



Trinity River

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Overflowing with the Living Water of Jesus Christ

2401 Grand Ave., Liberty, Texas 77575 936-336-9232 David Williams, Director of Missions

TRBA director introduces 'Pipeline' during annual meeting

Failing to plant churches to reach the thousands of lost people in our communities is "tantamount to saying that they can come to our church or they can go to hell," said David Williams, Trinity River Baptist Association director of missions.

Speaking at TRBA's 70th annual session, Williams was addressing 89 messengers and 27 guests. Twenty-four TRBA churches were represented at the Oct. 21 meeting at First Baptist, Sour Lake.

Using a model made from large PVC pipe, Williams explained how establishing a Church Planting Pipeline will produce a stream of new church starts in TRBA.

The 41 churches of TRBA cannot reach the more than 35,000 lost people in the area covered by the association, he said, adding that "the New Testament solution is to plant churches."

To produce the new church starts,



In a dramatic moment during Williams' presentation, balls suddenly flow from the pipeline, signifying the many new church starts Trinity River Baptists can expect if they prepare men called by God, equip churches led by God, and discover people loved by God.

three things must go into the pipeline, he said: men called by God to serve as church planters and pastors, churches led by God to start new churches, and people loved by God who need a church.

"It's too easy to sit there and say, 'I think

we need to fill up our church first,'" Williams said. "If you wait for that to happen, you'll never plant another church. It's like waiting until you can afford to have kids. If you wait until then, you'll never have any kids."



Left to right: Shawn Vickers, pastor of First Baptist Daisetta, preaches the annual sermon, calling for churches and Christians to "do truth well." Freddie Villarreal, pastor of Primera Iglesia Bautista Liberty, reads the theme Scripture, John 7:37-38. Donna Kay Williams, chaplain with Marketplace Ministries and wife of TRBA director of missions David Williams, leads the congregation in singing a medley of "I've Got a River of Life" and other songs. Scott Tidwell, pastor of Wild Country Mission, calls to order the 70th Annual Session of TRBA.



Mission Journey

Thanks to all of you who made the 70th Annual Session of Trinity River Baptist Association such a memorable event.

Thank you to Joe Dacus and the people of First Sour Lake for hosting the event, providing hospitality, audio-visual services, and a wonderful meal.

Thank you to those who wrote ministry reports, and those who had responsibilities during the sessions..

Thank you to the guests who came from other entities to set up tables and provide information to our people.

Thank you to Donna Kay and the North Main Praise Team for leading us in singing those special songs about overflowing with the Living Water of Jesus Christ.

Thank you to Scott Tidwell for moderating the meeting.

Thank you to Shawn Vickers for delivering a powerful message from God.

Thank you to Theresa Mitschke who worked so hard to get everything printed and ready for the meeting.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped put together the book of reports.

Thank you to the pastors, secretaries and church clerks who completed and turned in the annual church profiles so we could have a complete report from all 41 of our churches.

And thank you to each one of the 116 people who attended the meeting. We loved seeing each and every one of you.

Some highlights of business

- Approved a 2015 budget of \$194,799, which is 16% larger than the 2014 budget. One tenth of the new budget is devoted to church planting and missions and ministries beyond TRBA.
- Elected Rick Edwards as moderator and Steve Bean as vice moderator.
- Scheduled the 2015 annual meeting at 5:15-8 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 27, at Old River Baptist Church. Tim Gruver will preach the annual sermon; Dick Lintelman will be the alternate.

TRBA missions giving

As your church plans next year's budget, please prayerfully consider your associational missions giving.

If you are giving a fixed amount to TRBA, let me encourage you to switch to percentage giving. That way, as your church finances increase, you will automatically increase your TRBA missions giving.



New pastors recognized — During the annual meeting at First Sour Lake, David Williams welcomes new pastors who have been called by churches since the previous annual meeting. From left are Williams; Joe Dacus, First Sour Lake; Earnie and Marci Lenard, Covenant New Caney; and Kathy and Mike Chadwick, First Dayton. Other new pastors recognized were Michael Graves, Smith Point Community; Tom Muirhead, First Batson; and Ronald Smith, Sweet Home Hankamer.

Take him to Jesus!

I like what Freddie Villarreal said at the annual meeting: "If you have a car and it's a Ford and it breaks, you take it to Ford. If you have a Chevrolet and it breaks, you take it to Chevrolet. If you have a Dodge and it breaks, you take it to Dodge. So, if you have a man and he's lost, he's not saved, he's broken, you take him to Jesus."

All around us are broken people who need the fixing that only Jesus can give.

*Thankful for you,
David Williams*



First Concord is getting estimates to repair this damage from an Oct. 22 accident in which a lady who was parking to attend a funeral at the cemetery pressed the accelerator instead of the brake, knocking down a pole and crashing her truck into the building. Church member Kathy Wiggins said a passenger in the car had head injuries and was flown to a hospital.

TRBA Executive Board
6 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 11
First Baptist, Daisetta

Disciples Making Disciples
Presentation by Greg Kappas,
vice president, The Timothy Initiative,
West Palm Beach, Fla.

Music: Frank Aragon, Jr.

**Dinner catered
by the Haidusek Family**

Grilled Chicken
Twice Baked Potatoes, Green Beans
Salad, Rolls, and Peach Cobbler



Prayer walk — Gathered on the Strand in Galveston for an Oct. 24 prayer time focused on Mission Lone Star are, left to right, David Williams, Nathan Mahan, Ellen Marshall, Donna Kay Williams, Sherry Meador, and Ray Meador.

Volunteers still needed for Mission Lone Star

Register at MissionLoneStar.com if you can help with one or more shifts in the evangelism booth hosted by TRBA and other area associations during the Lone Star Motorcycle Rally in Galveston.

There are two shifts each of the three days the booth will be open, Thursday, Nov. 6 through Saturday, Nov. 8.

Shifts each day are 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 2-7 p.m.

Volunteers will share their personal testimonies in three minutes to persons who stop by the booth to enter a drawing.

TRBA pastors prepare to teach men God calls to pastor churches

Greg Kappas, vice president of The Timothy Initiative (TTI), will lead a two-day Training of Trainers (TOT) event for TRBA pastors.

The event will be at the TRBA office, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 11, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 12. Lunch will be provided.

The training will overview "Disciples Making Disciples" and ten other books published by TTI which will be the primary curriculum for the Monday evening Pastor Essentials classes that begin in January.

"Pastors who attend this training will be prepared to teach and mentor the men God sends us next year," said David Williams, TRBA director of missions. Each pastor who attends the training will receive the full set of books, valued at \$132.

"Our year-long Pastor Essentials course is a key ingredient of our new Church Planting Pipeline," he said. "Our approach is to use our own leadership to train future pastors and church planters of our churches. We are investing heavily in the pastors who will train by bringing in the

Exciting things are happening in TRBA!

Help us spread the word. Send us photos and information about past events in your church.

We especially love to see photos of baptisms, ordinations, and community outreach events. Email pictures and information to David@TrinityRiverBaptistAssociation.org.

vice president of the ministry to help them prepare for their important task."

Pastors can still sign up by calling TRBA at 936-336-9232 or emailing David@TrinityRiverBaptistAssociation.org.

Already committed to attend the TOT are: Frank Aragon; Steve Bean; Michael Blackburn; Mike Chadwick; Joe Dacus; Ken Davis; Tim Gruver; Gary Hillyard; Duane Kelley; Earnie Lenard; Scott Tidwell; Shawn Vickers; and David Williams.

'Pastor Essentials' will train men called by God

On Monday evenings starting Jan. 12, 2015, the TRBA meeting room will become a training center and launch pad for pastors and church planters.

"We're looking for men who are exploring the possibility that God is calling them into vocational ministry," said David Williams, TRBA director of missions.

"We are especially interested in men who are already living and working in our area and feel God is calling them to serve here as volunteer or bivocational ministers," he said.

Rather than telling such men to quit their jobs and move away to attend seminary, Williams said TRBA intends to provide them "local, excellent and culturally relevant training right here at home."

Men who are sensing God's call on their lives are encouraged to sign up now for the class by emailing David@TrinityRiverBaptistAssociation.org.

Pastors, staff members and church members who have been impressed that God might be calling a certain person are encouraged to "nominate" that person for



Closing song — Members and guests of Center Baptist Church in Thicket join hands in a circle, as they do at the close of every Sunday morning service, to sing "God Is So Good." Patrick Burkes, at left in necktie, is pastor.

the class, Williams said.

"Send us his name, address, phone number and email address and we will contact him to let him know about the class," Williams said. "God does the calling, but those of us who are Christians can be involved in calling out the called."

The class will use The Timothy Initiative (TTI) materials as curriculum to teach disciple making, church planting, hermeneutics (Bible interpretation), homiletics (preaching), Old Testament, New Testament, major Bible doctrines, and apologetics (defense of the faith).

Other topics that will be covered in the Pastor Essentials class include call to ministry, character, leadership, ordination, baptism, Lord's Supper, weddings, funerals, visiting, planning a worship service, Sunday School, record keeping, church budgeting, and constituting as a church.

The Pastor Essentials class takes a year to complete. It is appropriate for church planters and also those called to pastor existing churches. The class will meet from 6 to 9 p.m. and include dinner.



New pastor installation — A capacity crowd fills the sanctuary of Sweet Home Baptist Church in Hankamer Oct. 26 for the installation of their new pastor, Ronald Smith, shown above left with his wife, Shalinda, and family members, left to right, Alex Smith, Tiffany Jones, Morris Jones, and Dontrell Smith.



Family Visitors' Center Schedule

Sat, November 1 AM Mendoza, Longoira PM Dosier, Skinner	Sun, November 16 AM Radley, Downey PM Baldridges
Sun, November 2 AM Hinch, Gault PM Snell, Catchings	Sat, November 22 AM C. & G. Theis PM L. & K. Yielding
Sat, November 8 AM Thomas, Clark PM Barefield, Miller	Sun, November 23 AM Smarts PM Herring, Morales
Sun, November 9 AM Presnulls PM McGuires	Sat, November 29 AM King, Nichols PM Garvins
Sat, November 15 AM Davis, Goff PM Hortmans	Sun, November 30 AM Shaws PM Herring, Morales

RECEIPTS September 2014

	Sep 2014	Jan - Sep 2014
Batson Prairie	379.00	3,282.00
Berean Tabernacle	0.00	1,000.00
Calvary, Dayton	500.00	3,700.00
Calvary, Liberty	202.04	2,442.43
Center, Thicket	67.00	671.00
Central Daisetta	0.00	1,427.53
Central, Liberty	132.56	1,195.08
Covenant	214.98	455.86
Eminence	0.00	924.00
First Anahuac	833.33	7,499.97
First Batson	400.00	2,200.00
First Concord	0.00	292.59
First Daisetta	269.95	2,990.00
First Dayton	802.81	6,257.16
First Devers	581.96	4,119.30
First High Island	391.00	1,195.74
First Hull	0.00	1,512.07
First Liberty	1,360.51	12,048.42
First Saratoga	500.47	4,113.27
First Sour Lake	692.74	6,200.63
Grace Community	650.00	6,950.00
Grayburg	0.00	798.99
Gum Grove	24.50	303.67
Hardin Baptist	1,335.10	11,049.13
Heights	773.99	6,320.15
House of Living Waters	0.00	437.06
Kenefick Southern	952.80	7,195.34
Mt Calvary	0.00	3,579.54
North Main	1,200.00	10,800.00
Nuevo Amanecer	0.00	0.00
Oak Island	27.70	287.59
Old River	1,166.67	10,500.03
Pathways	113.00	1,059.00
Primera Dayton	75.00	675.00
Smith Point	77.58	495.51
South Dayton	57.02	591.84
Sweet Home	90.00	576.43
Trinity	100.00	900.00
West End	885.00	4,145.00
Whispering Meadows	323.99	2,055.89
Wild Country Mission	0.00	828.80
Interest	14.86	94.14
Total	15,195.56	133,170.16

Jail Ministry Schedule

Men's Unit

Thu, November 6 Curtis Alford (preach) Darrell Brown (sing)
Thu, November 13 Joey Huff (preach) Sam Knight (sing)
Thu, November 20 Bob Lawrence (preach) George Baldridge (sing)
Thu, November 27 Thanksgiving Holiday

Women's Unit

Sat, November 1 Sharon Guillory Cynthia Grove
Sat, November 8 Karen Holcomb Sheryl Wagenseller
Sat, November 15 Jim Murray Beth Murray
Sat, November 22 Brenda Rakestraw Christina Allen
Sat, November 29 Shirley Thomas Ila Thomas

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Daylight Savings Time ends (Set clocks back one hour)	3 6 pm Baptist Women World Day of Prayer <i>Trinity, Dayton</i> 6:30 pm Gideons Meeting	4 6 pm Pre-Teen Camp Planning <i>Cornerstone, Kountze</i>	5	6 9 am Senior Pastor Prayer Time	7	8
		Training of Trainers 9 am-4 pm		Mission Lone Star, Galveston Sign up to volunteer in the evangelism booth at MissionLoneStar.com		
9	10	11 6 pm TRBA Ex. Bd. <i>First Daisetta</i>	12 9 am-3 pm	13 9 am Senior Pastor Prayer Time	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 9 am Senior Pastor Prayer Time	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Day	28	29
30						