

# Mell

## BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

### PLANNING AHEAD

**JUNE 7**  
ENCOURAGING/STRENGTHENING  
TEAM

**JUNE 13**  
PASTOR'S PRAYER TIME

**JUNE 14-15**  
SBC ANNUAL MEETING  
ANAHEIM CA

**JUNE 16**  
MELL EVANGELISM/MISSIONS TEAM

**JUNE 18-25**  
MELL MEXICO MISSION TRIP

**JUNE 19**  
FATHER'S DAY

**JULY 4**  
INDEPENDENCE DAY  
OFFICE CLOSED

**JULY 5**  
ENCOURAGING/STRENGTHENING  
TEAM

**JULY 11**  
MEL'S PASTOR PRAYER TIME  
TAMA LEROY ROGERS CENTER

**JULY 14**  
PRACTICAL SHEPHERDING  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

**JULY 19**  
MEL MINISTERS LUNCHEON

**JULY 21**  
EVANGELISM/MISSION TEAM

**JULY 28**  
ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Please Pray for the SBC Annual Meeting June 14-15, 2022, in Anaheim, California and the related entities that will be meeting!



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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## AM Thoughts

We ran into a bit of a “snag” on May 14—the day of our Home Repair Ministry. We planned to work at two locations: one to build a 40 foot handicap ramp and the second to repair three areas of flooring and build a 15 foot handicap ramp. We only had five of us from two churches (Brookfield and Victory) to show up. We worked from 8 am to 5 pm and built the 40 foot ramp! We did not do anything at the second location! I gave our word that we would do this second job, so I am hoping enough men will let me know that they are willing to help with this second project in the next few weeks. We need to keep our word!

I want to share a little about the owner of the double-wide where we built the long ramp and show you pictures of before and after. This lady had been trying to get someone to build her a ramp for over a year. She finally called the fire department, and someone there gave her my telephone number. She broke her hip and is unable to do stairs. She said that she could not keep her doctor’s appointments because she could not get out of her house. She came to the door while to see what we had done (that was a real chore for her). When we finished, I called her and asked if I could pray with her and she invited us all in to pray for her. She said she needed to call an ambulance to come get her because she has infections in her body. All five of us went in and prayed for her. She told me she had been praying all day that God would bless us for helping her. Being the hands and feet of Jesus to needy people!



Let me know if you would like to be a part of the Mell Home Repair Ministry. Thank you to the faithful giving of our churches to make it possible for us to purchase the materials for these projects. God is good all the time, and all the time God is good! Please pray for the Mell Mexico Mission Trip June 18-25, 2022.

*Tom*

## CHURCH NEWS

**Liberty Baptist Church** is seeking a bi-vocational Minister of Music. Must be able to read and teach music, and, preferably, be able to play an instrument. Salary is negotiable. Contact Pastor Steve Tucker, (229) 450-4553 or email to: [libertytifton@gmail.com](mailto:libertytifton@gmail.com)

**Omega Baptist Church** is looking for a part-time Music Leader. This is a paid position. Contact Pastor Allen Mullis (229-848-1888) or email to:

[omegabaptistchurch@dmediacombb.net](mailto:omegabaptistchurch@dmediacombb.net)

**Bethel Baptist Church** is looking for a full-time Minister of Students who will lead, coordinate, plan and promote the student ministry with emphasis of reaching students for Christ and training them to service him. Under the direction of the pastor, youth committee, the Minister of Students will assist in the outreach, growth, leadership and discipleship of the church. The Minister of Students shall be a person who reveals, by life, a true conversion experience and has the education/experience for the various duties of the position. This person shall be a family unit, husband/wife team. Such person should be: Ordained / Licensed / Layman / male or female who is married to person of opposite sex.

Please email your resume to:

[pastorexjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:pastorexjohnson@gmail.com)

**Victory Baptist Church** will begin Divorce Care in June. Call 229-382-2211 for details

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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## Mell Executive Committee Meeting

**Thursday, July 7, 2022**

**(Note change in date**

**from June 30 on Mell Calendar)**

**7 PM at the Mell Office**

## CELEBRATION

### JUNE

#### Birthdays

8	Charlene Fogarty	Unity
10	Carrie Strevel	The Road
20	Angie Norris	Eastside
21	Greg Love	CrossView

#### Anniversaries

6	Rev/Mrs. John Hughes	FB Tifton
9	Rev/Mrs. William Fogarty	Unity
26	Rev/Mrs. Benji Rowland	Journey

#### Pastor/Staff Anniversaries

1	Mark Myers (2008)	FB Tifton
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### JULY

#### Birthdays

7	Mark Myers	FB Tifton
8	William Fogarty	Unity
19	Marsha Metzger	Lenox FB
20	Glen Ford	Calvary
27	Emily Miller	FB Tifton

#### Anniversaries

8	Marcia and Michael Staub	FB Tifton
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#### Pastor/Staff Anniversaries

1	Jose Lopez (2004)	FB Tifton
7	Wayne Roe (1996)	FB Tifton
21	Carl Metzger (2019)	Lenox FB

### USEFUL LINKS:

Southern Baptist Convention <a href="http://www.sbc.net/">http://www.sbc.net/</a>	Georgia Baptist Mission Board <a href="https://gabaptist.org/">https://gabaptist.org/</a>
North American Mission Board <a href="http://www.namb.net/">http://www.namb.net/</a>	Mell Baptist Association <a href="http://mellbapt.com/">http://mellbapt.com/</a>
International Mission Board <a href="http://www.imb.org/">http://www.imb.org/</a>	Christian Index <a href="http://christianindex.org">http://christianindex.org</a>

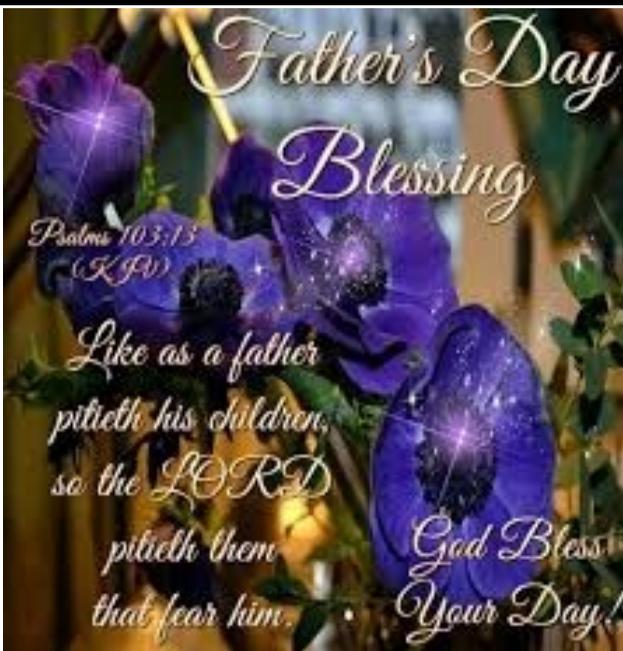
## Food Pantry 2022

**The Food Pantry Served 14 in April**

### Schedule for 2022

Let the office know if there is a problem with this schedule.

June	New River
July	FBC Chula
August	Eastside
September	FBC Ty Ty
October	Brookfield
November	Northside
December	Brighton Road



#### Please Pray for the June 18-25 Mell Mexico Mission Trip

1. Praise the Lord for the 14 from two churches who will participate.
2. The logistics of getting 14 people to and from the airport in Atlanta.
3. The health and safety of our team.
4. The spiritual preparation for our team.
5. The logistics of getting 14 people and our luggage from the airport to Ichmul.
6. The preparation that needs to be done in Ichmul for us to have a successful mission trip.
7. The leaders of Mission House Ichmul.
8. The medical clinics that will be held.
9. The visitations that will be conducted.
10. The teaching of Experiencing God to the leaders there.
11. The receptiveness of the Gospel when it is presented.
12. Opportunities to share the Gospel.



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**BCM NEWS**

April 21, BCM sponsored a "Night of Worship" on the lawn of Lakeside Dorm. The weather was great, the atmosphere was inviting, and that night a soul was saved! A young man that had been coming to BCM for about a month was there and during the program he asked to speak to Josh. He had seen the difference Christ had made in the lives of some of the boys in his small group and wanted to know more about what they had. Josh explained what it meant to be saved and that very night he repented of his sins and asked God to lead his life!! What a miracle! He is now at home and people are calling to encourage him but please pray he will find a church at home to connect with and grow during the summer. 10 people were saved this year and Satan is like a roaring lion seeking to pounce on them now that they are at home and away from accountability and Christian friend encouragement. Please pray for them that they will continue to go to church, read their Bible, and grow.

This year many of the guys seemed to understand the need to share the gospel, and they did a great job sharing with friends and family and that is how God reached many of those who were saved. Please pray they will return in the fall with that same zeal to reach out. Many of the girls seemed to be distracted and it was harder for them to share. Many are worried about what others think, scared they will hurt someone's feelings, distracted by relationships, and caught up in social media. Please pray our girls will grow more in love with God than the things of this world. Some were beginning to understand the need to share and then the semester ended.

As we look to next fall there are many uncertainties. I understand there is a hopeful plan for a replacement, but until things are for certain, we are proceeding as planned. We have mapped out a schedule for the fall and are moving forward during the waiting period. The campus is still a great mission field and students are the best missionaries we have there and our God is faithful and loves these people – He will see this campus is reached for Christ! Please keep praying for the campus – God is working!

*Penny*

**FALL SUPPER LIST 2022**

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|------------------------|---|
| AUG. 15 – BCM KICK OFF | OCT. 17 – FALL BREAK  |
| AUG. 22- BCM           | OCT. 24 – Eastside  |
| AUG. 29 – BCM          | OCT. 31 – Fall Festival   |
| SEPT. 5 - Holiday      | Nov. 7 - Calvary  |
| SEPT. 12 - Northside   | NOV. 14 – Mt. Zion  |
| SEPT. 19 – FBC Chula   | NOV. 21 – BCM Friendsgiving   |
| SEPT. 26 - Crossview   | NOV. 28 Crossview   |
| OCT. 3– New River      | Please let me know if you need to make changes. We are thankful for your hard work! We could not do this without you! |
| OCT. 10 – FBC Tifton   |   |

**Baptist Collegiate Ministries  
 Club Advisor  
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**Mell Monthly Financial**

April 2022

Funds Received:	\$ 9,793.25
Actual Expenses:	\$ 12,021.46
Budget Needs:	\$ 9,360.41

## MELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PRAYER UPDATE

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### 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 are praying for our churches and pastors per an alphabetical list of churches. Pray this time for Mt. Zion Baptist Church (Aaron Frasier, pastor), New Bethel Baptist Church (Bobby Pittman, pastor), and New River Baptist Church (Michael Marchant, pastor).
3. Pray for the churches without pastors: Alapaha, Eldorado, and Salem.
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 Administrative Assistant, Elizabeth Davis.
10. Pray for the Baptist Collegiate Ministry at ABAC, Penny Chesnut as she continues to lead, and the search for her replacement!
11. Pray for the Mell Mission Trip to Ichmul, Mexico (June 18-25).

### 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 ministries, and our GBMB Southwest Regional Consultants: Samuel Ayala (Missions), Ovidia Cabrera (Hispanic Ministry) Lee Hill (Worship & Music), Tim Kilgore (Next Gen), Chris Reynolds (Pastor Wellness), Ray Sullivan (Discipleship), and Tim Williams (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; Interim CEO, Willie McLaurin, of the Executive Committee; and Ed Litton, SBC President.
6. Pray for the Southern Baptist Convention's Annual Meeting June 12-15, 2022, in Anaheim, California.
7. Pray for the revival of God's people and the spiritual awakening of our nation and the world.
8. 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 1.8 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, and for the peace of Jerusalem.
5. Pray for protection for our armed forces in Iraq, Syria, and around the globe.
6. 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.
7. Pray for the persecuted Christians of the world especially the believers in Afghanistan.
8. Pray for the cessation of hostilities in Ukraine, the Ukrainian refugees, and the believers in Ukraine.

### ANSWERS TO PRAYER

1. Praise the Lord for the five men who built a 40-foot ramp on May 14 as part of our Mell Home Repair Ministry. The lady had been trying to get one built for over a year!



Annual Meeting

**Sunday, October 16, 2022**

**First Baptist Church Ty Ty**

157 North Church Street, Ty Ty

<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Registration Begins</b>
<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Mini concert</b>
<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Business Session</b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Worship</b>

Rev. Thomas Hammond, Executive Director, Georgia Baptist Mission Board, will be preaching at the Worship Session. There will be a mini concert by Rev. Eric Gonzales at 4:30 pm and he will be leading the congregational singing and bringing the special music at the worship service.

Churches, please elect your messengers and send the list to the Mell Office so that we can make messenger badges for them.

Please transfer your evening service to FBC Tifton!

**Everyone is Welcome!**