

Metro-East Baptist Association

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WEEK OF PRAYER FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS March 7-14, 2010



In Romans 1, Paul tells us why he is not ashamed of the Gospel and is eager to preach it everywhere he goes. Like Paul the more than 5,300 missionaries in the US, Canada, and their territories know that only God is powerful enough to transform lives. Every day they live with urgency to share that transforming power.

Pray for the missionaries who are supported by the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering and the Cooperative Program. Especially for: Jim & Myrtle Ballard, Blackfoot, ID; Mike & Vicki McQuitty, Syracuse, NY; Vivian & Jim McCaughan, St. Louis, MO; Craig & Suzy Miles, Franklin, NC; Bill & Carol Lighty, Colorado Springs, CO; Michael & Marla Allen, Chicago, IL; Luis & Lourdes Rodriguez, Coamo, Puerto Rico; Louis Spears, Mesa, AZ



MISSIONS SPECTACULAR 2010

The largest one-day mission project for Illinois Baptists is coming again. For several years Illinois Baptists have joined together to participate in "Missions Spectacular," the largest one-day mission project of our ministry year.

Projects include construction teams, sports camps, poverty ministries, senior adult ministries, kids clubs and prayer walking.

The cost of the event is \$20 per missionary (\$50 per family). The cost includes your t-shirt and Saturday meals, and helps provide some of the project materials.

You may register online at IBSA.org or you may contact the MEBA office at 624-4444 for the registration forms. The deadline to register is May 1.

For more information please contact Marsha Johnson (217) 391-3138 or e-mail: MarshaJohnson@IBSA.org.

IBSA GOLF SCRAMBLE

Monday and Tuesday, May 10-11, 2010
Oak Terrace Golf Resort, 100 Beyers Lake, Pana, IL 62557

One day of golf with cart = \$30
One day of golf with cart and banquet = \$45
Two days of golf with cart and banquet = \$75

Register by May 3rd for a \$10 discount on the two day price! Register on line at IBSA.org and click on IBSA Golf Scramble in Quick Links. **Prizes:** Individual and Team, plus a \$1000 hole-in-one prize from Oak Terrace! All IBSA pastors, church staff members, ADOMS, deacons, church ministry leaders and wives are welcome. Arrangements have been made for wives not golfing to spend time at the spa and receive a 10% discount on all services.

Monday - 18 holes with a 1 p.m. shotgun start, followed by a delicious banquet and a dynamic guest speaker at the resort.
Tuesday -18 holes with an 8 a.m. shotgun start. Celebration Community Church, one mile from Oak Terrace, will provide a free luncheon.

Stay at the resort for \$47.50 double occupancy or \$95.00 single occupancy. This price includes a full breakfast buffet. Book yours now before April 10 directly with the resort by calling 1-800-577-7598. Just say you will be there for the IBSA golf outing! You may also register by calling 217-391-3133 or mailing Sylvan at sylvanknobloch@ibsa.org, or Debbie Muller at debbiemuller@ibsa.org.

IBSA SALT TRAINING

April 16-17

**Tabernacle Baptist
Church, Decatur**

**Fri. 6 p.m.
Sat, 8 am-12:15 p.m.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCE

“Growing Your Church Through the Power
of the Sunday School”

**Friday, March 26 - 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 27 - 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

Guest Facilitator: Rev. Charles Grant, Jr.
LifeWay Christian Resources, Nashville, TN

New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church
5803 Belmont Avenue, East St. Louis 62203

Training is free and everyone invited.
Call 618-397-8155 or www.newbethelmbchurch.com

MINISTERS' WIVES RETREAT

April 9-10
**Calvary Baptist Church,
Hillsboro**

Fee: \$45, includes hotel
reservation, conference, and
meals. Registration required.
Info: alidavis@mchsi.com or
217-649-1699

2010 IRON SHARPENS IRON

Iron Sharpens Iron is a one day men's conference designed to build into and equip you, your men, and your leaders. The conferences are for men of all ages: Emerging men (13-19), Pioneering men (20-29), Full Throttle Men (30-55) and Seasoned men (55+). The format is specifically geared to equip men for godly living and spiritual leadership. Conference to be held at:

Shiloh, IL
May 1
Faith Family Church
704 N. Green Mount Rd.

Contact:
Relevant Practical Ministry for Men
P.O. Box 8171
Springfield, IL 62791
217-622-4069
Or visit the Website: www.RPMFM.org

2010 NATIONAL MEN'S
EQUIPPING CONFERENCES



2010 ACTS 1:8 MISSIONS OPPORTUNITIES

- Christian Activity Center (East St. Louis)
- Ministry to refugees in Metro-East
- World Changers (Metro-East and beyond)
- Mississippi River Ministries
- South Jersey
- Toronto (multiple international people groups)
- Uganda (especially need medical personnel)

Contact Dennis Dawson for details at 618-624-4444 or ddawson@meba.org.

BUILDING POWERFUL MINISTRY TEAMS

April 30-May 1
MEBA, 4950 Old Collinsville Road, Swansea 62226

This training event, through IBSA, is not designed for a single pastor or staff member, but for a church to send its church staff, leadership team, deacon body, or entire department to work together, learning the principles and practices needed to build a powerful ministry team.

Cost of the event is \$20 per attendee, which includes an individuals workbook, continental breakfast, lunch, and snacks. Each event is scheduled for 2 1/2 hours on Friday evening and 6 1/2 hours on Saturday. For information, contact Pat Pajak at 217-786-2600 ext 129 or patpajak@ibsa.org

ACROSS METRO-EAST 2010 CHURCH TIMELINE

1. Praying - March 1-19 - Get Ready
2. Engaging - March 20 - Prayerwalking
3. Sowing - March 27 - Distributing “Find It Here” Gospel Tracts and Church Invitation Door to Door
4. Harvesting - April 4 - Easter Sunday
5. Assimilating - April 11-May 2 - Follow-Up

Call Dennis Dawson at 618-624-4444.

PASTORS LUNCHEON

Metro-East & Gateway Baptist Associations

April 29 - 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

LOTAWATA CREEK GRILL
311 Salem Place, Fairview Hts 1-64, exit 12

**Special Speaker: Pastor John Marshall,
Senior Pastor Second Baptist Church
Springfield, MO**

RSVP BY APRIL 22 - 618-624-4444