

Mell BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Planning Ahead

June

- 3 Mell Encouraging/Strengthening Team, Noon, MBO
- 9 Mell Pastor's Prayer, 8:00 AM, MBO
- 11-12 SBC Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA
- 14 Kiwanians Fish Derby for Kids Ministry
- 14-21 Mell Mexico Mission Trip
- 15 Father's Day
- 19 Mell Evangelism/Missions, Noon, MBO
- 26 Mell Executive Committee, 7 PM, MBO

July

- 1 Mell Encouraging/Strengthening Team, Noon, MBO
- 4 Independence Day, Mell Office Closed
- 14 Mell Pastor's Prayer, 8:00 AM, MBO
- 17 Mell Evangelism/Missions, Noon, MBO
- 24 Mell Administrative Team, Noon, MBO

August

- 5 Mell Encouraging/Strengthening Team, Noon, MBO
- 11 Mell Pastor's Prayer, 8:00 AM, MBO
- 19 Mell Minister's Luncheon, Noon, MBO
- 21 Mell Evangelism/Missions, Noon, MBO
- 28 Mell Administrative Team, Noon, MBO

September

- 1 Labor Day, Mell Office Closed
- 2 Mell Encouraging/Strengthening Team, Noon, MBO
- 8 Mell Pastor's Prayer, 8:00 AM, MBO
- 16 Mell Minister's Luncheon, Noon, MBO
- 18 Mell Evangelism/Missions, Noon, MBO
- 25 Mell Administrative Team, Noon, MBO
- 27 J.A.K.E.S Day Ministry



**God's Work,
Our Hands**

Mell Executive Committee Meeting

7 PM, Thursday, June 26, 2025

Mell Baptist Association Office

817 Central Avenue, Tifton, GA 31794

(From the Mell Baptist Association Constitution & By-Laws)

Section 2. Membership.

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the pastor and one lay member from each church elected by the church annually, the officers set forth in Article V Section 1 above, and such other members as the Manual shall prescribe.

Section 3. Meetings.

The Executive Committee shall meet as often as necessary at such times and places as outlined in the Manual, but no less than two (2) times annually.

Meetings may be called by the moderator or associate moderator as need arises.

Anyone is welcome to attend!

The Mell Baptist Association exists to encourage churches, strengthen churches, and partner with churches to reach people with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

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June 2025

AM Thoughts

Please pray for the Mell Mexico Mission Team. The dates they will be there and/or traveling are June 14-21.

1. Please pray for good spiritual preparation for the team.
2. Please pray for safety and flight travel connections going to Tallahassee (2 hour drive), to Atlanta to Merida to Ichmul (2-hour drive) and return.
3. Please pray for the health and safety of each of the members of this team: Austin Ball, Lindsey Boyd, Dustin Day, Kieana Flores, Rosemary Hightower, Levi Irwin, Tonya Irwin, Travis Irwin, Wyatt Irwin, Mari Tillery.
4. Please pray for safety for the team as they travel to and from Chickindzonot.
5. Please pray for divine appointments to share the Gospel.
6. Please pray for Eli Castillo and the other workers and volunteers at Mission House Ichmul.
7. Please pray for good sleep for the team members.
8. Please pray for the pastor and church at Chickindzonot where the teams will be serving.
9. Please pray for the other team from Akron, Ohio, who our team will be serving with this week.
10. Please pray for the members to have good personal times of devotion.
11. Please pray for flexibility for all of the team and a positive attitude.
12. Please pray that the team will accomplish all that God wants accomplished this week.

We are in need of volunteers for the Mell Ministry at the Kiwanians Fish Day for Kids at Paradise Lakes on Saturday, June 14. We will be handing out water and tracts and sharing the Gospel. We are also in need of volunteers for a Mell Ramp Build on Saturday, June 21, at 7 am. If you can help with either of these ministries, please email Tom at thocut@gmail.com or text him at 229-733-8911.

Praise the Lord that we are 45% toward our goal of \$30,000 for the Mell Tent Revival. We want to thank those churches and businesses who have contributed thus far. We have only had four churches to contribute so far. We would like to have this money in hand by the end of July. In case you don't know this money is for the rental of tent, sides, lighting, stage, chairs, sound system, and portapotties, as well as advertisement. Please encourage your church to give and consider personally giving. Thank you in advance for praying and giving!

Please be praying for the Mell Tent Revival (see back of Prayer Update for a Guideline).

Important dates connected to the Mell Tent Revival:

September 19-21, 2025 Mell Tent Revival

August 16, 2025 Evangelism and Counselor Training, 9 am at Calvary Baptist Church

September 9, 2025 Combined Choir Practice, 7 pm at Brookfield Baptist Church

September 11, 2025 Volunteer Training (greeters, parking, security, ushers) at 7 pm at Eastside Baptist Church

September 18, 2025 Prayer Meeting 7 pm at the Tent

Tom

Church News

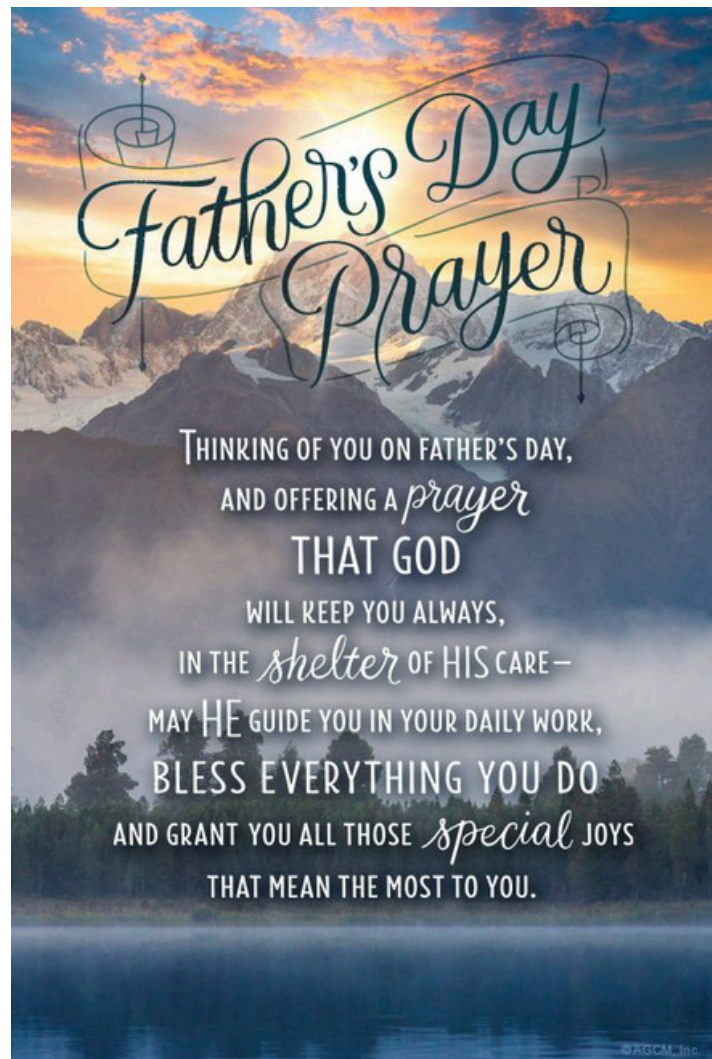
Victory Baptist Church is seeking a Minister of Music as well as a pianist. Must be able to read and teach music. Salary is negotiable. Leave message at church (229) 382-2211 or email resume to jamie@vbctifton.org.

Omega Baptist Church is accepting resumes for a Bi-Vocational Pastor. Please send to Omega Baptist Church c/o Pastor Search Committee. P.O. Box 368 Omega, GA 31775 or email to andyhornbuckle@yahoo.com.

Churches wishing to inform the public of upcoming events, please send the information about the event to our office by the 20th in order for it to be included in the Newsletter.

Our Mailing Address is:
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CELEBRATIONS!

June

Birthdays

10	Mrs. Carrie Strevel	The Road
20	Mrs. Angie Norris	Eastside
27	Mrs. Brandy Baker	Zion Hope
28	Rev. Matt Howell	FBC Tifton

Church Anniversaries for Pastors/Staff

1	Rev. Mark Myers (2008)	FBC Tifton
4	Rev. Jason Loggins (2023)	FBC Chula
27	Rev. Danny Culpepper (2021)	Eldorado

Wedding Anniversaries

4	Rev. & Mrs. Matt Howell	FBC Tifton
6	Rev. & Mrs. John Hughes	FBC Tifton
23	Rev. & Mrs. John Falotico	Enigma
27	Rev. & Mrs. Mike Patillo	Oak Grove

July

Birthdays

3	Mrs. Sylvia Culpepper	Eldorado
7	Rev. Mark Myers	FBC Tifton
19	Mrs. Jackie DeLoach	Lenox
20	Rev. Danny Culpepper	Eldorado
20	Rev. Glenn Ford	Calvary
27	Mrs. Emily Miller	FBC Tifton
29	Mrs. Cindy Pittman	New Bethel

Church Anniversaries for Pastors/Staff

1	Rev. Jose Lopez (2004)	Vida Abundante
9	Rev. Jim Constable(2023)	Victory

Wedding Anniversaries

3	Rev. & Mrs. Mike DeLoach	Lenox
11	Mr. & Mrs. Michael Staub	FBC Tifton
14	Mr. & Mrs. Jamie Horton	Mell Baptist
20	Rev. & Mrs. Jason Loggins	FBC Chula

USEFUL LINKS:

Southern Baptist Convention
www.sbc.net

North American Mission Board
www.namb.net

International Mission Board
www.imb.org

Georgia Baptist Mission Board
www.gabaptist.org

Mell Baptist Association
www.mellbapt.com

Christian Index
www.christianindex.org

FOOD PANTRY 2025

January	36 Served	July	Eastside
February	34 Served	August	FBC Chula
March	35 Served	September	FBC Ty Ty
April	48 Served	October	Brookfield
May	38 Served	November	Northside
June	New River	December	Mt. Zion

Please let the office know ASAP if there is a problem with these schedules.

Matthew 5:16

Let your light so shine
before men, that they
may see your good works,
and glorify your Father
which is in heaven.





BCM News

Our ABAC BCM students are spread out for the summer until August. Please be in prayer for their mission trips, degree internships, church internships, local church VBS's, camp ministries, summer jobs, and all the places our students are. Here is a short list of specific locations where some of our BCM students are serving during summer 2025:

- Mexico
- Honduras
- Dominican Republic
- California
- Massachusetts
- Camp Crosspoint
- Camp Chula
- FBC Tifton
- Lakeview Baptist Church, Lenox

A healthy number of our ABAC BCM students are coming to town to serve at Camp Chula. Three hundred children attend Camp Chula every summer, and the SendMeNow missionaries, the SendMeNow intern, and our ABAC BCM students are excited to get a chance to share about Jesus with each camper.

The first BCM of the fall semester will be Monday, August 18. Would your church like to set up a table at our first night of BCM to meet ABAC students and invite them to your church? Give me a call or email, so I can get you all the details. (You will need to bring your own table to use that night.)

Finally, we will be assembling and distributing 650 "Welcome Bags" this summer in preparation for the freshman class of Fall 2025. If your church would like to submit something for us to put inside the Welcome Bags for each of the new freshmen to receive on their first day in the ABAC dorms, please have 650 of the same item to me by Tuesday, July 1. Some ideas if you need them: a writing pen with your church's info on it, a quarter-sheet (or smaller) document with your church's info on it, a coupon for one free Wednesday night meal at your church, a business card with a pastor's info on it or a college pastor's info on it, etc.

Because He Lives.
Ree Reinhardt

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ABAC BCM Meal Schedule

Aug 18	BCM/Lenox	Oct 6	Eastside
25	Zion Hope	13	Fall Break
		20	Mt. Zion
Sep 1	Labor Day	27	BCM
8	BCM		
15	Northside	Nov 3	New River
22	FBC Tifton	10	Bennett & Friends
29	FBC Chula	17	Inaha Baptist
		24	Friendsgiving/BCM

Contact us ASAP to provide food and/or serve meals to college students during the
2025/2026 school year!
Fall semester resumes August 18, 2025

We are thankful for your faithful support!
We could not do this without you!

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Mell Monthly Financial

April 2025

Funds Received:	\$ 12,879.93
Actual Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 8,068.77
Budget Needs:	\$ 10,134.57

MELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PRAYER UPDATE

Volume 9, Number 5 June 2025

Urgent Prayer Needs

1. Pray for a spirit of prayer to sweep through our churches that would usher in true repentance and real revival.

Local

1. Pray for our Purpose to become a reality: "Mell Baptist Association exists to encourage churches, strengthen churches, and partner with churches to reach people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ".
2. We pray for our churches and pastors by an alphabetical list of churches. Pray this time for Victory Baptist Church (Jim Constable, Pastor), Zion Hope Baptist Church (Brad Baker, Pastor), and Alapaha Baptist Church (Scott King, Pastor).
3. Pray for the churches without pastors: Lenox and Omega.
4. Pray for our city and county officials in Tift, Cook, and Berrien Counties.
5. Pray for our schools, colleges, boards of education, superintendents, principals, teachers, and students.
6. Pray for the lost in your family and your circle of influence (work, school, recreation, neighborhood, etc.).
7. Pray for unity in the body of Christ in our association and surrounding area.
8. Pray for the monthly meetings of our teams: Encouraging/Strengthening, Evangelism/Missions, and Administrative.
9. Pray for the Mell Baptist Association Associational Missionary, Tom Hocutt, and Kristie Horton, Administrative Assistant.
10. Pray for the Baptist Collegiate Ministry at ABAC and Ree Reinhardt, BCM Director.
11. Pray for the Mell ministry at the Kiwanis Fish Derby for Kids June 14.
12. Pray for the Mell Tent Revival September 19-21, 2025.

State and U.S.

1. Pray for our state government officials.
2. Pray for the Georgia Baptist Mission Board: its Executive Director (Thomas Hammond), its staff, its ministries, and our GBMB Southwest Regional Catalysts: Samuel Ayala (Missions), Ovidia Cabrera (Hispanic Ministry), Tim Kilgore (Next Gen), Jason Jones (Pastor Wellness), Ray Sullivan (Discipleship), and Steve Foster (Evangelism).
3. Pray for our national government leaders.
4. Pray for the North American Mission Board, its president (Kevin Ezell), staff, and its missionaries.
5. Pray for the Southern Baptist Convention: Jeff Iorg, CEO of the Executive Committee, and Clint Pressley, SBC President.
7. Pray for those affected by the numerous natural disasters here in the U.S.
8. Pray for the revival of God's people and the spiritual awakening of our nation and the world.
9. Pray for the protection and support of our law enforcement, fire fighters, and EMS personnel.

World

1. Pray for the Mell Mission Trip to Ichmul, Mexico, June 14-21, 2025.
2. Pray for the International Mission Board--its president (Paul Chitwood), staff, and missionaries.
3. Pray for the 2 billion Muslims of the world that they would come to an understanding of who Jesus Christ is.
4. Pray for the Gospel of Christ to be shared to the unreached people groups in the world.
5. Pray for the protection of Israel, wisdom for Israel as they deal with their enemies, for the peace of Jerusalem, for the hostages and their families, and pray for the people of Gaza.
6. Pray for protection for our armed forces in Iraq, Syria, and around the globe.
7. Pray that the people of Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, and North Korea would have stable governments and that they would have an opportunity to hear the Gospel and respond.
8. Pray for the persecuted Christians of the world.
9. Pray for the cessation of hostilities in Ukraine, the Ukrainian refugees, those ministering to the refugees, and the believers in Ukraine.

ANSWERS TO PRAYER

1. Praise the Lord for those who have contributed to our Mell Tent Revival Fund. (We are 45% toward our goal!)

Please begin now to pray for our Mell Tent Revival. Here is a Prayer Guide



TENT REVIVAL

September 19-21, 2025

Prayer Guide

1. Pray that the Lord would lead in all the logistics of planning and carrying out this endeavor.
2. Pray for the Encouraging/Strengthening and Evangelism/Missions Teams as they continue to plan.
3. Pray for the preachers as they prepare their messages: Stacy Phillips, John Smith, Tim Williams.
4. Pray for Steve Davis as he prepares the music and recruits a combined choir for the Tent Revival.
5. Pray that God would provide the financial needs of this event (\$30,000) by July 31.
6. Pray for volunteers for counselors, parking, ushers, greeters, prayer team, and choir.
7. Pray that we will be able to have ample publicity so that many hear about it.
8. Pray for Christians to invite their lost family, friends, and acquaintances.
9. Pray for those who will give testimonies.
10. Pray for preparation and wisdom for the counselors.
11. Pray for the presence of the Holy Spirit each of the three nights.
12. Pray for conviction of sin among believers and need of a Savior for others.
13. Pray for this effort to make a significant difference in our city, county and area for the glory of the Lord.