

ASSOCIATION CONNECTIONS

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Our Mission Field Is Right Here

When we hear the word *missions*, our minds often go to faraway places. We think about missionaries serving in other countries, learning new languages, crossing oceans, and sharing the Gospel with people who have never heard the name of Jesus. Those missionaries deserve our prayers and support, and we should never lose sight of the Great Commission. But missions is not only something that happens somewhere else.

Our mission field is right here.

September is a wonderful opportunity for our churches to remember that every community is a mission field. Georgia Baptists' Mission Georgia emphasizes that churches should pray, give, and get involved in meeting needs and sharing the Gospel throughout our state.

That same challenge belongs to every church in the Tattnall-Evans Baptist Association.

People in our communities need to know that Jesus loves them. Some families need encouragement. Children and young people need godly examples. Some senior adults need someone to visit and listen. Individuals are struggling with physical, emotional, and spiritual needs. And people all around us may be searching for hope.

The question is not whether a mission field exists around us. The question is whether we are willing to enter it.

Jesus said in *Matthew 28:19-20*, "*Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations...*" The Great Commission begins with *go*. Sometimes going means traveling across the world. Sometimes it means walking across the street, visiting a neighbor, inviting someone to church, serving a family in need, or simply taking the time to share our testimony.

As churches, we have a tremendous opportunity to work together. One strength of an association is that we do not have to do ministry alone. When our churches pray together, serve together, and reach our communities together, we demonstrate the power of cooperation for the sake of the Gospel.

So, this September, let us look around us with fresh eyes.

Who needs Jesus?

Who needs encouragement?

Who needs a helping hand?

Who needs to hear the Gospel?

And what is God asking me to do?

(Continued)

May we never become so focused on missions *around the world* that we overlook the mission field *around the corner*. Remember, as you leave worship on Sundays and Wednesdays, that you are walking into your mission field.

Let us pray for our communities. Let us give generously. Let us serve faithfully. Let us share boldly.

Tattnall-Evans Baptist Association, our mission field is right here—and our opportunity is today.

"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." - Mark 16:15, NKJV.

Please note:

The *Women's Ministry Inspiration Banquet* will be Thursday, Sept.17, at Cobbtown at 6:30 (See information inside).

The *Annual Choir-fest* will be Sunday, Oct. 11 at 5:00 at Elza (Choirs participating need to be at the church at 4:00 PM).

Also, the *TEBA Annual Meeting* will be Thursday, Oct. 22, at 7:00 at First Baptist Glennville.

Our Church Family

Agape. Antioch; Birdford; Bull Creek; Claxton First; Cobbtown; Collins First; Connors; Eastside; Elza; Evergreen; Faith; Friendship; Glennville First; Hagan; Little Rock; Mendes; Northside; Oak Grove; Pine Grove; Pineview; Primera Agape; Rehoboth; Reidsville; Rogers; Smyrna; Twin Oaks; Unity in Christ

Hispanic Missions

Nueva Vida, Reidsville; Noah's Ark, Aline

Women With a Heart for God's Work

Greetings everyone! Schools are back in full session, and everyone is busy. But we have some important dates ahead.

The Annual TEBA Women's Ministry Inspirational Banquet is scheduled for Thursday, September 17, at 6:30 p.m. The Event will be held at Cobbtown Baptist Church. The Guest Speaker will be WMU President Pam Murphy. This year, there will also be a fun activity for everyone to participate in.

Each church will cover the cost of meals, and each church's Women's Ministry leader is asked to call the Associational office by Thursday, September 10th, with the number of ladies attending the Banquet. The plate cost will be \$18.00. Each church can bring the plate money to the banquet. Let's make this banquet the best one ever.

Also, remember to bring any change you have collected over the summer, celebrating "a little change, changes lives." Many have already brought in their change to the Associational Office, and we have collected over \$16,750.00. I can never say thank you enough. It is wonderful to see how the Lord is being honored. Let's keep up the hard work. This can be an ongoing event that we can celebrate each year at the Inspirational Banquet. Everyone, regardless of age, can participate in our churches. Fundraising bottles are available at the TEBA Office. If you have any questions, please contact the Association Office.

I know that it's hard to believe, but it will be Christmas before we know it, and it will soon be time to begin participating in the annual Lottie Moon Christmas offering. What better way to help keep missionaries on the mission field?

Please know that the TEBA Women's Ministry heart is to be on a daily mission for the Lord. I know every church has women dedicated to serving the Lord. The Association Women's Ministry wants to come alongside and celebrate all that you are doing. Please keep me informed.

Love in Christ,

Lynn



Women's Ministry



“Health Notes”



Dear Friends and Family,

September is here and fall is on the way. A time to reflect on the changing seasons and to remember that God is in control. God continues to show His loving kindness in amazing ways. He is present and listens when we call out to Him.

Good Health Ministries clinic continues to grow each week. Providers see new patients to help manage their chronic disease process. Those diseases are Hypertension, Cholesterol, Diabetes and Asthma. Acute illnesses are also treated as needed. Education is provided to patients so they can make an informed decision on their care plan. Reach out to your neighbor in the upcoming month and check in with them. Tell them about Good Health and ask if anyone in their family may need the services GHM offers.

Heartbeat Pregnancy Resource Center is growing as well! Families are completing the lessons on BrightCourse and adding up their points. Thank you to all our Advocates and all the donations from the community. It truly takes a village! The online education program is available to working moms and dads. We will schedule a video chat to talk and pray with the clients. If you know of anyone who could benefit from Heartbeat's services, please encourage them to call us.

Keep connecting the dots within our communities . . . Jesus is our HOPE and our GREAT PHYSICIAN. We have the answer for the world's number one problem.... Lostness.

Until we meet again, I leave you with Ephesians 4:32, “Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

May the month of September encourage you to be kind, compassionate and forgiving ~

Wendy West



Heartbeat Pregnancy Center Current Needs:



****URGENT NEEDS****

*** BABY WASH**

***BABY LOTION**

*** WIPES**

**We are currently accepting
donations of all outdated
Sunday School Literature or
Quarterlies ! Just drop them
off at the TEBA Office
at your
convenience !**

Mon. - Thur. / 9-1



“The Joyful Noise”

Last October, Carole and I, had the privilege of traveling with almost 300 men and women from the Jubal Ministries on a nine-day mission trip to central Cuba. It was a life-changing experience. It was a country where in some areas time seemed to have stopped around 60 years ago. It is by far the poorest country I have ever visited, where worn out donkeys and horses still pulled carts down the roads, and men and women picked garbage out of the road gutters to try to find something to eat.

Yet we saw another side of Cuba that was full of light and joy and smiles, and it was when we pulled up to any of the more than a dozen churches we sang at. Our huge musical missionary group divided into several smaller groups, the Sons of Jubal, Jubalheirs, Jubal Brass, and even smaller Praise Teams of ten or so; to sing in places that could not hold 300 singers and instrumentalists.

One of the congregational songs we sang throughout central Cuba in places like Remedios, San Antonio de las Vueltas, Santa Clara, Placentas and Havana was “**Living Hope**” and is our “Spotlight” song for this month. We had no idea this beautiful song written by Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham would be as well-known as it was in Cuba. I cannot fully describe the anointed sound of hundreds of Cuban Spanish voices singing in harmony together with a couple hundred Jubal Ministries voices.

Everywhere we went there was poverty, dilapidated buildings, and homes, rusted out old cars and trucks, iron bars over every window and door. However, when we walked into any of the churches or concert halls we sang at, we were warmly greeted with smiles and joyful faces that truly were surviving under the “Living Hope” strength that only salvation in Jesus Christ can offer in such an impoverished country.

One month after we left Cuba a horrific hurricane decimated much of the eastern side of the island country, and now the already poor country’s people are suffering even greater infrastructure collapse and destruction. Starvation is real and rampant. Jubal Ministries, Inc. has been able to send some relief to our contacts in country. We rejoice in knowing that during our nine days on the island last October we saw over 150 salvations through our concert ministry, and the Holy Spirit was felt very powerfully.

Please remember to pray for the people of Cuba, those who are lost living in despair, and for those who know Jesus as Lord and Savior; and are rejoicing in the “Living Hope” that life in Christ offers; knowing that the struggles and terrors of this life will one day be over.

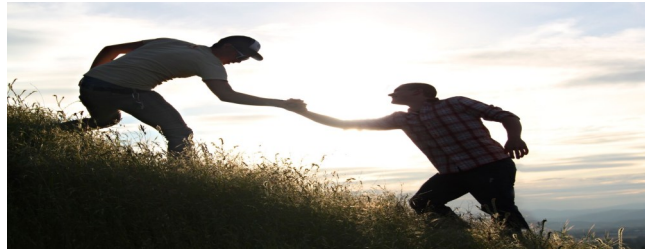
Your servant in Christ, Phillip Shepherd

Join Us for CHOIR-FEST
Sunday, October 18
5pm
Elza Baptist Church



Men on Mission For God
Association-Wide Men's Ministry Update

**Greetings
To All Men of The
Tattnall-Evans
Baptist Association**



The Association Fishing rodeo and Fish Fry and Fellowship will be held in October and November. Please pray for rain so the pond we fish in will fill back up again. Dates for these events will be announced later. I just want to encourage all the men of the association to come out and bring your children or grandchildren in the fall when

I want to thank all the men who have come out so far this year and participated in the ramp builds. We had a ramp build on August 29th out in the Cowford Area and Oak Grove Church area. We have some more coming up and will get out those dates and places as soon as they are set.

I would highly encourage all the men of the association to love their children and grandchildren as you never know how long they will be here as we lost our oldest granddaughter last week. Let them know you will always be there for them and love them dearly.

Your Brother in Christ

Bro. Murray

***“Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord,
the fruit of the womb a reward.
Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one’s youth.
Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them!
He shall not be put to shame
when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.”*** ***Psalms 127:3–5***



Tattnall Evans Baptist Association		
Income by Customer Summary		
January through June 2026		
Agape	348.30	
Antioch	2,531.00	
Birdford	0.00	
Bull Creek	728.00	
Claxton First Baptist	1,910.00	
Claxton First Church	382.00	
Cobbtown	4,473.00	
Collins	3,082.94	
Connors	165.27	
Eastside Baptist Church	3,825.00	
Elza	2,301.75	
Evergreen	1,500.00	
Faith	228.00	
Friendship	572.09	
Glennville First	8,411.43	
Hagan	1,800.00	
Little Rock	0.00	
Mendes	1,149.53	
Mission Projects	0.00	
MISSION TRIP	0.00	
Noah's Ark	141.00	
Northside	2,850.00	
Nueva Vida	57.06	
Oak Grove	6,234.42	
Pine Grove	10,295.36	
Pineview	5,500.00	
Rehoboth	4,730.00	
Reidsville	2,044.05	
Rogers	1,857.44	
Smyrna	0.00	
Twin Oaks	0.00	
Unity In Christ	0.00	
TOTAL	67,117.64	

Tattnall Evans Baptist Association			
Balance Sheet			
As of June 30, 2026			
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
500 · General Checking			
500A · General Funds			16,870.42
501 · Pastor/Church Relief(Men's Min)			-1,579.76
502 · Children/Youth Camp Fund			528.59
506 · Hispanic Regular Account			-6,481.90
507 · Haitian Regular Account			-2,018.13
508 · Mission Trip Funding			-359.93
509A · On Mission Acct - General			2,257.93
510 · WMU Scholarship Fund - Gen Acct			-2,774.82
511A · Health Clinic			65,637.07
511B · Heartbeat Crisis Pregnancy Cent			44,124.07
513 · Disaster Relief			-561.24
Total 500 · General Checking			115,642.30
512 · GENERAL OFFERING - Money Market			26,246.64
Total Checking/Savings			141,888.94
Total Current Assets			141,888.94
TOTAL ASSETS			141,888.94
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
24000 · Payroll Liabilities			6,840.48
Total Other Current Liabilities			6,840.48
Total Current Liabilities			6,840.48
Total Liabilities			6,840.48
Equity			
30000 · Opening Balance Equity			141,263.32
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets			-60,954.30
Net Income			54,739.44
Total Equity			135,048.46
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY			141,888.94

Tattnall Evans Baptist Association
Profit & Loss Budget Performance

June 2026

	Jun 26	Budget	Jan - Jun 26	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
100 - General Offerings					
100 A - TEBA General Offerings	10,384.24	4,273.50	76,975.15	65,812.30	120,509.84
100 B - Good Health Ministries Gifts	48,000.00	2,000.00	120,220.00	77,465.00	90,700.00
100 C - Heartbeat Clinic Gifts	729.89	690.66	24,003.59	64,912.38	84,729.59
100 - General Offerings - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 100 - General Offerings	59,114.13	6,964.16	221,198.74	208,189.68	295,939.43
Total Income	59,114.13	6,964.16	221,198.74	208,189.68	295,939.43
Gross Profit	59,114.13	6,964.16	221,198.74	208,189.68	295,939.43
Expense					
101 - Associational Minutes	0.00	25.00	0.00	150.00	300.00
102 - Office Expense	284.18	166.67	882.07	1,000.00	2,000.00
103 - Telephone	119.65	133.33	709.02	800.02	1,600.00
104 - Postage	390.00	20.83	546.00	125.02	250.00
106 - Associational Meeting	0.00	41.66	0.00	250.04	500.00
107 - On Mission Celebration	0.00	83.33	0.00	500.02	1,000.00
108 - Office Ins/Utilities/Maint	394.70	375.00	2,805.23	2,250.00	4,500.00
109 - Miscellaneous	0.00	41.66	0.00	250.04	500.00
111 - Bereavement/Illness	454.08	62.50	832.78	375.00	750.00
112 - Minister Wives Ministry	0.00	62.50	260.01	375.00	750.00
113 - Equipment	0.00	208.33	407.34	1,250.02	2,500.00
152 - Good Health Office Expense	308.43	166.66	2,745.62	1,000.04	2,000.00
153 - GH Telephone Expense	119.65	133.33	709.02	800.02	1,600.00
154 - GH Postage Expense	0.00	20.83	156.00	125.02	250.00
158 - GH Office Ins/Utilities/Maint	412.20	375.00	2,924.54	2,250.00	4,500.00
159 - GH Miscellaneous	0.00	41.66	0.00	250.04	500.00
160 - GH Promotional Expense	184.00	416.66	459.50	2,500.04	5,000.00
161 - GH Outside Services Expense	32.00	83.33	384.49	500.02	1,000.00
163 - GH Equipment/Medication Expense	0.00	166.66	1,693.92	1,000.04	2,000.00
164 - GH Volunteers	0.00	125.00	67.37	750.00	1,500.00
165 - GH Conferences	939.50	125.00	939.50	750.00	1,500.00
166 - GH Bibles/Literature	0.00	83.33	0.00	500.02	1,000.00
172 - Heartbeat Office Expense	112.93	41.66	388.54	250.04	500.00
173 - HB Telephone Expense	59.82	66.66	354.52	400.04	800.00
174 - HB Postage Expense	0.00	10.42	116.74	62.48	125.00
178 - HB Office Ins/Utilities/Maint.	197.37	187.50	1,330.06	1,125.00	2,250.00
179 - HB Miscellaneous	0.00	41.66	0.00	250.04	500.00
180 - HB Promotional Expense	-42.90	166.66	-1,315.73	1,000.04	2,000.00
182 - HB Banquet Expense	0.00	416.66	3,001.16	2,500.04	5,000.00
183 - HB Equipment & Education Resour	0.00	125.00	0.00	750.00	1,500.00
184 - HB Baby Bucks Boutique	452.08	83.33	680.34	500.02	1,000.00
201 - Sunday School	0.00	41.66	0.00	250.04	500.00
202 - Discipleship Ministries	0.00	41.66	0.00	250.04	500.00
203 - Music	0.00	33.33	0.00	199.99	399.97
204 - Men's Ministry	2,232.72	166.66	8,362.88	1,000.04	2,000.00
205 - Women's Ministries	6.22	83.33	1,909.97	500.02	1,000.00
206 - Pastoral Ministries	65.54	250.00	1,692.53	1,500.00	3,000.00
207 - Missions	6,164.42	500.00	10,101.26	3,000.00	6,000.00
208 - Youth	0.00	83.33	400.00	500.02	1,000.00
209 - Vacation Bible School	0.00	25.00	0.00	150.00	300.00
211 - Evangelism	678.11	666.66	678.11	4,000.04	8,000.00
212 - Bible Learning Scholarship	0.00	125.00	0.00	750.00	1,500.00
215 - Hispanic Ministries	382.92	41.66	957.37	250.04	500.00
301 - Missionary Salary					
301 A - TEBA Missionary Salary	1,400.00	1,400.00	8,400.00	8,400.00	16,800.00
301 B - GH Executive Director Salary	1,050.00	1,050.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	12,600.00
301 C - HB Executive Director Salary	437.50	437.50	2,625.00	2,625.00	5,250.00
Total 301 - Missionary Salary	2,887.50	2,887.50	17,325.00	17,325.00	34,650.00
302 - Annuity	1,100.00	1,100.00	6,600.00	6,600.00	13,200.00
303 - Auto Expense	55.81	583.33	6,524.44	3,500.02	7,000.00
304 - Medical Benefits	875.00	875.00	5,250.00	5,250.00	10,500.00
304A - Housing Allowance	1,166.68	1,166.68	7,000.08	7,000.08	14,000.16
306 - Conventions	6,698.08	416.66	6,939.52	2,500.04	5,000.00
307 - Christmas Gifts	0.00	83.33	0.00	500.02	1,000.00
308 - Clerk's Expense	0.00	166.66	0.00	1,000.04	2,000.00
309 - Employee Taxes (Assoc SS Portio	591.23	558.33	2,785.12	3,350.02	6,700.00
310 - Employee Christmas Gifts	0.00	166.66	0.00	1,000.04	2,000.00
311 - Ministry Assistant Salary	1,204.80	1,512.50	6,691.20	9,075.00	18,150.00
312 - Ministry Assistant Travel	0.00	62.50	150.00	375.00	750.00
313 - Clinic Director Salary					
313 A - GH Clinic Director Salary	6,695.01	3,437.50	28,946.71	20,625.00	41,250.00
313 B - HB Clinic Director Salary	975.00	458.33	4,200.00	2,750.02	5,500.00
Total 313 - Clinic Director Salary	7,670.01	3,895.83	33,146.71	23,375.02	46,750.00
315 - Clinic Director Travel	0.00	62.50	70.00	375.00	750.00
316 - GoodHealth Medical Records	1,438.43	1,041.66	7,006.89	6,250.04	12,500.00
317 - HeartBeat Medical Records	387.08	343.75	1,824.10	2,062.50	4,125.00
318 - Good Health Translator	0.00	686.66	46.94	4,120.04	8,240.00
321 - Hispanic Missionary Salary	0.00	686.66	6,411.44	4,120.04	8,240.00
322 - Haitian Missionary Salary	433.34	433.34	2,608.17	2,599.96	5,200.00
323 - Bookkeeper	720.00	700.00	4,310.00	4,200.00	8,400.00
66000 - Payroll Expenses	1,224.32		6,589.53		
Total Expense	40,397.90	23,585.66	166,459.30	141,516.19	283,030.13
Net Ordinary Income	18,716.23	-16,621.50	54,739.44	66,673.49	12,909.30
Other Income/Expense					
Other Income					
100A - Interest	0.00	1,180.51	0.00	1,180.51	1,180.51
Total Other Income	0.00	1,180.51	0.00	1,180.51	1,180.51
Net Other Income	0.00	1,180.51	0.00	1,180.51	1,180.51
Net Income	18,716.23	-15,440.99	54,739.44	67,854.00	14,089.81

HELP WANTED

Youth Leader / Music

Part-Time/ Bi-Vocational

Living Hope Baptist Church is seeking an individual to fill the position of youth leader/ music person.

This is a part-time/Bi-vocational position. We are currently willing to pay \$1,000-1,200 a month. Ideally, they would be married with school-age children, but it is not necessary.

The main responsibility would be developing our youth ministries.

If anyone is interested, they may contact me at 912-278-9591 or email me a resume at josephbrock3@gmail.com.



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TEBA CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sept. 7—TEBA OFFICE CLOSED

Sept. 17 - Women's Ministry Inspirational Banquet

Sept. 19 - Children Mission Day

Sept. 27— Caring Well Sunday

Please be in prayer for the following churches seeking Pastors:

Agape and Glennville First

THANK YOU!

TEBA would like to take this opportunity to THANK all of our supporters. We are grateful to have a wonderful group of supporters for TEBA's ministries in our churches and our communities! We now have a donation page on our website that can be accessed for donating to all of our ministries. This QR code will allow you to access and make secure donations to all of our ministries.... Good Health Ministry, Heart Beat Pregnancy Resource Center and/or the TEBA General Fund.



Happy Birthday!

Sept. 6 - Mary Ellen Thrift

Sept. 9 - Rev. Jerald Dorr

Sept. 19 - Kathy Hill

Happy Anniversary

Sept. 3 - Rev. & Mrs.
Dee Bondurant

Sept. 23 - Dr. & Mrs.
Matt Brady

Sept. 25 - Rev. & Mrs.
Alan McCoy

Sept. 30 - Rev. & Mrs.
Steve Kimbrell

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