

◎ *BIG HATCHIE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION* ◎

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IN THE NEWS:

- ◎ The March WMU Quarterly Meeting was hosted at Covington-First. Thank you ladies for the wonderful job you did. Our speaker was Michaelle Buford who was here from serving in the Philippines. The Mission Project was the Boy’s Ranch Food Drive. Thank you for your gifts. Johnny Christian and two of the boys were there to load the trailer and they spoke briefly during the meeting.
- ◎ Big Hatchie Baptist Annual Prayer Retreat was April 25 and hosted by Calvary Baptist. We were blessed and challenged about our prayer life by Ann Davenport and Carolyn Outland of Care Ministries, Inc. Thank you for your financial support and of course the great food that was brought. We had 39 in attendance represented by 11 churches.
- ◎ **It has been requested** by Chaplain Edward Baxter of the West Tennessee Penitentiary to provide desserts for the officers there for “Officer Appreciation Day”. If you/church would like to participate in this ministry, please have desserts at the Associational Office **before 4:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday, May 6**. Bro. Edward will pick them up at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, May 7. Please let Diane Sorrell know if you/church participated.
- ◎ **Missionary Kid** for 2014-2015 is James Clary who is a senior at Union. Date of birth Oct. 5. You may contact him at jclary08@hotmail.com - OR - by regular mail: James Clary (1050 Union University Dr., UU 1315, Jackson, Tn. 38305)
- ◎ **The Leadership Team met April 18** to plan the new year calendar. Some churches will receive a request to host a meeting. Please let Diane Sorrell (901-476-8341 or dianehsorrell@comcast.net) know as soon as possible so the Calendar of Events may be completed and sent to all churches.
- ◎ **Packets** to order material for your WMU Ministry or Women on Missions should have been received. Please fill these out and return soon.
- ◎ **Don’t forget** to order material for the Prayer Offerings.
- ◎ **New Testaments for Newborns Orientation** date has not been set, yet. Will notify churches later.
- ◎ **June 9:** WMU Quarterly Meeting at First Baptist-Brighton (132 Woodlawn Ave., Brighton, 38011) at 7 p.m. Mission Action Project: Mason Detention Facility. They are asking for puzzles, old glasses, maybe puzzle books. Our speaker will be Scott Braun of Western Valley Baptist who will be going for training in Florida to begin a Latino Ministry in Tipton County.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**May 3:** Senior Adult Sunday

**May 10:** Mother’s Day and emphasis on the Children’s Home Offering

**May 17-23:** Baptist Association Emphasis

**May 25:** Memorial Day

**May 31:** Life Commitment Sunday

**June 9:** WMU Quarterly Meeting First-Brighton (132 Woodlawn Ave., Brighton, 38011) 7 p.m.

**June 21:** Father’s Day, Baptist Men’s Emphasis Sunday, Adult Home Offering.

**June 28:** Mission Dignity Sunday, Citizen and Religious Liberty Sunday.

**May:** Focus: New York City, New York  
Theme: Serving Out of My Giftedness

/ **June:** Focus: Sweden  
Theme: Serving in My Season of Life

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**NEW TESTAMENT FOR NEWBORNS SCHEDULE:**

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| April 26 – May 2: | Pleasant Grove | May 31 – June 6:  | Brighton      |
| May 3 – 9:        | Open           | June 7 – 13:      | Calvary       |
| May 10 – 16:      | Smyrna         | June 14 – 20:     | Central       |
| May 17 – 23:      | Spirit Filled  | June 21 – 27:     | Charleston    |
| May 24 – 30:      | Durhamville    | June 28 – July 4: | Covington-1st |

**WMU**

**EMPHASIS THEME:** *“All For You: Surrender, Sacrifice, Serve”*

**WATCHWORD:** “Then He called the crowd to Him along with His disciples and said: ‘Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me’”.

~Mark 8:34 NIV