38  
<http://tgbc.org/media/sermons/>



Every year we do an ESL class project, and this past year we created a cookbook. We had a fun time dressing up for the book!



TGBC members distributing items to Nashville's homeless on Aug. 10

# Dodson Elementary Good News Club

By Nancy Andrews

It's back to school time, and that means it's time for Good News Club. Our club will be starting back up at Dodson Elementary on Thursday afternoons after Labor Day. Each week we have the privilege of sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with elementary students in the public schools. If you are interested in being involved with this ministry to reach the children and families of Dodson Elementary, please contact Pastor Eric or Nancy Andrews.

There are also opportunities to serve as a classroom volunteer at Dodson. Help is always needed by the teachers with tasks that are otherwise done at home after hours. If you are interested in being a volunteer at the school, please contact Nancy Andrews.

## In His Grip

By Joey Hickman

We have had a busy 2019 with the addition of two new life-groups at existing facilities on different days as well as two new facilities in Westhaven and Harpeth Hills. Our reach for the kingdom has expanded to having nearly 200 men involved in our life-groups that have spent a combined 70,770 minutes in the Word for the year!! Our goal for the calendar year is to have 100,000 minutes in the Word! To God be the Glory!!

We have been blessed with a Pro-Am named in our honor that will be held at Pebble Beach, California during December 7-12, 2019, and we will be staying at the famous Pebble Beach Lodge. The event will have 100 players from across the USA, and the start to the event will be a worship service on #18 green with Scot Lehman sharing his vision for the ministry. A man playing bagpipes will walk up the 18th fairway playing Amazing Grace which will certainly be heard by anyone within earshot of the venue. Pray with us that many will hear and answer the call God places on their lives through this event!

## Let's Learn English Together

By Carmen McCreary

This year we have started our fall 2019 semester a bit earlier than the past years, but in return, we have two new students! We also have a new teacher that has joined us, Anna Geminn, from a neighboring church.

We are very excited about our new curriculum with Pearson called Future that is made for working professionals. It allows extra practice for our students to have outside the classroom as well as in the class. We want to build a community that gives a high-quality learning experience and have a meaningful time to share God's word.

Last year we had so much fun that we extended our program officially to 6pm-8pm. We have a time with family from 7:30pm to 8pm where we share our monthly Bible verse and a Bible story with the students and their children. This gives the parents an opportunity to learn and participate alongside their children. It can be intimidating for the parents at first, but it is probably the few times that their children will hear them speak English. We want family members to support each other as the parents learn and become more confident in their English abilities.

Please continue to pray for growth for volunteers and participants. If you love speaking English, we have a place for you! If interested in volunteering or teaching, please contact Carmen at [carmen@esltulipgrove.org](mailto:carmen@esltulipgrove.org). You can always visit [esltulipgrove.org](http://esltulipgrove.org) to learn more.

## Love on the Homeless

By Connie Horton

The Love on the Homeless Ministry continues to do just that – show and share God's love through caring words, prayers, sharing the gospel, and meeting needs. If you are interested in the ministry, please join our Facebook page, Love on the Homeless. You will find pictures each month of the people we meet, current needs of the ministry, stories, and the dates we plan to go.

Come go with us. It just takes two hours of your time. You get the blessing of helping others and the added bonus of Christian fellowship! Contact Connie Horton for more information.



# Mission Friends

By Linda Sharp

Mission Friends kicked off our new year August 7, 2019. We are pleased to have Jane Scott, Kathy Burgess and Bobbie McGill as our teachers this year.

During August we have had "Getting to Know You" activities, a visit from Kendall Shirey who will teach us about missionaries and what they do, a lesson about how preschoolers can be missionaries, and a sharing session from Jane Scott about her trip to Russia.

In September we will learn about missionaries working in Australia. Our concept area will be God's Creation.

In October we will learn about missionaries working closer to our home – in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Our concept area will be Community.

In November the missionaries we will be learning about are in New Orleans, Louisiana. Our concept area will be Family.

Mission Friends are also looking forward to working with the RAs, GAs and WoM this year to fill backpacks in a church wide mission project. Watch for more details to come.



Ryker Hayes and Braden Morris talked to Mission Friends in May about their trip to Cuba.



Kendall Shirey taught Mission Friends about what a missionary is and does.



Retired Chaplain Dan Haskins shared with Mission Friends about the history and work of chaplains.

## Family Prayer Breakfast

Church-wide prayer breakfast for families to pray for our church

Saturday Sep. 14

7:30-9 a.m.

in the CLC

Coordinator: Gary LaRoy

## Ladies Prayer Times

Time of prayer for women to pray for our church

Saturday Oct. 12

Saturday Nov. 9

9-10 a.m.

Room 100

Coordinator: Hallie Gipson

# Room in the Inn

By Janet Konig

The 2019-2020 season for Room in the Inn is meeting some challenges as we prepare for another year. We are praying that these challenges will become opportunities for you to find a place of mission service as we reach out and touch the lives of the homeless of Nashville.

We have lost many of our workers, bus drivers, and overnights; therefore, we will be providing our services to the homeless during January and February only, which typically are the coldest months. We prepare devotionals, delicious hot meals, fellowship, a warm shower and bed for the night, a good hot breakfast, lunch for the day, and transport to and from Room in the Inn downtown. Many people are needed make this a success. We pray that by November of 2020 we can return to our normal season of services.

Please contact David or Janet Konig if you feel led to serve in our Room in the Inn ministry.

# Pregnancy Care Center

By Lisa Cathcart, PCC Executive Director

Over 10 years ago the Lord began to lay a solid foundation for the ministry of the Pregnancy Care Center through the faithful hearts of his followers at TGBC. This year the PCC celebrates 10 years of faithful service to our community and wants to take this opportunity to thank TGBC for your faithful partnership in this work from the first day until now. In 2009, the year we opened we ministered to 64 individuals through 114 visits. This year (January - mid August 2019) we are regularly working with over 250 individuals/families and have facilitated over 720 visits, including 188 people who visited the Center for the first time this year!

To date mothers served by the PCC have chosen life and given birth to 520 baby boys and girls! Thank you for your consistent partnership and support and for helping to create the solid foundation that has enabled this ministry to grow and thrive over these past 10 years!

Mark your calendars for our annual **Walk for Life** Saturday, Sep. 28, 2019 at First Baptist Mt. Juliet. Registration starts at 8:45 a.m. Walk at your convenience between 9-11 a.m. Register online at PregnancyCareTN.com under the "Support" tab. Come rain or shine. We will use their indoor track in case of heavy rain. The course is a two-mile flat course. Bring the whole family! If you can't join us, you can raise money by walking on your own.

615-773-HOPE (4673)

www.pregnancycarecentertn.com

PCC Virtual Tour: <https://goo.gl/maps/t3Kv9ZJbqCD2>



RAs have gotten off to a great start! We look forward to seeing how God uses these young boys to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

## Missions Offerings

**Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions**  
Church Offering: \$13,493.29

**Mother's Day Offering for TN Baptist Children's Homes**  
Church Offering: \$4,809.00

**Father's Day Offering for TN Baptist Adult Homes**  
Church Offering: \$2,380.00

**Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions**  
State Goal: \$2,100,000  
Church Goal: \$8,000

## Women on Mission Sisters

By Renee Mathis



WoM Sisters cooked chicken tetrazzini and chicken pot pie meals with the Rest Stop Ministries women this summer. The chocolate lava cakes were a challenge but were delicious!



WoM delivered meals to 8 families with bed babies in August to kick off the new church year!



The Hat Ministry has grown into the Craft Ministry because they now provide so much more than hats!

Our WoM Sisters evening group had two cooking mission projects with Rest Stop Ministries this summer. The women at RSM are very good in the kitchen! Our first meal was chicken tetrazzini, salad, bread, strawberry-raspberry trifle, and fruit tea. For our second meal, WoM Sisters also provided several kitchen supplies for RSM in addition to making chicken pot pie, salad, and chocolate lava cakes. As always, WE are the ones who receive the blessing!

WoM Sisters will kick off the new church year with our first meeting Tuesday, Sep. 3, 6:30-8pm at the home of Janet Konig. Please RSVP to Janet by Sunday, Sep. 1. Our guest speaker will be from TN Baptist Disaster Relief, and our mission projects will be collecting gift cards for Disaster Relief (Walmart, Target, Lowes, Home Depot) as well as taking empty backpacks provided by WoM Celebrators to fill for TBMB's Christmas Backpack project.

Hallie Gipson will host our Oct. 1 meeting at her home and will share about her mission trip to Guatemala. Our mission project will be providing much needed infant vitamins for the next medical mission trip.

Our Nov. 5 meeting will be hosted by Carmen McCreary at the Baptist Global Response office in the BNA Center near the airport. Carmen is TGBC's ESL Coordinator, but she works for BGR and will share about the work that they do for global disaster relief.

In December we are planning a mission project with the TN Baptist Children's Home similar to the project we did for them last Christmas that will also include our children and youth.

Women on Mission is for all women 18 and up. Come join us as we create multigenerational bonds where doing life together for His kingdom is our desire as we live out His mission!

## Women on Mission Celebrators

By Charlotte Maynard

Women on Mission is gearing up for a great year for 2019-2020. The last Sunday in August is a special Sunday because WoM has been collecting backpacks for a special project. We will be sharing the gospel with Tennessee's impoverished children through the TBMB Christmas Backpack ministry. There were 3,500 Christmas Backpacks donated by individuals from 115 Tennessee Baptist Convention churches last year. This year's goal in Tennessee is 5,000 backpacks. We plan to share 10 percent of our Christmas Backpacks (500 Backpacks) with one of our mission partnerships in New England.

WoM Sisters, RAs, and GAs will be taking these backpacks that WoM has collected and fill them with supplies from the list provided along with a copy of the Christmas Story. We are very excited to be able to share the gospel in this way. All the backpacks will be collected and turned in at the end of October.

WoM Celebrators first meeting this year will be Monday, Sept. 9, at 10 a.m. in Room 100. If you've never attended, please join us to hear our first speaker of the year, Pat Ayres, who is a long-time missionary with a great story to tell. Those who are regulars, please recruit a new member and bring them with you in September.

## Craft Ministry

By Charlotte Maynard



God has blessed us with many **new** opportunities to minister to others by making hats for bone marrow transplant patients and lap blankets for dialysis patients at Veterans Hospital, drain bags and pillows for mastectomy patients at Summit Hospital, hats for cancer patients at Summit, adult bibs for those in the memory care unit at Charter Living, baby blankets for new moms at our church, and last but not least men's hats for the Life Recovery Center at the Rescue Mission.

The Craft Ministry is made up of group of ladies who are not only talented but very hard working. We knit, crochet, and sew. Come join us, learn what is going on and choose to work on what interests you and blesses others. We'd love to have you the third Monday of each month in Room 100 anywhere from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Homebound Ministry

By Charlotte Maynard

Our Homebound Ministry Team has gotten smaller, but we are hopeful many of you will join us this fall. We love to send cards (which are provided along with stamps) to our homebound members along with making occasional visits and phone calls. We need YOU! Please consider joining us Sunday, Sept. 29, at 5 p.m. in Room 100 and learn more about this great ministry.



# Youth Mission Tour to Cincinnati

By Phil Lundy

Our students served Christ in Cincinnati in June, sharing His love with hundreds of local residents there. Our students partnered with Mt. Carmel Baptist Church and helped teach children during their VBS. They also served with Matthew 25 Ministries, a global relief effort that provides vital support to those in need in Jesus' name. Students prepared and served a meal for the homeless at City Gospel Mission.

The Youth Choir had the privilege of singing in quite a number of venues, including singing for veterans at the Cincinnati VA Hospital where they sang three different concerts. Another concert was given at City Gospel Mission. They sang at several assisted living facilities, where perhaps the most meaningful interactions were at The Seasons. There our students interacted with residents who had signed up to eat dinner with a group of teenagers who would later that evening sing a concert for the entire facility. Our students did a great job engaging these residents, one of whom was 102 years old and utterly delightful. They also served them their dinner and even made ice cream sundaes for them!

Another key component of this trip was an in-depth Bible study led by Phillip Lundy, Jr. Phillip shared some very practical ways to read the Bible and challenged students to respond with a commitment to one of three Bible reading plans. The entry level challenge was to read through Genesis and Matthew in a month, while the highest challenge level was to read through the Bible in a year.

Throughout this mission tour, our students represented our Lord, Tulip Grove, their families, and themselves well. The week was busy, filled with 14-hour days of ministry and some fun events along the way. To God be the glory!



## Theology Nights

The word "theology" simply means "the study of God." What differentiates Theology Night from other studies offered at church? Many of the studies offered at church are studies from a book *about* God. Theology Night is the study *of* God from the Book. The focus is *on* God not upon the book *about* God. There is value in most book studies about God, but there is greater value to study the God of the Book.

Theology Night is a means to become grounded in the knowledge of God as revealed in His Word. The objective is not to increase head knowledge; the objective is to expand hearts by deeply knowing God personally and intimately.

Theology Night is an opportunity to encourage one another to pursue God passionately, to share how the study of God has made a difference in your life, and to hold each other accountable in our time with God.

**Theology Nights this fall are scheduled for Sep. 27, Oct. 18, and Nov 15 at 6:30pm. Men's Theology meets in the Youth Basement. Ladies' Theology meets in Room 100. Childcare is provided. Sign up in the Welcome Center.**

## Men's Ministry

By Ryan Hayes

We have had a successful change from the monthly breakfast to a monthly Men's Theology Night meeting held on Friday nights. We have had great attendance and look at this as a great opportunity for outreach to friends and our community.

We plan on having a fall meal. Watch the bulletins and announcements for a date. We have also sent out a survey about men coming together for lunch groups throughout the month to continue to build bonds with each other. Information on those groups will be coming out soon.

## Women's Ministry

The Women's Ministry is coordinating a trip to the Women of Joy conference Oct. 4-6. Thirty women will attend "Overwhelmed: Finding Peace in a Chaotic World" at the LeConte Center in Pigeon Forge. The conference features speakers Margaret Feinberg, Lisa Harper, Angie Smith, Sheila Walsh, and musicians Charles Billingsley, Plumb, and Michael W. Smith.

The cost for the conference ticket and hotel (2 per room) is \$260. **Full payment is due by September 1.** Hotel accommodations are at the Music Road Hotel and include a hot breakfast. All other meals are on your own. A few tickets are still available!

We plan to take the bus and carpool. Limited financial assistance is available. Contact Laurie Abel or Pam Reasonover for more information. Conference information is available at <https://womenofjoy.org/upcoming-events/2019>.





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### 2019-2020 Missions Leadership

- **Senior Pastor:**  
Dr. Gerald Bontrager
- **Spiritual Formation Pastor and Missions Ministry Team Coordinator:**  
David Shirey
- **WMU & WoM Sisters Coordinator, Missions Newsletter Editor:**  
Renee Mathis
- **WoM Celebrators Coordinator:**  
Charlotte Maynard
- **Mission Friends Coordinator:**  
Linda Sharp
- **Girls in Action (GA) Coordinator:**  
Kathy Fields
- **Royal Ambassador (RA) Coordinator:**  
Ryan Hayes
- **Youth on Mission Coordinator:**  
Phil Lundy
- **Women's Ministry Coordinator (Fall 2019):**  
Laurie Abel
- **Women's Ministry Co-coordinators (Spring 2020):**  
Hallie Gipson  
Hannah Clark
- **Men's Ministry Coordinator:**  
Ryan Hayes

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Sep</b>		
1	Women of Joy Conference Balance Due	
3	WoM Sisters	6:30-8pm, Janet Konig's House
8-15	Week of Prayer for Tennessee Missions and Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions	
9	WoM Celebrators	10am, Room 100
14	Family Prayer Breakfast	7:30-9am, CLC
16	Craft Ministry	10am-2pm, Room 223
18	Ladies Craft Day	10am-3pm, Room 220
27	Men's and Women's Theology Night	6:30-8pm, Youth Basement/Room 100
28	PCC Walk for Life	8:45-11am, 1 <sup>st</sup> Baptist Mt. Juliet
<b>Oct</b>		
1	WoM Sisters	6:30-8pm, Hallie Gipson's House
4-6	Women of Joy Conference	LeConte Center in Pigeon Forge, TN
12	Ladies Prayer Time	9-10am, Room 100
14	WoM Celebrators	10am, Room 100
16	Ladies Craft Day	10am-3pm, Room 220
18	Men's and Women's Theology Night	6:30-8pm, Youth Basement/Room 100
21	Craft Ministry	10am-2pm, Room 223
<b>Nov</b>		
5	WoM Sisters	6:30-8pm, Baptist Global Response
9	Ladies Prayer Time	9-10am, Room 100
11	WoM Celebrators	10am, Room 100
13	Ladies Craft Day	10am-3pm, Room 220
15	Men's and Women's Theology Night	6:30-8pm, Youth Basement/Room 100
18	Craft Ministry	10am-2pm, Room 223