



Madison Baptist Association

“Assisting churches in fulfilling their mission, and providing them opportunities for fellowship and to work together in advancing the kingdom of God”

THURSDAY,
APRIL
12,
2018

We can never minimize the importance of doing good works in the Christian life. Though we are justified by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, James reminds us, “For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.” (James 2:26) James, in chapter 2, explains that a mere “wordy” faith is useless, it is to no avail. Saving faith in Jesus will produce good works, it is its very nature to do so. So how can we best serve the Lord and accomplish the will of God for our lives? I believe the key is found in Philipians 2:12-13. Verse 13 says, “for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.” Isn’t it amazing that Christians have the Holy Spirit of God dwelling within them, and He is impacting us from the inside out? We are a new creation in Christ by means of a new birth, with the result being a changed life. Therefore, we are admonished to “...work out your salvation with fear and trembling.” (verse 12) We cannot “work for” our salvation but we are to “work out” our salvation in daily living. This is the connection between works and faith, they go hand in hand. Faith produces good works that bring glory to God. “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.” (Eph. 2:10) So we don’t work for our salvation, we do good works because of our salvation. We live in a dark world, so now is not the time to put our light under a basket. Let it shine brightly in faith and good deeds for the glory of God!

Just a reminder that our MBA Spring Evangelism Conference is next Thursday (April 19) at Southside Baptist Church here in Huntsville, and everybody is invited to attend (no child care available). The afternoon session lasts from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. Dr. Danny Lovett, senior pastor of The Church at Chelsea-Westover will preach during this afternoon session. There will also be worship music/singing and a special time of prayer during this session. A free supper will be served at 5:30 p.m., followed by the evening session from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Dr. Joel Carwile, senior pastor of First Baptist Church Athens, will speak during our evening session. There will also be worship music/singing during this session and an emphasis on sharing our faith with others. There is no cost for the conference so I hope to see you there!

Your Director of Missions,
Charlie

Executive Board meeting Monday, April 23, 2018
10:00 a.m.

**BIBLE DRILL**

Madison Baptist Association
Tuesday, April 17, 2018 from 3:30—6:00 p.m.
Whitesburg Baptist Church
Main Campus, Entrance 8
Rooms 170 & 180

North Regional Bible Drills
Thursday, April 19, 2018, from 3:30—6:00 p.m.
East Highland Baptist Church
Hartselle, Alabama

Minister’s Conference Schedule of Speakers

*Unless otherwise specified, the Minister’s Conference will be held at the Madison Baptist Association Office and the fellowship time will begin at 10:00 AM, with the meeting beginning at 10:30 AM.

- Apr 17.....Larry Hyche, State Missionary
Beginning a Missional Men’s Ministry
- Apr 24.....Chad Ortner, Children’s Minister,
Harvest Baptist
- May 1.....Benjamin Gray
- May 8.....Dr. Charlie Howell
- May 15.....Minister’s Fish Fry
Camp MACOBA

- Apr 17..... Minister’s Conference
- Apr 17..... MBA Bible Drills
(Whitesburg Baptist, 3:30 PM)
- Apr 19..... Evangelism Conf
(Southside Baptist, 4 PM)
- Apr 20..... MBA Spring Golf Scramble
(Twin Lakes, Arab, 1 PM)
- Apr 23..... MBA Executive Board Meeting (10 AM)
- Apr 24..... Minister’s Conference
- Apr 24..... VBS Clinic
(FBC Meridianville, 6:30 PM)

**NOT ASHAMED
OF THE GOSPEL**

Romans 1:16

MBA Spring Evangelism Conference
at Southside Baptist Church
Thursday, April 19, 4:00—8:00 p.m.
(includes Chick-fil-A box supper, at no charge)

Guest Speakers:
Dr. Danny Lovett, Senior Pastor, The Church at Chelsea-Westover (Westover, AL)
Dr. Joel Carwile, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church (Athens, AL)

Music by the Southside Baptist Praise Team
Special Time of Prayer during the Conference

**GEAR UP!
GET READY!
GAME ON!**

Both Clinics will provide training for the following:
Music, Missions,
Recreation/Snack, Crafts,
Preschool, Kindergarten,
1-2 Grade, 3-4 Grade,
and 5-6 VBX.

VBS Clinic North:
Meridianville FBC
175 Monroe Rd.,
Meridianville, AL 35759
4/24/18 @ 6:30 p.m.

VBS Clinic South:
Whitesburg Baptist
6806 Whitesburg Dr.,
Huntsville, AL 35802
5/1/18 @ 6:30 p.m.

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