

Week of Prayer for North American Missions

The Week of Prayer for North American Missions is a special, focused time of prayer for Southern Baptist missionaries serving through the North American Mission Board and the people they serve.

We invite you to join us this season of prayer, March 2-9, 2025.

In addition to prayer, your generosity in giving to the [Annie Armstrong Easter Offering](#) makes an eternal impact. When you give directly to this offering, 100 percent of your gifts support missionaries in North America.

The 2025 goal for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is \$78 million.

3 John 1:7-8, "For they have gone out for the sake of the name... Therefore, we ought to support people like these, that we may be fellow workers for the truth."

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering®

Ripples in Clear Creek

*The mission of Clear Creek Baptist Association is encouraging churches
Toward fulfilling the Great Commission, equipping Christian leaders, and inspiring
cooperation among God's people.*



January 2025

Attempting to Create a Ripple

Congratulations! You made it to 2025. A new year means a new opportunity for many. Losing weight and committing to regular exercise are the most common goals that people set for the new year. The Bible does say, "bodily training is of some value." Honoring God with your body is valuable, but there is greater value. Paul tells his spiritual son Timothy, "for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come." 1 Timothy 4:8 (ESV)

The greatest opportunity for the believer in 2025 is to train him/herself in godliness. My normal pattern is to use the new year as a time to set goals in personal discipleship. For 2025 I have set a goal to read the Old Testament and to memorize a multiverse Scripture passage every quarter. While Bible study and prayer are the two easiest disciplines to set goals for, your discipleship goals are not limited to these. You can seek to engage more people in gospel conversations, determine to go on a short-term mission trip, increase your giving to the local church, or volunteer to serve in your church. Remember, investing in your personal discipleship is an eternal investment that will follow you into "the life to come."

Darryl Williams, Moderator

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Our passion.



FOCUS ON WMU
February 16-22, 2025

Share with your church how God uses WMU missions discipleship to make His gospel known around the world.

"Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well." —1 Thessalonians 2:8

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Clear Creek Baptist Association
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLINIC

April 12, 2025
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Clear Creek Baptist Association Building

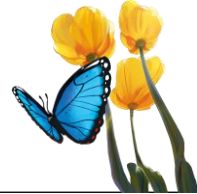
Made to Magnify God!

Magnified! VBS will encourage kids to look closely at the details of God's amazing world and magnify, or proclaim, the greatness of God. God made us, cares about us, loves us, forgives us, and is faithful to keep all His promises to us. We can praise God together! We were made to magnify God!

Plan to attend and bring your workers! There will be training from your own Associational Leaders. Trainings include Pastors/Directors, Youth, Children, Preschool, Music, Missions, Crafts, and Snacks.

Associational VBS Director – Kim Conway

Contact the Association at 618-833-4481 with any questions.



What's Happening in the Churches of
Clear Creek Baptist Association?

- **Caledonia Community Church** provides a food pantry for their community, and they are in need of donations (food and monetary). If you or your church would like to offer donations of any kind, please contact Tammy Wilson at 618-638-7467.
- Remember in prayer **Beech Grove, Big Creek, Elco, Mound City First, Mt. Pleasant, Sandy Creek** and their pastor search committee.

Clear Creek Baptist Association
**Associational Leadership Council & EXECUTIVE
BOARD MEETING**

March 11, 2025

Clear Creek Baptist Association Building

6:00 p.m. Associational Leadership Council
7:00 p.m. Executive Board

**God's Provision for
Clear Creek**

December 1-31, 2024

Anna, FBC	367.19
Anna Heights	1705.00
Bethany	281.92
Big Creek	737.84
Cobden, FBC	416.67
Dongola, FBC	348.78
East Cape	194.07
Harbor	319.84
Immanuel P&W	50.00
Jonesboro, FBC	939.07
Limestone	100.00
Lockard Chapel	483.71
Maple Grove	100.00
McClure	510.00
Mounds, FBC	193.95
Mt. Olive	113.50
Mt. Pleasant	43.00
New Hope	437.10
Pleasant Ridge	246.87
Sandy Creek	285.00
Tamms, FBC	270.00
Thebes, FBC	24.70
Ullin, FBC	611.00

TOTAL 8,779.21

-2- indicates 2 deposits this month

December General Fund Report

Total Income	8,783.38
Total Expenses	5,061.23
General Fund Balance	48,080.02

priority

Save the Date: April 25-26, 2025

Priority is a gathering of like-minded women intentional about being a disciple who makes disciples. At Priority, women celebrate God's faithfulness through worship and studying God's word; equip themselves to live as a follower of Jesus through educational breakout sessions and leave ready to return to their area of ministry reminded that they are not alone on their journey. Priority is planned with you in mind. You are our community.

[Events · SBC Workspace](#)

Executive Director Search Team Update

As a search team, we have accepted resumes through September 30. Though we are still considering some of those resumes, we have agreed to open receiving resumes now until January 15, 2025.

We are open to receiving resumes for part-time, bi-vocational, or full-time position, as we want to be open to the Lord's direction.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

- 17 MEN'S WILD GAME SUPPER
- 21 SEMINARY EXTENSION CLASS BEGINS

(CAPITALIZED events are sponsored by CCBA)

FEBRUARY

- 2-3 Pursuing God Together – Pastor & Wife Retreat – IBSA
- 16-22 Focus on WMU Week



VBS CLINIC
WILLIAMSON
MAGNIFY THE IMPACT OF YOUR VBS
MARCH 1
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

This VBS Clinic will equip you with the tools and resources needed to successfully implement the Lifeway Magnified VBS curriculum at your church.

- Gain valuable insights: Learn best practices for teaching children, organizing volunteers, and creating a memorable VBS experience.
- Explore the Magnified curriculum: Discover the engaging Bible stories, creative activities, and fun music that make Magnified unique.
- Connect with other leaders: Network with fellow VBS leaders from across the association and share ideas.

REGISTER TODAY
IBSA.ORG/CALENDAR

FBC, Carterville | 406 S Division Street | Carterville, IL 62918
Questions? Contact Ryan Tackett rtackettfirstbaptistcarterville.org



A DONE-FOR-YOU DISCIPLE NOW WEEKEND!

Are your students feeling pulled in different directions?

Your partners at IBSA have put together an amazing D-Now experience for your youth ministry! We're taking care of the details so you can focus on your students. Gather your students & youth leaders and join us at Lake Sallateeska Baptist Camp as we explore what we gravitate toward!

Worship, keynote speaker, activities, meals, workbook, and lodging are all covered. Your leaders will lead your students during group sessions. Leader outlines and workbook will be emailed to registered leaders a couple of weeks in advance.

Theme: Gravitate by LeaderTreks

Speaker: Details coming soon

Worship: Details coming soon

Don't miss this opportunity to connect with God and your peers. Sign up today!

Where:

Lake Sallateeska Baptist Camp
4867 Baptist Camp Rd.
Pinckneyville, IL 62274

When:

February 28-Mar 1 (Friday 28th @ 6:00 PM to Saturday 1st @5:00 PM)

Price:

\$40 per student (+\$10 for optional shirt)

Questions: Contact

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[Register Here](#)