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A Message From Dr. Randy L. Bennett

Happy April everyone!

This is often the busiest month of the year. It certainly will be for everyone involved in our Association. Here are the highlights:

April 10 – *Re-dream the Dream* of the Kern County Southern Baptist Association. We will have two meetings with Dr. Rodney Harrison who will be serving as our Strategy Consultant for the next year. Each meeting is totally open to any and all who are interested in contributing to the strategy process. We will meet for lunch for general discussion and dinner with Dr. Harrison. On April 11 Dr. Rod will be our speaker at our Pastor's Breakfast at Marie Callendars at /8 a.m.

April 13 – *Nelson Searcy presents his Evangelism System*. Hosted by Rick Prevost and Fellowship Baptist Church/9 a.m.

April 24 – *Semi Annual Meeting* hosted by Fairview Baptist Church. 6 p.m. dinner followed by 7 p.m. meeting with Moderator Eddie Garza

April 30 – *Installation Service* for Rudy Galicia as the Church Planter in Buttonwillow. 3:30 p.m. Location: Buttonwillow Church Facilities

In the middle of all these important activities comes the most exciting event in human history. Not only did God provide a way for redemption and forgiveness through the death of His only begotten Son, that same Son conquered death providing us a genuine pathway to eternal life.

***April 16 is our celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ*. We will be praying that your church will have a full house and will experience the joy of the Resurrected Christ in every way.**

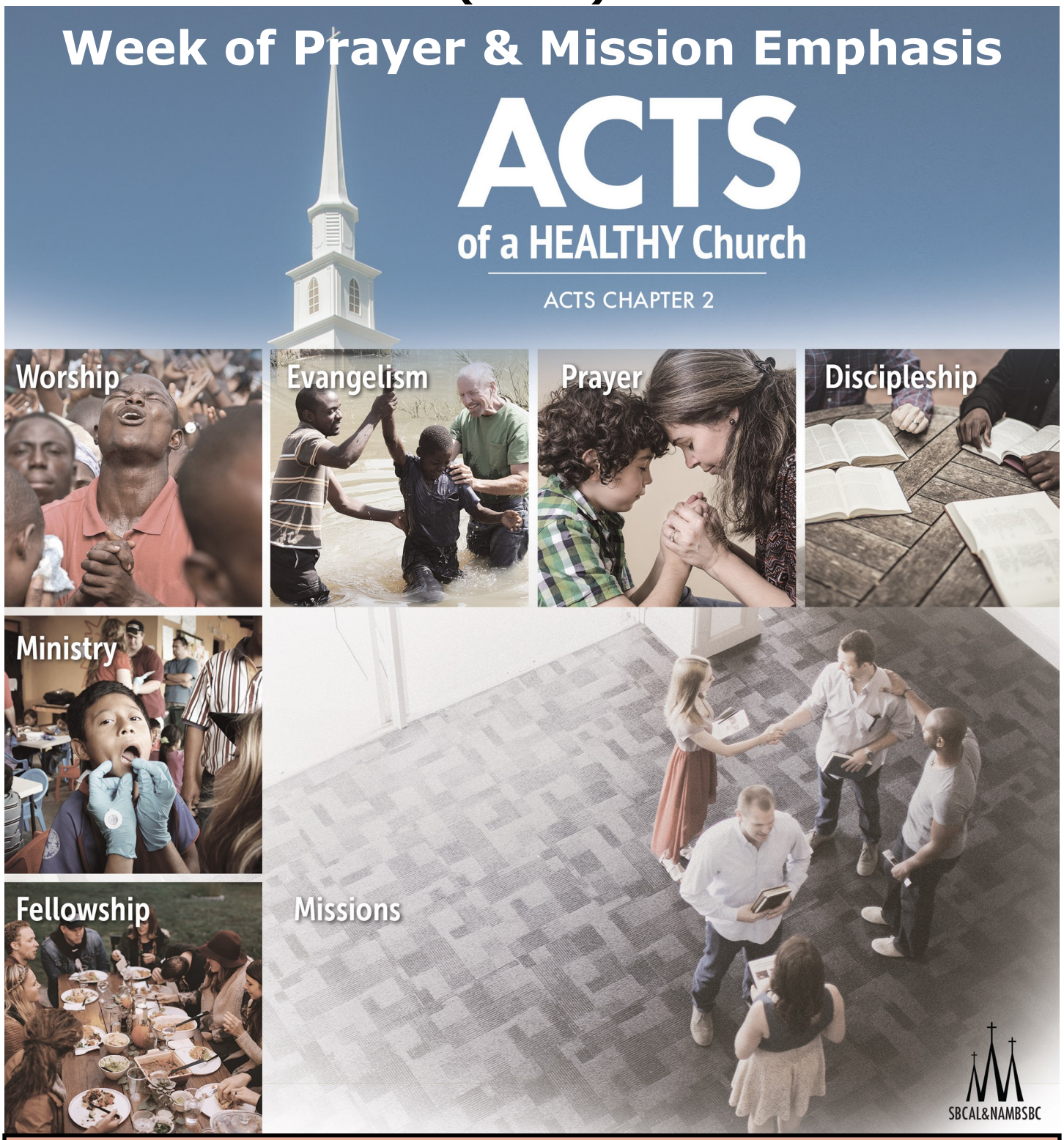
Your Missionary,

Dr. Randy L. Bennett
Director of Missions -
Kern County
Southern Baptist Association

Since I last reported Carol and I have worshiped and/or preached in the following churches:

Fellowship Baptist Church,
Daybreak Baptist Church,
First Baptist Church of Tehachapi,
Central Coast Baptist Church,
Trinity Baptist Church/Taft,
Grace Baptist Church/Primetimers,
Hingepoint Church/Ordination Service.

2017 Associational Missions Emphasis (AME)



May 21-28, 2017

KCSBA MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

MARCH 2017 FINANCIALS

Working together to spread the Gospel of Christ . . .
Thank you for your giving!

We sincerely thank the following churches and missions for their contributions during FEBRUARY 2017. Financials are based upon contributions received by the last work-day of the month. Any contributions received after the last day of the month will be accounted for in the next months financials. We are grateful to those churches that make missions a priority and give faithfully to KCSBA.

Giving from our Churches for March 2017
$11,862.84

2017 Monthly Budget Projection
$11,428.23

Difference for this month
$434.61

Columbus Street Baptist Church
Country Oaks Baptist Church
Crossover Church
Daybreak Baptist Church
Fairview So Baptist Church
Fairfax So Baptist Church
Fellowship Baptist Church
Filipino So Baptist Missionaries
First Baptist Church - Edison
First Baptist Church - Kernville
First Baptist Church - Tehachapi
First So Baptist Church - Porterville
First So Baptist Church - Taft
First So Baptist Hispanic Church
Golden Valley Christian Fellowship
Grace Baptist Church
Griffith Avenue Baptist Church
Harmony Baptist Church
Height Street Baptist Church
Hingepoint Church
Iglesia Bautista Sherwood Ave
Jesus Aqua Viva
New Life Community Church
Mountain View So Baptist Church
North Heights Baptist Church
Primera Iglesia Bautista – Wasco
Rising Star Baptist Church
Seguidores de Jesus
Set Free Christian Fellowship
Trinity So Baptist Church - Taft
Valley Baptist Church
Vision Plus Church
Weldon Baptist Church
Westchester Baptist Church

KCSBA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

11	Tues	KCSBA Administrative Committee and Associational Council Meeting Associational Office, 25 Garnsey Ave – 10:15 am.
9	Sun	SBC – Cooperative Program Sunday
10	Mon	KCSBA Re-Dream the Dream with Dr. Bennett and Dr. Harrison
10-12	Mon-Wed	CSBC – Pastor's Retreat – Jenness Park, Cold Springs
13	Thurs	KCSBA Pastor's Forum - Fellowship Baptist Church 9:00 am
14	Fri	Good Friday
16	Sun	Easter Sunday
18	Tues	Dr. Randy Bennett's Birthday
23	Sun	SBC – Baptist Doctrine Study
26	Wed	Administrative Professionals Day
23	Sun	SBC – Seminaries Sunday
24	Mon	KCSBA Semi-Annual Meeting - Fairview Baptist Ch. 6pm/Dinner-7pm/Mtg
29	Sat	ON Track Southern California Equipping Conference, El Monte
29	Sat	KCSBA Vacation Bible School Training - Valley Baptist Church
30	Sun	KCSBA Installation Service for Rudy Galicia - Buttonwillow

MAY

5-6	Fri-Sat	CSBC - ESL Training -- Fairfax Church, Bakersfield
6	Sat	Edison First Baptist Church - Celebrating 50 years
7	Sun	SBC – Senior Adult Sunday
4	Thur	National Day of Prayer
14	Sun	Mother's Day
14-20	Sun-Sat	SBC – Christian Home Week
19-21	Fri-Sun	CSBC/Jenness Park – Ministers' Wives Retreat
21-28	Sun-Sun	SBC – Baptist Association Emphasis Week
29	Mon	Memorial Day (Observed)

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES

KCSBA PASTOR'S FORUM

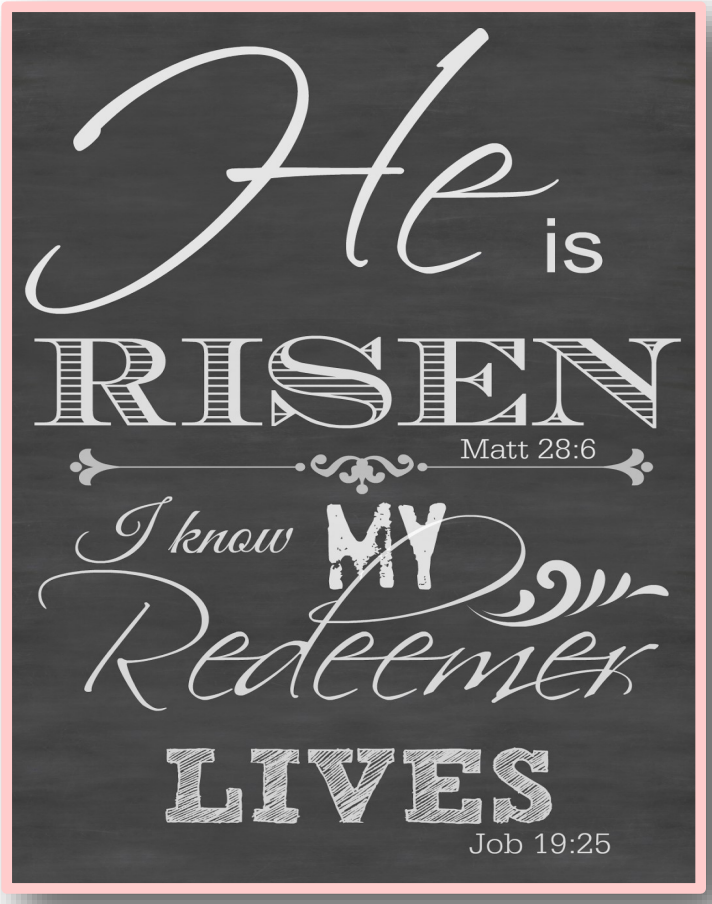
Fellowship Baptist, 3001 Stine Rd.

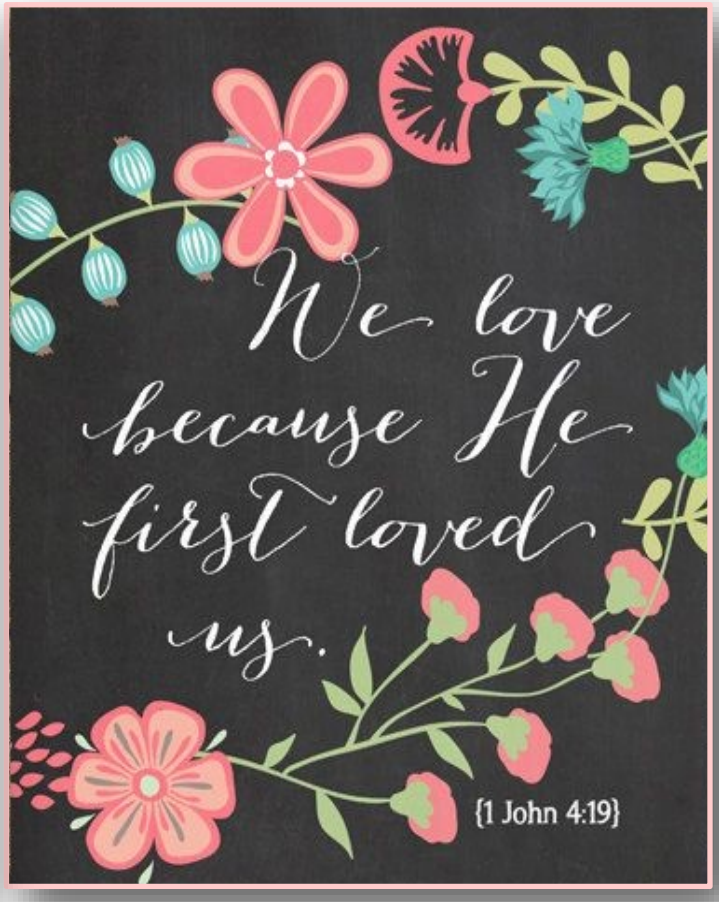
Our Pastors are invited to join this Forum

Next Meeting: APRIL 13th

Nelson Searcy presents his Evangelism System

R.S.V.P. – Fellowship Baptist 833-4345

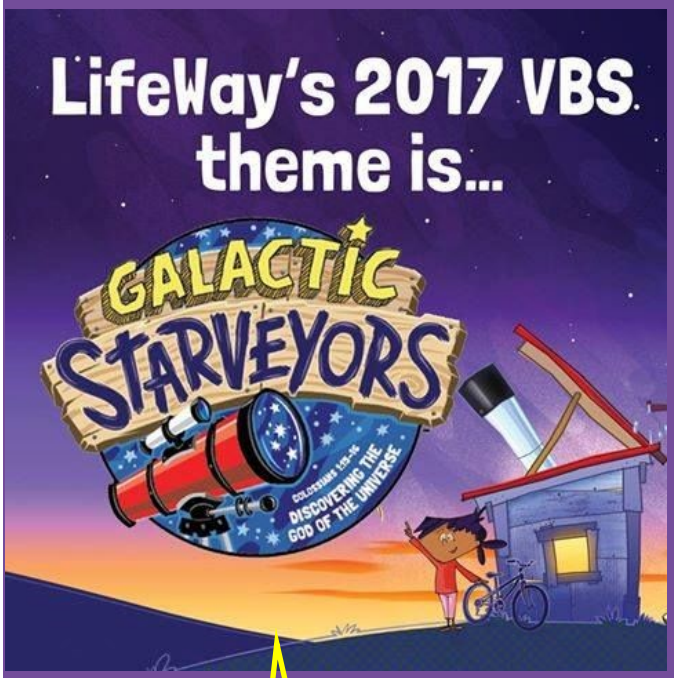




NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES

THIS MONTH — APRIL 29th!

Kern County Southern Baptist Association
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TRAINING



DON'T MISS IT!

THIS MONTH!

APRIL 29TH

Valley Baptist Church
4800 Fruitvale Ave, 93308

Register early for a special prize!!

Saturday. April 29th

9:00am to 11:30am

Registration begins at 8:30am

Workshops Include:

- Preschool
- K - 4th Grade
- VBX
- Music
- Crafts
- Recreation
- Youth
- Directors
- & More

Contact: 387-6386 valleykids@valleybaptist.org

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EASTER MORNING BREAKFAST

Shafter First Southern Baptist Church

250 Kern Street, Shafter

Please join us for Food, Fellowship, and Fun!

APRIL 16th, 2017

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Church begins at 10:45 am

CROSSOVER CHURCH OF ROSEDALE ...

EASTER EGG HUNT

Everyone is welcome to join us for a fun easter egg hunt for ages 0 to 12, following an amazing Easter service.

April 16, 12-2:00pm

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES

Join us for our upcoming

Basic ESL Training

Friday & Saturday, May 5 & 6

Fairfax Baptist Church

1545 South Fairfax RD, Bakersfield, CA 93307

Friday: 5:30PM - 9PM
light dinner provided

Saturday: 8AM - 4:30PM
lunch provided

11 hours required training for certification
Cost: $30 for CSBC Churches/$40 for Non-CSBC Churches

Payment Information:

Please make check payable to: CSBC
Mail check to:
678 E. Shaw Ave., Fresno, CA 93710
Attention: WMU

Online registration visit www.csbc.com/events

This training is provided by the Literacy Missions of CSBC Women's Ministries and Missions in part due to the faithful CP giving of California Southern Baptists Churches.

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES

First Baptist Church Edison

will be celebrating 50 years as a church

MAY 6th, 2017

God has continued to pour out His blessings upon them. Many new additions to the church have been made to help make it a quiet and respected place for worship. God's presence has been and continues to be felt in every room of the church and on the grounds that surround it.

As the church prepares for this celebration, they are asking for records for information of anyone that has attended the Edison Church. Please send in names, addresses, and or contact numbers.

Contact Pastor Ralph Coffman at 661-380-0330

Matthew 16:18 … and upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it.