



# *Merry Christmas From the GBA Staff*

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*Focus on Christ  
this Season*





## BAPTIST STUDENT MINISTRY

### Christmas Open House

Our annual Grayson County College BSM Christmas Open House will be held on Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 11:30 am until 1:00 pm. GCC Instructor and gospel singer Susie Viars-Thomas will be our special guest - presenting a mini Christmas concert. We want to express our appreciation to Parkside Baptist Church for all their work in providing the meal complete with Christmas goodies. Please join us for a time of fellowship and celebration.

### International Student Ministry

**Josh Burton**

Thank you for including me in this critical ministry to international students that God has placed so delicately in our hands. I have been warmly received by so many that have made my transition smooth. Not only that, but the response of the students has been Spirit-led and I believe meaningful relationships are already being made. Please pray for the BSM and the International Student Ministry...so many students need Christ and they ARE our future!

On Wednesday evening, November 25<sup>th</sup>, we hosted a GCC (Denison) campus-wide Thanksgiving Dinner for international students, GCC athletes, and others who were on campus for the Thanksgiving break. We had a good response and fed over 100 students/staff.

Special thanks to Trinity Baptist Church for providing food and volunteers to help with the dinner. We also want to thank Georgetown and North Park for their contributions of food.

### Passion 2010 College Student Conference

The BSM is planning to partner with the college ministry at Fairview Baptist, Sherman, to take a group of students to the Passion 2010 College Student Conference that will be held in Atlanta, Georgia during the first week in January 2010. Some of our BSM students are in need of financial assistance to be able to afford the trip. If your church would like to help sponsor a student - please let us know.

### ANNIVERSARIES

- 4th** **Harvey Patterson**, pastor, Luella FBC, 12/22/05
- 2nd** **John Reynolds**, pastor, North Hills, 12/30/07
- 2nd** **Leon Veazey**, pastor, Whitewright FBC, 12/30/07

GBA Pastorless

# ChurchList

### BETHEL

c/o 1722 Pilot Grove Rd.  
Whitewright, TX 75491  
903.364.2823

### DORCHESTER FBC

11831 FM 902  
Dorchester, TX 75459-2421  
903.476.5525  
Interim: Bernie Gallagher

### CANNON

6971 FM 121  
Van Alstyne, TX 75495  
903.482.6761

### FAIRVIEW

222 W. Taylor  
Sherman, TX 75092-2771  
903.892.3543

### COUNTRY CHAPEL

c/o 3423 Bethany Rd.  
Sherman, TX 75090  
903.463.6347  
Interim: Brad McClenny

### IDA BAPTIST

7056 FM 697  
Sherman, TX 75090-7534  
903.813.3263  
Interim: Jack Washington



**BETHEL...**is seeking a part-time youth minister.

**CALVARY...**is seeking part-time children's & youth ministers. Send resumes to [brodanny@hotmail.com](mailto:brodanny@hotmail.com) or FAX to 903.465.5114

**COLLINSVILLE FBC...**has several communion juice trays to give away. Call 903.429.6742

**COTTONWOOD CREEK, DENISON...**is searching for a bi-vocational worship leader and a bi-vocational student pastor.

**CRUTCHFIELD HEIGHTS...**is in need of a child care worker. Call 903.647.0209 or email [moody5@cablone.net](mailto:moody5@cablone.net)

**ELMONT...**is searching for a part-time youth minister. They have called Mark Fletcher as pastor.

**EMMANUEL...**is needing a part-time youth minister.

**FOREST AVENUE...**is seeking a minister of music. Congratulations to pastor James Heffington on his recent marriage to Kim Schupbach.

**HAGERMAN...**seeking a part-time minister of music. Send resumes to [hagermanbap@msn.com](mailto:hagermanbap@msn.com). They also need a pianist. Contact Chuck Bell, 903.436.8215.

**PARKSIDE...**is sponsoring a program to help students learn how to share their testimony—"Ask Me My Story" - for more information contact student pastor, Jason Young, 903.465.1686

**POTTSBORO FBC...**is in need of a keyboard player and a used van that is in good condition.

**SHERWOOD SHORES FBC...**is searching for a part-time music/youth minister.



Our family enjoyed a great Thanksgiving and we pray that you

and your families did as well. Now we are getting ready for Christmas. What a wonderful time of year this is as we celebrate the birth of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Let me wish to you and yours a very blessed Christmas this year.

Christmas also reminds me that this year is almost over and 2010 is just around the corner. This year has just flown by and a lot of things have happened, but not everything got done that I intended to get done. Join me, if you will, in praying for all of our churches that the Lord would grant us a year of renewal and revival. We have a few pastorless churches and a few with new pastors, so remember these churches as well.

I am looking forward to seeing our pastors and staff members at our annual GBA Staff Christmas Party at Parkside Baptist Church on Tuesday, December 8th, at 6:30 in the evening. I am also looking forward to worshipping in all of our churches this year.

Again, have a blessed Christmas and a blessed new year.

In The King's Service,

Bobby Fletcher

**GBA MONTHLY MEETING  
(business meeting)  
January 12, 2010  
10:00 a.m.  
North Park Baptist Church  
2605 Rex Cruse  
Sherman, TX 75092**

**TAX SEMINAR  
with Gene Hill, former IRS agent**

**JANUARY 19, 2010**

**GBA OFFICE**

**10:00 a.m. for ministers  
6:00 p.m. for financial secretaries,  
church treasurers, etc.**

**Missing from GBA library...**

**Dr. Henry Blackaby's  
"Experiencing God" Series  
If you have this please return it  
or call the office to let us know  
that you have it, 903.868.9361**

**NEWSLETTER EMAIL**

To be good stewards of the resources we have GBA would like to email as many newsletters as possible. But in order to do this we need email addresses. Please send them to [svestgba@verizon.net](mailto:svestgba@verizon.net). Please do this as soon as possible. Thanks for your help.



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**DECEMBER 2009**

- Nov. 29– Dec. 6 Week of Prayer for International Missions
- 2 BSM Open House, 11:30 a.m.
- 8 GBA Christmas Banquet, 6:30 p.m., Parkside
- 24-25 GBA Closed
- 25 Christmas Day
- 28-30 GBA open 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
- 31 GBA Closed

**JANUARY 2010**

- 1 New Year's Day
- 1 GBA Closed
- 12 GBA Monthly Meeting(business mtg.), North Park, 10:00 a.m.
- 19 Tax Seminar, GBA Office, 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
- 23 WMU Book Review

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**LOY LAKE RD. OFFICE HOURS**

- MONDAY-THURSDAY.....8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- FRIDAY.....Closed