

# The FOCUS



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**IGNITE**  
2017

**BOWIE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION CHILDRENS CAMP**  
**LAKEVIEW BAPTIST ASSEMBLY, LONE STAR, TEXAS**

**PASTOR**  
**LARRY DAN MELTON**

**WORSHIP LEADER**  
**JAGEE MELTON**

**CAMP 1**  
**JULY 12-15**

**CAMP 2**  
**JULY 15-18**

**CAMP 3**  
**JULY 18-21**

There is still room available!!  
Call or email Valerie at the BBA office for more info!  
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# association news & prayer

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## Bi-State School of Ministry



Registration is open for the Bi-State School of Ministry, part of the ADVANCE Ministry Preparation program with Gateway Seminary of the Southern Baptist Convention. Advance offers quality, local, and affordable training for Christians serving within and beyond the local church. Upcoming classes include:

### Begins Monday, August 21, 6 pm

**Ministry Foundations** - A study of the call to ministry and foundational abilities necessary for fruitful ministry, taught by Dr. Jim Turnbo. In Jim's previous work as a missionary to Native Americans, a large part of his assignment was "raising leaders from the harvest." Anyone exploring God's call, either to vocational ministry or lay Christian service, would benefit from this class.

### Begins Tuesday, August 22, 6 pm

**Introduction to the Old Testament** - A survey course through the Old Testament scriptures taught by Dr. Bill Steeger. Dr. Steeger is an Old Testament specialist with a special gift for communicating the richness of Biblical narrative. Preachers, ministry leaders, and Bible study teachers would all benefit from this course.

If you are interested in either of these classes, contact the BBA office or Ministry Training Director, Paul Burkhalter, at 903-826-4489.

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## 2017 BBA Children's Camp

**There is still room available!**

For more information or to receive a registration pack, contact the BBA Office.

## D-Life

Looking for a tool for effective disciple-making? How about church revitalization? Consider **dlife**. D-Life is a relational disciple making approach where groups of 3 to 8 men or women commit together to do several things:

- Read a chapter of the Bible daily
- Meet for an hour once weekly for fellowship, accountability, prayer, and Bible study
- Complete a ministry project at least once every two months
- Multiply / form a new group at least once every year

Several BBA congregations are launching D-Life. If you would like to explore how D-Life can bless your church, or if you are interested in joining a D-Life group, contact [Bro. Jim](#).

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## Administrative Team Meeting

The next Administrative Committee Meeting will be **July 11th**, 10:00 AM, at the BBA Office. Meetings are open to participation from interested persons within the association.

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## Executive Board Meeting

The next BBA Executive Board Meeting will be **July 25th**, at the **BBA Office, 12 Noon**. To stay up to date on your association, please plan to attend. **RSVP** by calling the BBA office at 903-792-0641 or by emailing [receptionist@bowiebaptist.org](mailto:receptionist@bowiebaptist.org).

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## BBA Annual Meeting

Sunday, October 15th

**Buchanan FBC**

More information coming soon!

# FOCUS on the ministry

**July 4**

## **Independence Day**

The BBA Office will be closed July 3rd & 4th in observance of Independence Day.



## **Evangelism Event Trailer**



Several churches have already reserved the BBA Evangelistic Event Trailer for their events this year. It is an excellent tool to connect your church with unbelievers.

To secure the trailer for your event, please contact the BBA office. When scheduling the trailer, make sure you allow time for training.

## **Texarkana Children Charities Open**

### **Benefits Runnin' WJ Ranch**

**August 14th - 19th**

There are several different sponsorship levels. For more information or to secure your sponsorship, call Sam Clem at 903-838-3223.



## **Churches Seeking Staff**

Please continue to pray for the numerous churches in the Association that are seeking staff members.

### **Pastor:**

Malta Victory City

### **Worship Leader:**

Hooks FBC

### **Youth Leader:**

- Highland Park (903-792-6996)
- Flower Acres (903-824-8412)
- Korean Mission
- Myrtle Springs
- New Boston FBC
- Midway FBC

(Send resume to 1415 FM 2148, Texarkana, TX 75501, ATTN: Youth Minister Search Committee)

For more information, you may contact the respective congregations with the information provided, or contact the BBA Office.

## **2017 Summer Mission Trips**

Please share your plans with the BBA Office if your group is planning on serving on a summer mission trip. We would love to pray for you and share with others how God is moving.

### **Navajo Nation**

June 30 - July 6

Myrtle Springs

Nahodishgish, New Mexico

### **Brazil**

July 6 - 19 Liberty Eylau

Manaus, Brazil

## **Freedom Fest 2017**



**July 3rd 6 pm - 9 pm**  
**Redwater H.S. Parking Lot**

Free event to the community! Free food & snowcones, cornbread making contest, games and fireworks!

## **Maud Freedom Fest 2017**



**July 3rd 6 pm - 10 pm**  
**Maud Summer Baseball Fields**

Free Admission!

Live music from Abandon, Feats of Strength by Lifted in Faith, games, snow cones, jump house, popcorn, cotton candy & fireworks. Pork tacos & drinks available for purchase.

## **Associational Staff**

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## JULY 2017

**4** Independence Day  
BBA Office Closed

**11** Administrative Team Meeting  
BBA Office, 10 AM

**12-15** BBA Ignite Camp 1

**15-18** BBA Ignite Camp 2

**18-21** BBA Ignite Camp 3

**25** Executive Board Meeting  
BBA Office, Noon

## AUGUST 2017

**8** Administrative Team Meeting  
BBA Office, 10 AM

**14-19** Texarkana Children Charities Open  
Benefiting Runnin' WJ Ranch

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## JULY

- Calvary
- Hooks FBC
- Bowie County Cowboy
- Eylau Hills
- Nash FBC
- Wake Village FBC
- Flower Acres
- Oaklawn
- Midway FBC

These churches have been asked by the Friendship Center to get involved in the food drive for this month. The Center needs all kinds of canned goods, flour, corn meal, dried beans, macaroni and cheese, powdered milk, baby foods and formulas, and diapers. Any effort made for the Friendship Center will be appreciated. Some churches have chosen to include the Friendship Center in their annual budget and send a monthly check for support.

Runnin' WJ Ranch needs financial support, volunteers, and supplies as well.