

Mell BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Planning Ahead

January

- 4 Sanctity of Life Sunday
- 5 Mell Office Reopens
- 6 Mell Encouraging/Strengthening Team, Noon, MBO
- 12 Mell Pastor's Prayer, 8:00 AM, MBO
- 15 Mell Evangelism/Missions, Noon, MBO
- 19 ML King, Jr Day (Mell Office Closed)
- 20 Mell Minister's Luncheon, Noon, MBO
- 22 Mell Administrative Team, Noon, MBO

February

- 4 Mell Encouraging/Strengthening Team, Noon, MBO
- 8 Racial Reconciliation Sunday
- 9 Mell Pastor's Prayer, 8:00 AM, MBO
- 16 President's Day
- 17 Mell Minister's Luncheon, Noon, MBO
- 19 Mell Evangelism/Missions, Noon, MBO
- 23-24 GBMB Evangelism Conference, Central, Warner Robins
- 26 Mell Executive Committee, 7:00 PM, MBO

March

- 1-8 Week of prayer for North American Missions
- 3 Mell Encouraging/Strengthening Team, Noon, MBO
- 8 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 9 Mell Pastor's Prayer, 8:00 AM, MBO
- 17 Mell Minister's Meeting, Noon, MBO
- 19 Mell Evangelism/Missions, Noon, MBO
- 26 Mell Administrative Team, Noon, MBO



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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Established 1887

January 2026

CELEBRATIONS!

January

Birthdays

3	Rev. John Smith	FBC Ty Ty
11	Rev. Clark Harden	Brighten Rd
18	Rev. Steve Davis	Brookfield
19	Mrs. Jean Mallard	Pine Grove
20	Mrs. Zalana Roig	Salem

Church Anniversaries for Pastors/Staff

1	Rev. Keith Norris (2017)	Eastside
8	Rev. Steve Davis (2018)	Brookfield
20	Rev. Aaron Frasier (2019)	Mt. Zion

Wedding Anniversaries

20	Rev. & Mrs. Gerald Mallard	Pine Grove
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February

Birthdays

5	Mrs. Allision Tucker	Liberty
6	Mrs. Kristie Horton	Mell
7	Rev. Jason Loggins	FBC Chula
7	Mrs. Ashley Gotthardt	Journey
14	Mrs. Suzanne Meyers	FBC Tifton
17	Mrs. Beverly Peavy	Lakeview
22	Rev. Stacy Phillips	Northside

Wedding Anniversaries

17	Rev. & Mrs. Ashley Roig	Salem
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March

Birthdays

3	Mrs. Adrienne Fraiser	Mt. Zion
8	Mr. Brandon Martin	Northside
13	Rev. Aaron Fraiser	Mt. Zion
16	Mr. Kenny Miller	FBC Tifton
23	Mrs. Marcia Staub	FBC Tifton
30	Rev. Alan Gotthardt	Journey

Church Anniversaries for Pastors/Staff

2	Rev. Steve Tucker (2008)	Liberty
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Wedding Anniversaries

17	Rev. & Mrs. Bobby Pittman	New Bethel
19	Rev. & Mrs. TJ Mauldin	FBC Tifton

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

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.

First Baptist Church of Chula is seeking a part time Youth Minister. Resumes may be mailed to 30 Academy Drive - Chula, GA 31733 or emailed to Pastor Jason Loggins at jason@fbcchula.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:
Mell Baptist Association
P.O. Box 1547 Tifton, GA 31793
mellbapt@friendlycity.net or call (229)386-0865

FOOD PANTRY 2025

January	36 Served	July	50 Served
February	34 Served	August	39 Served
March	35 Served	September	53 Served
April	48 Served	October	38 Served
May	38 Served	November	47 Served
June	30 Served	December	Mt. Zion

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

Mell Monthly Financial

November 2025

Funds Received:	\$ 6,869.97
Actual Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 9,647.80
Budget Needs:	\$ 10,134.57

MELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PRAYER UPDATE

Volume 10, Number 11

January 2026

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 Lenox Baptist Church (no Pastor), Liberty Baptist Church (Steve Tucker, Pastor), and Mt. Zion Baptist Church (Aaron Frasier, Pastor).
3. Pray for the churches without pastors: Lenox.
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.

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 Consultants: Samuel Ayala (Missions), Jason Jones (Pastor Wellness), Chandler Wright (Music and Worship), and Steven Wright (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 International Mission Board—its president (Paul Chitwood), staff, and missionaries.
2. Pray for the 2 billion Muslims of the world that they would come to an understanding of who Jesus Christ is.
3. Pray for the Gospel of Christ to be shared to the unreached people groups in the world.
4. 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.
5. Pray for protection for our armed forces in Iraq, Syria, and around the globe.
6. Pray for the situation in Iran.
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 especially in China, Nigeria, and Syria.
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 the thirteen churches who provided the food items; the volunteers to stock the shelves, pack the food bags, and place them in the 10 bins which we give out each Tuesday in our Food Pantry Ministry averaging over 40 individual/families per month.

MELL MISSION TRIP TO ROGERSVILLE, TENNESSEE

April 11-17, 2026 (Sat-Fri)

Approximate Cost: \$200 per person

Purpose: to work with Of One Accord Ministries ministering to the poor of Appalachia through these possible ministries: a medical clinic, mini-VBS, clothes closet ministry, food distribution ministry, home repair, and/or a block party.

Deadline for Deposit of \$100: February 12, 2026, Remainder due: March 19, 2026

Mell Mission Trip to Ichmul, Mexico

June 27-July 4, 2026 (Sat-Sat)

Approximate Cost: \$1,900 per person (includes flight cost, transportation, lodging, and meals) This price is subject to change depending on airline tickets.

Deposit of \$800 due February 26, 2026.

Remainder due April 23, 2026.

Purpose: To assist in planting a church-may include prayer walking, food distribution, VBS, Gospel visitation, block party, sports camp, medical and dental ministries, etc.

For more information on either trip, please call 229-733-8911 or email thocutt@gmail.com