



# Richland Baptist Association Newsletter

August 2021

## From Your Director of Missions (D.O.M.):

Summer Break for our educators and students is rapidly coming to a close for this year. It is also that time of year where we are preparing to start a new church year.

It is an exciting time to be about the work of the Lord's Kingdom and a great time to begin an Outreach Strategy, if you do not have one. I want to encourage all of you to reach beyond the walls of your church to the community, your mission field, around you.

You will find listed in the calendar of events several opportunities for training of the church leadership. Place these opportunities on your church calendar and encourage your people to attend an event in person or register for online training through the Louisiana Baptist website.

Please make plans now to attend our Association Annual Meeting Thursday September 2, 2021. It will be hosted by Dunn Baptist Church and will start at 6 pm. This is a great time for us to show our cooperative spirit among our churches and make plans as to what we want to do as an association this next year. I look forward to seeing each of you as we fellowship and worship our Lord together.

We continue to pray for each Pastor, Church and special needs that you may have.

As always, I thank God for allowing me the privilege of serving you.

Yours in Christ,

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# Upcoming Events for August

- August 01: Annual Church Profile Submission Begins
- August 07: WMU Advocate Training @ Louisiana Baptist Building
- August 08: Student Evangelism Sunday
- August 10: Pastor's Luncheon 11 AM @ Big John's, Rayville
- August 12: Executive Board Meeting @ Eastside 6PM (Pre Annual Meeting)
- August 14: Regroup Conference @ McClendon Baptist Church, West Monroe  
9:00AM - 12:30PM
- August 15: Love Your Church Sunday
- August 15-21: Worship Music Week
- August 16: Online Regroup Conference:  
Pastor/Staff 6PM  
Adult Leaders 7:30PM (Hosted by Dr. Steve Horn)
- August 17: Online Regroup Conference:  
Children/Preschool 6PM  
Youth: 7:30PM (Hosted by Dr. Steve Horn)

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## Opportunities to Serve

- Pastor: Cedar Baptist Church
- Pianist: Cedar Baptist Church
- Pastor: New Light
- Youth Minister: First Baptist Archibald
- Worship Minister: First Baptist Archibald

*\*If you have a need in your church, please let us know and we will post it in the Monthly Newsletter.*

# Something to Think About...

## John 1:38-39; 45-46 CSB

38 When Jesus turned and noticed them following him, he asked them, “What are you looking for?”

They said to him, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”

39 “**Come and see**,” he replied. So they went and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about four in the afternoon.

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45 Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the law (and so did the prophets): Jesus the son of Joseph, from Nazareth.”

46 “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Nathanael asked him.

“**Come and see**,” Philip answered.

## Luke 8:38-39 CSB

38 The man from whom the demons had departed begged him earnestly to be with him. But he sent him away and said, 39 “**Go** back to your home, **and tell** all that God has done for you.” And off he went, proclaiming throughout the town how much Jesus had done for him.

Is your church in “**come and see**” mode or “**go and tell**” mode?

What are you asking folks to “**come and see**”? Your worship style? Your preaching?

In both cases above, Jesus was either compelling people to come and see about him or someone else was goading someone else to come and see Jesus!

If it's not Jesus we're asking them to **come** and **see**, we need to be **go**-ing and **tell**-ing about what God has done for us?

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