# **Beulah Baptist Association**

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Philippians 2:12-13

12 So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; 13 for it is God who is at work in you, both to desire and to work for His good pleasure.

Our theme this year has been "Work it out" from Philippians 2:12-13, meaning that we do not work FOR our salvation but if we are saved, we had better be working with God, within his kingdom and for his purposes. It does not matter how old or young you are or when you came to faith in Jesus Christ, we are all called to the same thing, GO MAKE DISCIPLES. How we do that is by working. Working to meet lost people where they are. How has Beulah Baptist Association done this in 2024? Through our WMU Celebration of Missions in February, the association sought to introduce ladies from across the association to different ministries in our area in hopes that they can begin to serve others with the goal of sharing the gospel and changing lives. We also had over 75 men attend the "Act Like Men" conference at First Martin. Many of these men did not attend church anywhere but were able to hear a clear presentation of the gospel from the speakers! March 3-8 we had approximately 100-200 people each night at our associational revival services. Some were saved and many made changes in their lives that resulted in a renewed closeness with the Lord. We have helped with 2 Soul Food Cafes this year, the first hosted by the Hope Center and the second hosted by First Baptist Church, Union City. We fed and shared the gospel with about 120 people each time. Our annual pastors' wives' conference was not as well attended as last year's but still a wonderful time to gather and learn from Dr. Candi Finch. In June, I was blessed to represent Beulah Baptist Association in Ethiopia. We fed and shared the gospel with 73 refugee families and 12 of those have started attending my friend, Mussie's church. Each of the families received a copy of God's Word, some audio and some written. Lakeview Baptist Church provided several of the audio Bibles. Mussie and his church have been blessed by McConnell Baptist church in paying their church rent for the year and giving towards construction of a larger building. Fairview Baptist Church and Johnson Grove Baptist Church have further blessed the refugees as they donated money for medical clinics and medicine. Reelfoot Lake Arts and Crafts was a success as always as 10 churches from across the association and the Gideons served the vendors by feeding them, giving out Bibles and helping them set up for the event.

Therefore, this year we have worked out our salvation by working for the expansion of the kingdom of God in many ways. There have been many lives changed because of the efforts of the churches in Beulah Baptist Association and for this, I am grateful! Our theme for next year is "Give Thanks!," taken from Psalm 118:1 *Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!* I want us to focus on being thankful people, daily. Many times,

We take things for granted for which God deserves thanks. Let us strive for this in the coming year as we see him working all around us.

I want to thank the association of churches for sending me to the Southern Baptist Convention, the Tennessee Baptist Convention, an AMS retreat at Southeastern Seminary and on two spiritual retreats this year. These are valuable times of learning and refreshment for me. Along those lines, I also want to thank you for your continued generous giving to the Golden State Missions Offering as well as other Associational causes.

Till all hear!

Bro. Marshall



"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). The Lord wants to be thanked for His providence and sovereignty. Jesus wants to be thanked for taking our sin and making us clean. The Spirit wants to be thanked for His guidance and comfort.

## **November Calendar**

4—Pst Conf 10 AM w/ Mark Warren on Learning in Godliness—meal provided

10-12 SUMMIT—Murfressboro

23—Pastors' Skeet Shoot—Old Samburg
Gun Club

26—Feeding of 5000

27-29 CLOSED for Thanksgiving

## **BEULAH SPOTLIGHT CHURCH**

#### **SUNSWEPT BAPTIST**



### **OUR VISION**

At Sunswept Baptist Church we want to be a community of believers where everybody is somebody and Christ is all.

For us, that means every single person regardless of ethnicity, occupation, background, or anything else has intrinsic value because they are made in the image of God.

The foundation and driving force of our church is the Gospel. At the end of the day, our purpose and mission as a church is to Christ exalted in glorified as we seek to live out His mission.

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Monday, **November 11**, 2024

Veterans Day (originally known as Armistice Day) is an official United States public holiday observed annually on November 11, honoring military veterans.



**THANK A HERO!** 

## PASTORS, WIVES & BEULAH STAFF

#### **NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

29 Michael & Christy Norton—Pleasant Hill-Martin



#### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 5 Ron Cox—South Fulton
- 7 Roger McPeak—Beulah Land Cowboy
- 8 Carol Walsh—BBA
- 11 Lori Cockrell—Pleasant Hill—Rives
- 12 Aaron Bargery—Samburg
- 25 Nick Wilson—Lakeview