

LEADERSHIP MATTERS

from Dr. Roger Yancey, Director of Missions

October is Clergy Appreciation Month and the perfect time to commit to praying for and encouraging our ministers on a regular basis. This year, several ministries, denominations, publishers, bookstores, and church groups are participating in this significant event, including the National Day of Prayer Task Force. As Shirley Dobson, Chairman of the NDP Task Force, has stated, "Our pastors are on the front lines in the effort to defend our faith and our families. We must hold them before the Lord in prayer ... I have a very tender heart for pastors, because they've been there for all of us when we have been in times of crisis—when we've been in times of suffering ... we owe these pastors a debt of gratitude that we'll never be able to pay."

God's word calls us to support our clergy. In 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 we are told: "And now, friends, we ask you to honor those leaders who work so hard for you, who have been given the responsibility of urging and guiding you along in your obedience. Overwhelm them with appreciation and love."

Clergy Appreciation Month gives you the ability to take action and keep your pastor from becoming what H.B. London, Jr. has called an "endangered species."

Ideas to Honor Your Pastor

1. A greeting card shower.
2. An afternoon or evening social.
3. A bulletin board done with your pastor's history at the church.
4. Altar flowers.
5. Balloons.
6. A financial gift.
7. A surprise vacation.
8. Gift certificates to a store or restaurants.
9. A cake and ice cream social.
10. A note of appreciation.
11. Decorate your church in honor of your pastor.
12. Have each Sunday School class do something special.
13. Have a church appreciation banquet. Invite dignitaries and family to attend.
14. Have a testimony time in your service.
15. Announce this special day in your local newspaper.
16. Get local Government officials to recognize the event.

You can find more ideas on how to honor your pastor at www.pastor-appreciation.net

The key to making this a successful event is your creativity!

In Kingdom service,



Dr. Roger Yancey

Join us for the TEBA Annual Celebration Magnolia Cowboy Church

"Churches Working Together"

featuring

Cowboy Church Bands Video Reports Testimonies from

Pastor Orlando Sinisterra of Iglesia Bautista Emanuel
Pastor Scott Young of The Fellowship
Pastor Jerry Vineyard of Under Over Fellowship
Pastor Mike Davis of C3
Pastor Preston Baker of FBC Shepherd
Minister Tim Young of Spring Baptist

Video Reports Partnership Challenge

Pastor Ed Seay, FBC Magnolia

October 16 @ 6:30 p.m. – 7:40 p.m.

Chuck Wagon Feed at 5:30 p.m.



CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- 4-8 Senior Adult Retreat, Camp Allen, Navasota
- 6-8 Pastor & Wife Retreat, Marriott~Courtyard, Houston
- 10 Senior Adult Council, 10:30 a.m., TEBA
- 16 Annual Celebration, Magnolia Cowboy Church
- 18 Church Development Meeting, 2:00 p.m., TEBA
- 25 Senior Adult Fall Festival, 10:00 a.m., FBC Tomball
- 27 KidsLifeKamp Planning Team Meeting, 1:00 p.m., TEBA

Being a Pastor Supporter

As a staff member for 23 years I made it my goal in ministry to protect my pastor (AND Director of Missions) and to speak well of him in every public forum.

Were all my pastors deserving of my support? Yes, but not because of their godliness or lifestyle. Some weren't consistent followers of God, and some were more concerned with the applause of men rather than the favor of God, but their position as the God-called leader of the body deserved my labor and support. Of course, all this is within the boundaries of their moral, ethical and sexual purity.



A staff member does well who:

1. Makes a buffer between the pastor and the congregation on Sundays and Wednesdays. The pastor needs to be focused on unpacking the Word God has given to him for the body. Block for him like an NFL guard during a Super Bowl.
2. Keeps differences and disagreements within the confines of a private discussion with the pastor.
3. Refuses to share confidential information outside the office and/or staff meeting.
4. Communicates everything to the pastor concerning the staff, church family, and his own plans and needs.
5. Is not afraid of the pastor and welcomes his friendship.
6. Offers his resignation to the pastor to keep on file, if at any time there is a difference that becomes a barrier to productivity and unity.
7. Prays consistently and constantly for his pastor and family.
8. Always has his pastor's back. A pastor should never fear a staff member's personal agenda or intentions.
9. Helps carry the burdens of the pastor. Lift up his arms when he gets weary, just like Aaron and Hur held up the arms of Moses.
10. Offers to do more than what is on your job description and doesn't just work for a paycheck. Who are we serving anyway?
11. Has fun with his pastor. Go bowling, go-karting, golfing, shoot billiards, etc. Pastors can be fun, and like to have fun too!
12. Is like Mr. Spock to Captain Kirk, who said, "I have been, and always shall be, your friend," and mean it. Live long and prosper. ☺



Ministry Assistant's Luncheon

Boundaries: Creating Margin in Our Lives by Saying NO

Led by Stan Sullinger
Crossroads Baptist Church,
The Woodlands

Tuesday, November 15
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

TEBA Office

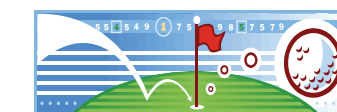
Lunch \$5

Please RSVP by Monday,
November 14 by emailing
barbaral@teba.org.

A lot of people are on overload and headed for a crash. We are a piled on, stretched to the limit society. We are chronically rushed, late and exhausted.
(Stan Sullinger)

Hospitality House 1st Annual Benefit Golf Tournament

Saturday, November 12, 2011



Ravens Nest Golf Club in
Huntsville

\$65 Early Bird price if paid on or before October 24th.

\$80 if paid after October 24th.

Player Enhancements
Prizes Awarded
Hole Sponsorships available

For more information or to register contact the Hospitality House at 936-291-6196 or email Debra McCammon at debra.mccammon@gmail.com or go to thehospitalityhouse.org.

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**STAFF POSITIONS
 CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES**

- **Need donated bus/van.** *Under Over Fellowship, Conroe* is in need of a donated passenger van or bus that could be used to transport the homeless to and from our church services. We would also use it for our Shower Ministry that takes the homeless to shower twice a week. If you can help please contact Jerry Vineyard at 936-447-0258 or jwvineyard@hotmail.com or visit us at www.underoverfellowship.com.
- **Church Secretary needed.** *Spring Creek Baptist Church, Spring* is looking for a church secretary. For information contact Dr. Steve Brazzel at 713-907-0891 or send resume to steve@springcreekbc.net.
- **Cynthia Clawson** in concert on Sunday, October 23, 6:00 p.m., West Conroe Baptist Church, 1855 Longmire Road, Conroe, TX 77304. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Presented by The Legacy Ministry of West Conroe. A Special Night of Special Music with a Special Lady.
- **Computer Needs.** *Dacus Baptist Church, Montgomery* needs the following to upgrade their computer system: 6 Microsoft Windows 7, 6 Microsoft Office 10, 6 Memory sticks 256MB or 6 1 GB of memory. If you have any questions or can help this church, please call Emily Thomas at 936-851-2842 or email her at ministryccm@yahoo.com.

PASTORLESS CHURCHES

Center Hill* 16771 FM 1097 East Willis 77378	Nueva Vida 1606 S 7th St Conroe 77301
China Grove 6420 FM 3081 Willis 77378-2484	Security FBC 21158 Hwy 105 Cleveland 77328-6121
Cornerstone 8200 Northway Dr The Woodlands 77382	Silver Springs 29820 Dobbin Huffsmith Magnolia 77354
Faith POB 869 Montgomery 77356	Trinity 7651 County Line Rd Willis 77378-4799
Honea* 16430 FM 2854 Montgomery 77354	Unity 8904 FM 787 West Cleveland 77327
New Sunrise* POB 907 New Caney 77357	Whispering Pines 15200 FM 1485 Conroe 77306-8914

*Bi-Vocational

**SAVE THE DATE
 Equip 2012**

January 20~FBC Cleveland
 January 27~FBC Montgomery
 5:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m.
Metamorphosis:
 Transforming Individuals to
 Transform the Church

THE WAY TO PEACE WITH GOD

THE PROBLEM: SEPARATION FROM GOD
 Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."
THE RESULT: SPIRITUAL DEATH
 Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."
GOD'S SOLUTION: HIS DEATH IN OUR PLACE
 Romans 5:8 "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."
YOUR SALVATION: BY FAITH
 Romans 10:9 "If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

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**PASTORS
 CONFERENCE/
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 MEETING**

**November 8, 2011
 12:00 p.m.**

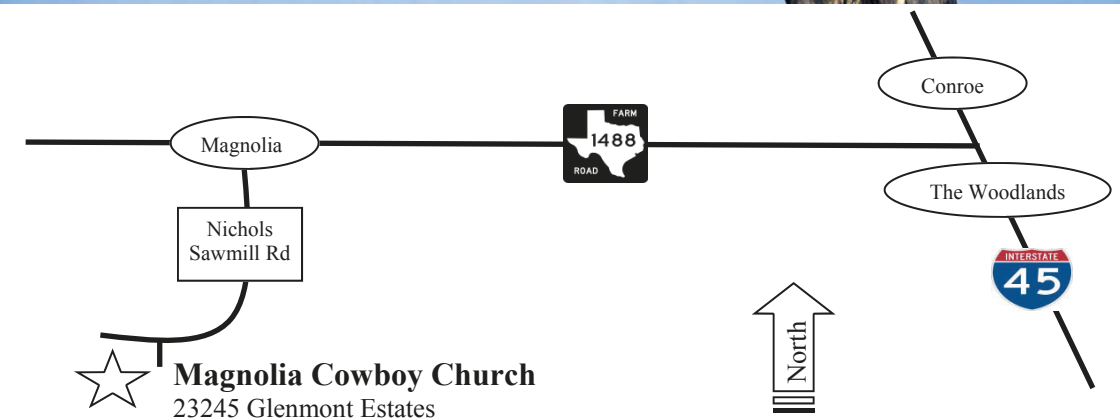
**Devotional Led By:
 Jerry Bontrager**

**\$5 Lunch
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**Annual
 Celebration**

**October 16
 Magnolia Cowboy Church
 23245 Glenmont Estates
 5:30 Chuck Wagon Feed
 6:30 Celebration Service**



UNITED KINGDOM MISSION TRIPS 2012

Tryon Evergreen Baptist Association

United Kingdom AWARENESS Visit-2012

March 22 — 28 ~ \$1590* per person (double occupancy)

The Awareness Visit will assist pastors and mission leaders in understanding the missional opportunities that are part of working with the churches of the Northern Baptist Association and the East Midlands Baptist Association. You will visit churches where you will learn about their needs, ways your church can get involved, the strategy of your church being part of a mission partnership, a general understanding of leading a mission trip to the U.K., and develop an understanding of the cultural realities of ministering within the United Kingdom. You will also spend two days in London prior to your return flight. Furthermore, learn about bringing teams to be part of the 2012 Olympics which will be hosted in London in August 2012.

***Includes airfare, train, rail transfers, hotel (double occupancy) and some meals.** Participants will be responsible for all other expenses including providing their own passport, incidentals, meals in transit, and while in London.

BONUS Feature in March Awareness Visit 2012 Olympics

You will learn about bringing teams to be part of the August 2012 Olympics in London.

You will also be given the option to see the housing venue.

United Kingdom MISSION Trip~Church Focus

July 20 — 30 ~ \$1790* per person (double occupancy)

You will serve in the churches which are part of the Northern Baptist Association and the East Midlands Baptist Association. You will be part of teams which will provide VBS, Prayer Walk, Holiday at Home Clubs, Cultural Connections, Gardening, Construction, Servant Evangelism, Community Outreach, Training Events and other types of Missional Activities based upon church needs and your interests.

***Includes airfare, train, rail transfers, hotel (double occupancy) and some meals.** Participants will be responsible for all other expenses including providing their own passport, incidentals, and meals in transit.

United Kingdom OLYMPICS 2012

July 23 — August 3 ~ \$2390* per person (includes double occupancy)

Working with the International Mission Board the **Olympic Mission Trip** is designed for individuals or teams who want to be part of ministering to the crowds who will be part of the London Games. Teams will be staying at the High Leigh Conference Centre (www.cct.org.uk/smartweb/high-leigh/introduction) approximately 30 minutes from London.

***Includes airfare, train, rail transfers, hotel (double occupancy) and 2 meals a day at the Conference Centre.** Participants will be responsible for all other expenses including providing their own passport, incidentals, evening meals and meals in transit.

WHAT TO DO NOW

For a brochure that gives more information regarding the UK Mission Trips you can find them at www.teba.org or you may contact Barbara Lambert at the TEBA Office at 936-856-2001 or email her at barbaral@teba.org.

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